

A Thrill of Hope

A WEARY WORLD REJOICES!

"Yonder Breaks a New  and Glorious Morn!"

NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER DEC 18 - DEC 25, 2020



CELEBRATING FAMILY HAPPENINGS:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Ally Rossi, Mikka Ward and Autumn Hennig who celebrated their Birthdays on Sunday December 13th!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Andrea Wilson who celebrates her Birthday on Monday December 21st!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Dave Hennig who celebrates his Birthday on Monday December 21st!

AHEAD ON THE CALENDAR:



CELEBRATING TOGETHER:

’Twas the night before Christmas and all thru the house computers, tablets and cellphones were ZOOMING about!

Maybe that’s not exactly how the poem goes but it was written way before 2020 happened! We’re excited to be able to gather on ZOOM to share some Christmas cheer together as a larger Nashville Road body on Christmas Eve! We’ll keep the gathering short and interactive as we chat, share and celebrate when love came to earth!

[CLICK HERE TO REQUEST THE SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EVE ZOOM LINK](#)

OPPORTUNITIES TO LIVE OUT THE LOVE OF GOD:



SHARING CHRISTMAS:

In Acts 4 we read that God’s grace was so powerfully at work in the people of Jesus, that they shared everything they had” so that there were no needy persons among them.” When God’s grace flows - needs are met!

We’re receiving our special offering to help share what we have to help meet some acute needs in our community. Please pray and prepare to give as God’s Spirit prompts you.

If you’re using [ONLINE GIVING](#) - in the “To” dropdown menu you’ll see the opportunity to select BenEVOlent Fund from December 14th until the 21st in addition to the regular General Fund. For those who wish to give by mail or bringing an envelope to the building - please indicate on your envelope that it is a gift for the Benevolent fund.



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR:

The Christmas season can be a difficult time for many - especially those living on a tight budget and even more so during the pandemic. Many of our community are experiencing food insecurity.

So here's a fun way to count down the days to Christmas and make a difference! Normally an Advent Calendar involves removing a small gift but a Reverse Advent Calendar is about putting in a non-perishable food item for each day until December 24th and then taking your box to a local food bank like The Exchange or Regeneration!



YAY KCA!

The families of KCA recently held a Food Drive to support the families of Madoc Drive Public School in Brampton and they did an AWESOME job! Tons of food was donated and we were able to deliver 2 van loads of goodness to Madoc on Wednesday!

Thank you to each student, family, class and teacher who gave and helped put love into action for many needy families at Christmas and beyond!

SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING INFORMATION:



SUNDAY MORNING ONLINE GATHERINGS:

ONLINE:

We use ZOOM for our Sunday online gatherings. In order to be part of the gathering you'll need the ZOOM link - [CLICK HERE](#) and we'll send it to you via email.

Please keep the link because once you receive the ZOOM link - it can be reused each Sunday morning without the need to request it again.

Looking forward to gathering as a body on Sunday!

KIDS+PARENTS GROWING TOGETHER:

We look forward to our Kid's Konnection Moments in our Sunday morning gatherings! Charissa is awesome!

You can connect to the online videos each week using RightNow Media. If you don't have an account don't worry - it's free and you can get one anytime - [JUST CLICK HERE!](#)

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!



COMMUNION THIS SUNDAY MORNING:

As part of our gathering this Sunday we'll be celebrating Communion. If you are joining the live feed on ZOOM and would like to participate together in communion please prepare some bread and drink for that portion of our gathering.



VIDEO YOURSELF SINGING / LIP SYNCING A CHRISTMAS SONG!

Buddy the Elf said the best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear! We're know you're just bursting for an opportunity to share your Christmas joy!

So pick your favourite Christmas carol or Christmas song then video yourself and your fam either singing or lip syncing to it! Then send it to [DEAN](#) and we'll show it at the beginning of our Sunday gathering! We're looking for some more NRCC talent to display and help us celebrate the most wonderful time of year!



SHARE THOSE FUNNY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS!

They're wacky, creative, probably a little weird but definitely funny and unique ... but never ugly!

So break out your *Funny Christmas Sweaters* from their top secret storage containers, take a pic as you wear them with joy and send it to [DEAN](#) and we'll spread that joy by share them with the Nashville Road family at the beginning of our Sunday Morning gatherings in the next couple of week's before Christmas!

