

HORIZON:

One small, tiny degree doesn't seem like a lot. But if you're flying just one degree off course - you'll miss your target by 92 feet with each mile you fly. That means if you fly 60 miles you'll miss your target by one mile. Flying from New York to Los Angeles means you'd miss LA by 50 miles and if you were flying around the equator you'd be almost 500 miles off target! Someone once said that "When a captain is without direction no wind on Earth will take him there."

Jesus has given His followers a horizon - the divider or focus point for them to head towards together. It's the purposed Mission/Direction that He has sent us on. In Matt 28 Jesus says - "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." That's often referred to as The Great Commission

Go into the world and show what God is like by living out the grace and love that He's shown to you and teach others. That's the HORIZON for Nashville Road Community Church. As His followers - *We are a people who are living out the love of God.*

That's the Mission that Jesus has given us but it's not only about direction - fundamentally it's about transformation! This Sunday we continue our series and encounter three men (<u>Luke 9:57-62</u>) who are all interested in following Jesus and they tell Him so. Jesus' response is not

what you might expect and hits close to home - forcing us to confront w ho He is, who are Kings really are and what it means to be a people who have met Jesus.

Church Events

• September 24@ 7pm: Call to Pray

Share your story

We are a people who are living out the love of God. That's who a disciple of Jesus is and that's who the church is! Beginning in September we're going to look who we are as Nashville Road Community church. We are people who come from all sorts of different backgrounds and places on earth and we've come together because we've met Jesus! We didn't just shake His hand and walk away but we're now walking with Him together.

So during our upcoming Sunday gatherings we want to hear the personal stories of how Jesus first became real to us! Everyone's story is different and it's exciting and encouraging to hear about the journeys and stories where God intersected our story for His glory (yep, I see that rhyme now!) We'd love to have you tell your story either live or on video (if that makes you feel more you'd comfortable) Either way - we just want to hear the story of you meeting Jesus! We're going to be looking for people so please contact Dave Lawson and let us know you're interested!

Happy Birthday!!

To Shawn Greenwood and Amanda Westover, who celebrated birthdays this past week!

Prayer..

- John Loucks whose parents are in transition. John's father recently broke his hip. He is recovering from the surgery and both parents and the family need peace as they seek solutions to mobility and housing issues.
- For those in the Caribbean, and U.S. Who are now beginning to rebuild after the hurricanes.

Praise:

> Congratulations to Amy and Mike Hammond as they get the keys to their new home today!



Living out the Love of God

Church is a people who ... live out God's love in practical ways! This is the season when we're stocking up kids to head back to classes.

As a church body we're collecting school items to send with Reta Campbell to Richmond, Jamaica for school children there who are in need.

Would you consider buying a few extra items to add to our basket of blessings? We're looking for brand new pens, pencils, crayons, binders, pencil cases, clip boards, erasers, geometry sets, rulers, sharpeners, backpacks, etc.

Any items you want to contribute can be dropped off in the display at the Welcome Center in the lobby at the church building.

Caledon Meals on Wheels is looking for 20 volunteers who are 55 years of age and older to participate in a great new program!

"Let's Do Lunch" with Caledon Meals on Wheels

This 6 month project, starting in September, provides an opportunity for clients to connect with volunteers on a regular basis while eating a healthy meal together. Weekly lunch visits will take place in clients' homes, will be social in nature, and will foster new friendships, and sharing. Program area includes Bolton/Caledon and Orangeville.

Before starting the program volunteers will have the opportunity to receive training on topics such as "Elder Abuse" and "Seniors Mental Health First Aide". The cost of the volunteers' meals are covered. Stay tuned at our Sunday gatherings for more info and inspiration!

Love Gift

Pastor Ken Stravens, is pastoring with Royal York Baptist in Toronto. He has been diagnosed with stage-four lung cancer. Ken is originally from Kenya and he and his family are in Canada on a religious workers visa.

We have been asked to consider sending a love gift to help meet shortfalls, practical needs and related medical expenses not covered by OHIP. This is a great opportunity to provide care and love in a practical way. We are stacking hands with many other churches and if you would like to participate then donation checks can be payable to "FEB Central" and include the words "Ken Stravens love gift" on the memo line. We will receive these gifts as part of our offering during our Sunday morning gatherings. Please also continue to pray for Ken, his wife and two daughters as they journey through this difficult time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATES:

SEPTEMBER PRAYER GATHERINGS:

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24TH 7pm
We meet together as a unified body twice a month as we celebrate how God has answered prayer and we practice our dependence on Him by sharing our needs with Him.

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS?!

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2ND 9am NRCC and KCA are joining together to participate as part of the Bolton Santa Claus parade!

Put it on your calendar now for a fun morning together as we prepare and ride our float with the theme "Christmas Traditions"!

CONNECT CARDS:

Church is a people who God's love and grace are

changing! We get to be a large family! Families communicate the important stuff that's happening in their lives often around a dinner table! We'd love to celebrate. support and pray for one another when we hear about what's happening. One



way to do that is with the Connect Card. Think of it as the family dinner table in convenient card form! You can pick one up any time and place it in the offering plate on a Sunday or the Connect Card box

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!

We're kicking off Fall 2017 with an informal *Pot Luck* at 6:45pm on *Tuesday September 19th* to connect and catch up! It's a great opportunity to check things out!

Soon we'll begin reading and discussing together the book "The Power of a Praying Woman" by Stormie Omartian.

We will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Fireside Lounge at the Nashville Road building. If you are interested, please speak with Gail Lister or Karen DeRooy for more information.

