

Thoughts from 'The Giving Project'

**"If you want to do something for your children and show how much you love them, the single best thing - by far - is to support organizations that will create a better world for them and their children."** *Michael Bloomberg*

**"We learned that beyond having enough money to help secure the basics - quality relationships, health, stimulating ideas, etc. - having more money, while nice, wasn't all that important. ...So we found taking our excesses and providing it to others who have extreme short-ages has been both a good investment and a great satisfaction"** *Ray & Barbara Dalio*

**"What could be more useless than accumulating huge piles of money you will never spend? (and leaving too much for your children is as likely to harm as to help them.) We have been devoting 50% or more of our total income to worthy causes every year for a quarter century... In our case it has been at least as satisfying to give the money away as it was to earn it."**  
*Ted & Vada Stanley*

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## A Gift That Lasts

*"Everyone whose spirit God had stirred - got ready to go up and rebuild the house of the Lord in Jerusalem."*

--Ezra 1:5

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# happenings

New to our church? We would like to get to know you | We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card which is in the pews. Please leave it in the box marked Connect/Reconnect at the exits at the front and back of the sanctuary.

*We would like to wish a very Happy 50th Anniversary to Don and Lorraine Kenney! It takes a lot to make it this far...we are so proud of you and we love you both so much! Happy Anniversary! Love, Tracey & Noah xoxo*

Fellowship Lunch | Please join us today, May 28th, after the 11am service. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the door.

Upcoming Food Drive | Partnership West is in need of supplies for the summer. We will be collecting food TODAY, May 28, June 4 and June 11. Most needed items include: ketchup, relish, toiletries, juice boxes and crackers. Please see the Shopping List **in this week's** bulletin! Collection boxes are located in front of the Office. Thank you for your continued support of this important support for many Burlington families.

Staff Notes | Rev. Dr. Orville James will have sabbatical time from June 5 until September 5th. During this period, Orv hopes to invest time in reading, planning, and visioning next steps in ministry and life. He will also begin to collaborate with a colleague, (from Winnipeg) toward writing a book on effective church leadership in today's spiritual climate. Rev. Katie Southon will be available throughout this this time and arrangements have been made for pulpit supply and pastoral care during her vacation times this summer.

The United Church of Canada encourages sabbatical time, and makes it available for ministry personnel to step back from the demands and routines of pastoral ministry to pursue activities that may enhance their ministry. A sabbatical in ministry results in a revitalized focus and the energy to accomplish and equip others for transformational change. Please join the Board of Wellington Square and M&P in wishing Orv well as he reflects and seeks to be refreshed and renewed in body, mind and spirit! Blessings and prayers Orv!

Mexico Mission Project 2017 | Wellington Square is sending a team to Ensenada Mexico again this year! The trip is scheduled for November 5th to 11th, 2017. We will be building a house with Yugo Ministries and exploring other opportunities to connect with the community. Opportunities may include a **visit to the orphanage, women's ministries,** food programs and beyond. If you are interested, please contact Gwen Vernon, Rob Crawford, Les or Lindsay Reynolds at [Mexico2017@wsquare.ca](mailto:Mexico2017@wsquare.ca)

Service of Remembrance | A Service of Remembrance for Phyllis Hadley will be held on Monday June 5th, 11 am at Wellington Square. Our thoughts and prayers are with Hank and his family.

Please Note | Rev. Katie Southon will be away May 27 - June 3rd. Rev. Orville James is available during this time for any pastoral needs.

# happenings cont.

Volunteers Needed | Do you have 2 or 3 hours once a month? Seniors at a community housing development in Aldershot, are in need of opportunities to socialize within their own community. We are hoping to prepare a tea at the facility on a monthly basis. If you are able to help with this initiative, please contact Karen Guyatt at [kguyatt@wsquare.ca](mailto:kguyatt@wsquare.ca) or leave your name with the Church office.

