

# GATEWAY CATHEDRAL

## NEWSLETTER

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### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

It's hard to believe that the busy summer has passed and we are already into the fall season.

We have enjoyed three exciting weeks of camp at Oak Hill Christian Centre, and saw the hand of the Lord move mightily in the lives of many of the children and teens who attended. A special thank you to Erin Walsh, and Aaron & Angela Hanley who took leadership in the camps this year, and a big thank you to Reva Avery and her team who worked tirelessly, providing delicious meals in the kitchen.

At this time of year our focus turns toward getting ready for the fall semester of our Growth Groups, Back to Church Sunday, Thanksgiving, and of course various Christmas events and activities.

I am delighted by the show of interest in many of our congregation toward our Growth Groups. As I consider the selection of studies available this semester I believe there is something for everyone as we grow together in Biblical knowledge, and are blessed by genuine Christian fellowship. With a variety of meeting times, including evening and daytime sessions, and a good selection of topics, everyone can find a place to belong.

In this fall season, I encourage you to join with me in prayer for our church and community. My prayer is that God will give us an evangelistic fervor that longs to see many people saved and grow deeper in their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us all join together in unity as the Body of Christ and look forward to seeing God's great purpose for this whole valley.

Pastor Gord

### LADIES MISSIONARY GROUP

We will be meeting September 13, 2017, Wednesday at 1:00 PM. From now on, our meetings will be on the second Wednesday of the month.

We were able to send 115 dresses with Gwen French back to the Philippines to bless their ministry.

We have been able to send funds to our missionaries from our monthly giving and fund raisers, such as our Yard Sale and March for Missions.

It has been a good year and we feel blessed to be able to be a benefit to the work of the Lord.

Pam McGarrigle  
President

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS JOY

Operation Christmas Joy is starting our fundraising campaign celebrating its 15th year of helping the children in Charlotte County celebrate the Christmas experience. We have been exploring ways to keep the longevity of the program flourishing, so we may have an exciting announcement in the near future.

We look forward to providing for the more than 250 children that will be referred this year and ask for your continued support in any way that you can.

Unfortunately, our Oak Hill Camp Day did not unfold due to inclement weather and other circumstances. Looking forward to the possibilities next year.

Respectfully, Don & Linda McGee  
Directors

### ST. CROIX PRO-LIFE

Sunday Oct 1st is the annual Pro-life Life Chain. Meet at the Border Arena parking lot at 2 pm and the Life Chain will be held along King Street between 2 and 3:30 PM. There will be signs there if you don't have a Pro-life sign yourself.

Christians need to stand up against the 300 children per day that are being aborted in Canada. So please come and stand with us or bring a lawn chair and you can sit on King Street and hold your sign if standing is difficult.

Anne Hooper

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

As the fall brings children “back to school,” Gateway’s Sunday School program will also be back in full swing. This season, we are focusing on meeting the needs and ministering to the kids we have with the hopes of also expanding to include new little ones.

After worshipping together upstairs, children aged preschool through elementary ages have an opportunity to meet downstairs with teachers Rhona Harmon and Angela Hanley. During our time together, activities like Bible stories, singing, praying, crafts, games and snacks help us grow and learn about Jesus. This fall, we hope to incorporate some fun new ideas for the children including puppet skits with the help of some of the teens. The newly remodeled youth room will allow us to utilize space for the puppet drama stage as well as worship song videos on the BIG screen!

Rhona and Angela would also like to take this opportunity to ask for “helpers” who would be willing to join us even on a once or twice a month basis. This help is essential especially if larger groups of children arrive on a Sunday morning. The flow and organization of a Sunday School morning greatly benefits from this. Let us know if you’d like to serve in Sunday School!!

We know your heart will be blessed by giving of your time to these little ones.

Angela Hanley  
Sunday School

## MUSIC & WORSHIP

*Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our “God is a consuming fire.” Hebrews 12:28-29 (NIV)*

It is with enthusiasm and excitement that we look forward to the fall and winter months here at Gateway Cathedral. Over the last few months we have been growing together as a Worship Team, adding to our numbers - Connie Birch, Faith Hawkins and Nora Hanley to name a few. It is such a blessing to see young people joining us on the platform and I pray that the Lord will continue to bless our church and pour out His Holy Spirit on our Worship.

In the near future we will be announcing our Christmas production, which always includes

a choir, and we hope that many of you will join with us, it is truly a blessing, and we always have a lot of fun at practice.

Aaron Hanley & Emily Walsh  
Worship Leaders

## YOUTH

We started working with the youth around Christmas last year. So this will be our first opportunity to work with the youth from the beginning of the school year until summer. We have some exciting ideas and plans in store for the youth, and they seem committed to spreading the word to their friends about The Bridge.

We have had several new faces visit with us already this year, and several of those have already returned, or plan to come back.

Four of our kids were baptized this spring by Pastor Gord and they are a good illustration of the heart of our core group of kids.

We want to emphasize and communicate to our youth group the importance of being involved with our Sunday church services as well. We are hoping to have many, if not all, of our group join us on Sundays as frequently as possible. We hope to even incorporate them into our Sunday service in some way, on a consistent basis (i.e. greeting, music, ushering, etc).

Please encourage the youth when you bump into them, especially on a Sunday morning. I know they will encourage you, just by having them as part of our corporate worship.

Aaron & Angela Hanley  
Youth Pastors

## GENERAL CHURCH INFORMATION

Sunday Worship Service.....10:30 AM

Sunday Evening Service.....6:00 PM

Youth Group.....Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM

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