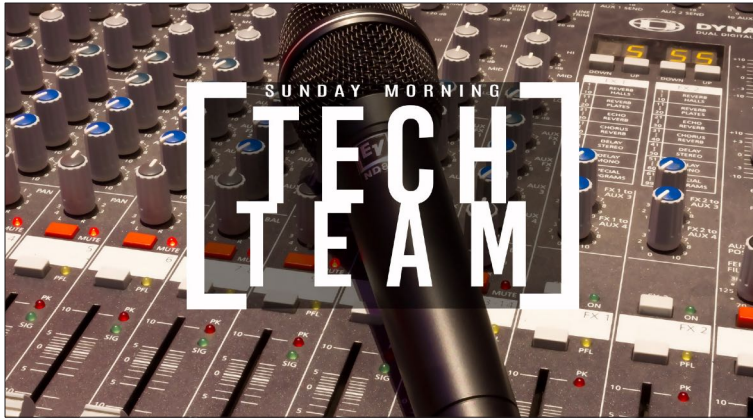
PRAISE + PRAYER ITEMS:

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

- > Praise the Lord for KCA and their food drive to support Madoc Drive Public School in Brampton! 2 van loads of food were donated and delivered to Madoc on Wednesday to support that school community!
- > Praise the Lord for the development and approval of a COVID-19 vaccine! Please continue praying for the wise distribution of it throughout our world, country and communities as it becomes available.
- > Continue praying for Ava Cook's friend Chloe as she continues her cancer treatment which is working and she is working toward coming back to school in January!
- > Praise the Lord - Hugh Maguire (LeeAnn Major's father) is doing much better after an infection! Continue praying for LeeAnn and Chris as they care for Hugh and Marietta.
- > Pray for Eucharist Church in Hamilton and CONNECT Church in Bolton as they minister in the midst of ongoing needs during the Christmas season.
- > Pray for Reta Campbell is in Richmond, Jamaica as she and the Richmond Outreach Community Ministries (ROCMIn) stack hands to love and serve the community there in practical ways.
- > Please pray for teachers and students in our community for peace and rest when they have time away from school during the holidays. Pray for our KCA Principal LeeAnn and our teachers over the holiday break.
- > Pray for Lisa Ogbole as she gives leadership to Imani's Place. Pray also for peace for the young ladies there.
- > Continue praying for Martha Lawson's brother Jon and his battle with concussion symptoms, anger and oppression. Pray also for Martha and her family as they try to help. Pray also for a settlement with Jon's employer who has not given him any long term disability compensation.
- > Pray for those in our community who are approaching this Christmas and cannot be with loved ones because of COVID restrictions. Pray for eyes to see and ways to bring God's love near during this season.
- > Continue praying for Dean Kennedy's father Brian, as he begins radiation and chemo treatment for lung cancer.
- > Please continue praying for our Black brothers and sisters and for how Nashville Road can be ambassadors of God's kingdom bringing His peace and justice near and eradicating racial injustice.
- > Pray for those serving in Healthcare - Nurses and Doctors and our First Responders - Fire, Police and Ambulance. Charissa Redlich, Janet Body and Judi Guaragna in healthcare. Mark Redlich serving with the Region of Peel. Dave Jordan - involved in essential services driving a transport truck to help keep essential goods flowing.
- > Remember the people in leadership at various levels of our federal and local government in prayer - asking for wisdom and clarity as they continue to make decisions regarding the ongoing COVID-19 situation in our country and local communities.
- > Pray for Olu & Jennifer Jegede who serve the Jane & Finch community thru Inner City Outreach Foundation
- > Pray for Brian and Carol Foutz serving in Manila, Philippines in the midst of huge challenges heightened by the pandemic.

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](#)

WAYS TO CONNECT + SERVE:



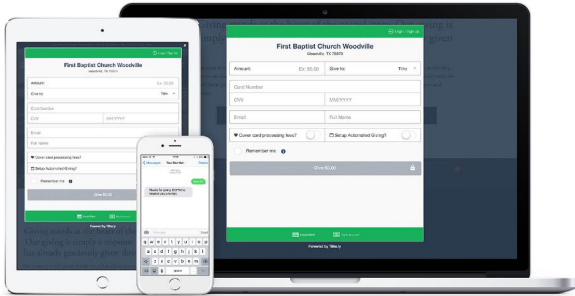
LOOKING FOR SOME TECH TEAMMATES!

Our Tech Team help us connect audibly and visually both in-person and online! Now more than ever as a result beginning our online gatherings - we need you to unleash your serve!

If you're into the techy side of things - or you're willing to learn then we've got the team for you!

Just send [MELANIE](#) an email to let her know you're interested.

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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 our 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!

Should you choose to support the mission of NRCC financially - you can click the GIVE tab on the NRCC website for options to give online or thru regular envelope donations which can be mailed to the church building while we are not meeting in-person.

