



Happy
NEW YEAR

LIGHT IS SWEET: HOW PLEASANT TO SEE A NEW DAY DAWNING
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NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER JAN 1 - JAN 8, 2021



LOOKING BACK WITH

THANKS



SO WE CAN LOOK AHEAD WITH HOPE

THIS WEEK'S SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING:

Charles Dickens encourages us to “reflect upon your present blessings of which everyone has many - not on your past misfortunes, of which all people have some” and this Sunday during our gathering we’d like to enter 2021 with thanksgiving as we reflect on the goodness of God in the midst of an extremely challenging 2020.

How have you been blessed this year by God? How have you seen His love, grace and faithfulness lavished on you as you reflect on 2020? During our online gathering we’re going to share and listen to one another as we praise God by tuning our hearts and minds towards seeing His continued work in us. So - take a few moments during this week to reflect and write some thoughts down to share by raising your “digital hand” or using the chat feature when we gather online Sunday morning! Can’t wait to hear!



SUNDAY MORNINGS

Together!



ONLINE

SUNDAY MORNING ONLINE GATHERINGS:

ONLINE:

We continue to meet *online only* until our local health regulations allow us to meet wisely and safely in-person. We’re thankful we can 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.

For some ZOOM pointers - check out the last page of this week’s eNews.

Looking forward to gathering as a body on Sunday!



Kids! KONNECTION!

@HOME VERSION

KIDS+PARENTS/GUARDIANS 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 she mentions 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!

AHEAD ON THE CALENDAR:



WOMEN'S CONNECT+GROW: TUESDAY / JANUARY 19 / 7PM / ZOOM

We're "connecting" again in 2021! 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'. We're beginning our bi-weekly gathering again online at 7pm. There's always room around the "digital table" for you to connect!

In order to receive the ZOOM link or for more info please let Gail know by [CLICKING HERE](#).

OPPORTUNITIES TO LIVE OUT THE LOVE OF GOD:



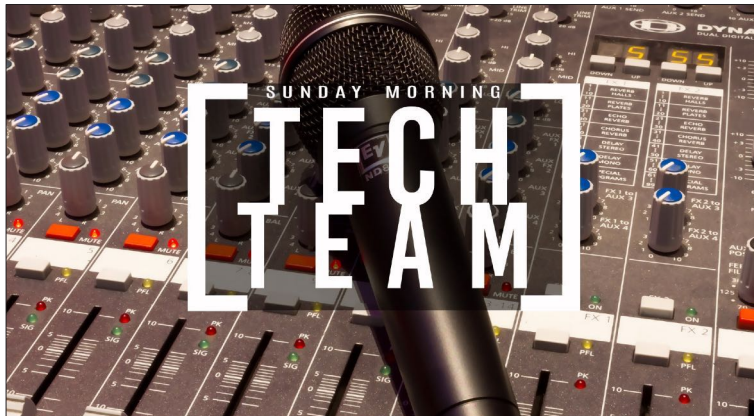
COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR: SATURDAY / FEBRUARY 20 / VIRTUAL WALK

The Coldest Night of the Year is a covid-safe, family-friendly walk to raise money for charities serving people experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger.

This year Nashville Road is walking for Regeneration Outreach Community in Brampton and/or Caledon Community Services in Bolton. Both these locations are hosting **virtual only walks** which means you can walk - individually, or in team bubbles - anytime in February on your own routes close to home!

Check out info for this years walk [HERE](#) and stay tuned for more details.

WAYS TO CONNECT + SERVE:



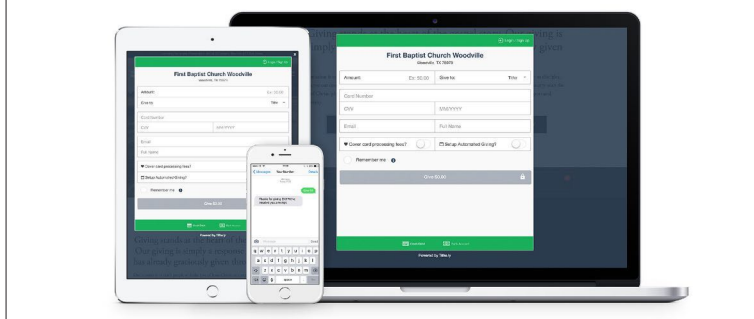
LOOKING FOR SOME TECH TEAMMATES!

