

#### Nashville Rowed ...

In 1936 the Olympic Gold Medal at the Berlin Olympics was won by an unlikely 8 man rowing team from the University of Washington. They achieved Gold by beating more established rowing programs and better outfitted crews. Author Daniel Brown in his book, The Boys in the Boat identifies their preparation and the importance of Bob Moch the 5'4" Coxswain of their crew. Historically rowing crews that win have learned to pull their oars thru the water at the same time, same speed, same rhythm even though they can't see the destination they are aiming for. The Coxswain is the key person to help the team focus on his cues and not be distracted by the competing boats alongside them and operate with such co-ordination and unity that they are really not separate individuals but one team. It's a beautiful thing to see!

That's the kind of unity that the New Testament writer Paul was getting at in his writing to the Philippian church when he wrote - "...conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ ... stand firm in one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel ... being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose." This Sunday morning we'll continue with the rowing metaphor as we look at how Jesus leads on His Mission in steps of practical unity that's a powerful witness to the world of the Good News of reconciliation and a return to ONENESS. Looking forward to being ONE as we gather!



#### **Church Life Events!**

September 18: Women's connect potluck kick off!

September 28: Teen Challenge Golf Classic -11am

September 30: Potluck luncheon, Farewell to Jim and Christine Gerber

### **Love Does**



Paul wrote in Ephesians that walking in the way of Love - like Jesus did is a fragrant offering to God. What's your vision for kindness? Bob Goff has written an amazing

book that inspires the followers of Jesus to put love into action. Bob Goff has become something of a legend, and his friends consider him the world's best-kept secret. Those same friends have long insisted he write a book, and he finally did. It's full of paradigm shifts, musings, and stories from one of the world's most delightfully engaging and winsome people. What fuels his impact? Love. But it's not the kind of love that stops at thoughts and feelings. Bob is convinced love takes action. Bob believes Love Does. Here's another idea of how you can put love into action - just like Jesus did for you:

Breakfast Clubs - Did you know that 1 in 5 children in Canada is at risk of starting the school day on an empty stomach due to lack of access to nutritious food? That number is actually 2.5 times greater amongst immigrants and newcomers? Many of our local schools begin each day by providing nutritious food to all their students to make sure they start the day off right. This is the time when volunteer co-ordinators are looking for people who can serve in your local school. You don't have to have school age kids to get involved and this is a great practical way of showing love and kindness to children, young people and families in your community. You can check out the

<u>Breakfast Club web site</u> or also contact your local school to see if there's a way you can be part of their Breakfast Club team as a way of putting love into action!

## **Praise & Prayer**

> Heather Campbell continues her chemotherapy sessions on Wednesdays at Brampton Civic.

> JJ Gerber's friend Bryson who is now in Calgary recovering from serious surgery complications

 > Esme Kennedy has now moved to the rehab floor and continues her recovery from hip surgery at Brampton Civic
> Isaiah Augusto the baby boy of Sandra (one of our teachers at KCA) and Chris Augusto has a heart issue that will require surgery. Please continuing praying with Sandra and Chris in asking God to heal Isaiah.

> Jason Payne's friend Teresa Wilson is journeying thru stage 4 incurable stomach cancer. She has reached out to Jason asking for prayer and Jason has told her that we as a church will be praying for her and that God heals!

> Mayor Allen Thompson and his family as Allen gives leadership to City Council and leadership to our community.



Regeneration Outreach is a ministry in Brampton that continually strives to provide dignity for those in need, as an expression of Christian love in action. They serve those living in extreme poverty and homelessness by meeting their physical and spiritual needs. One of our Nashville Road family - Dan Gibson, serves there as Chaplain. We can also stack hands and help extend God's kingdom in tangible ways by providing new and gently used clothing. Presently they are in big time need of - mens pants, t-shirts, shoes, belts and hats. Also any sort of jackets, back packs or bags are always very helpful. New socks and underwear are always in need. If you bring these items to the church building we'll be happy to pass them along to Dan for Regeneration. Please check out the <u>Regeneration website</u> for all the info on this great ministry!



Ladies, if you're looking for an opportunity to connect with others and pursue growth in your spiritual walk, then we'd like to invite you to join us as we tend to the care and cure of the soul through companionship,

Scripture, and prayer!

**Tuesday evening, September 18th at 6:30pm**, we'll kick-off the fall season with a potluck dinner in the chapel at the church building. If interested, please speak with Gail Lister or leave your contact information with the church office."

### Free Gift!

Our church's bible study library is digital and GIGANTIC and offered as a FREE GIFT to you! It's called RightNow Media and with it you can instantly stream great biblical teaching to your TV, computer, tablet or smartphone! Enjoy great resources for everyone from kids to young adult and beyond from over 350 leading Christian publishers and ministries! Nashville Road is excited to provide this awesome tool as a free gift! It doesn't cost you anything! <u>CLICK HERE</u> and to head to the NRCC website where you can read about all the great resources and then sign up for free - no strings attached! One of the great resources you'll see is a whole series of short videos called <u>HOW TO READ THE SCRIPTURES</u> that has a video for every book of the Bible, outlining its literary design and main ideas, showing you how it fits into the entire biblical story. Check out the one for the book of Psalms!

We have been given an opportunity to partner alongside the

#### Family Happenings!

We join in praying with Christine and Jim Gerber, as many of you heard last Sunday - Christine has accepted the call to be the Lead pastor at the Brampton Meeting House location. As family we rejoice at this exciting opportunity that God has opened to them. Though we look forward to continuing to stack hands in Kingdom building and will only be separated by a short geography, it is sad to say goodbye as we have shared not only the truth of the Gospel during these years together but our lives as well and as our hearts are connected we now journey thru this change. On Sunday morning September 30th Christine will be teaching and afterwards we will have a time of celebration as we share a potluck meal together for lunch. Please continue to pray for Christine and Jim and their family as they organize and make this transition and also for the Meeting House as they prepare to welcome them into the body and community there!

Happy Birthday to Lia Payne!!! She celebrated her birthday this past week! We hope you had an awesome day!!



# School Supplies and Clothes for Jamaica

The "Back to School" sales are beginning and as you plan for your student's back to school needs - could you add in an extra set of pencils or a binder maybe, or some pencil crayons? Reta Campbell will be heading to **Richmond Jamaica again in** late Fall and we can help bless the school children there with supplies they need! It's a great way to live out/express God's love as a body. We'll have a box set out soon for your contributions! Reta is also looking for very light weight 100% cotton clothes (the more style and colour the better!) to take with her as well. For more details please speak with Reta!