

It gives me chills. Matthew McConaughey plays head football coach Jack Lengyel of the Marshall University Thundering Herd. He's delivering a pregame speech before the rebuilt team plays its first game after the devastating plane crash that took the lives of all of the previous players a year earlier. It's been a tough and emotional rebuilding process for the entire town and University. In his speech he talks about their past and what has happened to get them to this moment and then he reminds them of who they have become on this journey. Who they are will not be determined by the outcome of the game - identity runs much deeper than that. As the music swells he calmly says "We Are" and they reply in enthusiastic unison - "Marshall" He repeats "We Are" and they respond "Marshall" louder and louder and then swarm together in a tight circle. Then I gulp and grab a kleenex. It's powerful moment. We are ...? How do you usually answer that question - I am ...?

Disciples of Jesus Christ - are a people who have a new foundation for our worth and significance, not built according to the fragile schematics of a decaying kingdom but rather rooted and established in The Good News and thus secure and stable. We look forward to being together on Sunday as we continue our Horizon series - listening to Jesus in Luke 9:23-25 as He asks what it benefits someone to "gain the whole world but lose their very self?"

#### **Church Events**

- September 30 @ 8:30am:
   MAN UP Breakfast
- October 1 @ 7pm: Call to Pray
- October 1 @ 2pm : Baby shower for Levyi
- October 13 @ 6pm: KCA/ NRCC Family Movie Night

# 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 Eric Jordan who
will be turning 13 on
Monday!
And Lee Ann Major
who will be turning 29
(again) on Tuesday
the 26th

# 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.
- Please pray for Loran Hedley's brother Elmer. He had a quadruple bipas this past week and is recovering in hospital.
- Both Sandra Augusto and her husband, Chris have had biopsies done on there stomachs. Please pray that the results come back clear.

### Praise:

 Mrs. Augusto has a great Kindergarten class who are adjusting nicely to new routines.
 Mrs. Augusto says her class is filled with eager little learners!!



# 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:**

#### **OCTOBER PRAYER GATHERINGS:**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 1ST 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

# You are invited!!

(Well the ladies of our church are!)
There will be a baby shower in honour of Leyvi!
Lets join together to help Leyvi welcome her new bundle of joy on Sunday, October 1st at 2pm. The shower will be held at 4976 Countryside Drive.

To RSVP please contact Julia at 647-230-2066

