



# BETHANY BUGLE



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**THANK-YOU TO ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS  
AND BABYSITTERS  
WHO SERVED  
DOWNSTAIRS THIS  
PAST WEEKEND.  
YOU ARE A BLESSING TO BETHANY!**



## NEEDED

### Leaders for SERVE 2014

The youth have run into a bit of a pickle— none of the current youth leaders are able to go on SERVE this summer. But the girls still really want to go! We need your help. Please take time to consider going on SERVE this year. The team is planning on going to Chicago to be a part of the Chicago Project from July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>. We need 2 adults of any age willing to help and have a great time serving God and the community of Chicago while doing it!

For more information on the Chicago Project please feel free to check out the website:

[www.youthunlimited.org/serve/the-chicago-project/](http://www.youthunlimited.org/serve/the-chicago-project/)

*If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Janelle Roorda or Diana DeVries ASAP. Thank you for taking this into consideration!*

### Bethany's Office Hours:

**On a test basis, please note that the church office hours will be the following:**

**Tuesdays—9:00am—4:00pm**

**Fridays—9:00am -4:00pm**

**To the congregation of Bethany Fenwick CRC:** Thank you for working with World Renew through your recent donation of \$9,205.00. This partnership is able to impact a very large number of people globally through sharing God's love. With your donations, World Renew is able to assist in food security and community development, among other things. You have aided in responding to disasters, you have been instrumental in giving food where that was desperately needed; you have thereby helped to share the complete Easter message in all of its spiritual and physical depth. Thank you, and God bless.

## *School News* Covenant Christian School

Get Ready - Get Set - Read . . . is an introduction to literacy for children who will be of Junior Kindergarten age in September 2014. This program will run for approximately 2½ hours in the morning the first 4 Thursdays in May at John Knox Christian School in Stoney Creek and approximately 2 hours all the Tuesdays in May at Covenant Christian School in Smithville. The Thursday at John Knox are May 1, 8, 15, 22. The Tuesdays at Covenant are May 6, 13, 20 & 27. If you or a friend would like to enrol in this program or if you'd like more information, please call either school. Flyers/Registration forms are available in the school offices. JKCS – 905-643-2460 or CCS – 905-957-7796.

### SMITHVILLE CHRISTIAN HIGHSCHOOL

Smithville Christian High School proudly presents:

"Leaving Iowa!", a comedy about family vacations that is both laugh out loud and poignant. This is a play that we will all be able to enjoy, because we've all been there. 'Getting lost ... again', 'kids arguing in the back', and 'being endlessly stuck behind RVs' ... are just a few of the memories that this play presents with true hilarity, and at times, touching sensitivity. The heart of the play is a son coming to terms with memories of his father, and recognizing the values of family and love.

May 2 and 3 (Friday and Saturday), May 8, 9, and 10 (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)

Tickets: \$12.50 in advance, \$15.00 at the door, All performances: 8 p.m.

For tickets: In Person: Office of Smithville Christian High School, Phone: 905-957-3255,

Email: [office@smithvillechristian.ca](mailto:office@smithvillechristian.ca)

### REDEEMER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

**The Care and Feeding of the Leader's Soul:** Ministry can wring leaders inside-out, causing burnout, insecurities and anxieties, conflict and discouragement. Dr. Syd Hielema leads this workshop at Redeemer University College on what it is like to be a leader in the field of ministry. **Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00 pm.** For more information, or to register, visit [www.redeemer.ca/CLEAR](http://www.redeemer.ca/CLEAR).



**Wheels for Van Driels**



**Fundraising  
Craft, Plant and Bake Sale**

**May 3, 2014  
9am-2pm  
1040 Balfour Rd, Fenwick  
ON**

**Includes: Free Kids Fun Zone,  
30+ Craft Vendors, Outdoor Plant  
Area, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle,  
and More!!!**

**Free Will Donations Welcome!!**

The Meals For Wheels Cookbook is here!!

Buy as many as you want, for yourself, or buy a few and give or sell to your family and friends!! They are \$12 each (will make a cute Mother's Day gift ) Come find me any time for your cookbook! Or I can put your order in your mail slot if you prefer.

Thanks, Sonya Van Driel.



### Champs Classic Golf Tournament:



It's that time of year again! Time to sign up yourself or your team in our annual fundraising best ball tournament. It will be held on June 7, 2014 at Sparrow Lakes Golf Course in Welland. \$100 pp includes 18 holes, powercart, dinner and great prizes! Contact Scott Van Driel for more info and to sign up at [Toby\\_1980@yahoo.com](mailto:Toby_1980@yahoo.com), registration deadline is May 28, thank-you.

## Other News

**Welland Coffee Break:** Wow we had a fantastic turnout for our pancake breakfast at the Open Arms Mission this past Tuesday. With our expert team of pancake flippers sausage cooks, and servers and all the other great helpers and minglers it was a great morning. Everything went very smoothly and it was appreciated by the recipients. Thanks to all of you wonderful ladies. You were awesome! Give yourselves an "A" for all your work.

