HEROIC GENEROSITY

Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

"But who aim I and who are ing people, that we should be able to give as generously as this?" Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

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NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER APRIL 3 - APRIL 10, 2020

PRAISE + PRAYER:

There are so many ways to worship God and practice our faith thru praise and prayer. Here are just a few items we can focus on today:

> Praise God for how His people - the church are being "essential" to our communities in new ways while still practicing wise physical distancing. Praise the Lord for how He is answering prayers and opening doors to His love and grace.

> Pray for our students as they adjust to the new daily rhythms of learning from home. Pray for school administrators and teachers who are also adjusting to new rhythms and expectations for how they can help students from home.

> Pray for Colleen - one of our KCA Jr Kindergarten moms and her young daughter Charlotte. Colleen works in a hospital seeing COVID-19 patients daily and is working hard to juggle new stresses while Charlotte is not in school including driving 1.5 hours each way to take Charlotte to her sisters home for daycare.

> Continue praying for Dave Jordan when he's driving a truck hauling food and other essential items. Pray for health as he shares a truck with others and for safety on the road.

> Pray for those who are ill and worried. Pray for wisdom and peace. Pray for those who are in self-isolation or are elderly and isolated from family or friends at this time. Pray for insights as to how to be the church in *"just such a time as this."*

> Continue praying for our sister church - Eucharist Church of Hamilton

> Doug Bowker serves as the Executive Director of Grace Village - a seniors home in Sherbrooke, QC. Please pray for the residents there who are feeling isolated from family and friends due to the no visitor policy at this time.

> Please continue asking God to heal and touch Martha Lawson's brother Jonathan's body as he struggles with postconcussion symptoms and also his heart with His love.

> Continue praying for our healthcare workers - Nurses, Doctors, First Responders. Charissa and Mark Redlich and Judi Guaragna remain heavily involved: Charissa and Judi leading as nurses and Mark leading in the Peel Region emergency response. Please remember them and their families during this stressful time at work and when they return home.

> Pray for our national and local government leaders as they listen and for wisdom in making decisions. Pray for Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson and Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown and their families.

> Praise the Lord for His provision to the ministry of Regeneration Outreach in Brampton. Within a very short time and in the face of significant resource challenges they set up a food bank and continue to meet the daily needs of our most vulnerable community members.

> Pray for Reta Campbell as she ministers in her community in Jamaica in the midst of the COVID-19. Pray for others serving on mission in countries that are struggling during this global health crisis. Check out the GO page on our website for info on some of our global missionaries.

When you have an item for praise or prayer or become aware of items that we as a community can join together with in praise and prayer - please contact <u>Melanie</u> in the church office and let her know or <u>you can click here to share a praise or</u> <u>prayer request from our church website</u>



THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING!

When Jesus said He would "build" His church we know He didn't mean with bricks, mortar and steel. The church is a people who ... rather than simply a place where. We are not limited to a building. While technology has it's limitations - it's helping us gather, stay connected, support and encourage each other. We were intended to be in community as family.

We feel the need for that community connection more acutely in these days. As church family we want to ensure no one feels isolated or alone even as we wisely practice physical distancing. During this season when we're not able to gather under the same *physical roof* - we're excited to gather under a *digital roof* thru our phones, computers and TV's!

Sunday mornings at 10:30 we're joining together online to worship God - continuing to encourage and live out His love in practical ways as good neighbours in our communities.

Our gathering "place" again this week is our NRCC TOGETHER page! It gives us the opportunity to be together from our own living rooms around our city to connect, sing, pray, chat and engage together!

You can head there and check out the interface anytime. If you're new to that - check out the info on the next page for some basic how to's in order to take advantage of our online time together. We go live on Sunday morning at 10:30. So stay in your PJ's if you want, grab some coffee, gather your fam, and click the button below and be NRCC Together!



There are also other ways to stay connected as the NRCC family throughout the week - like Instagram and Facebook too. If you're not already connected on those social media platforms - just click here to head over to our website where those links are posted to help you connect.



