

NASHVILLE ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWSLETTER - MARCH 15 - 22, 2019

JOINING IN PRAISE + PRAYER TOGETHER

- > Praise the Lord Marisa Parise is home from her mission in Laos with "Freeing the Children Mission"! Thank you to all who walked with her in prayer and we look forward to hearing about what God has done!
- > Addison Aspilla's mother Cora has been diagnosed with Anca Vasculitis - a rare autoimmune disease that although has no cure, can be managed. Please pray for the Aspilla family as they adjust to a new normal for Cora.
- > Pray for the Woodley family. Tina & Rob's son William is 19 and doctors have discovered a lesion on his brain, this is causing seizures. Pray that this lesion does not grow any further and that William's medication will stop the seizures.
- > Sandra & Chris Augusto continue to await tests results for Isaiah to determine when his heart surgery will be. Keep up to date with how to pray for Isaiah and the Augusto family in Sandra's blog
- > Continue praying for Martha Lawson's brother Jonathan for wisdom for doctors and support groups and for the love of Jesus to minister to him as he continues to struggle with the effects of a serious concussion.
- > Joycey Romeo continues recovering from her cancer surgery and soon will begin physiotherapy after she is fitted for a prosthetic leg.
- > Please pray for our Provincial government leadership as they wrestle with decisions. One area in particular for our prayers is in the area of funding for students with autism and those families at KCA that are significantly financially impacted by the government decision to cap funding.
- > Ryan Jordan returns home from Europe with his school on March 15th. Pray for journeying mercies.
- > Remember all families traveling during March Break.

If you are aware of items for praise or needs that we as a community can join together in prayer - please let Melanie in the church office know or email her at:

melanie@nashvilleroad.ca

SUNDAY MARCH 17TH GATHERING

Life isn't always kind to us. We are constantly preparing ourselves for a journey that seeks identity and purpose, only to find ourselves without satisfaction or peace of mind. As we go, we pick up shreds of purpose and identity that we cling to, to make us feel like we belong to someone, something for some purpose. Those shreds (although they may appear to be life-giving) will not satisfy our desire to be fully known and fully loved. Jesus talked fervently about those who were blessed and those who belonged in the Kingdom of God... and it was much to the chagrin of the people who were full to the brim with religion, power and influence.

None of us like to feel empty and powerless, but that is in fact exactly where Jesus is most likely to meet us. There are points in our life, sometimes referred to as "liminal space", where our cups are emptied and bone-dry, where we feel all of shreds of purpose and identity and comfort torn away from us - the place where we are most free to understand our one true identity, as beloved children of the Loving God. We learn then that emptiness is not a thing to be feared, no, the practice of emptying ourselves of pride, ego and selfishness is exactly what we need to do to greater understand the vastness of God's love for us and to fulfil Jesus' command of loving God and one another.

We're looking forward to gathering to worship, practicing life together as new covenant people on Sunday! Hope to see you then!

OUICK LOOK CALENDAR

- > MAR 19 / 7PM / Women's Connect + Grow
- > MAR 20 / 9:30AM / Moving with Music
- > MAR 23 / 9AM / Unleashed to Serve seminar
- > MAR 23 / 6:30PM / J-Walkers Sr Hi Youth Nite
- > APR 7 / 12:30PM / Bridal Shower for Leah Kennedy
- > APR 19 / 10:30AM / Good Friday Gathering at Connect Church
- > APR 28 / 6PM / Potluck + Annual General Meeting
- > MAY 1+2 / 7PM / KCA's Production of "Seussical Jr"



WOMEN'S CONNECT + GROW Tuesday / Mar 19 / 7Pm / The Chapel

Ladies, we're connecting every other Tuesday evening for a couple of hours to share and grow! Currently we are discussing J.D. Greear's video teaching on the book of Ephesians! There's always room around the table to connect and grow together! If you're interested, please speak with Gail Lister or leave your contact information with the church office.