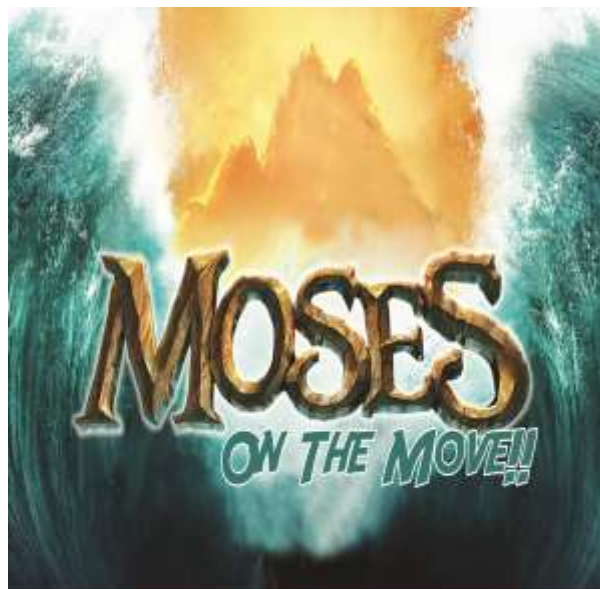
Grow For The Green Program | Throughout the year if you make purchases, at Holland Park Garden Gallery, simply give **Wellington Square's name or phone number** (905)634-1849 and they will credit us with points that we can then put towards purchasing flowers or vegetable plants for our gardens and community garden beds.

Nut-Free Scent-Free | Please note that at Wellington Square we do our best to be a nut-free and scent-free safe space for everyone. Thank you for your contributions to this effort.

## finance

Wellington Square Finance Update  
Four Months ending April 30, 2017

	Actual	Budget
Givings and other income	\$ 232,452	\$ 247,902
Expenses	262,533	247,902
Net deficit	\$ (30,081)	\$ -



### SUMMER KID'S CAMP

Aug. 28th - Sept. 1st, 2017

Mon. - Thurs. • 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Fri., Sept. 1st • 9:00 am - 11:00 am

*(11:00 am - closing celebration ceremony for the whole family!)*

**SK to Grade 5**

*(Must be 5 years of age by Dec. 31, 2017)*

**\$30 per child per week**

*No refunds after July 1st.*

*Financial assistance is available.*

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ALL youth matter and are important to God and to us here at the Square!

This past Tuesday was TACO *Tuesday* for Edge youth and we had a BLAST!



Our Sunday morning time is key to enriching our friendships and faith development:  
Rockpile (Gr. 7/8) Meet every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month 10:30am - 12pm in the Youth Room  
Edge (High school) Meet every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month 10:30am - 12pm in the Youth Room

Volleyball Night is becoming a regular thing at the Square, Youth vs. Adults

Edge: Wed., May 31 from 7-9pm

Rockpile: Wed., June 21 from 7-9pm

Rockpile and Edge:

Sound of Music Parking Fundraiser for Youth Mexico Missions is happening from June 15 to June 17 here at our church parking lot. We need Youth and others to sign up for this awesome and needed Fundraiser!! Details to follow.

Pool Party at the Hickerson House - Sunday, June 25th 2-4pm!



GraceLand - a place full of God's grace and where children learn the love of Jesus and how to shine His light everyday. Sundays at 9am for Nursery to Gr. 6

Sign-in/out procedures ensure safety for all children and leaders. Pagers are available to provide extra comfort and ease for families.

Our new Moms and Wee Ones Drop-in Ministry group are a blessing as they play, pray and support one another.



SALT - our Gr. 6 class over May & June are learning about Spiritual Gifts, exploring their own and how to use them to serve God and others like Jesus. This eager group are the future leaders of our church and our next world changers. We are so grateful to have this awesome ministry here in GraceLand. What does SALT stand for? Servant and Leadership Training!

GraceLand Leader Thank you Brunch is Sunday, June 18 at 10:30am - Pritchard Room.



