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GRAD CONGRATULATIONS!



Rejoice Christian Academy held their final Grad & Awards Night on Tuesday, June 19. Taking the stage as the 18th and final graduate was "Lindsay Running". Bob Galashan presented a tribute to Lindsay, honoring her for

her commitment and dedication both to RCA and to God. Lindsay has been accepted at Georgian College in Barrie to begin her Nursing career. Congratulations, Lindsay. We are very proud of you!

BABY DEDICATION

Spada Rozo

On Sunday, June 24, Pastor Courtney had the privilege of dedicating "Joshua Alejandro Spada Rozo" to the Lord. Joshua is the son of Guiseppe (Joe) and Nalda Spada Rozo, who are part of our church family. Joe's parents and other family members joined them for this special celebration.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

We extend our love and best wishes to Walter & Lorraine McNeely on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary! Walter & Lorraine attended Innisfil Community Church for many years and faithfully served in various areas of ministry and service. The McNeelys currently reside in Peterborough. Congratulations to you both!

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We regret to announce the passing of Jeremy French, who passed away on Sunday, June 24th. Jeremy was the grandson of Gerry & Margaret French and the adopted son of Jim & Valerie French, who are pastoring in New Brunswick. Jim and Valerie loved and cared for Jeremy since birth (almost 20 years) and will miss him so much. Please pray for God's comfort and strength for the French families during this difficult time.

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BUILDING PROGRESS

Since our last report, we have made limited progress in resolving a number of outstanding issues with the municipality.

Our engineer completed an estimate for us pertaining to the widening of Innisfil Beach Road by installing a turning lane into the church. The county will require us to pay up front the cost of road-widening before our site plan is approved. Our engineer quoted a cost of \$53,000. The county has indicated that they require \$124,000 for this project on the basis of their calculations.

We have also engaged an additional engineer to work with us regarding our septic system. The municipality rejected our proposal as submitted by a licensed local septic installer. Though we have two major water mains in the municipal water reservoir across the road, we will be required to build our own water reservoir to hold almost 300,000 liters of water in case of fire. These have been significant hurdles but we are believing God to accelerate the approval process.

SCHOOL IS OUT!

School is out and students are looking forward to vacations, fun time and no homework! Remember the old nursery rhyme: "No more pencils, no more books, my pocket's full of fishing hooks." Somehow the lyrics have changed over the years, but the fact that they're free from school for a couple of months is always exciting for them. Over the summer, especially, we ask that you pray for our children, that God would protect them and keep them in His care.



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Towel & Basin Theology

Pastor Courtney's sermons for the month of June focused on Jesus as being the role model of servanthood. Before His death, Jesus gave an example of loving service. Laying aside

His outer garment, dressed like a servant with a towel about His waist, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet. In this way the Lord showed that in His Kingdom all must love to serve and to do kind things for others. (John 13: 1-17).

Our Own Examples of Servanthood

This month we had to say goodbye to two of our church families.

The last Sunday for the Powers' family was on June 10; they are relocating to Oxford, Nova Scotia. David & Marshella came to ICC with servants hearts; given to hospitality and serving in numerous areas of ministry within and outside of the church. They were always willing to help out wherever the need arose. After praying God's blessing over the family, Pastor Courtney presented David & Marshella with a stoneware basin and ICC towel as a token of love and appreciation for their service.

The following Sunday, June 17, with mixed emotions, we said goodbye to Bob & Jolanda Galashan, prime examples of servanthood, serving with humble hearts. Bob & Jolanda not only have servants hearts but "mission" hearts. (continued next page)

Events/Activities

Servanthood (continued)

Bob & Jolanda Galashan have been at Innisfil Community Church for nearly 20 years; and have ministered to over 300 students at Rejoice Christian Academy. They have both served on The Board and have held many leadership roles along the way. Bob & Jolanda have served with the greatest humility, always putting others first and expecting nothing in return. On their last Sunday with us, in addition to the prayer of blessing over them, there were many heart-warming tributes spoken to them from the congregation. Pastor Courtney presented them with "The Towel & Basin", releasing them into the next chapter of their journey. Bob & Jolanda, as you move to Huntsville, we pray God will continue to direct your path and abundantly bless you. THANK YOU for being "HIS" servants to "US".

