

A Thrill of Hope

A WEARY WORLD REJOICES!

"Yonder Breaks a New  and Glorious Morn!"

NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER DEC 4 - DEC 11, 2020

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 answered prayer for Ava Cook's friend Chloe! Her cancer treatment is working and she is recovering well - she is probably coming back to school in January! Continue praying!
- > Praise the Lord - Reta Campbell is in Richmond, Jamaica! Please pray for her and the Richmond Outreach Community Ministries (ROCMIn) as they stack hands to love and serve the community there in practical ways.
- > Continue praying for Hugh Maguirre (LeeAnn Major's father) for a return of his strength and mobility after an infection. Pray for LeeAnn and Chris as they care for Hugh and Marietta.
- > Please pray for teachers and students in our community as they finish up the next few weeks before Christmas. Pray for peace and rest when they have time away from school during the holidays.
- > Pray for our KCA Principal LeeAnn and our teachers as the fire has caused a disruption as KELC and KCA had to suspend the use of the building for the last 2 weeks during clean up and sanitizing as a result of the smoke. KELC is scheduled to re-open on Friday December 4th and KCA on Monday December 7th. Pray also for wisdom for next steps of the financial considerations regarding insurance claims.
- > Please continue praying for financial support, rest and discernment for Lisa Ogbale and peace for the young ladies at Imani's Place.
- > Please 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.
- > Please pray for Brian Kennedy (Dean's father) as he prepares for lung cancer treatment.
- > Please continue praying for our Black brothers and sisters and for God to lead His people as a community to unity with wisdom and humility, bringing God's kingdom with God's justice near and eradicating racial injustice.
- > Continue to 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.
- > 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 Joe and Loredana Antignani serving on Mission in Italy as their country is on partial lockdown again due to increasing COVID cases and they are unable to leave their town to attend worship gatherings.
- > Pray for Pierre and Sharon Roux serving in Beaufort West, Africa 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](#)



CELEBRATING FAMILY HAPPENINGS:

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Charlene & Michael Cook who celebrated their Anniversary on December 1st!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Julian Boynton who is celebrating his 11th birthday on Monday December 7th!

WELCOME to Andrea Wilson who was affirmed to serve as an elder as part of our Annual General Meeting last Sunday! Nashville Road is blessed!

UPCOMING EVENTS + ACTIVITIES:



CONNECTING + GROWING:

TUESDAY / DEC 8 / 7PM / ZOOM

The ladies of Women's Connect and Grow are reflecting on their thought life as they discuss a 6 session teaching by Jennie Allen called 'Get Out of Your Head'.

For this season we're unable to meet in person but there's plenty of room around the digital table via ZOOM! Please let us know you'd like to attend and we'll send you the ZOOM information by [CLICKING HERE](#)

COVID-19 AND IN-PERSON GATHERINGS UPDATE:

As a result of the Ontario health regulations unveiled November 20th for the Region of Peel that limit indoor Worship Gatherings to 10 people - effective **Sunday November 29th** our Sunday morning gatherings will move to **online only**. We will continue to monitor the recommendations of our government and health leaders and when those regulations change, enabling us to wisely and safely meet again in person - we will look forward to doing that and we'll communicate those changes with the Nashville Road body. Until then we're grateful we can gather online as family to worship, connect and encourage as one in spirit and purpose!

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!



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 and 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!

FUNNY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS UNITE!



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!

OPPORTUNITIES TO LIVE OUT THE LOVE OF GOD:



EXPRESSING COMPASSION:

We're partnering with Compassion Canada for the *We Rise As One* campaign to help meet the additional crisis needs for families in the Philippines during this COVID pandemic. Compassion is equipping local churches there, to provide immediate relief to the most vulnerable communities through urgent provision of critical needs like:

> Food kits with rice, eggs, meat, milk and non-perishables > Medical care > Housing support - rent relief > Hygiene supplies like sanitizer, soap, vitamins and supplements, household cleaning supplies and protective masks

If you would like to contribute - please check out our [WE RISE AS ONE FUNDRAISING PAGE](#)



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!



SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY:

We're all working to pull together during this challenging season. To emerge with our communities strong and intact, we need to ensure that what makes them unique and special — the local businesses — are able to stay afloat.

When you need to place an order for a service, supplies or perhaps a takeout meal - please consider supporting local businesses and restaurants where it's possible. You could even purchase their gift cards to bless others. Then consider giving that business a shout out on social media to let others know too!

WAYS TO CONNECT + SERVE:



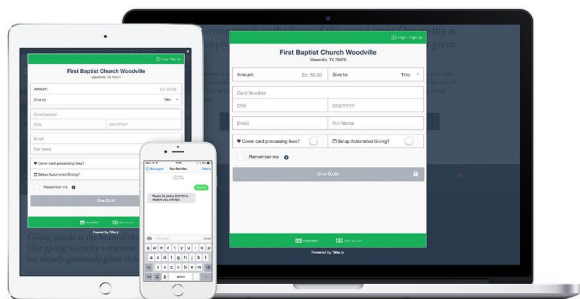
LOOKING FOR SOME TECH TEAMMATES!

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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