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Bethany Bugle

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Bethany Summer Camp is busy making the final preparations for camp for this summer. We are excited by the registrations that we have this far and we have many new campers that have never attended our camp. Please keep the campers, their families and the leaders in your prayers as we share the love of Jesus with them and their families this summer. Pray that our light will shine and that we may speak boldly of God's love for all.

We are always looking for **VOLUNTEERS!!** We have cooking camp and we love volunteers this week, to help lead a session, or to help with cleanup or to organize all the take

home packs at the end of the day. We have Spa day for girls camp and we need help with hair and nails etc. We have fun crafts for the girls and boys that we can always use extra hands for. We will be "travelling around the world" and we would love to hear stories from other parts of the world that we have never been to, you could come in a costume from your homeland, we could learn to cook food from your country, we could listen to music or watch some dancing from another country...got ideas for that, or know someone who might be interested in sharing part of their country with us (they do not have to be from this church) We are going kayaking and canoeing nearby and we would love to have you join us and maybe even lend us your boat for the afternoon, we are off to the fire hall in Fenwick and would love extra hands to hold along the walk over, we have a couple animal shows that are coming here and you may want to volunteer that day. We love to have you come to camp and see how it runs each day, you do not have to be here all day, one hour or half day works just great! We need sign- in people each morning to greet our campers and their loved ones. Want to lead a lesson or be a part of a skit in the morning? Do you have a talent that you want to share with us? You do not have to lead the kids in anything, you can just be an extra set of hands and eyes for us leaders. Young or not so young, we would love for **you** to be a part of Summer Camp this year. We also end each week with a BBQ and we can't do that with out all of your help. If you would like to organize the teams that volunteer for this each week, if you would just like to help once or every week, we have a sign up sheet by the summer camp bulletin board that you can sign your name on. You can sign up as an individual or as a group, let's fill the sheet!

We will also need donations of drinking boxes, freezies and baked goods for each day of camp as well as supplies for our Cook it Up camp. The list for Cook it Up Camp will be posted in the coming weeks, so be on the lookout for that.

Any questions, comments or ideas and you want to help out, please contact Kathleen Van Hoffen: bethanysummercamp@gmail.com or kathleenvanhoffen@hotmail.com or you can message me or call at 905-568-5132. There are lots of opportunities for all of you! I look forward to hearing from you.



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Mental Health Network

CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: 905-528-0353 or
Toll-free 1-866-347-0041
www.shalemnetwork.org
Confidential congregation-
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Elisha House
Pregnancy & Family Support Centre

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www.elishahouse.on.ca
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School News

Employment Opportunity: School Bus Driver

Remember working for a small bus company?

NACE is a small, independent, faith-based school board operating two schools: Covenant Christian School in Smithville, and John Knox Christian School in Stoney Creek, and running 11-12 bus routes with students aged JK through grade 12. Our drivers are paid competitively, have a single route (you get to know your families and students!), are offered opportunity to drive occasional charters, and most of all are a part of a small team that knows one another, dedicated to the overall mission of the schools: to help kids live for Jesus, learn for life, and serve with gladness. We pay medical and licensing fees associated with getting/keeping your 'B' class license. We are seeking drivers to begin in September. Routes range from East Hamilton, Beamsville/Grimsby/Vineland, Welland, Caistor Centre into our schools in Stoney Creek and Smithville. If you are reliable, seeking reliable work, love working with kids, have three years bus driving experience with a clean record and are interested in joining not only a team of drivers but a team of parents, teachers, and administrators dedicated to the growth of students, we want to hear from you! Contact Kevin Huinink, Executive Director, khuinink@nace.ca 905-643-2460 or 905-957-7796

Job Type: Part-time

Requirements:

- Minimum three years bus driving experience.
- 'B' class drivers License.
- Clean driving record.
- Reliable, friendly, able to relate well with children.
- Able to pass a vulnerable sector check.

Other News

Blues, Brews & BBQ Fundraiser

hosted by the Bridge Missional Communities

Don't wait any longer! The response has been overwhelming and you don't want to miss out!