WOMEN'S CONNECTION

The 3rd annual Daisy Dejeuner was held on Saturday, June 9, wrapping up Women's Connection for another season. The guest speaker for the afternoon was Rev. Peggy Kennedy. Peggy shared from her heart on "Hearing The Voice of God." A lovely catered meal was provided by Casal Catering and served by ICC's "dapper" gentlemen (thanks, guys!). A special "thank you" to Brenda Clair and her team for organizing the event with excellence! Women's Connection will resume again in September.

PRIMETIMERS

The seniors held their Picnic on Tuesday, June 19 on the church grounds. It was intended to be an all-outdoors event, but plans got changed because of the rain. But...at least the hotdogs got cooked outside before the rain began! Pies & strawberries were the desserts of the day; and, of course, the activity wouldn't be complete without a game of shuffleboard and carpet bowling.

Events/Activities (cont'd)

THE GATE & GROUND ZERO

The Gate Junior Highs and Ground Zero Senior Highs held several combined events in June. On June 8 they joined with Barrie Free Methodist Church for "A Battle of the Bands". On the 16th they attended a Youth Rally (with Masters College) at Hi-way Pentecostal Church. On the 27th The GATE kids took a bus to join with two other JH Youth groups in Orillia for a night of music, fun and food. Pastor Kris has just returned from Newfoundland after spending a week visiting his parents. Welcome Back PK!

BG SWIM & SLEEPOVER

The final activity for the BG's (until September) was a Swim & Sleepover; and, what better place to have a sleepover than at the church! Thank You to Bonnie Pereira and her crew for doing an excellent job in leading the Boys and Girls Club this year.

Focus On The Family's "The Truth Project"



This 12-week course has just begun and is facilitated by John Heeringa on Wednesday nights at 7 pm. "The Truth Project" is a DVD-based curriculum comprised of 12 one-hour lessons taught by Dr. Del Tackett. It is the starting point for looking at life from a Biblical perspective. Each lesson discusses in detail the relevance and importance of living the Christian worldview in daily life. It is a tool to help spread the truth to other believers.

FATHER'S DAY

In the morning service on Father's Day, all the dads were invited to the front and a prayer of God's blessing and favor was spoken over them. Each father who attended received a gift in honor of their special day. Our Heavenly Father, God Himself, was the most honored as "HE" meets every qualification for the task. "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God." | John 3:1

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REV. PEGGY KENNEDY

ICC was pleased to have had Rev. Peggy Kennedy (along with her husband, Jack) as the guest speaker for both services on Sunday, June 10. Peggy's unique style of ministry is well known especially at Women's Conventions and Conferences and she has ministered to a wide range of audiences across the nation.



DESSERT CONCERT WITH FOLK HARPIST EDUARD KLASSEN

On Sunday evening, June 24, Innisfil Community Church hosted another Dessert Concert; welcoming for a second time Paraguayan Folk Harpist, Eduard Klassen. Eduard has presented over 3000 music concerts in 20 countries since making a personal commitment to Christ. The sanctuary was set up round-table style, with a full audience in attendance. After sharing his personal testimony, Eduard once again skillfully played his harp music; a mix of folk songs and beautiful hymns. Following the concert, everyone was served refreshments and delicious Pfalzgraf cheesecake desserts. It is our privilege to be able to offer these concerts free of charge to the surrounding communities.

PARK PROGRAM IN PROGRESS

P.A.R.K. (Positively & Affectively Reaching Kids). Under the leadership of Bonnie Pereira and Justine VanKesteren, the PARK program will run again this year in the Crossroads and St. Francis of Assisi Parks—the weeks of July 16-20 and July 23-27, from 10 am to 12 noon.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The leaders and crew are working hard in planning "Avalanche Ranch" - A Wild Ride Through God's Word. This year's VBS will be overflowing with fun and filled with amazing Bible adventures and unforgettable songs. Registrations are well underway.