MOVING WITH MUSICWEDNESDAY / MAR 20 / 9:30AM / THE CHAPEL

It's time to get your MOVE on and the MOVING WITH MUSIC program is designed to do just that! Each session uses music and rhythm exercises that help maintain walking, balance and general movement. All exercises are adaptable so participants can work at their own level!

Please contact Julia at 647-230-2066 or email: info@juliasplacemusictherapy.com



UNLEASHED TO SERVE SEMINAR SATURDAY / MAR 23 / 9AM-3PM / THE CHAPEL

We all have dreams and aspirations. We all have gifts and talents. So let's engage with energy and action to unleash our uniqueness in God's Kingdom together! We're having a one day seminar to help you define your dreams and aspirations; explore your gifts and passion; set goals based on values; and choose an accountability team to help put them in action! Speak to Andrea Wilson for more info.

COST: \$10 INCLUDES LUNCH



J-WALKERS SR-HI YOUTH NITESATURDAY / MAR 23 / 6:30PM / 32 REGENTVIEW DR, BRAMPTON

What puts a spring in your step? Food, friends and finding hidden treats! The Fitzell's place on a Saturday night is the place to be! Can't wait to see you all because there's always room for you!

Just RSVP to Wanda Fitzell or 416-970-6029



FAITH EXPRESSING ITSELF THRU LOVESUNDAY / MAR 30 / 10:30AM / MORNING GATHERING

In Acts 4 we read that the New Covenant 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 God's grace is at work - His love is lived out and needs are met - it's Family the way God intended it - and it's also awesome! On March 30th during our Sunday morning gathering we're going to be intentional about sharing as we receive a special offering towards our Benevolent Fund that will help us meet some practical needs within the NRCC body. Please pray and prepare to give as God's Spirit prompts you.

If you have items for the eNews including birthday's and anniversaries please contact Melanie at the church office by Wednesday each week.

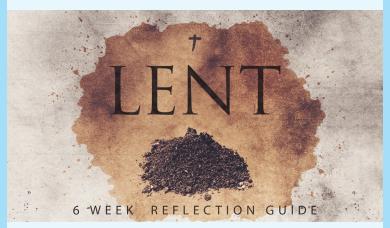
She can be reached via email at:

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YOU'RE INVITED! Sunday / April 7 / 12:30pm / The Chapel

Ladies, as NRCC family, we look forward to celebrating this joyous occasion for Leah! Invites are also available at the Welcome Desk and please sign-up there as well or email melanie@nashvilleroad.ca by March 31st if you're planning to attend. Lunch will also be served.



LENT REFLECTION GUIDES AVAILABLE

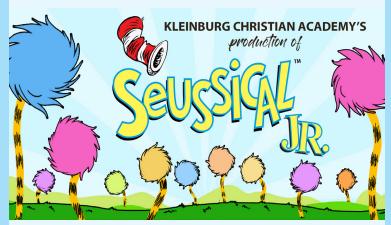
For those who wish to prepare for Easter we have free reflection guides available at the Welcome Desk that will help you in your journey thru the season of Lent.



GOOD FRIDAY GATHERING

FRIDAY / APR 19 / 10:30AM / CONNECT CHURCH BUILDING

We're looking forward to joining with the wider church body on Good Friday and this year we're meeting at the Connect Church building - 12495 HWY 50 in Bolton



KCA'S PRODUCTION OF SEUSSICAL JR WED + THUR / MAY 1 + 2 / 7PM / NRCC MAIN AUDITORIUM

You'll want to save the dates for this now! Get ready to be transported by our KCA students from the Jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus as the Cat in the Hat narrates the story of Horton the Elephant, who discovers a speck of dust containing tiny people called the "Whos." Horton must protect the Whos from a world of naysayers and dangers, and he must also guard an abandoned egg that's been left in his care. Horton faces ridicule, danger and a trial but ultimately, the powers of friendship, loyalty, family and community are challenged and emerge triumphant!