This coming Tuesday will be our final lesson on "Hospitality" Lesson 9, "Destroying Barriers" comes from chapter 10 of the book of Acts. It has been an interesting study and this final chapter will bring our discussion to a conclusion. You know what happens so lets try and be there on time. We will need all our time this week to finish the discussion. See you there. We will also be discussing our plans for the next week. Snacks: Gail

**Wholehearted Men's Conference – Saturday, May 24 at Mountainview CRC:** It's not a men's retreat- it's an advance! Sons, brothers, fathers and husbands – are you experiencing all the life that Jesus has for you? Understand the epic adventure you've been called into. For further details and to register, go to [www.wholeheartedmen.com](http://www.wholeheartedmen.com).

**Sing Glory to Our Creator - Mass Choir Concert** -The date is set and you can now purchase your tickets! May 24th, 2014 will be an unforgettable evening of praise to our Creator God. One mass choir of over 300 voices will shake the ground at Hamilton Place, accompanied by organ, piano, trumpets, flutes and strings. Also making a special appearance is the Anchor Band and Choir. Ambassadors Christian School cordially invites you to join us! Tickets are now available for purchase at the FirstOntario Box office between 9am and 5pm (101 York Boulevard, Hamilton), by phone (905-546-4040) or online at [ticketmaster.ca](http://ticketmaster.ca) (search for Sing Glory to Our Creator). Proceeds of this event will benefit Anchor Association and Ambassadors Christian School in Ottawa. For questions, please contact Evelyn at 613-823-9141 or [ev.nieuwenhuis@gmail.com](mailto:ev.nieuwenhuis@gmail.com). We can't wait to see you there!

**Mountainview Performing Arts** presents the Uplifted Voices Choral Festival on Saturday, May 3, 7:30pm at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church in Grimsby. Come to the music performed by To the King Male Chorus, the Ambassadors, the Crusaders and special guests Momentum Choir! Only \$15/person and children 12 and under

are free. Proceeds to benefit Grimsby Life Centre, the OneDay Foundation and Momentum Choir. To reserve your tickets today, email [info@totheking.ca](mailto:info@totheking.ca).

**You're Invited . . .**Join Christian Reformed World Missions on May 3 as we celebrate 125 years of global ministry. Dinner and programme, including special presentations by Joel Hogan (International Director) and Playwright/Actor, Paige Louter. For more information and to RSVP, go to [www.crwmm.org/125](http://www.crwmm.org/125) (Burlington event), or call Trish at 1-800-730-3490. Registration closes April 23. Tickets \$25.

Prayer Service for the Sanctity of Life:

Thousands of Canadians will gather in Ottawa for the March for Life May 8 to witness to the sanctity of life. A Prayer Service will be held in St. Catharines the night before the March at Trinity Orthodox Reformed Church, 99 Scott Street, Wednesday May 7 at 7:30 p.m., led by Rev. Al Bezuyen. Come to thank God for the gift of life, pray for human life in all of its stages and pray for those wounded by abortion. Find more info at [Chooselife.ca](http://Chooselife.ca) .

visit us at [www.campaignlifecoalition.com](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com)

### Operation Manna:

#### What Happens When Our Church Partners with Operation Manna?

On Sunday, May 11, we will join with churches across Canada to gather an offering for Operation Manna, a program of Diaconal Ministries Canada. To help you learn more about this program we will distribute a special brochure next Sunday that highlights how your gifts will be used this year to support local community ministries. For more information, please go to [www.diaconalministries.com](http://www.diaconalministries.com) -*The Deacons*

Focus on the Family presents a documentary, IRREPLACEABLE, which asks the important question, "What is family?" and "Does 'family' still matter in today's society?" The film's host, (Tim Sisarich, Executive Director of Focus on the Family - New Zealand) seeks to find out whether the adage "If family fails, society fails" is true. He explores the idea of family with experts around the globe to determine whether the concept of the traditional family is meaningful, or in fact outmoded. And if it is meaningful, is family worth preserving, even fighting for? On the journey he hopes to discover why all humans have a yearning to be in family - to be a part of something - and what forces contribute to the breakdown of family. A number of outstanding experts and commentators speak on a range of topics, including: loss of marital permanence, untethered sexuality, fatherlessness/decline of men, and anti-natality. To help unpack these issues Tim examines the origins and history of the family structure through an array of lenses and cultures. The documentary is timely and provocative, challenging the audience to take a closer look at their own family and what can be done to make it stronger. It also reinforces that it is never too late to become a good father, mother, sister or brother. This will be playing at the cineplex odeon Niagara Square Cinemas at 7:30 - May 7 ONLY. Cost is \$14.95 per person. For more information on this film, visit the website at [www.focusonthefamily.ca](http://www.focusonthefamily.ca).