Slow roasted pulled pork and chicken, provided by the Benjamins Crew – Seriously, it doesn't get better than this. Famous French Fries made fresh by "Champs Chips." Blues Music performed by the Reverend and Friends. Local craft beers (Oast, Brimstone, and more) to sip on while joining in on some Yard Games and Horseshoes. All while enjoying the outdoors at the Hopkins' Barn.

Proceeds from Silent Auction and donations received will help fund the ministries of the Bridge Community, including the important work at the Hub located on Queen St in Niagara Falls.

Date: Saturday, July 8th at 5:00 pm.

Cost: \$45 per person or \$325 for a table of 8.

Where: 2590 Centre St in Pelham (corner of Sawmill Rd and Centre St)

Purchase your tickets TODAY!

Contact: Cathy Benjamins

e-mail: admin@thebridgenf.ca

Phone: 905-736-0160.

Cash, Cheques and Credit Cards accepted.

Sexual Purity/Addiction:

Dear Congregation Member: Greetings. You are no doubt aware of the subtle and stealthy manner in which social media is influencing our decisions and values. Even those of us who by prayerful and constant use of God's instructions, try to live a life of sexual purity, can be drawn into the sexual battle against pornography.

You are invited to spend a couple hours with Brent Thomas, Executive Director of Elisha House in Welland and his colleague, Glen Slingerland to hear more about pornography and sexual purity. In the battle for sexual purity, we learn that what starts off as a moral problem, quickly becomes a brain problem.

All are welcome. Youngsters under 16 are welcome at the discretion of their parents. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, 2017 at Bethel Christian Reformed Church, 17 Robinson Rd., Dunnville. For additional information, email: George Eygenraam at gaeygenraam@gmail.com or phone Hank Hultink at [905-701-4386](tel:905-701-4386). There will be a freewill offering for Elisha House."

In His Service, The Spiritual Health Outreach Team

NIAGARA CHRISTIAN GLEANERS STRAWBERRY SOCIAL:

You are warmly invited to attend the Niagara Christian Gleaners strawberry social, to be held on Saturday, June 24, 2017 from 2 pm to 5 pm at the Overbeeke farm, 1353 Balfour St., Fenwick, ON.. We are excited and pleased to be able to share with you, how the Lord is leading and opening doors to begin a new Gleaners location, modeled after the Ontario Christian Gleaners in Cambridge. Please join us for strawberries, ice cream, fellowship, games, hay rides etc. and enjoy a presentation highlighting the current plans. . This is a free family event, your donations to Niagara Christian Gleaners will be tax receipted as per CRA guidelines.. You will learn how the Gleaners assists mission organizations and how you can help by financially supporting this work. We hope to engage all ages, teenagers to seniors, volunteering in bringing a meal to those who are hungry! "For truly I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward" Mark 9:41

Volunteers Needed—The Niagara Christian Gleaners will be hosting a Strawberry Social (Fundraiser) on June 24 from 2-5. We are looking for volunteers to wash / hull / slice strawberries in the morning - about 9:30 - ? We would appreciate your help - please let Christine Smit know if you are able to help. Phone: 905-957-4811 (please leave a message) email: christine_smit@hotmail.com

Loving Your Neighbor

Ever been engaged in a conversation and you wanted to say something about what you believe about God but didn't know what to say? Have you ever tried to express your faith to someone and given up in frustration? Ever wish you were better prepared in expressing your faith to your friends and neighbors? Do you live in the tension of wanting to make disciples but don't know where to start? You're not alone. While these are great questions to wonder about there is a first step to "Always being prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect" 1 Peter 3:15

We are inviting you to a one evening workshop where you will receive practical guidance to help you move towards engaging people with a different world view and encouraging them to consider God, who created us, loves us and wants us to know him.

Date: Tuesday Evening June 20th from 7pm till 9pm

Place: Providence Church Main Auditorium 4845 King St East Beamsville

Presenters: Mike Collins the Community Pastor for the Town of Lincoln and Nicole Wikkerink Providence Church Small Group Director.



