



# NEWSLETTER

Deep Connecting  
Lifelong Equipping  
Compassionate Serving

May 21, 2023

## Services/Events

**Today** - Pastor Ralph Koops leads our worship service

## Collections

**Today** - Cairn Christian School  
May 28th - Smithville Christian School  
June 4th - Redeemer University  
June 11th - Rose City Kids

## **PASTOR COLIN IS AWAY ON SABBATICAL+VACATION (MAY 8 - SEPT 3).**

It is Council's desire that members **do not contact** the pastor while he is away. If you need any kind of assistance or information contact: **Tim Van Hoffen: [timvanhoffen@hotmail.com](mailto:timvanhoffen@hotmail.com), call/text 905-658-8137** or **Denise in the Church Office: [info@bethanycrc.ca](mailto:info@bethanycrc.ca) 905-892-8980 (open Tue & Fri mornings) or your district elder. Thankyou all for honoring our request on behalf of our Pastor.**

What do you do with your TODAY books once you have read all the devotions for the month? Do you keep them or do you throw them away? We have found a way to repurpose them. If you would like to repurpose your TODAY books, **please place them in the bottom mail slot on the right labeled repurposed TODAY books.** She will get them to her friend who hands out devotionals to homeless individuals she comes into contact with.



**Open Arms Mission Food Barrel (near kitchen window) items in need of for this month focuses on Hygiene They need the following:** Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Dental Floss, Shampoo/Conditioner, Soap/Bodywash, Razors, Shaving Cream, Deodorant, Feminine Products, Toilet Paper



**Dunnville Christian School**

**Dunnville Christian School** is pleased to announce that on **June 3, 2023**, we are scheduled to hold the annual Golf Tournament at **Dunnville Golf Club** (150 Haldimand County Rd#17). The Golf Committee cordially invites you to participate in this fund-raising event either as a sponsor, or golfer or to order dinner (curbside pick up only). To register, please contact Justin & Monique VanderHeide at 905-701-8625 or

[dcsgolf@dunnvillechristianschool.ca](mailto:dcsgolf@dunnvillechristianschool.ca).

**Insight Biblical Counselling and Clarity Pregnancy Options** will be hosting an Open House at their new ministry spaces on June 8 (7-9 PM); June 9 (2-9PM) and June 10 (9-12AM). Join us at 263 Division Street, Welland to enjoy some light refreshments, see the new space which the Lord has provided, and learn more about the life-saving, life-changing ministries. For

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more information, please visit [www.clarityevents.ca/open-house](http://www.clarityevents.ca/open-house)



Baby Bottle Campaign: Clarity Pregnancy Options in partnership with Elisha House will be running their Baby Bottle Campaign until Father's Day, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Fill a bottle today, or visit [clarityevents.ca](http://clarityevents.ca) to donate and help them reach their \$40,000 goal to empower and equip women facing unexpected pregnancies. There are still baby bottles available on the tables just outside the sanctuary doors.

**Shalom Manor & Gardens May Sale:** Please join us on Saturday, May 27 from 8 a.m. to noon for our Annual May Sale. The sale will be held in the parking lot and in addition to all the plants you need for your garden, there will be an opportunity to visit the General Store, check out the bake sale and enjoy a coffee or tea with a slice of cake. *We look forward to seeing you there!*

**SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITY:** The Bridge Church in Niagara Falls is looking to fill the following full-time summer position: Social Media Coordinator + Mission Support. Primary duties include developing and coordinating our organization's website, video, and social media presence. The successful candidate can expect a well-rounded educative experience in serving people experiencing homelessness, including supporting our daily free breakfast program, working as a barista in our partner café, and regular mentorship. This position is ideal for a high school or college/university student. For more information or to apply, please contact [steve@thebridgenf.ca](mailto:steve@thebridgenf.ca)

#### **SOCO Beach Project Update:**

The participants are here! Read all about it in this week's newsletter. Consider helping them reach their fundraising goal of \$20,000. And save the date for the upcoming SOCO open house - June 17. For young adults, save the date for this summer's SOCO camping retreat: July 21 - 23. More information on both events to follow. Newsletter link: <https://mailchi.mp/cb050b7c32b2/soco-update-may-18-23>

#### **Need support or to talk to someone?**

**Contact Elder Tim Van Hoffen 905-658-8137 or Joyce De Roo 905-386-6719.**

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, at no cost for the first 6 sessions. 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.. CAP usage is 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, or for more info, please call Shalem directly at: 905-528-0353, 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) or see website: [www.bethanycrc.ca](http://www.bethanycrc.ca)**