

October 25, 2015

Bethany Christian Reformed Church  
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# Bethany Bugle

### Special points of interest:

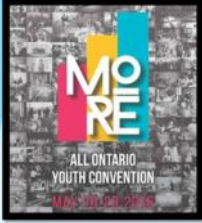
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## “Merge”-Youth Group

Come on out and join the discussion on addictions as we listen to Glen, a Biblical Counselor from Elisha House engage with us on this important subject. Merge, Konnect20, parents, & others interested are welcome. Save the date: October 25, 7-8:30 in the fellowship hall. Any questions, contact Andrea ([andrea@bethanycrc.ca](mailto:andrea@bethanycrc.ca) or text 905-975-8484).



**MERGE PARENT INFORMATION SESSION**




Where: October 25, 8:30-9 pm @ church (after the addiction discussion).

Why: To discuss All Ontario Youth Convention and SERVE.

A conversation about dates, locations, costs, fundraisers, volunteers, and all other details. Commitment for SERVE needs to be expressed by October 29.

For more details contact [andrea@bethanycrc.ca](mailto:andrea@bethanycrc.ca)



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## Mission Trip Fundraiser

### SAVE THE DATE!!

Do you want to do some grocery shopping, Christmas shopping, run errands, visit friends, go to a spa, hang Christmas lights, have a day out...all without your kids? DECEMBER 5 we are having a KIDS day at Bethany!! From 9am to 5pm, you can drop your kids off at the church and we will take great care of them. Games, singing, crafts, worship, snacks, movie, we have a great day planned for them. If you would like us to look after your children ( any age) for an hour, for the morning, all day, please contact: [kathleenvanhoffen@hotmail.com](mailto:kathleenvanhoffen@hotmail.com) You will need to reserve a spot for your child(ren) so feel free to send an email any time. Free-will donation for Zambia 2016 team. More information to follow

## Ministry Funding Report

### Kingdom 'Building' – Ministry Funding / Budget Update

Doing ministry together: September 30, 2015

	PLAN	ACTUAL
Bethany Income	\$329,548.86	\$294,925.16
Bethany Expenses	\$329,548.86	\$302,064.01
Collected for Classis	\$10,842.39	\$10,842.39
Collected for CRC	\$44,307.36	\$44,919.54
2 <sup>nd</sup> Offering last two weeks (Oct.4th, 11th, 12th)		
Deacons.....		\$602.00
W.R. Syrian Refugees.....		\$5,840.00
Devon VanHoffen(Hands at Work).....		\$30.00
World Renew.....		\$3,007.00
Can. Foodgrains.....		\$2,050.00
Pelham Cares.....		\$250.00
Rose City Kids.....		\$200.00



**shalem**  
Mental Health Network

**CONTACT INFORMATION**  
Phone: 905-528-0353 or  
Toll-free 1-866-347-0041  
[www.shalemnetwork.org](http://www.shalemnetwork.org)

### Operation Christmas Child

Collection week is Nov. 16 -22. For anyone who doesn't have a shoebox feel free to use any shoe box just done wrap it so you can't open it. All boxes need to be inspected. If you have any questions, please contact Ann VanLochem



### Promise Keepers November 13-14, 2015

Toronto, Ontario, Church on the Queensway  
(1536 The Queensway) , Toronto, ON

Every man wants to know his life counts for something. He wants to know that there is a greater purpose and plan than the everyday routines and trials he experiences. The world teaches that a greater life is experienced through what you own, achieve, and experience. God teaches that greatness begins and ends with Him, and that by His grace, He invites and empowers us to a "Greater" life.

## School News

### FAMILY FUN FEST!!

Save the date: NOVEMBER 14, 2015.

Location: Smithville Christian Highschool! 8:00 Breakfast with rooms to open at 9:00 – 2:00.

On behalf of the Family Fun Fest Committee, we are looking for your help for the day. Could you bake? Spare an hour our two to help in rooms, or in the kitchen? We are in need of a food co-ordinator, if this would be of interest to you and need more information, please let us know! We'd be happy to share the details of food co-ordinator.

In the next couple of weeks we hope to make a few phone calls for food donations. We'd like to thank you in advance for your help in making the Family Fun Fest a very fun filled community event.

If you have any questions please call Elaine Van Hoon 905-562-8299 or email at [elaine@vanhoorns.ca](mailto:elaine@vanhoorns.ca)

**NACE FALL DRIVE:** When you read the information in your mailslots about the NACE Fall Drive, we hope you are struck by two things: a) that the Fall Drive helps out families very much like those around you and b) the Fall Drive benefits families who are quite different from those you might expect to find at Christian schools! In other words, we hope you will see that supporting the NACE Fall Drive is making a real difference for individuals and their families, but also that your support makes a real difference in the towns and cities around us as we make a difference, together!

## Other News

**Coffee Break:** We are excited with the wonderful group of ladies who come to join every Tuesday morning here at Grace CRC. It looks like every one is enjoying the study of Acts and getting some good discussions. A great place to spend Tuesday mornings. Jean and Henny are into Lesson #5 based on Acts 4:32-5:16. "Oneness of Heart" In this study we see that when the battle is spiritual our need for each other is even more critical. Jane's group is continuing study 4 with question number 5. Gail and Irene are finishing lesson 3. As you can see we are in different areas of our study but we are all learning more about our spiritual journeys. Please remember we are a sabbath free group because of severe allergies. Join for the singing, the prayers and the spiritual journey. Coffee and refreshments will be ready for you by 9:15 and we start promptly at 9:30. Snacks: Carla L., Nellie S., Mary VM.

