



Summer is here!

NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 4, 2020



A MOVIE, A BIG SCREEN AND THE GREAT OUTDOORS! SUNDAY / AUGUST 30 / 8-11PM / NRCC BACKYARD LAWN

Bring a blanket and spread out under a setting sun in the great outdoors as we spend a Sunday evening with friends, family and a movie on the big screen on our backyard lawn at the NRCC building!

It starts at 8pm and we'll wait for the sun to set and enjoy TOY STORY 4 together! So invite some friends and bring along some snacks to enjoy for the movie (and maybe some bug spray!) And get ready to enjoy a great summer evening together!

PLEASE NOTE: Although we will be outside we will follow and respect municipal, regional and provincial health recommendations on public gatherings in order to provide a safe and comfortable experience for everyone. This event will be **weather permitting** and we'll keep you posted on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) if the weather looks inclement and there is a need to cancel/reschedule.



POST-SECONDARY STUDENT PRAYER CARDS

We want to practice family support to our students who have entering or returning to post secondary studies this fall and are making the adjustment to a new chapter in their lives in a very different environment than they envisioned. If you're a parent of a student in post-secondary studies - we're making prayer cards available so the NRCC family can join you in praying for them. If you would like us to make a prayer card for your student - all you need to do is [email Dean](#) the following:

- > A picture for the card
- > The Post-Secondary institution they are attending
- > Prayer needs you'd like to include

RETURN TO IN-PERSON SUNDAY GATHERINGS UPDATE:

We've changed the date for our first Sunday gathering from September 13th to **September 20th** We feel this wise to stagger our return and give another week for our Daycare and KCA to implement, evaluate and have time to make any necessary changes to their physical distancing protocols once they return to the building on September 8th without also having to adapt to what NRCC would need to do for a Sunday. We'll continue to communicate more specifics in the next couple of weeks as to what our plans and procedure details will be surrounding that morning.

CELEBRATE FAMILY HAPPENINGS!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Kelly Martin who celebrates her birthday on September 1st

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Gwen Noble who celebrates her birthday on September 2nd



PRAISE + PRAYER:

Here are just a few items we can focus on today to help express our faith in praise and prayer:

> Pray for parents who are seeking wisdom about the decision for in-class or at-home education for their kids in the fall. Pray for teachers and administrators as they prepare for the return to school. Pray for students who are preparing for the beginning of their post-secondary education.

> Pray for Reta Campbell's son Chester and his family as they continue to recover from the devastating fire that destroyed his business. Praise the Lord that no one was injured.

> [Eucharist Church](#) is our "sister church." Please pray for the body in Hamilton as they minister to their community in the midst of the pandemic.

> Imani's Place is awaiting the response on their grant application. Continue praying for a full-time dedicated qualified Christian "House Mother" [Please check out their website for details on their fundraising initiatives!](#)

> Continue praying for Chloe - Ava Cook's young friend who has had a recurrence of cancer. Pray for Ava and the Cook's as they show love and care for Chloe and her family as they walk alongside them.

> Continue to ask God for His wisdom and for humility to respond as a community with God's justice to eradicate racial injustice. Please continue praying for our Black brothers and sisters - as last Sunday showed again another horrific example of injustice with the shooting of Jacob Blake in the US.

> Pam's Vander Kooi's mother-in-law, Nancy begins radiation treatment shortly. Pam was a teacher at KCA for many years.

> Pray for LeeAnn Major our KCA Principal as she prepares for the restart of school including reopening the Daycare and welcoming new staff and all the new protocols for student distancing.

> Remember our Healthcare Workers - Nurses and Doctors and our First Responders - Fire, Police and Ambulance. Charissa Redlich, Janet Body and Judi Guaragna in healthcare. Mark Redlich serves with the Region of Peel. Dave Jordan is involved in essential services driving a transport truck to help keep essential goods flowing.

> Continue praying for all areas of our government as they evaluate and seek wisdom to make ongoing decisions for our country, provinces and communities. Please remember Premier Doug Ford and his family.

> Pray for those serving on mission globally right now:

> Pierre & Sharon Roux in Beaufort West > John & Jacky Taylor in the Ukraine

> Brian & Carol Foutz in Manila > Brent & Lynn Austring with North American Indigenous Ministries

> Joe & Loredana Antignani in Italy

When you have an item for praise or prayer to share with our Nashville Road family - please contact [Melanie](#) in the church office and let her know or [you can click here to share a praise or prayer request from our church website](#)



FUN IN THE SUN PICS!

It's been great to see the pics of the NRCC family playing, swimming, hiking, creating and having fun this Summer in some way! Those pics helped us feel a bit more connected! Next week will be the last week so if you've got a pic - please send it to [Dean](#) and we'll use them next Sunday - so submit them on or before **SEPTEMBER 4th** so we can include them in our online gathering on September 6th



JUSTICE AND EQUALITY RESOURCES TO CONSIDER:

As Christians we are members of one spiritual family, pursuing one God, redeemed and rescued by one Savior. But we're also from different ethnicities and cultures, and we're influenced by a world that is marked by those divisions. What is our role as followers of Christ to Act Justly, Love Mercy and Walk Humbly with our God in authentic and helpful ways.

RightNow Media has produced another great resource on the subject of Race and the Gospel. Check out that resource by [clicking here.](#)



SHARING OUR OFFERING

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 has provided for Nashville Road through your generosity during this season of COVID and our inability to gather in person.