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Sunday Morning Online



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GETTING COMFORTABLE WITH ZOOM:

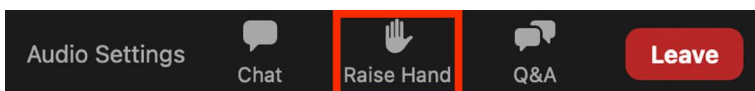
One of the reasons we use ZOOM for our Sunday Morning Gatherings is that it allows us to connect and engage almost as if we were in the same physical room! If you're unfamiliar with how ZOOM works here's some info we hope will help you use the ZOOM functions to engage together when we gather!

TO TALK DURING THE GATHERING:

If you'd like to participate by sharing in the gathering during the prayer time or in dialogue by speaking then you'll need to use the "Raise Hand" and "Unmute" features. Those steps depend on what device you're using and images may differ:

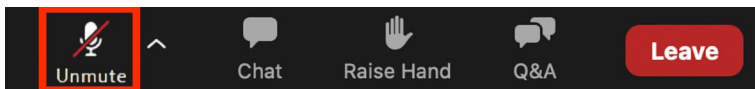
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> At the bottom of the window, click the button labeled "RAISE HAND"

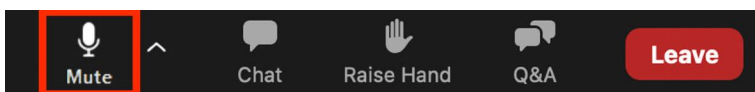


> Your "digital hand" is now raised to let us know you'd like to share.

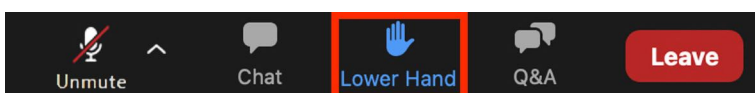
> The host will let you know when it's your turn to share - then you'll need to UNMUTE your microphone. To do that you can click the button at the bottom left of your screen when it says UNMUTE and then you can begin sharing



> When you're finished sharing - you can MUTE your microphone again



> Don't forget to click the button that says "LOWER HAND" ... otherwise your digital hand will get tired!



TO CHAT WITH THE HOST USING A DESKTOP COMPUTER:

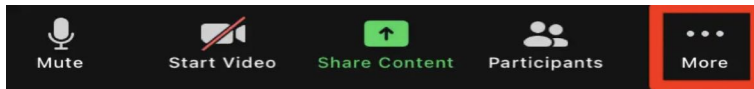
The CHAT feature is available to use if you'd prefer to engage that way and you access that by clicking the CHAT icon and typing in the chat window on the right hand side of your screen.

TO CHAT WITH THE HOST USING A TABLET OR PHONE:

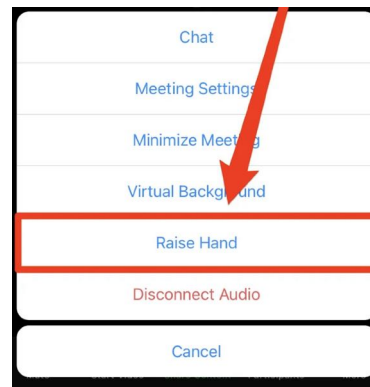
Tap the 3 horizontal dots labelled MORE and then tap CHAT on the pop up menu

IF YOU'RE USING A TABLET OR A PHONE:

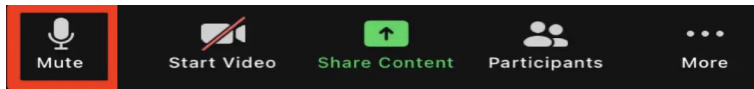
> In the bottom right corner of your screen - tap on the 3 horizontal dots labelled MORE



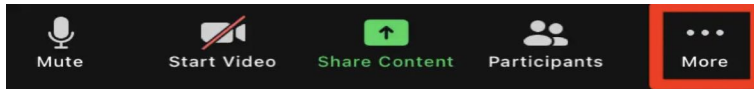
> In the pop up menu - tap "RAISE HAND" and that will raise your "digital hand" to let us know you'd like to share.



> The host will let you know when it's your turn to share - then you'll need to UNMUTE your microphone and you do that by clicking the UNMUTE icon in the lower left corner



> After sharing - tap the 3 horizontal dots labelled MORE and then tap the words LOWER HAND ... or your digital hand will get tired!



> You can then MUTE your microphone by tapping the MUTE icon in the lower left corner

