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To the congregation of Bethany CRC, Fenwick: We are grateful for your gifts of \$3,893.00 for World Renew programs received from January to March 2017. Bethany CRC's contributions are changing lives through our Canadian Foodgrains Bank projects, Peter fish program and program fund (where needed most). Thank you for being the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-14). Through God's grace, World Renew is providing food, good health, fruitful work, peace and justice for those who need it most around the globe. To learn more about how lives are being transformed, please visit worldrenew.net/changingthestory.

School News

Christian Education Week at Niagara Association for Christian Education (NACE)

John Knox Christian School (795 Hwy #8, Stoney Creek)

celebrates Christian Education Week April 18-21st with the following events:

We will be welcoming our pastors on Wednesday, April 19th starting at 9:00 a.m. Parents and friends, as well as those curious about Christian Education, are welcome to see our school in action during our Open House from 9:00 - 10:40 a.m. on Thursday, April 20th.

John Knox will be presenting its Spring Program "The Not So Terrible Parable" in the John Knox Christian School gym, on Thursday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. This fun event will feature all of our students acting and singing as they communicate a message about loving God and our neighbour. Admission is free; all are welcome to join us. Because this play emphasizes love for our neighbour, we invite donations of non-perishable items for our local food bank. Students' Council will collect these items at the door. (There will be a free will offering to defer the costs of production and for the NACE Bursary.)

This year's Grandparents / Senior Friends Day is set for Friday, April 29th. Seniors are welcome at the school for the Spring Program, "Not Your Average Joe" in the John Knox gym (9:00 - 10:00), classroom visits (10:00 - 10:30 & 11:00 - 12:00). Refreshments (10:30 - 11:30). There will be a free will offering to defer the costs of production and for the NACE Bursary.

Questions? Call Mrs. Diana Kingma at John Knox at 905-643-2460.



Smithville Christian High School proudly presents Don't Drink the Water. A cascade of comedy and a solid hit on Broadway, this story takes place inside an American embassy behind the Iron Curtain in the late 1960's. An American tourist (a caterer by trade), and his wife and daughter rush into the embassy two steps ahead of the police who suspect them of spying. They carefully and frantically plot their escape, and (because this is comedy) the embassy ambassador's son and the caterer's daughter even have time to fall in love. This year's play will be presented at 8pm on May 5, 6, 11, 12, and 13. Tickets are \$12.50 in advance, and \$15 at the door. Contact office@smithvillechristian.ca for more information.

Grandparents and Friends Day 2017: What's happening in Christian high school these days? What are the trends and fashions that shape student learning? Come to Smithville Christian High School's Grandparents and Friends Day on Thursday April 27, to learn how computers, technology and arts are changing the way students learn, and what Smithville Christian High School is doing to welcome as many students as possible. Coffee served at 9 a.m., program starts at 9:30, followed by classroom visits and lunch. Everyone is welcome, bring a friend. Valet parking available. For more info, see www.smithvillechristian.ca GP&F Day – it's not just for seniors anymore!



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Mental Health Network

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Phone: 905-528-0353 or
Toll-free 1-866-347-0041
www.shalemnetwork.org
Confidential congregation-
ally supported counselling.

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Other News

Coffee Break: That past Tuesday morning we were able to celebrate the Easter story with all our Coffee Break ladies. Thanks to Andy Van Driel and Henry Kleine for babysitting so our moms were able to join us. A good time of fellowship and food were also enjoyed. This will be our last meeting of the Coffee Break 2016 to 2017 season. This coming Tuesday all ladies are needed to join at Open Arms on 5th Street to prepare and serve our annual pancake breakfast. The patrons are already excited to come out and enjoy this breakfast. Those of you that are coming for the 9:00 arrival please be at the church at 8:30 to car pool as parking space is limited. Also at this time we thank Pete Hogeterp for being so willing to set up chairs for us every week. It is very much appreciated. Thanks to all the leaders, who give their time every week. Thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to make Coffee Break run smoothly. See you at the pancake breakfast.

