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Benevolence

It is a privilege and a blessing to be able to serve the community through both the Innisfil Food Bank and the Clothing Depot.

Innisfil Food Bank

In March the Innisfil Food Bank received food from the following groups and/or businesses: Stroud Seniors, Walmart, No Frills, Foodland, Sobey's, Alcona Animal Hospital, Orchard Avenue Chili Contest, and Minerva Lodge. Thankfully, we are able to continue to serve the Innisfil community on a regular basis because of the ongoing support from those who partner with us.

Clothing Depot

The store was open on Thursday, March 28th, with a line-up of clients. Now that Spring is here, the shoppers were happy to see less of the winter wear and more of the bright, summer clothing! Again....this ministry is only made possible because of donations that come in on a daily basis.



Seniors' Fellowship Hour

ICC continues to provide a fellowship time for the seniors at the Lakeside Retirement Home in Alcona. We are so thankful to those who have helped facilitate these services over the years: Pastor June & John White, Al & Linda Smith, Katherine Campbell, and Pastor & Beulah Courtney. Currently, Priyantha & Bernadette Fernando attend. Bernadette plays the piano, and Pastor Courtney facilitates the service. We are pleased that, more recently, Jennifer Hay and Joan Rochester have joined the ministry team for the Fellowship Hour and will assist or lead wherever they can. The seniors are so grateful for this prayer and praise time and always look forward to Thursdays at 2:30 pm!

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A Night of Worship!

As this letter is being written, we are anticipating our second "Night of Worship" on Sunday, March 31st. This is a great opportunity to be refreshed and to bask in God's presence!

Coming Up!

Innisfil Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

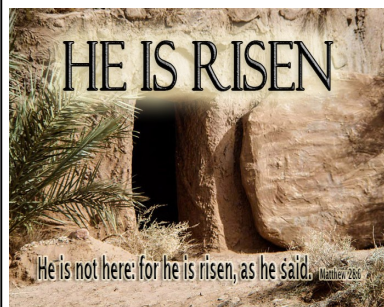
Pastor Courtney co-ordinates this Annual Breakfast Meeting, hosted by the Christian Churches of the Town of Innisfil. The event takes place on Tuesday, April 2nd, at the Stroud Rec. Centre. Please call the office to purchase a ticket or to reserve your seat! Would love to see you there!

Preparing Our Hearts For Easter

If there is ever a time we want to focus our hearts and minds on all that Jesus has done for us, then Easter is the season to do so. Just as we welcome Spring and new life, we also prepare our hearts and minds for the Easter season, meditating on the love that took Jesus to the Cross and reflecting on His death and resurrection. Jesus willingly died for each one of us and rose from the dead so that we can have eternal life.

Easter Presentation

On Good Friday and Easter Sunday ICC will be presenting "He Is Risen" - an Easter production with drama and music. You won't want to miss it!



**HAVE A
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Spring Is In The Air!



The first day of Spring for 2019 was forecasted as beginning on March 20. We're seeing more signs that it might be on its way; clocks have already been adjusted forward one hour; kids have enjoyed their Spring Break, and, though still a bit cold, the sun has been shining! It would be safe to say that most people are ready to shed the coats and boots and "Welcome Spring!"

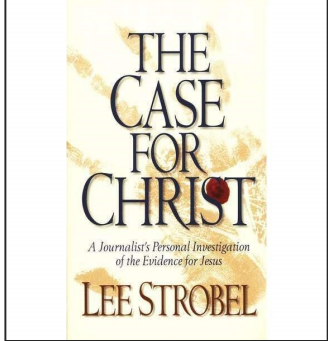
St. Patrick's Day

On Sunday, March 17, Pastor Courtney shared a message regarding the life of St. Patrick, how he was willing to stand in the gap for Jesus. St. Patrick came to know Jesus through his sufferings. He heard God's call to be a missionary in Ireland and laid the groundwork for Christianity, using the Shamrock to teach the people of Ireland about the Holy Trinity.



Following the morning service, our ICC family and friends enjoyed a St. Patrick's Day "potluck" luncheon in the gym. There was a great variety of food, an opportunity to meet new people, and fellowship around the tables. Of course there were a few colorful characters in green!!

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Soul Sisters (Women's Ministries)

This month's event was a movie night, held on Saturday, March 9th, with 65 in attendance (a great turn-out considering it was the beginning of March Break)! The movie, "The Case For

Christ" is based on a true story that inspired the 1998 book of the same name, by Lee Strobel. The story follows an atheist journalist who looks to disprove his wife's Christian faith. After completing a thorough investigation for almost two years he finds the historical evidence for Jesus, and then finds a new faith in Christ.

Men's Ministries



The Men's Breakfast meeting was held on Saturday, March 16th, with guest speaker, Wesley Oakley. Wesley is a Chaplaincy Volunteer at the Grand Valley Institution in Kitchener. In this role, he works with the offenders one-on-one as a pro-social male role model, offering spiritual guidance and moral encouragement, as well as providing Bible Study opportunities. Wesley is a passionate follower of God, and that was evident as he shared his personal story! We are delighted to have Wesley and his wife, Sylvia, as part of our ICC family!

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Small Groups

There are currently 9 Small Groups taking place regularly:

Pastor Courtney has just concluded two Small

Host/Hostess	Facilitator
Dale & Brenda Clair	Pastor Courtney
Vince & Lisa Turturici	John Koning
Priyantha & Bernadette Fernando	Sean Elliott
Keith & Kim Robbins	Keith Robbins
Maurice & Lynn Seguin	Ron Emmons
Jennifer Hay (Ladies Bible Study) - Wednesday am	Jennifer Hay
Jennifer Hay (Ladies Bible Study) - Wednesday pm	Jennifer Hay
Janet Koning - AWAKEN - (Girls' Bible Study)	Nicole Carrique
Janet Koning (Young Adults)	Nickisha Hardware

Group Studies: Anger Management and Walking Through Grief. We are in the process of adding more Small Groups as Hosts and Facilitators become available.

Family Ministries

FUEL Youth

The Youth are currently doing a series on "Relationships" - specifically the topic "Meant To Be!" In addition to Friday night Worship and the Word, they are often involved in outdoor activities and events.

BG's, The GATE, and Kids' Church

The Boys & Girls' Club and The GATE (Junior Highs) are busy hives on Wednesday nights, eager to learn about God, and have fun at the same time! All the kids love Sunday morning Kids' Church, where their amazing leaders take them through the activities of worship and scripture-based teaching, crafts, and worship.

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Annual Business Meeting

The Annual Business Meeting was held on Monday, March 4th. Pastor Courtney shared the overall 2018 report, giving thanks to God for His faithfulness over the past year. During the meeting, 3 Board members were elected: Dale Clair & John Koning (re-elected for a 3-year term), and Rocco Aurelio (elected for a 1 year term). Below is our current Board Members: Keith Robbins, Darin Jackson, Dale Clair, John Koning, Horace Huntley, and Rocco Aurelio.

We are also very thankful for **YOU**, our ICC

Current Board Members of ICC



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tinued love and support. Please be diligent in praying for the Leadership of our church.

"Thus far the Lord has helped us."

I Samuel 7:12