



# NEWSLETTER

Deep Connecting  
Lifelong Equipping  
Compassionate Serving

September 15, 2024

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## Services/Events

**Today** - Celebration of the **Lord's Supper**

**Sept 16th** - Elders meeting 7:30pm at the church.

**Sept 24th** - Council Executive meeting 7AM

**Sept 29th** - Safe Church Sunday

**Oct 1st** - Seniors Gathering at church 2-4pm

## Collections

**Today** - Reframe Ministries

**September 22nd** - Niagara Christian Gleaners

**September 29th** - Shalom Manor

**October 6th** - Deacons

**October 13th** - World Renew

**October 14th** - Reframe Ministries

**Seniors Gathering:** We will be starting our Senior get togethers again on Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.. and also on Oct 29<sup>th</sup> .. We start at 2pm and go to about 4pm. If the weather is still nice we may be able to enjoy some outdoor games. If not we will be inside.. looking forward to spending time together for some fun, food and fellowship..

**Coffee Break Welland CRC** - our study this year is "The Fruits of the Spirit". Lesson 1 is this coming Tuesday at 9:30am on "The Fruit of Freedom". Read Galatians 5:15-28 and John 5:1-8. Join us here at Grace CRC.

<b>"CAST" (Christian Artists/StoryTellers)</b>	Sept 25th - Painting time: 2-4pm & 7-9pm
Oct. 9th - Study time from 7-9pm	Oct 23rd - Painting time: 2-4pm & 7-9pm
Nov 6th - Study time from 7-9pm	Nov 20th - Painting time: 2-4pm & 7-9pm
Dec 4th - Study time from 7-9pm	Dec 18th - Painting time: 2-4pm & 7-9pm

## LIFE CHAIN: Annual Day of Public Witness for Children Killed by Abortion

Life Chain is held at over 320 locations across Canada each year. Please mark your calendar—the next Life Chain will be on Sunday, October 6, 2024 from 2-3 pm..

Here are some locations:

GRIMSBY\* Main St E at Bartlett Ave 1-2 pm

GRIMSBY\* Main St W at Christie St 1-2 pm

ST. CATHARINES Lake St at Carlton St 2:30-3:30 pm

STONEY CREEK Hwy 20 (Centennial Pkwy) at Hwy 8 (Queenston Rd E) 2:30-3:30 pm

STONEY CREEK Hwy 8 (Queenston Rd) at Gray Rd 2:30-3:30 pm

If you would like to join Jim & Laura Sebert at one of these locations, please contact Laura at

[hope\\_in\\_christ@yahoo.ca](mailto:hope_in_christ@yahoo.ca)

**Safe Families Niagara Play Day:** We would love to invite EVERYONE to celebrate the Lord's goodness to us this past year! Please join us on Saturday, September 21 from 1-4 pm at Jordan Christian School (4171 Fifteenth

Street, Jordan Station). There is a fantastic playground and outdoor space, and we'll have face painting and balloon making. We'll also have fabulous food: cotton candy, pie with ice cream, speciality coffees and more! This is a FREE event. Come on your own or with family and friends for an afternoon of celebration and fellowship!

**Concert: Proclamation Quartet** at Bethel CRC in Dunnville, Sunday, September 22, 2024 at 7 p.m. They are a gospel music quartet renowned for passionately spreading the good news through melodious harmonies. In a world that is hurting and in desperate need of answers, the Proclamation Quartet is a constant reminder of our Redeemer's promise: "...and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Come and join us.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Mountainview Church in Grimsby is excited to announce Ken Medema in concert Saturday November 23rd. Mark your calendar and join us! Tickets on sale soon. [www.mountainviewcrc.org/events](http://www.mountainviewcrc.org/events)

**Open Arms Mission Items of the Month** - Thanksgiving themed: instant mashed potatoes, boxes of stuffing, cans of gravy and cranberries etc.