We want to make it easy for you to be generous, should you choose to support the mission of NRCC financially.

Check out [the GIVE tab on the NRCC website](#) for info on the options for giving online as well as thru regular envelope donations.



TOGETHER!

Nashville Road is a people who ... are family! Our desire has been to practice being family and ensure no one feels isolated or alone even as we wisely practice physical distancing. As we work towards a return to in-person gatherings under the same physical roof - we'll continue to gather at 10:30 Sunday mornings under a *digital roof* thru our phones, computers and TV's!

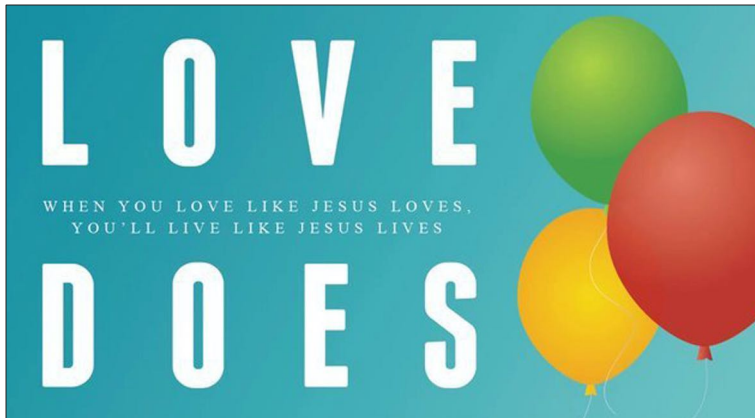
Our gathering "place" is our NRCC TOGETHER space that gives us the opportunity to engage together from our own living rooms around our city and connect, sing, pray, chat and encourage one another to live out God's love as good neighbours in our communities.

If you're new to the online portal - there's no need to sign up or login to be part of the gathering and there's some basic "how-to" info on the next page 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!



GETTING READY FOR THE FALL!

For the past 4 months, we've been having bi-weekly meetings around a virtual table via Zoom to check in and encourage one another during the covid-19 pandemic. We are now taking a mini-vacation before commencing our fall program. Once those details are finalized, we'll put them in the eNews and on the website. If interested, please fill in the contact form on the website or speak with Gail Lister.



LOVE DOES SUMMER SERIES CONTINUES ON SUNDAY

We're continuing our Summer series called Love Does, with Bob Goff this week and Bob is gonna talk about not letting fear keep us from a full life of adventure in God's kingdom! We hope you're enjoying hearing him! If you haven't heard him yet or read his books - then you're in for a treat as you'll discover his whimsical way through his humorous, thought-provoking and meaningful words that make faith in God simple and real.

We'll discover the paradigm shifts, musings, and stories about Love. But not simply the kind of love that stops at thoughts and feelings. Real love takes action, just like Jesus did. *Love Does*. When Love Does, life gets interesting. Light and fun, unique and profound, the lessons drawn from Bob's life and attitude will inspire you to be secretly incredible too!



PARENTS AND KIDS TOGETHER!

With the help of RightNow Media - we're taking our KidsKonnection activities online - it's the @Home Version! If you don't have a RightNow Media account - don't worry - it's free and you can get one anytime - [just click here!](#)

So once you've got a RightNow Media account - kids can head over to our [KidsKonnection page](#) to engage and learn about Jesus together with their families!



BASIC TECH INFO FOR OUR SUNDAY ONLINE GATHERINGS

We're excited to have a space to gather together on Sunday mornings under a digital roof!

Since most of us are new to this experience - we've put some basic info on our website that will be helpful if you want to get familiar with what the interface looks like as well as the resources that are available like chat, online bible, live prayer etc.

[Just click here](#) and you can head over to our website where you can get a visual tour of the interface and other helpful info if needed.

SUNDAY CHURCH ONLINE GATHERING UPDATE:

As we continue to learn about our online church environment we want to keep you updated with info so that we can all enjoy as seamless a gathering as possible!

10:30 GATHERING STARTS:

A standard looping video will play until our Sunday video feed begins *automatically* at 10:30 with a 1 minute countdown. If for some reason the Sunday video doesn't begin automatically then clicking the *REFRESH* button should fix any lag. *Oh - and you'll also have to click the **UNMUTE** button on the main view screen to have sound!*

ARRIVING AFTER 10:30:

If you're unable to begin the gathering at 10:30 and arrive later - think about it like you're coming into the gym from the lobby at 10:40 and joining the gathering live. To do that - just hit **REFRESH** and you can join the gathering in progress - which allows you to be in sync with wherever the gathering is at that point in time. Whereas if you press play and "start" the gathering from the beginning manually at another time, say at 10:40 - then you'll be 10 minutes behind and you'll be slightly out of sync and so will your comments in the chat window.

Also if at any point you need to PAUSE then hit RERESH when you return and you'll stay in sync with the gathering in real time. We'll try to put some cues in the CHAT WINDOW as to where we are in the gathering to help keep you in sync!

WATCHING OR REWATCHING THE GATHERING AT ANOTHER TIME:

If you're unable to join us live at 10:30 and/or want to watch the gathering video later - we post that video on our Nashville Road website immediately following the end of the live gathering. You will not be able to access it from the Sunday morning location - but it can easily be accessed on the [NRCC website Online Gathering page](#).



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