**CLASSIS NIAGARA REFORMATION SERVICE:** Sunday November 8th at 5 p.m. the Christian Reformed churches of Classis Niagara will gather at Mountainview CRC in Grimsby for our Sixth Annual Reformation Service. At this time we will have the privilege to celebrate the Lord's Supper together. Rev. Jul Medenblik, President of Calvin Theological Seminary, will bring us the message based on Ephesians 2:1-10 entitled "Ladder Theology", God invites us to rest in the faith that He provides. May this be a blessed time of worship, reflection and spiritual feeding on God's Word and the sacrament of Holy Communion. An offering will be taken for Calvin Theological Seminary.

**Please join us on Monday, Nov. 2nd at 7:30pm here at Mountainview CRC for a "Generous Space Conversation."** Generous space is a new approach to being a healthy community of diversity centered around Jesus. Developed in the context of navigating diversity on LGBTQ+ matters, this posture applies to any issue over which Christians agree to disagree. This conversation will be facilitated by Wendy VanderWal-Gritter, author of "Generous Spaciousness: Responding to Gay Christians in the Church." Time will be given for dialogue and question & response. There is no cost for the evening, but an offering will be taken. Please feel free to share this invitation with others!

## CRC News

**7 DEADLY SINS BIBLE STUDY** - Pride. Envy. Anger. Sloth. Greed. Gluttony. Lust. What makes these seven sins so "deadly"? Groundwork brings you an in-depth, audio Bible teaching series examining this list of infamous vices. Great for personal or group study. Free with study guide when you subscribe to the weekly email update at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com).

**URBANA 2015 TRAVEL GRANT** - Will you be attending InterVarsity's Urbana 2015 - Student Missions Conference December 27-31? Christian Reformed World Missions would like to help. We have limited funds available to subsidize travel costs for qualified applicants. To apply: [www.crwmm.org/urbana](http://www.crwmm.org/urbana). For information, call Trish De Jong (Canada) at 905-336-2920 or Nalini Van Den Bosch (USA) at 616-224-0703, or email [Urbana15@crcna.org](mailto:Urbana15@crcna.org). Applicants must be members or regular attendees of a CRCNA congregation, be high school seniors or above, and must show proof of Urbana registration. Deadline for applications is October 30, 2015.

**FREE WEBINAR** - Join us on Nov. 4 for "Oops: Stop Accidentally Offending People". Our four panelists will each share from a different perspective about how to relate to people if you'd like to avoid offending them and how to be more hospitable and loving in a diverse world. Visit [crcna.org/webinars](http://crcna.org/webinars) for details and registration.

**ALL ONTARIO CAMPOREE 2016** - The All Ontario Calvinist Cadet Corps Camporee is planned for August 1-6, 2016. Cadet counselors who register early before November 30, 2015 will be able to do so for \$100 per counselor. Cheques should be sent or given to John Barneveld, 107-1940 London Line, Sarnia, ON N7W 1B5.

**LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG CONCERTS** - Martin Mans director, Martin Zonnenberg accompanist, Jan Scheper guest soloist: Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m., Alexandra Presbyterian, 410 Colborne St. Brantford, Ont. Dec. 3, 7:30 p.m., Smithville Canadian Reformed Church, 330 Station St., Smithville, Ont., Dec. 4, 7:30 p.m., Knox Presbyterian Church, 142 Ontario St., Stratford, Ont. Order tickets online [www.libertasvoices.com](http://www.libertasvoices.com) or contact Tjitske Van Reenen 905-522-0001 or 905-520-0207. Adult \$20, Youth \$10, Children under 10, Free. NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME, visit the website for information.

**SOUNDS OF REMEMBRANCE - The HMCS STAR BAND** of the Royal Canadian Navy, guests of the Ambassadors Male Chorus, present a special Sounds of Remembrance concert at Mt. Hamilton Christian Reformed Church on Saturday, November 14 at 7:30 pm. Adult admission is \$20. Tickets available from chorus members or at the door.

**UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE STUDENTS** - our CR-CMA "Student Summit" is on the horizon. Come and join with university and college students from campuses across Ontario at beautiful Mount Mary Retreat Centre in Ancaster, ON on Nov. 6-8 for a great weekend of worship, prayer, reflection, insightful workshops, Coffee House music, games, outing and more. Check out our website for details, [cr-cmasummit2015.weebly.com](http://cr-cmasummit2015.weebly.com). Hosted by Classis Hamilton's McMaster Univ. & Mohawk College CR-Campus Ministry. Dr. Michael D. Fallon [fallonm@mcmaster.ca](mailto:fallonm@mcmaster.ca).

**DISCOVERY TRIP CAMBODIA** - Do you have plans to visit Cambodia? During your travels, join World Renew for a mini 2-day visit or up to a 2-week mission trip to discover how Cambodia is recovering from its turbulent past. Experience life in a village, on a farm or at a school. Contact us for a brochure or more details at [www.worldrenew.net/gvp](http://www.worldrenew.net/gvp) or [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org).

**GLOBAL PRAYER SAFARI** - Do you have a heart for missions and the missionaries who serve in Africa? Make plans to join World Missions' Kenya Prayer Safari in February 2016 to strengthen, spiritually encourage and refresh Christian missionary workers in various missions settings. Additional details can be found at [www.crwmm.org](http://www.crwmm.org) or contact [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org). Something fishy is happening right now in our congregation and around the world. - Through your Peter Fish bank contributions, you are helping to fight global hunger and give families the training they need to overcome poverty, disaster, hunger and injustice. Please continue to read the World Hunger "Fish for Change" stories at your supper tables this week. Then bring your Peter Fish banks to church next week as we celebrate World Hunger Sunday.



We're on the web!  
[www.bethanycrc.ca](http://www.bethanycrc.ca)