THE GENEROSITY FACTOR

The Generosity Factor is an excellent read for the Lent season and is written as a modern day parable that demonstrates the virtues of generosity. Available on Amazon.



HEROIC GENEROSITY CHALLENGE!

Our 40 Day Heroic Generosity Challenge has encouraged us to live out God's love in practical ways. In our current COVID-19 situation today, more than ever, we're going to have to be creative to offer an act of generosity. So be imaginative. Be kind. Be the church. Continue to be safe, continue to be generous. Thanks to our friends at 40acts - each day we're posting different ideas/actions on Instagram and on our web site to help us live generously! All you need to do is follow NRCCLIVEOUTLOVE on Instagram to get the daily update!

QUICK GUIDE TO OUR "NRCC TOGETHER" INTERFACE

Many feel like they're "drinking from the firehose" in terms of all the technology learning they're doing in the past few days in order to video chat and connect online. Here's some info to help you get comfortable with what our new online portal looks like and how you can use it to connect and engage!

In your browser type <u>online.nashvilleroad.ca</u> Once you're there you'll see the MAIN INTERFACE



THE MAIN INTERFACE HAS 3 PARTS:

- A) THE TITLE BAR which has helpful links to our website, our social media, a connection card and online giving
- B) THE MAIN VIEWSCREEN which is how you'll view things once we go live
- C) THE RESOURCE WINDOW which is how you can engage using a built in bible and public chat TABS.

We aren't live until 10:30 Sunday morning so the main viewscreen might be black depending on when you arrive.

You can check out the links in the TITLE BAR and the online Bible in the RESOURCE window anytime regardless of whether we're live or not. The public chat feature will become available in the RESOURCE window a few minutes before 10:30 each Sunday morning. You'll see the CHAT TAB appear in the resource window at that point and it will remain available until about 30 minutes after we're finished each Sunday so you can stay and chat as you might if we were in the building on a Sunday. *Just remember the interface can't provide coffee or Gail's amazing cookies though!*

AT 10:30: The MAIN VIEWSCREEN will come on and we're together! You should then see something like this:



At that point please click the UNMUTE button on the MAIN VIEWSCREEN in order to hear! You can continue to engage using the Public Chat and Bible features - just click their respective TABS in the RESOURCE window.

D) LIVE PRAYER:

During the live gathering you'll notice **D** a button that enables anyone to request LIVE PRAYER. Live Prayer is private and not public. Once you click LIVE PRAYER another tab **E** will open in the RESOURCE WINDOW that only you will be able to see. If you click that tab you can then chat privately with the host in order to share your request and that chat will not be viewed publicly onscreen by anyone else.

We look forward to engaging together! If you are having difficulty connecting - please contact us and we'll help!

NRCCONLINEGIVING



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The heart of Nashville Road Community Church has always been to show the hope found in Jesus by living out His love to everyone. Generosity is an act of worship that expresses our gratitude, faith and love for others. We are grateful for how God provides for Nashville Road through your generosity of time, talent and finances!

As a church we offer ourselves to serve, and there is never pressure or expectation to give, however we know that it's natural to want to give to a church when you can see how your gifts are being used to benefit the community you live in, so we want to make it easy for you to be generous, should you choose to support the mission of NRCC financially.

We now have the ability to give financial offerings thru a partnership with <u>Tithe.ly</u> - an organization recommended by our CBOQ denomination. There are two new ways to give your offering in addition to regular envelopes:



Mobile Giving

You have the option to give from your mobile device via Tithe.ly. Just download the Tithe.ly app for <u>iPhone / iPad</u> or for <u>Android</u>



Online Giving

You can give directly from this link to Tithe.ly You also have the option of setting up an automatic recurring gift if you prefer.



Envelope Giving

We have personalized offering envelopes available at the NRCC building.

During this season while we aren't gathering at the building you can still mail an envelope to the church building address.

<u>Click here to go to the GIVE page on our website</u> for more details, links and a helpful "how-to" video.



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