Family Outreach Ontario Special Event—Family Outreach Ontario invites you to an information evening on Friday, April 28 at Immanuel Christian Reformed Church (95 Oak St, Simcoe). We have a guest speaker lined up that I'm sure you will want to hear: Judy Tomzcak, author of, "When the Light at the End of the Tunnel Is Another Train". She has an amazing story to tell that will be of particular interest to anyone who has suffered because of a family member's addiction. She reminds us that alcoholism and drug addictions are a family disease... they affect not only the addict. Please plan to attend and tell others about it as well. It will be an evening you will be sure to remember. 7:00 - Doors open, Refreshments/Meet & Greet; 7:30 - 9:15 Presentation, followed by refreshments/opportunity for talk with John Kowtecky or Family Outreach members. You may not think that ALCOHOL or DRUG ADDICTION is a problem in your home. Statistics tell us that 1 out of 7 people abuse alcohol or drugs. Learn more. We can help. Phone 1-888-809-0464. Confidentiality guaranteed.

MALE CHORAL FESTIVAL: Performing Arts @ Mountainview invites you to join them for a Male Choral Festival featuring The Crusaders, The Ambassadors and To the King Male Chorus. The concert will take place on Saturday April 22nd, 2017 @ 7:30 p.m. Proceeds from the evening will benefit The FORT www.thefortyouthcentre.com Concert will take place at Mountainview Church, 290 Main St. East in Grimsby. Tickets: \$15 each, or \$35 per family (w/children 15 & under.) Available at The Dutch Shop in Grimsby, or at the door on the evening of the concert.

Everyone is invited to come and hear Guest Speaker Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition and co-producer of the film "The Euthanasia Deception" to hear his timely concerns and how we can respond. Welland Port Colbourne ProLife Annual Dinner Meeting takes place at St Anthony Croatian Church, 560 River Road Welland, Saturday April 29. Registration at 6 pm Dinner 6:30 pm. For tickets please call WPC ProLife Office 905-714-0547, Muriel 905-735-3666 or Annette 905-325-1251. Excellent food and entertainment.

SERVE Niagara is fast approaching again and we need YOU!

Serve Niagara is a week long youth missions trip. 65 youth and leaders come from all over North America to be the hands and feet of Jesus here in Niagara! Painting, relational connections (children, elderly and homeless), feeding the hungry, helping existing community services, and more. We are looking for volunteers to help as: meal leaders, kitchen helpers, cleaning bathrooms, prayer partners, and final Saturday clean-up. Sign-up as an individual, couple, family or with a friend. If any of these areas interest you or you would like more information as to what it involves please contact our volunteer coordinator, Debbie VanOord at debbie@providencecrc.ca or 905-932-3586 Or Host team Coordinator, Ann-Elise Hoogendam at annelise.hoogendam@gmail.com or 289-407-4767

Resource Teacher Position: Camp SHOUT is seeking applicants for a Resource Teacher for 5 weeks this summer to work with campers with exceptionalities, who would display a positive attitude toward all children and be a role model for inclusion and acceptance. Responsibilities include developing individualized plans and strategies for camper integration, supporting camp staff with inclusion practices, designing weekly curriculum and activities to be reflective of inclusionary practices, etc. The applicant should be a certified teacher, qualified resource teacher or educational assistant, and/or have other relevant education or experience. The job description is available at www.jubileecrc.org/campshout.

We invite you to our Disability Concerns Canada (DCC) spring training and connection event, planned for April 29 at Hebron CRC in Whitby. We encourage you to send a group from your church, because those who attend will be better equipped to minister with families in your church and community.

Our theme is 'Resilient Families: Walking Together through Every Generation'. Our keynote speaker, Sara Pot, is a mom, blogger, and columnist for Christian Courier who will speak about 'Lamentations and Lessons Learned: Parenting Children with Special Needs'.

Sara and her husband Ralph are parents to four beautiful girls including two who were born with an undiagnosed syndrome. Rachel and Janneke are g-tube fed, cannot walk independently, cannot talk, and both Rachel and Janneke bring joy with their smiles and teach grace through their dependency on others. Watch a two minute video about the Pot family, or better yet, show it to your congregation.

Afternoon workshops will be tailored to supporting families living with disabilities. Topics include finance and estate planning, 'when to let go', sibling and family member support, ministering with people who have Alzheimer's, and more!

For more information and to register, see Resilient Families.

We certainly hope some of you will join us on April 29. Cost is \$35 per person before March 24, after this date the fee is \$50. Also, see the website for information on group registration rate and scholarships for people living with disabilities. Lunch will be provided, and the conference will finish shortly before 3 PM. Len Bakelaar, chair Disability Concerns Canada

We're on the web!
www.bethanycrc.ca