### **River's Edge Haven of Hope's Fall Fest & Vendor Show**

Join us at River's Edge Haven of Hope ( 1 Haldimand County Road 17, Dunnville) Saturday, October 26th 11 am-3 pm. for our 3rd Annual Fall Fest & Vendor Show! There will be a tasty variety of food to purchase and enjoy for lunch. Take the family for a day of animal demonstrations/presentations, browse the vendors, buy fresh flowers for your table, baked goods for Sunday, fresh produce and much more! All the proceeds from lunch, the Farmers Market, Bake Sale, and River's Edge Apparel, fund this Ministry. We appreciate your financial support! There are still a *few vendor spots* available, the deadline to apply is September 21 (email [promotions@riversedge.ca](mailto:promotions@riversedge.ca)). We are also always looking for *baked good donations* for the Bake Sale. Message or call Sandra Oosterhof 905-229-8616 or AnnMarie Sjaarda 905-745-6934 if you have any questions. Thank you in advance!



**Clarity Pregnancy Options Annual Dessert Social** is coming up Friday, September 20th at 6pm. There's no cost to attend but there will be a free-will offering and reservations are required, so book your seats or a table of ten! For more details and to RSVP go to [www.clarityevents.ca](http://www.clarityevents.ca) or call 289-273-8806. Join us in celebrating how faithful the Lord has been in this ministry!

**Come and See What God is Doing: CRC Gather! 2024, Monday, November 18, beginning with dinner at 5 pm, concluding at noon on Wednesday, November 20 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Niagara Falls** We're bringing together Christian Reformed people from across North America for fellowship, encouragement and renewal. Fifteen people from Classis Niagara are welcome to attend. Through facilitated storytelling in small groups, participants will discuss ways God is bringing life to our congregations, how we can encourage greater participation and where God is leading us in the coming months and years. All expenses are covered through a generous grant. Contact Wendy de Jong [statedclerkniagara@gmail.com](mailto:statedclerkniagara@gmail.com) to register by October 14. To learn more, visit [crcna.org/Gather](http://crcna.org/Gather).

**Christian Couple/family needed to be "House parents"** to Rebecca (45 yrs old, high functioning special needs) in the City of Welland. The house parents would live in a lovely home with Rebecca and offer the necessary care and support. This would be a great blessing to Rebecca's family while also blessing a young couple or family with much reduced rent payments. This is a paid position. All further details available upon request. If interested contact Deacon Marty VanderVeen at [wildcard0009@hotmail.com](mailto:wildcard0009@hotmail.com)

### **GriefShare 13 week sessions**

When a loved one dies, it can feel like you're alone. Few people understand how painful and isolating your grief can be. But that doesn't mean you have to suffer by yourself. At GriefShare, you'll find a safe, comforting place where you can talk with others about your grief. You'll find support, direction, and guidance on how to make it through. ***You may join at any time as each session stands on its own.***

Our first session will be tomorrow evening. **Monday, Sept. 16, 2024 from 7-9pm** at the Zion Free Reformed Church, 1075 Boyle Road, Fenwick. After that it will be held on Tuesdays. **Tuesday, Sept. 24th; no meeting Tuesday, Oct. 1st; then Tuesday, Oct. 8th; 15th ect.**

For more information contact Frank and Joanne Fousert at 519-852-6574 or email at [joannefousert@gmail.com](mailto:joannefousert@gmail.com) or visit [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) For planning purposes, please let us know if you plan to attend. Thanks.

### ***We're Hiring! Join Our Team as a Business Administrator!***

Are you a finance or business professional with a knack for numbers, an eye for detail, and a heart for service? Martindale Place, a Christian organization, is looking for a talented Business Administrator to manage our Financial operations and support our amazing team!

#### **What's in it for you?**

- ☀️ A full-time role
- ☀️ A competitive salary
- ☀️ A chance to grow and develop in a supportive, faith-based environment

If you're ready to make a real difference and take the next step in your career, we want to hear from you! Check out the details and apply today at [martindaleplace.com/careers/](http://martindaleplace.com/careers/) ✨

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Are you looking for rewarding work? Do you want to be part of a dynamic and committed team? Do need something flexible that works with your home life? Diaconal Ministries Canada (a partner agency of the Christian Reformed Church) is currently searching for a **part-time Development Coordinator** (approx. 18 hrs/week). This position is responsible for new revenue generation through the development, maintenance, and management of all aspects of Diaconal Ministries' fundraising efforts. View the complete job description on our website: <https://bit.ly/4dP1RBk>. Ability to work from home with occasional travel. Please share this with your friends and family! **Application Deadline: September 30, 2024**