# CRC Denomination

**GROUNDWORK** - Encountering Jesus on the Road to Emmaus: In the gospels, Jesus' resurrection truth very often creeps up on people in surprising ways. A good example of this is the story of the two travelers on their way to Emmaus. The resurrection of Jesus literally sneaks up on them from behind. This story is filled with intrigue, mystery, comedy and finally great joy. Join the Groundwork conversation – find a local station or listen online at [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com).

**KIDS CORNER** - Fear Not: Scooter is Terrene's best speller. But he's got one BIG problem. The big stage and the bright lights terrify him. Can he overcome his fear and take the spelling crown? Find out what happens at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Then contact Kids Corner at P.O. Box 5070, Burlington ON L7R3Y8 or email [kids@kidscorner.net](mailto:kids@kidscorner.net) for great resources for kids and parents.

**DISABILITY CONCERNS** - You still have time to register for this Saturday's conference, "Turning Care Upside Down – Strategies for Cultivating Deep Welcome" at the Perkins Centre in Hamilton. Disability Concerns Canada has planned this conference for church leadership, disability advocates, people affected by disabilities, and everybody who wants to support folks with disabilities and their families. Workshops will provide practical ideas for ministry with people who have long-term needs. For more information, speak with your church's disa-

bility advocate, call Heather at 1-800-730-3490, or visit [www.disabilityconference.org](http://www.disabilityconference.org). Register by Tuesday, April 29.

**DISABILITY CONCERNS** - May is Mental Health Month: Celebrate Mental Health! Find resources from Disability Concerns Mental Health Task Force at [www.crcna.org/disability](http://www.crcna.org/disability) and look for "Resources for Mental Health Ministry." Call our office (888-463-0272), and we may be able to refer you to people in your area who are part of Mental Health Speakers Bureau who could teach at your church.

**FREE WEBINAR** - Join us for "Transformational Leadership through Prayer" at 12:00 p.m. EDT on April 30. This webinar, presented by Mary Sterenberg, will challenge pastors, church leaders, and prayer coordinators to work together to move our churches toward becoming houses of prayer. For more details and registration for this free, one-hour event visit [crcna.org/webinars](http://crcna.org/webinars).

**ALL ONTARIO YOUTH CONVENTION** - The AOYC is live-streaming again this year! Visit [allontario.com](http://allontario.com) on Fri, May 16, 8:30 p.m., Sat, May 17, 9 a.m., Sun, May 18, 9a.m. and 8:30 p.m., and Mon, May 19, 10 a.m.. Experience God with over 900 teens and leaders. It isn't too late to register!

**NEW FAITH ALIVE CATALOG** - Faith Alive Christian Resources offers a variety of resources that support faith formation for people of all ages, from preschoolers to adults. Visit [FaithAliveResources.org/Catalog](http://FaithAliveResources.org/Catalog) to view a PDF of the new 2014-2015 Resource Cata-

log, or request a printed copy with your order.

**VBS in the Orient** - Millions of children in Asia have not heard yet that Jesus loves them. Will you go and share the good news? If you love kids and VBS, this 3 week volunteer opportunity in July is perfect for you! Additional details can be found at [www.crwmm.org](http://www.crwmm.org) or contact [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org).

**"PARLEZ VOUS FRANCAIS?"** - Are you also interested in gender issues, biblical justice, food security, HIV and AIDS care and prevention, trauma healing, or environmental issues? Come alongside World Renew staff for 18 months in Niger, Mali or Senegal and see your BA degree come alive with hands-on experience as you bless others. Details on each volunteer position can be found at [www.worldrenew.net](http://www.worldrenew.net) or contact [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org).

**BEGINNINGS** - Teacups of Blessing: An Afternoon High Tea – Just one more week to get your tickets for this event, in support of Beginnings Family Services, to be held at Rehoboth United Reformed Church in Ancaster on Saturday, May 10 at 1:30 pm. Includes a Silent Auction, Balloon Pop, and musical entertainment. Tickets are \$30 or \$15 for ages 12 & under. For tickets, please call 905-528-6665 or email [info@beginnings.ca](mailto:info@beginnings.ca).

**SILENT RETREAT** - A retreat to refresh your body and soul...Come away and rest with God InterMission Silent Retreat - May 23-25, Kingfisher Bay Retreat House on Stony Lake ([www.kingfisherbay.ca](http://www.kingfisherbay.ca)). Registration: \$325.00 before May 1, \$350.00 after. Includes: Private accommodations, all linens, 5 meals, individual times with a certified Spiritual Director, a stunning setting in the Kawarthas. Contact: Tracey-Ann Van Brenk [guidepostsministries@gmail.com](mailto:guidepostsministries@gmail.com) 705-927-1154

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