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Birth Announcement

Patricia & Darin Jackson are delighted to announce the arrival of their first grandchild! Baby "Harper Capri Rose" was born at RVH at 3:55 am on Tuesday, February 12th, weighing 9 lbs.9 oz. Mommy and daddy (Christine & Kevin Palmer) and baby are all doing well. Thank you for your prayers!



In Memoriam

A memorial service, conducted by Pastor Courtney, was held at ICC on Saturday, February 2nd, for James Christopher Smith, who passed away at Royal Victoria Hospital on January 22nd, 2019 at the age of 51. James (known as Jim) bravely fought a long and hard battle against several illnesses over the past 6 years, along with the difficult challenge of facing the passing of his wife, Lesley, 5 years ago.



Both Jim and Lesley and their children attended Innisfil Community Church for a number of years. Please pray for their son and two daughters as they struggle with the loss of both parents.

Prayer Requests

Please join us in praying for the following folks from our congregation who have health needs:

- Gerry French
- Bob Peck
- Bill & Mary Brown
- Amanda Dufour

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:6-7

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

Annual Business Meeting

ICC's Annual Business Meeting will be held on Monday, March 4th at 7 pm. This meeting is open to all members and non-members. It is a good opportunity to learn about the programs, various ministries and operation of our church. We encourage you attend!

Easter Presentation

Auditions and practices are soon to begin for our full Easter musical and drama presentation, to be held Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Pastor Eli has held several information sessions leading up to this and, together with Pastor Andy, will be putting final plans into motion in preparation for the production.

St. Patrick's All Church Luncheon

ICC's Annual Pot Blessing Luncheon will be held immediately following the service, on Sunday, March 17th (St. Patrick's Day). This is a great fellowship time and opportunity for "munching, "lunching" and "bunching" together! We hope you will join us!

Spring Is Coming!

I think most of us can agree it's time for less snow and warmer weather!

Be of good cheer, Spring is almost here!

According to the calendar, Spring arrives on March 20th! We're Ready!



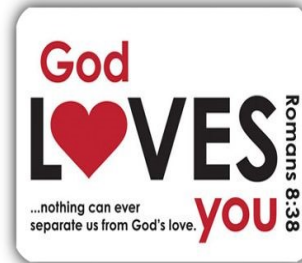
"Oh, that we might know the LORD! Let us press on to know him. He will respond to us as surely as the arrival of dawn or the coming of rains in early spring." Hosea 6:3

BLESSINGS TO YOU ALL!

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Heart of Love

February 14: Valentine's Day; the day when everything is red: love hearts, roses,



cards.....the ONE day (out of 365) when people are encouraged to show special treatment in tangible ways. While it is nice to recognize that "special someone" on Valentine's Day, what about the other 364

days? Should love and affection be limited to only ONE day? I'm sure we would all say, "we think not!"

Thank God that HIS love for us is deep, everlasting, unconditional, beyond all measure...unlimited. He loved us so much that He gave His only Son as a ransom for our sin; a constant reminder of His "Heart of Love!"

February Sermon Series

"You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected." Matthew 24:44

Jesus is coming soon!

Pastor Courtney's 3-part sermon series for this month was on the topic of "The Second Coming of Jesus."

Part 1: Jesus is Coming AGAIN (Are You Ready?); Part 2: Jesus is Coming SOON (Urgency); Part 3: Jesus is Coming WHEN? (Signs & Events).

All messages can be viewed on the Innisfil Community Church Facebook page (live-stream) or via our website page (Media-Audio) at: www.innisfilchurch.com.

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Soul Sisters (Women's Ministries)

This month's Guest Speaker was Dr. Fola Ogunbiyi, speaking on Mental Health. Dr. Fola is a family physician at the Innisfil Medical Centre. She has extensive experience in mental health, marriage and relationship counseling. Her talk was very informative and inspirational, as she shared the various aspects and effects of mental health. Dr. Fola also shared some of her personal testimony and, throughout her talk, encouraged interaction around the tables. She ended with prayer and emphasis on "You Belong" (the theme of the morning). We all "belong" to Jesus, who is our Helper in every situation in life.



Men's Ministries

On February 16th, there was a special guest at the Men's Ministries Breakfast meeting: "A Spy From The Other Side!" During the breakfast time, Linda & Al Smith led in a time of worship. Linda then shared a challenging and inspiring message (from a female perspective) on how men can improve their rela-

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FUEL Youth

Pastor Andy and some of the Youth Leaders attended the Elevation Leadership Conference at Calvary Assembly in Cambridge, Ontario on Saturday, February 9th. Elevation Leadership Training Intensive is a one-day event for youth and young adult ministry teams. It exists to equip, encourage and empower leaders in a youth or young adult ministry context. This event is designed to develop and sharpen the leadership skills of an entire ministry team, from the pastor to the student leaders; a good opportunity to invest in our team!

On Friday nights the Youth are currently focusing on the effectiveness of "Prayer" (Change: Spiritual Habits: Prayer).

A Night of Worship!

God's presence was very powerful on our first "Night of Worship", held on Sunday, January



27th. Thank you Pastor Eli and Worship Team for leading us into a wonderful evening of lifting up praises to God! We look forward to the next evening of worship, to be held on Sunday evening, March 31st. Don't Miss It!

Boys & Girls' Club



Once a month The BGs have "Badge Nights" where kids have the opportunity to have fun and earn a badge!! Here are a few of the groups receiving their badges on February 13th. Congratulations to all!

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Water Baptism

On Sunday, February 10th, three candidates made the decision to follow Christ through water baptism. Congratulations to: Stefania Naomi Negrusa, Lucas Calin Negrusa, and Lee LeBlanc. In support of the candidates, we encourage our folks to wear their "I Have Decided Shirts" during these water baptism services.

Benevolence Innisfil Food Bank

The Food Bank need has increased, thus increasing the number of boxes of food that go out each week. Thankfully, we are still able to draw from the supply of food we received over the Christmas Season. Also, this month we received food from the following: Alcona Sobey's, No Frills, Alcona Animal Hospital, Stroud Seniors, and individual donations from our ICC church family.

Emma James coordinates and maintains the distribution of the food. She is grateful for those who assist her in packing boxes: Bryan Hay, Angela Galashan, Janet, and Donna (both from the community).

Clothing Depot

Due to the busy Christmas Season the Clothing Store was not opened for free shopping in December. It was open on January 24th, at which time we distributed 140 bags of clothing and other essential items. As this letter is being written, we are preparing for the shopping night on February 28th.

Thank You ICC Family!

Pastor Eli and his family have officially moved from Richmond Hill to Innisfil! They greatly appreciated all the help, love and support shown to them during the move. Thank you Soul Sisters for the groceries, gift cards, and other household items. You make us proud!