

## Public Presentation – Terrace Campus

November 25th, 2015 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

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# “Eight Thousand Kilometres in a Year: The Slow Way”

On a layover in an airport in 2012, we started half-joking, half-daydreaming about taking time off to have a big adventure together as a family. Before having kids, we had traveled quite a lot together, and had especially loved our bicycle tours. Since starting a family, our travels became mainly centred around seeing one set of grandparents or the other, and our adventures became shorter and much closer to home, although they were exciting nonetheless! Inviting passing cyclists to stay in our home through warmshowers.org and commuting to school and work by bicycle kept our minds in the bike touring world, and eventually the time seemed to be as good as any to set off on our own tour. We left Terrace in June of 2014 and spent the next year out in the world with everything we needed (including our two kids, aged 3 and 5 at the time) attached to our bicycles. We were loaded down, we stopped often, and we didn't travel very far each day. However, we had the time of our lives and learned some important lessons about ourselves, our world, and the wonderful people in it.

In this presentation, we'll talk a bit about planning and executing a trip like this, we'll show photos from our trip including the sections in Europe, South America, and the Pacific Coast of the US, and we'll tell stories from the road.

Come by bicycle if you're able!



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