

HAPPY Thanksgiving

CELEBRATE GOD'S GOODNESS

Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.
PSALM 145:3

NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER OCT 9 - OCT 16, 2020

GOD'S GRACE WAS SO POWERFULLY AT WORK IN THEM

BENEVOLENT

OFFERING

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ACTS 4:33,34

A COMMUNITY OF LOVE:

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."*

When God's grace flows 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!

Beginning on Thanksgiving Sunday - October 11th for two weeks - we're going to receive a special offering that will help 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 menu you'll see the opportunity to select BenEVOlent Fund from October 11th until October 18th in addition to the regular General Fund. The Offering box will also be available on Sunday mornings for those who wish to give via envelope. Please indicate on your envelope that it is a gift for the Benevolent fund.

CELEBRATE FAMILY HAPPENINGS!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Brent & Wanda Fitzell who celebrate their Anniversary on Sunday October 11th

SUNDAY MORNINGS Together!

IN PERSON + ONLINE

REGISTERING FOR SUNDAY GATHERINGS

We gather as a larger Nashville Road family each Sunday morning at 10:30. Here's some information on how to gather in-person or online:

GATHERING IN PERSON:

In order to comply with regional health guidelines for worship gatherings and create seating that allows us to safely utilize the capacity of the auditorium and provide for contact tracing if it becomes necessary - we are asking people to please pre-register each week for Sunday in-person gatherings. [CLICK HERE](#) to let us know how many in your household or "bubble" will be attending with you and sitting together. *While it's very helpful - if you forget to pre-register, you can register at the door when you arrive.*

GATHERING ONLINE:

If you're not able to be present in-person at the NRCC building on a Sunday morning, you can still be part of the gathering at 10:30 thru your phone, tablet or computer!

In order to see the Sunday Morning Livestream feed you'll need to request the ZOOM link. [CLICK HERE](#) and we'll send it to you via email and that link will allow you to connect online for each subsequent Sunday morning .



PRAISE + PRAYER:

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

- > Praise the Lord as the drywall work needed at Imani's Place was completed. Please continue praying for financial support, rest and discernment for Lisa Ogbole and peace for the young ladies at Imani's Place. [Check their website for details on their fundraising initiatives!](#)
- > Please remember Janice Elliott and the Barker families in prayer as they mourn the passing of Janice's father, Keith.
- > Please pray for Martha Lawson's brother Jon. He still suffers with concussion symptoms, anger and oppression. He wants to move away from the noise of Toronto but cannot make decisions enough to do this. Please pray for a settlement with his employer who has not given him any long term disability compensation as well as praying for Martha and her family as they try to help Jon.
- > Please pray for health and protection for KELC, KCA students, teachers and families. Karin Schmidt is one of our KCA teachers - please pray for her as she recovers from a femur break this summer. Pray for LeeAnn who is stepping in to fill Karin's responsibilities in the meantime.
- > Pam Vander Kooi taught at KCA for many years and her mother-in-law, Nancy is undergoing radiation treatment.
- > Please pray for Lillian Graham and her family as they grieve the passing of her twin sister Nenita.
- > Continue praying for Ava Cook's young friend Chloe 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 and walk alongside them.
- > Please continue praying for our Black brothers and sisters and for God to lead His people to unity in wisdom and humility as a community to bring God's kingdom with God's justice near and eradicate racial injustice.
- > 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 Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson and his family.
- > Remember Olu & Jennifer Jegede who serve the Jane & Finch community thru Inner City Outreach Foundation.

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](#)



CONNECTING AROUND A PHYSICAL TABLE: TUES / OCT 13 / 7PM / THE CHAPEL @ THE NRCC BUILDING

Our fall "connecting" has begun! Women's Connect is beginning a new study by Jennie Allen called "Get Out of Your Head", and it will help us as we consider our thought life. Our plan is to meet every other Tuesday from 7:00-9:00pm at the NRCC building.

So that we can get the room set up to provide physical distancing please let Gail know in advance if you will be attending by [CLICKING HERE](#).



GREAT "STACKING HANDS" OPPORTUNITY!

We're joining together with Jennifer and Olu Jegede who lead [Inner City Outreach](#) to help make a difference by bringing God's kingdom near in a totally active way! It's a 5K run/walk/jog/crawl on Saturday October 24th to help raise funds for Inner City Outreach and their ministry in the Jane & Finch community.

You can choose to participate with the Cook's who are running in the Jane & Finch Community on **October 24th at 12noon** OR you can participate right in your own neighbourhood and community with others. Please speak to Charlene Cook for more info!



