

UNSHAKEABLE

TRULY HE IS MY ROCK AND MY SALVATION; HE IS MY FORTRESS, I WILL NEVER BE SHAKEN

psalm 62:2

NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER MAY 1 - MAY 8, 2020

GOD'S GRACE WAS SO POWERFULLY AT WORK IN THEM

BENEVOLENT

OFFERING

THAT THERE WERE NO NEEDY PERSONS AMONG THEM.

ACTS 4:33,34

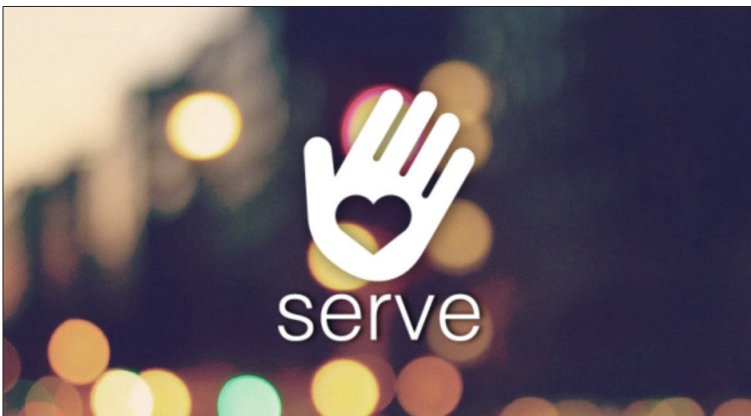
A NEW COMMUNITY - TOGETHER!

In Acts 4 we read that the people of Jesus - Christians, were *"one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had"* and that *"God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them."* (vs 32, 33)

That's what happens when we let God's grace flow from our lives - His love is lived out and needs are met. It's humanity the way God intended it - and it's also awesome!

As we've done before we're receiving a special offering that helps us share what we have to meet some significant practical needs that we're aware of during this challenging season. Please pray and prepare to give as God's Spirit prompts you.

If you are using [Online Giving](#) - in the "To" dropdown box we'll now have the opportunity to select BenEVOlent Fund from April 26th until May 4th in addition to the regular General Fund. If you would like to give towards this fund by mail - please indicate in your envelope that it is a gift for the Benevolent fund.



GROCERY DONATIONS FOR REGENERATION

We're going to gather food donations to share with Regeneration Outreach Community in Brampton once again. If you're able to donate food please let [Dean](#) know and place it in a box or bag on your doorstep by **10am on Tuesday May 5th** and we'll come around that morning and pick it up to deliver to Regeneration.

Items in high need are:

- > Cereal > Canned Brown Beans > Pancake Mix
- > Sugar > Orange or Apple Juice
- > Canned Fruit & Canned Vegetables

FAMILY HAPPENINGS!

> **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO** Luci Ward who celebrated her birthday on Thursday April 30!



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 the Lord for Imani's Place as they have 4 young ladies who are residing at the home and being cared for in incredible ways during this pandemic!
- > Todd is a colleague who works with Christine Calzato at the fire station and has asked for prayer for his mother Barbara Anne who is in critical condition in hospital.
- > Please continue praying for Bob, Janice and Lindsey Elliott for wisdom as they continue adapting to life after the fire and make decisions in the days ahead.
- > Pray for Hugh Caldwell - a friend of the Kennedy's who continues chemotherapy for a tumor on his liver before they can do surgery.
- > Please continue to remember Lee Sutherland's mother Karen as she grieves the passing of her husband and prepares to move from her home of 50 years.
- > Please pray for Marlea Burgess - she is struggling with significant back pain in the midst of an MS flare up.
- > Pray for parents who are trying to balance working from home while helping their kids with their distance learning. Continue praying for teachers who are learning how they can help students from a distance.
- > Pray for relationships that are under strain during this season - whether that be parent/child relationships in the home, marriages or relationships that are affected by self-isolation requirements.
- > Pray for those who are facing increased financial struggles as a result of loss of job or income due to the pandemic. Pray for others who are working long hours keeping their businesses running and supporting their employees.
- > Continue praying for those on the front lines during this crisis. Our essential workers like truck and bus drivers, grocery store workers and sanitation workers. Please remember our Healthcare Workers - Nurses and Doctors and our First Responders - Fire, Police and Ambulance. Charissa Redlich, Janet Body and Judi Guaragna are heavily involved on the healthcare front. Please remember them as they go to work each day and also for the stress this can put on their families. Mark Redlich continues to help lead the Peel Region's response during this crisis.
- > Continue to remember our national and local government leaders. They need God given wisdom for clarity and humility to listen as they process information and make decisions during this pandemic crisis and beyond. Pray for Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Doug Ford and their families.
- > Please continue asking God to heal and touch Martha Lawson's brother Jonathan as he struggles with post-concussion symptoms. Pray also for him to have an awareness of God's love.
- > Pray for those serving on mission globally during this health crisis:
 - > 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 or become aware of items that we as a community can join together with in praise and prayer - 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](#)



PARENTS AND KIDS TOGETHER!