Request for Summer Day Camp Support Person

There is a special request for a “friendly buddy” volunteer to come along side of a 6 year old boy who will be participating in the Welland Summer Day Camp Program.

Sebastian is in need of some gentle support to help keep him on track, and to help him transition activities throughout the day.

We are looking for a mature high school student who has their own transportation, is interested in working with kids and is also in need of community volunteer hours. We will gladly provide a letter of recommendation to assist in applications to post secondary education programs.

The camp program runs daily 9am- 5pm for the months of July and August.

Ideally we would love to work with 2 or 3 volunteers as we appreciate this would be a big time commitment for 1 person.

If you are interested or know of anyone else interested in this opportunity, please contact Sandra Stam @ cell # 905-658-6073

Coffee Break: Just thought I bring you all up to date on our summer picnic plans. It will be on July 11, at Fran Vedder's home. Her address is 40562 Forks Rd., Wainfleet. It will start 10:00 am and go till we all get tired and need to go home. □ Gail and Irene's group is asked to bring salads, Jane's group is asked to bring condiments, cold drinks, and fruit and veggie trays. Jean's group is asked to bring desserts and coffee goodies. Please contact me to let me know if you are planning or able to come. Also let me know what you are planning to bring, so that we have too much of one thing we can maybe change so there is enough of everything. Coffee and the hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided by Fran. Ladies I hope this is all making sense. □ Hope to see many of you there so we can catch up with everyone. See you there!



Elisha House is offering a Biblical Healing Group in June, 2017. Uprooting Anger on Thursdays from 7-9pm, starting June 20th and ending September 7th.

Uprooting Anger: Everyone experiences anger, but few of us handle it in a Christ-centered way. In his book *Uprooting Anger*, Robert Jones focuses on changing the underlying motivations and beliefs of the heart that drive angry behavior. This course is designed to offer a biblically-based, practical guide to having our self-centered hearts transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ, as opposed to simply learning to manage our anger. By uprooting these heart problems, participants will learn to express righteous anger in a God-glorifying way and see the fruit of thorough and lasting change in their lives..

For more information about this group go to <http://www.elishahouse.on.ca/biblical-healing-groups/6305>

To sign up or for more info call 905-735-9934 or email counsellors@elishahouse.on.ca. If you are interested, please let us know as soon as possible for planning purposes.

Concerts

COMMUNITY HYMN SING: Mountainview Church cordially invites you to join us Sunday June 25th at 7 p.m. for an evening of praise. We will give expression to our faith in song, in the words of many favourite hymns, interwoven with readings from the creeds. As we sing out our faith together we will be accompanied by Ernie Termorshuizen on organ and Will Lammers on piano. Please join us and bring your friends and neighbours!



Fundraiser Concert, a celebration of Canada's 150th birthday presented by the Robert Wood Singers and organized by Pelham Center Community Church.

Start this Friday June 16 at 7:30 PM, tickets are \$10, available from Andy Van Driel or at the door. Proceeds for the Building Fund and Pelham Cares. You will not be disappointed.

REDEEMER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Come for a visit! - Redeemer has a variety of visit opportunities this summer. Come to one of our Friday visit days or book a personalized tour to get a taste of what Redeemer is all about. Learn more and register at www.redeemer.ca/visit.

Summer RAYS—July 3 to August 25

Summer RAYS is Redeemer's weekly multi-sports and activities day camp for kids ages 5 to 13. Each of the 8 camp weeks in July and August emphasize participation, cooperation, skill development and most of all fun! Learn more and register at www.redeemeroys.ca/rays.

Abraham Kuyper Today: A Celebration of the Reformation—September 29

Celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation with a variety of short talks and panels that reflect on the relevance of the Kuyperian tradition for today. More information at www.redeemer.ca/kuyper-today.