PARENT / GUARDIAN SURVEY

As we return to our in-person gatherings we are wisely considering our Sunday morning Kids Konnection ministry. Our normal practice is to have two Children's programs, Junior Kids Konnection for Kindergarten + grade 1 and Senior Kids Konnection for grades 2-6.

We would like to understand the feelings and intentions of our families in terms of those programs respect the varied comfort levels within our larger church family and meet your needs with safety in mind. If you have children - please take a moment to fill in this [SHORT SURVEY](#).



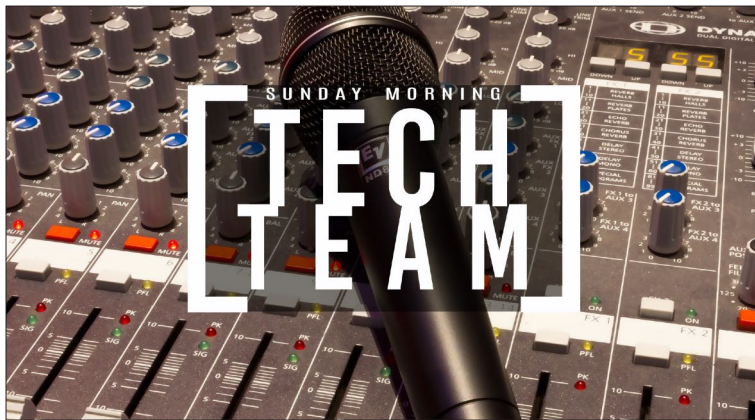
BLESSING RICHMOND JAMAICA

Reta Campbell is preparing to return to Jamaica in the fall to serve alongside the church there as part of ROCMin to love her community in practical ways.

You can be involved by helping to provide school supplies and gently used children's toys and clothing that can be worn in a warmer climate for Reta to take with her.

There will be a container available on Sunday mornings at the Nashville Road building for you to contribute any donations.

If you are able to help and would like more info - please contact [Reta](#) for the details.



LOOKING FOR SOME TECH TEAMMATES!

Our Tech Team are awesome and integral to our gatherings - they help us connect audibly and visually both in-person and online!

A great way to get engaged as part of our community is to serve and the Tech Team needs your gifts! If you're into the techy side of things - or you're willing to learn then we've got the team for you!

Just speak to one of the Tech Team members on a Sunday morning or let [Dean](#) know that you're interested and we'll help you get involved!

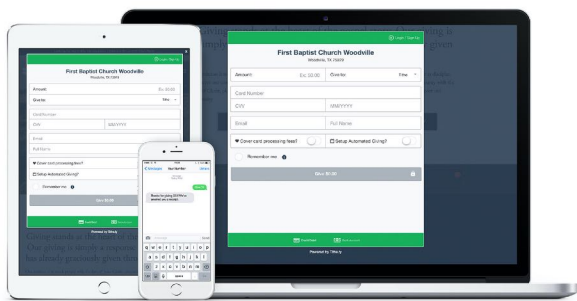


POST-SECONDARY STUDENT PRAYER CARDS

We're supporting our students who have entered or returned 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 student or a parent of a student in post-secondary studies - we're making prayer cards available so the NRCC family can join you in praying. If you would like us to make a prayer card - 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

NRCCONLINEGIVING



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 to God, faith in Him 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.

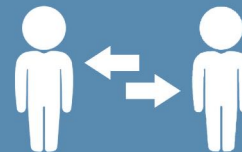
On Sunday mornings we will have a box on hand for those who prefer to give their financial offering via envelope.

we're so happy to see you!

when we're together inside the Nashville Road Building please do your part to honour others:



masks or face coverings are required



keep a 6 foot physical distance

HONOURING OTHERS

Wearing a mask is a requirement for attending indoor worship gatherings as stated by York Region's guidelines, so thank you for wearing yours on Sunday morning. If you forget yours, don't worry we'll have extra's in case you need one.

For children - we're following the Peel District School Board guidelines and asking that all children in grade 1 and above please wear a mask. For children younger than Grade 1 - masks are recommended but not required.

COVID-19 SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL:

We encourage you to make use of the self assessment tool that the Ministry of Health has made available online to help you decide whether you should attend public gatherings. It's simple to use and you can find it here:

[SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL](#)



Together, we are Canada's Lifeline



Blood for Life

Plasma for Life

Stem Cells for Life

Organs & Tissues for Life

CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE BOLTON LOCATION:

Volunteers act as ambassadors for our blood system, and save lives by giving time. Be the difference that keeps Canada Living! Join Canada's Lifeline this New Year. If you are interested in saving lives through your volunteer work please email: nenapestano@blood.ca or call at 416-526-1972 or apply online at www.blood.ca

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