We're excited to have a space where kids can learn about Jesus together with their families! 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 - head over to our [KidsKonnection page](#) to engage and be ready during our Kids Konnection moment during our Sunday morning online gathering!



GOOD CLOTHES DRYER AVAILABLE!

Dan and Yvonne Rydeen have a good used clothes dryer that they would like to give to someone who could use it. If you have that need or you know someone who might be in need of it please [contact the Rydeen's](#) and they can answer any questions. Dan and Yvonne have also offered to help to deliver it which is an awesome way to love and serve but please keep in mind they aren't able to fold your laundry afterwards though!



RECORD A SHORT MESSAGE TO BLESS MOMS!

Every one of us has been borne by a mother. Did you catch that "e" at the end of borne? The word borne means to be carried by, supported, nurtured. Things that mothers do for us. Synonyms are also endured, braved and tolerated ... also true of what mothers do for us sometimes!

We understand that Mothers come in many shapes and forms. You find them in classrooms as teachers. Some are foster, adoptive mothers, or stepmothers. Some yearn to have a child of their own, but for whatever reason cannot. Many are single and long for a family of their own. Many care for the children of others as caregivers. Some are aunts, sisters, grandmothers or friends — all willingly and selflessly helping those around them.

We're putting together a video for Mother's Day which is next Sunday (hint, hint!) and we'd love to have your voice included! You can share a favourite memory of your mom, what you love most about your mom or a simple I love you mom! Just click the mic below and record a short word of encouragement for the mom or mom's in your life!

**CLICK THE MIC
TO RECORD
YOUR MESSAGE**



IT'S TIME FOR A NEW DO!

ALERT!! It's getting time for a haircut and Dean needs a new do! You can help! Just head over to our Instagram page at [NRCCLIVEOUTLOVE](#) and screen shot the second photo and have fun with an app filter to give him an updated look!

You can DM your results to NRCCLIVEOUTLOVE or post it on our [Nashville Road group Facebook page](#) and we'll pick out the best and the winner gets a Starbucks gift card!



WOMEN'S CONNECT+GROW ONLINE GATHERING! TUESDAY / MAY 5 / 7PM / ZOOM

Ladies we're gathering online to check in, encourage and support each other and there's plenty of room around the digital table for you! To get more info or to request the Zoom room - [click here](#)



HELP & HOPE @ HOME ONLINE MINI CONFERENCE SATURDAY / MAY 2 / NOON TO 2PM / ONLINE

These are interesting days for marriages and families! All this togetherness can bring out the best — and the worst — in us. But it also brings a great opportunity to shape our relationships into something better, healthier and more full of joy. FamilyLife Canada has been hosting marriage conferences that help couples deepen their connection, learn new tools and live into God’s incredible design for marriage. In this season of physical distancing, they are holding a free online mini-conference to help!

[Click here for more details and to register!](#)



CONTINUING TOGETHER!

It’s been 6 week’s since we began our online journey! Our desire has been to practice bring family and ensure no one feels isolated or alone even as we wisely practice physical distancing. During this season though we’re not 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 continue to join together online to worship God! Our gathering “place” is our NRCC TOGETHER space! It 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.

You can check out the interface anytime. If you’re new to that - 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!

There are other ways to stay connected as the NRCC family throughout the week - like Instagram and Facebook. 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.

And if you missed gathering live at 10:30 - we’ll also post the video from that gathering there immediately afterwards.