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 people to join our Tech Team and 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.

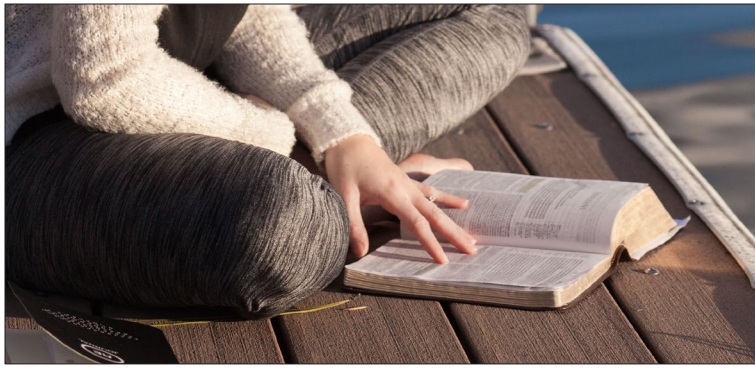
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SHARING OUR OFFERING:

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.



LOOKING TO READ THRU THE BIBLE IN 2021?

Reading the bible is a good and healthy rhythm of growth to develop. There are lots of great bible reading plans out there if you're looking to read thru the bible this year!

Just google "bible reading plans" or you can check out a couple of them curated on the [GROW](#) page of the Nashville Road website!



FREE BIBLE APP WITH DAILY SHORT STUDY PLANS!

The YouVersion App helps people to seek God throughout each day in ways that fit our daily rhythms, encouraging spiritually-rich rhythms of seeking God intimately! The App offers free short bible study plans on lots of topics to help us all grow!

The Bible App for Kids helps them understand the overall story that the Bible is telling too! Check out what YouVersion has to offer [HERE](#)

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 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.

> Praise the Lord for answered prayer - Ava Cook's friend Chloe has completed her cancer treatment and will be returning to school in January and will be in Ava's class! Awesome!

> What are some items of answered prayer you have experienced that you can add to your praises?

> Pray for local churches like CONNECT Church in Bolton as they begin 2021

> Pray for Reta Campbell in Richmond, Jamaica as she and the Richmond Outreach Community Ministries (ROCMIn) stack hands to love and serve the community there in practical ways. *Check out the pics and update on the next page.*

> Please pray for teachers and students returning to school online before they return to in-class. Pray for our KCA Principal LeeAnn.

> 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.

> On Monday - Dean Kennedy's father Brian, begins a 4 week regimen of 5 days of radiation and 1 chemotherapy treatment per week for lung cancer. Please pray for Brian and his wife Ruth on this journey.

> Please continue praying for our Black brothers and sisters and ask God how you can be ambassadors of God's kingdom - bringing His peace and justice to heal racial injustice.

> Pray for those serving on the frontlines of the COVID crisis. 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.

> Pray for Olu & Jennifer Jegede who serve the Jane & Finch community thru Inner City Outreach Foundation

> Pray for Dan Gibson and the ministry of Regeneration Outreach Community.

> What are some areas of need in your life that you can bring to God in faith?

It's a privilege to pray for each other. 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](#)

VISUAL GOODNESS FROM RETA IN RICHMOND JAMAICA!



A lot has been happening and with covid restrictions it seems like a lot more. On December 22nd we had our covid style children's treat. No gathering. We cooked and children (adults too) came and collected their food along with their ice cream and cake and the candy from Julian! We served over a hundred meals!

We also gave out 25 care packages to some needy persons and a some gift packages to the children who attended after school program. Pray for us as we plan for a workshop and youth get together on January 28.

We really need all those prayers as we try to make a dent into a not so easy situation. One thing we know is that we're not giving up. We know that with God all things are possible so we continue to trust Him for the way forward as we press on.

Greetings to my Nashville Road Family as we enter the New Year with confidence from the Good News of Hope from the coming of Jesus!

Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Hope you had a blessed and joyful Christmas as you celebrate with family the One who brought us Hope. May you walk into the New Year with confidence because of that Hope!

Reta

Sunday Morning Online



zoom info



GETTING COMFORTABLE WITH ZOOM:

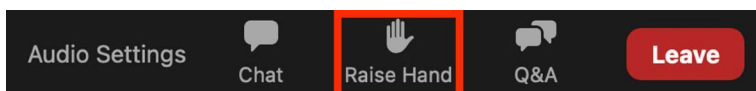
One of the reasons we use ZOOM for our Sunday Morning Gatherings is that it allows us to connect and engage almost as if we were in the same physical room! If you're unfamiliar with how ZOOM works here's some info we hope will help you use the ZOOM functions to engage together when we gather!

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:

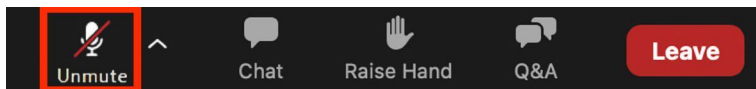
IF YOU'RE USING A DESKTOP COMPUTER:

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

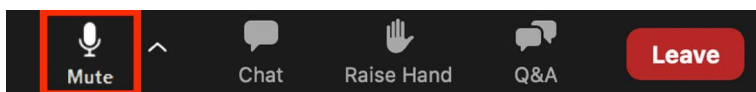


> Your "digital hand" is now raised to let us know you'd like to share.

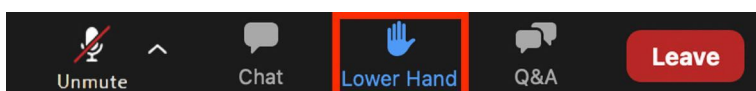
> The host will let you know when it's your turn to share - then you'll need to UNMUTE your microphone. To do that you can click the button at the bottom left of your screen when it says UNMUTE and then you can begin sharing



> 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:

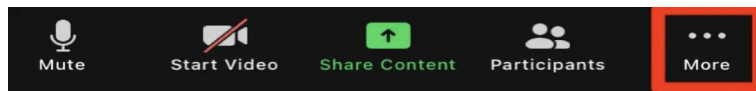
The CHAT feature is available to use if you'd prefer to engage that way and you access that by clicking the CHAT icon and typing in the chat window on the right hand side of your screen.

TO CHAT WITH THE HOST USING A TABLET OR PHONE:

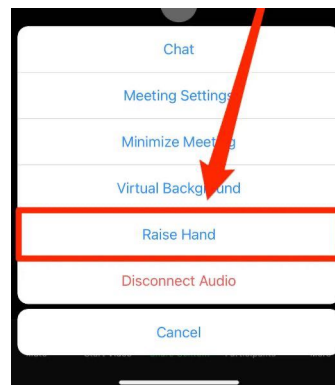
Tap the 3 horizontal dots labelled MORE and then tap CHAT on the pop up menu

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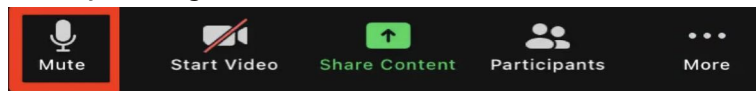
> In the bottom right corner of your screen - tap on the 3 horizontal dots labelled MORE



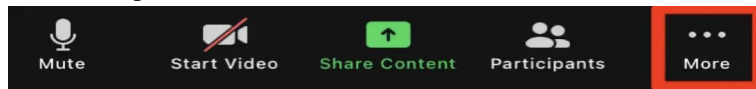
> In the pop up menu - tap "RAISE HAND" and that will raise your "digital hand" to let us know you'd like to share.



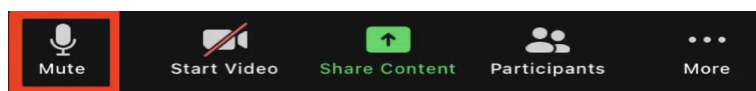
> The host will let you know when it's your turn to share - then you'll need to UNMUTE your microphone and you do that by clicking the UNMUTE icon in the lower left corner



> 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



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