Christian Civility in Terrifying Times-October 26

Find out how Dr. Richard Mouw, one of the most influential evangelical voices in North America, has carved a lifelong path to foster Christian civility at this free event. More information at www.redeemer.ca/richard-mouw.

Redeemer University College is Hiring! Redeemer University College has position openings for a Careers Advisor, a Housekeeper and Custodian, a Residence Director and a Web Designer. More information at www.redeemer.ca/staff-openings.

Redeemer University College is a Christian undergraduate university offering programs leading to Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education degrees. From its Hamilton, Ontario campus, Redeemer has prepared graduating classes — the next generation of Christian leaders — for more than 30 years. Redeemer students are being shaped by the Reformed Christian commitment to see faith woven through all aspects of learning and life. Across the world, from the classroom to the convocation stage to careers and churches, our faculty, students and alumni are making an impact.

CRC News

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FAMILY FIRE - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community

FUZZY FOCUS - In church Liz discovers Kayla Leon, a fantastic new singer, and he decides to become her manager. Can Liz show her how to be a Christian performer or is Kayla now Terrene's new diva? Subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. At www.kidscorner.net, download two of our best free resources: the KC Sketch book and the KC Summer Fun Book.

PRAISE IN DARK TIMES - Is praise always happy? Does it imply joy? What about when you're suffering or knocked down by life--can you praise then? Join us in studying Habakkuk 3:17-19 as we explore whether praise is possible or even fitting in the varying circumstances of life. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Looking for Inspiration? - Plan to join 2,000 other CRC servants at Inspire 2017, August 3-5 in Detroit, Michigan. This one-of-a-kind event is designed for people like you, who are actively serving their local congregations and communities. Be nourished by meaningful worship, be challenged by great presenters, and explore new ministry tools. Join us as we gather as CRC people to refresh, refocus, and reimagine how our shared calling finds expression in our local communities and beyond. Don't miss this opportunity. Register today at crcna.org/Inspire2017.

Please Pray for Synod 2017 - Please continue to pray for the discussions and decisions that will take place at Synod 2017. Synod begins on Friday, June 9 in Palos Heights, Illinois, and will run until June 15. Resources and topics for prayer can be found on the Synod Prayer Support page. crcna.org/synod/prayer

Pray for Inspire 2017 - Inspire 2017 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 3-5 in Detroit, Mich., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for openness to God's leading in all sessions. Pray that all who attend Inspire 2017 will hear his voice in their lives, and that presenters will listen and obey as they prepare and lead sessions. Pray that God will keep out all distractions, tension, fear, and other things that keep us from hearing his voice.

Bible League Canada: An Evening of Inspiration - Bible League Canada invites you to come out to a dessert evening of information and inspiration. You will have an opportunity to hear about the exciting work that God is doing in India. Bible League representatives Ashley Sherbino and Norm Cheng will be hosting this special evening. Bill and Hilda Vander Klippe will share their firsthand experience about their recent trip to India, on how thousands of lives are being transformed every day through the various ministries that Bible League Canada supports in India. You will be inspired as you hear about courageous Church Planters, transforming communities through the work of the Adult Bible-based Literacy classes, and Children's Bible Clubs. Join us Monday, June 12th, from 7 - 8:30 pm at Covenant Christian Reformed Church (278 Parnell Rd. St. Catharines, ON). Please RSVP: 905-397-0502, or hildavdk@gmail.com or ncheng@bibleleague.ca

FIRST NATIONS RECONCILIATION TRIP - The Christian Reformed Church is passionate about working towards reconciliation with local First Nations communities. This summer we're providing an opportunity for CRC young adults (17 and up) to respond to the call of justice while spending the week of July 14 - 22 on the Mishkeegogamang Ojibway First Nation reserve in Northern Ontario. You will get to know the people and ways of life of the community through volunteering as a Jr. Camp Counselor at Mish Adventures Camp, a children and youth summer camp that's been running for over 10 years in the community. Sound exciting? Want more information? Contact Carol Sybenga csybenga@crcna.org or 800-730-3490.