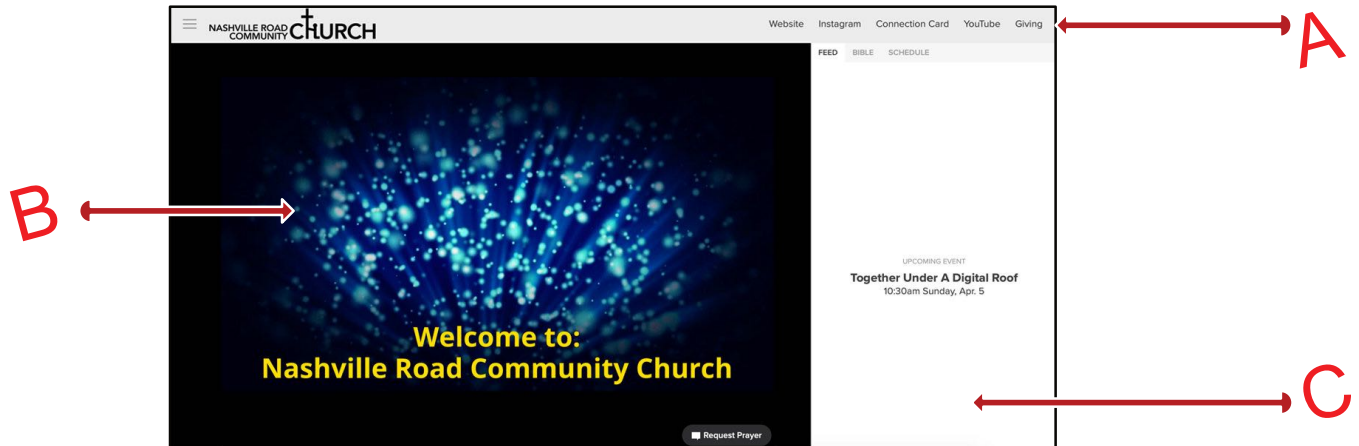
SUNDAY ONLINE TECHNICAL UPDATE:

As you probably know from time to time the internet is ... *not co-operative* and you may experience some glitches with our video and audio on Sunday mornings. Often clicking the REFRESH button will solve those issues but occasionally you might experience a difficulty seeing the video feed at all. If that happens to you - please continue to refresh the screen until you see the video. In cases of high internet volume on the platform some people may be directed automatically to a kind of “overflow room” where you’ll still be able to experience the Nashville Road gathering but the chat and live prayer features will not be available. While we don’t expect that to be a regular occurrence, we do want you to be aware just in case you do experience it.

QUICK GUIDE TO OUR “NRCC TOGETHER” INTERFACE

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 online.nashvilleroad.ca Once you’re there you’ll see the MAIN INTERFACE



THE MAIN INTERFACE HAS 3 PARTS:

- A) THE TITLE BAR** - has helpful links to our website, our social media, a connection card, Kids and online giving
- B) THE MAIN VIEWSCREEN** - is how you’ll view things once we go live
- C) THE RESOURCE WINDOW** - 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 will have a looping video 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. *Too bad the interface can’t provide Jenny & Gail’s amazing cookies though!*

AT 10:30: The MAIN VIEWSCREEN will change 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:

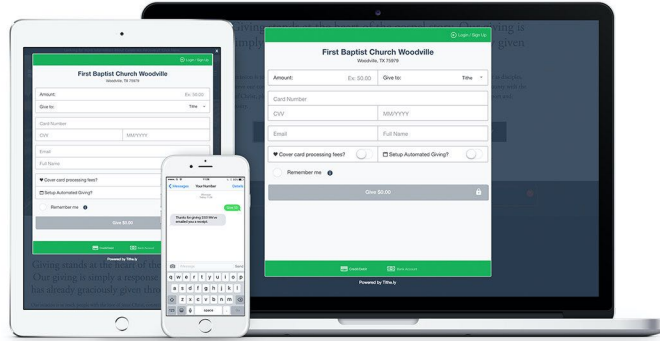
During the live gathering you’ll notice **D** a button that enables anyone to request LIVE PRAYER. Live Prayer is private and not public. Once you click LIVE PRAYER another tab **E** will open in the RESOURCE WINDOW that only you will be able to see. If you click that tab you can then chat privately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

We look forward to engaging together!

TROUBLESHOOTING:

If you are having difficulty connecting - [please contact us and we’ll help!](#) If you experience a lag between the audio and video - refreshing your screen should help clear that up.

NRCC ONLINE GIVING



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 [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) - 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 [iPhone / iPad](#) or for [Android](#)



Online Giving

Once you create a Tithe.ly account - [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.

[Click here to go to the GIVE page on our website](#) for more details, links and a helpful "how-to" video.

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