**Moving Forward in Faith Conference (Nov. 15 & 16)** - Diaconal Ministries Canada and Resonate Global Mission invite CRC members and leaders of all ages for an inspiring event you don't want to miss! (Similar to the former Ancaster Day of Encouragement!) Join us Friday evening (Nov. 15) for worship and a plenary session by Caesar Kalinowski, author of the best-seller "The Gospel Primer" and host of the "Everyday Disciple" podcast. On Saturday (Nov. 16), Caesar will offer a series of related workshops or you can choose from over 20 other workshops related to young adult ministry, community engagement (local and global), Indigenous ministry, being a deacon, justice, and more! A bus tour option is also available; go and see ministry in action at two local organizations! This event will be held at Compass Point Church in Burlington, Ontario. Hotel discounts are available. Visit our website for details and pricing, workshop descriptions, and registration info: <https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/moving-forward-faith>

**World Renew Malawi and Zambia Discovery Tour** - Two countries, one trip! Embark on a journey across Southern Africa from November 8-18, 2024 as World Renew unveils the inspiring work in both Malawi and Zambia. This exclusive opportunity invites you to immerse yourself in the rich cultures and breathtaking landscapes of these nations while witnessing the transformative impact of World Renew's initiatives. Delve into the heart of our programs, build connections with our dedicated partners, and experience firsthand the profound change taking root in these communities, by the power of God. For more information and for registration, visit: <https://bit.ly/mztour2024>

**Bring Hope to Vermont with World Renew DRS!** - Beautiful fall foliage awaits you when you volunteer with World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) in Vermont! Transform your congregational community by bringing your church to replace flooring, install drywall, and more in flood-damaged homes. Our partners and homeowners could use your helping hands; restore hope in Vermont by contacting our Groups Program Manager, Chris Gibson, at [cgibson@worldrenew.net](mailto:cgibson@worldrenew.net).

The poster features a background image of a man and a woman sitting on a wooden bench, embracing. The man is wearing a white shirt. The text 'insight E4:12 CONFERENCE' is overlaid on the image. A circular logo in the top right corner reads 'INSIGHT BIBLICAL COUNSELLING CONFERENCE Nov 15 & 16 2024'. The title 'Marriage' is written in a large, elegant cursive font, with 'A Beautiful Mystery' in a smaller, serif font below it. In the bottom left, there is a QR code and the text 'BETHANY CRC FENWICK PROMO CODE: BETHCRC24'. Below the QR code, it says 'Scan QR to Register (https://bit.ly/3WpirQN) Enter church promo code for Free Registration!'. In the bottom right, there is a circular portrait of a man with the text 'Matt King GUEST SPEAKER'.

**Need support, prayer or to talk to someone?**

**Contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 (call/text) or Joyce De Roo 905-327-6569 (call/text)**

**Bethany also offers members/attendees the following confidential congregationally supported counseling:**

**Insight Biblical Counselling**

Book directly with them. Usage is confidential and available to all congregants with the first 6 sessions paid by Bethany. Mention you are a part of Bethany CRC. 905-734-4379

[www.seekinsight.ca](http://www.seekinsight.ca) & [info@seekinsight.ca](mailto:info@seekinsight.ca)

**Congregational Assistance Plan (CAP)**

Shalem Mental Health Network provides professional faith-based counseling services to our church through the Congregational Assistance Plan ... confidential and available to all congregants, at no cost for the first 6 sessions. Mention you are a part of Bethany CRC. To book an appt call Shalem directly at: 1-866-347-0041, or text 289-335-3543, or

[emailoffice@shalemnetwork.org](mailto:emailoffice@shalemnetwork.org)

All other church contact info: 905-892-8980 [info@bethanycrc.ca](mailto:info@bethanycrc.ca) [www.bethanycrc.ca](http://www.bethanycrc.ca)