# FOOD DRIVE

MAY 28, JUNE 4, JUNE 11



# Joseph Brant Hospital Mental Health Consumer Advisory Committee

Presented in Partnership  
with:

*Friday* night  
COMMUNITY

**Friday June 2, 2017**  
**Friday Night Speakers Series**

*Donna Kirk, lived experience parent*

*Author of "Finding Matthew"*

*A Non-Fiction Narrative about her son Matthew  
(Matthew – developmental disabilities and mental health issues)*

*Donna will speak about:*

*How to Cope from a Mother's Perspective*

**FRIDAY June 2, 2017**

**PRITCHARD ROOM, WELLINGTON SQ. UNITED CHURCH  
2121 CAROLINE STREET, BURLINGTON**

**Speaker at 7PM to 8:30PM**

**Dinner @ 6pm All Welcome**

*Sponsored by:*

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**JOSEPH BRANT  
HOSPITAL**

Mental Health Consumer  
Advisory Committee

# Moms morning



*Drop-in' morning for moms  
and their wee ones.*

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**TUESDAYS**  
**9:30 AM - 11:00 AM**  
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Share a morning together, support one another and  
hang out over coffee/tea with your children.

Meeting place - GraceLand Toddler room  
Nursery is available if needed.

For more details, please contact  
Amanda Brown at [amandaklaasbrown@gmail.com](mailto:amandaklaasbrown@gmail.com) or  
Heather Mackey at [hmackey@wsquare.ca](mailto:hmackey@wsquare.ca)



## Outreach



Dot Gow is another important Outreach Initiative, supported in part, by a portion of your weekly offerings. Since September, the dedicated sewers in our Dot Gow group, have made and delivered 600 therapy dolls to **McMaster's Children's Hospital**. The dolls are used by nurses to teach the young patients about their treatment and are provided to first responders for comfort and teaching.

### Wellington Orphanage, Sierra Leone

Please keep Wellington Orphanage in mind when doing your spring cleaning/purging. The orphanage is in great need of shoes and clothing, medical supplies, personal hygiene products, bedding and bowls, cups and spoons. A detailed list of required items will be available in the foyer after the service. Members of our team will be standing by to answer questions. We will have a drop off box available in the hallway. Items gathered will be shipped to Sierra Leone to help to meet the needs of the orphanage until we are once again able to send financial support through the church. Dr. Conrad Van Dijk is currently in Sierra Leone and will be able to provide us with an update regarding the orphanage upon his return. Please keep the children and staff of the orphanage in your prayers.

# SMALL groups

"Making Rows into Circles"

*For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them"*

Matthew 18:20

Vision | to grow a prosperous, vibrant ministry together that glorifies God and equips His people to live out the great commandment and the great commission.

Mission | to create a loving, kind atmosphere **where God's people are cared for and the** marks of discipleship are lived out.

TODAY in the McMillan Room at 10:30am join



us for a discussion of what it means to be part of a church family!! We will be using the little book **"I AM A CHURCH MEMBER"** Books are available at the Connection Point for \$10.

MONDAY MEN - meet each Monday @ noon in the McMillan Rm. Please join us for discussion, fellowship and bible study.

DOT GOW | Our last meeting before we break for the summer will be June 15th.

JOYFUL SPIRITS | Our celebration gathering will be Thursday, June 15th at the home of Heather Shaw. Start Time: 6 pm. Please bring a dessert or an appetizer. R.S.V.P. to Joy [jmagwood@wsquare.ca](mailto:jmagwood@wsquare.ca)

WOW BOOK CLUB | Monday May 29, 7:00pm. Our host is Nancy James, 680 Ramsgate Rd. **Margaret's pick of the year book "Our Souls at Night" by Kent Haruf. Info contact:** [wow@wsquare.ca](mailto:wow@wsquare.ca)

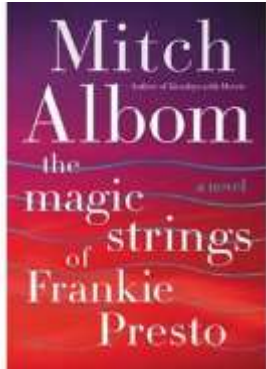
NEW SMALL GROUPS - If you have an idea for a new small group, please see Joy Magwood or contact her at [jmagwood@wsquare.ca](mailto:jmagwood@wsquare.ca)

CONNECT/RECONNECT - We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card which is in the pews. Please leave it in the box marked Connect/Reconnect at the exits at the front and back of the sanctuary.

THE CHAPEL is open Mon-Fri 9am-4pm and Sunday morning. We encourage and welcome you to take time for prayer and reflection in the Chapel.

...Jesus Calling devotional now available again at the Connection Point (\$11).





The magic strings of Frankie Presto  
By Mitch Albom  
(author of Tuesdays with Morrie)

Mitch Albom's most critically acclaimed novel yet is a stunningly original tale of love; love between a

man and a woman between an artist and his mentor, and between a musician and his God-given talent. Narrated by the voice of Music itself, the story follows Frankie Presto, a war orphan born in a burning church, through his extraordinary journey around the world.

Frankie navigates the musical landscape of the twentieth century, from the 1950s jazz scene to the Grand Ole Opry to Elvis mania and Woodstock, all the while searching for his childhood love. As he becomes a famous star, he loses his way, until tragedy steals his ability to play the guitar that had so defined him.

Part love story, part magical mystery this is Mitch Albom at his finest, an epic about one **man's journey to discover what truly matters** and the power of talent to change our lives.

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Summer is fast approaching! As of Sunday May 28th, Footsteps will be starting our summer loan period. This means all items checked out from this date will not be due until Sunday Sept 10.



A friend who has been going through some challenges in her life came in the doors early on Friday. We welcomed her and told her it was nice to see her. She apologized for arriving so early but we expressed that it was great that she came. She shared that this is her **'sanctuary' and she is glad to have this place to come to.** We are happy to hear that friends feel that the Friday Community is a place that they feel safe, relaxed and cared for. Many friends joined us to play games, draw, enjoy a snack and share in conversations at the afternoon **'Hub of Kindness and Purpose.'** The competition in the games of Scrabble intensified, as some folks actually brought their own **'Scrabble dictionaries' this week.**

Most Needed Items:

- \*Game of Chess, Backgammon, Scrabble
- \*adult markers, drawing paper, knitting materials, newer magazines, Crossword and other game books, 100-200 piece puzzles
- \***snacks for children's lunches**
- \*gently used double bed frame & box spring
- \*Queen bed frame, box spring & bedding
- \*gently used pots including large soup pot
- \*double bed frame with head and possible foot board, gently used mattress
- \*curtains & rods for living room & bedroom
- \***men's and women's casual shoes size 7-11**
- \***women's track pants/outfits size M-XL**
- \***women's tops in bright colour M-L**
- \*boys & girls running shoes size 12-4
- \*boys & girls clothing size 8-14 (label bag)
- \***teen boy clothing size 14 to men's small**
- \***men's boxers sizes M-XL**

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**"Fate has been kind to us. It has stepped in at key junctures in our lives and given us the resources to help others, be they family, friends or good causes. Over the years, we have seen so many people without the advantages we had;... We don't believe it's an option that we should sit on the sidelines and watch when we can use our good fortune to be the good fortune of others."**

*Henry & Diane Englehardt*

**"My philanthropic DNA was inherited from my mother who dedicated her life to the service of others... She also told me that in her view the true measure of financial philanthropy is not how much one gives but how much one has left after one gives. That sets the bar pretty high and would suggest that perhaps a 50% hurdle is too low."**

*John W. Jordan*

**"Our giving represents the bridge from our family to our community, from the past to the future, and from our passions to our convictions. It is also important to our family that perhaps our gifts will encourage others to give as well."**

*Henry & Susan Samuelli*

**"Claire and I never believed that the wealth we accumulated was truly ours. From the beginning we believed that we were only lifetime stewards of our good fortune and were charged with redeploying it for useful societal purpose."**

*Claire & Leonard Tow*