

## Spotlight

### Eye on Outreach: Habitat for Humanity Toronto

Habitat for Humanity is the world's largest not-for-profit, charitable homebuilder. To date almost 400,000 homes have been built in 100 countries world-wide, and Habitat for Humanity Toronto volunteers have now built over 200 Toronto homes with deserving families living in need. We believe that everyone, everywhere deserves a decent place to live. It's a simple idea that changes lives. It changes families. It changes communities. 100% of all funds donated go towards building homes in partnership with families living in need. This cost is divided by: 34% Building Materials & Construction; 51% Land Acquisition; 10% Site Servicing; 4% Family Services and 1% Energy Efficiency. All of their donations, support and prayers will help ensure 29 families will move into safe and decent Habitat Toronto homes at the 4572 Kingston Road build site in 2011. Pick up your copy of the latest Foundations, Habitat Toronto's newsletter, on the table in the foyer.

### Global Day of Prayer – Sunday, May 23, at 6:30 PM

*They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers... When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. (Acts 1:14; 2:1)*

Historically, Pentecost is the day when the early Christians gathered together to pray. This year, the Warden Corridor Churches are joining together to pray for unity, for our city, and for the world. Join us at GracePoint Baptist Church at 3143 Sheppard Ave East (Sheppard and Pharmacy) at 6:30pm as we join with hundreds of thousands of Christians from around the globe to pray for God's Kingdom to come and his will to be done right here on this earth as it is in heaven. For more information, go to [www.globaldayofprayer.com](http://www.globaldayofprayer.com).

**Pastoral Team:** Nigel Chang - Youth Pastor, Barb Constable - Minister of Music, John McAuley - Minister at Large, Wendy Pearson - Church Administrator, Carol Smith - Children's Pastor, Sharon Tam - Lead Pastor  
**Elders:** Robyn Allin, Sharon Fiennes-Clinton, Joan Howell, Murray Lahn, Brian McConnell - Co-Chair, Dave McCready, Natalie Nash - Co-Chair, Peter Oulton, Rej Proulx

#### Good Shepherd Community Church

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## The Week at a Glance

<b>Monday</b>	Prayer & Praise – 7:30 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ladies Bible Study – 9:30 AM Alpha and Alpha 2 – 6:30 PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	Club House – 6:45 PM YG – 7:30 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 PM
<b>Friday</b>	College & Careers – 7:30 PM
<b>Saturday</b>	Audio Training – 9:00 AM College & Careers – 7:30 PM
<b>Sunday</b>	Convergence – 9:00 AM Worship Service – 10:30 AM



## Focus on Financials

### Nothing Between Us and God

Ever notice how the 10 Commandments begin with “*You shall have no other gods before me*” (Ex. 20:3) and ends with “*You shall not covet...*” (Ex. 20:17a). Nothing must come between us and God. God is a ‘jealous’ God. Is there something that you treasure too much? Is there something that you love more than God – that means more to you than God? Is there something that gets in the way of being fully devoted to Him? Abraham was ready to give up his only son – totally trusting that God would provide.

*-Rick DeGraaf, Christian Stewardship Services*

### General Fund Offerings for Fiscal Year 2009– 2010

Budgeted Offerings as of May 2ND	\$265,927.39
Actual Offerings as of May 2ND	\$261,040.34
Budgeted Offering Deficit	\$4,887.05

### Contact Information

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S.H.E.P.H.E.R.D. – *Sharing Our Values*

### Good Shepherd Community Church

Sunday, May 9, 2010

The Season of Easter

Value: Holistic Transformation

Welcome & Greeting ~ *Rej Proulx*

Call to Worship: Psalm 131:2-3 ~ *Sharon Tam*

Silent Prayer

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #203: “And Can it Be”

Corporate Confession ~ *Peter Oulton*

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Ministry ~ *Carol Smith*

Prayer for Mothers ~ *Brian McConnell*

Life and Ministry of the Church

Presentation of Gifts

Offertory ~ *Krista Shugart & Debi Radin*

Doxology: “We Are an Offering”

Choral Reflection:

“All Christ Is, He Is Within Us” - *Hayes*

Scripture Reading:

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 ~ *Damina Platteel*

Message:

“Transformation From The Inside Out” ~ *Sharon Tam*

The Sacrament of Holy Communion ~ *Rob Dean*

Songs of Thanksgiving

Commissioning and Blessing

We Exist to Invite Ordinary People to Encounter Christ and Thoughtfully Follow Him in the World.

## Life and Ministry of the Church

### Elder Nomination and Election

#### TODAY is the Last Day to Nominate Candidates

Elders at Good Shepherd Community Church are elected for 3 year terms on a staggered schedule. Each year some Elders' terms are completed and they may seek re-election if nominated. This year, three elders are completing a 3 year term: Robyn Allin, Murray Lahn and Brian McConnell. Elder elections are held annually at the June Congregational meeting, this year on Sunday, June 6. We presently have only 9 Elders and would like to expand the group as there is much work to be done as we move forward. We invite members of GSCC to prayerfully consider nominating members of the congregation to the Board of Elders. Please find a copy of Procedures for Nomination and Election of Elders on the table in the foyer along with an Elder Nomination form. These forms must be completed by the nominator and submitted to a member of the Nominating Committee TODAY. The members of the Nominating Committee are: Robyn Allin (Chair), Sharon Clinton, Anne Jack, Jean Miller, Chris Platteel, Geri Stairs and Sharon Tam. Thank you for your ongoing prayers for our elders and thoughtful consideration of new candidates.



### Summer Adventure Day Camp – July 19-23, 26-30

It's springtime again; a time when thoughts turn to warmer weather, hope and DAY CAMP?!? That's right, folks, now is the time to consider registering for this year's Summer Adventure Day Camp. The dates are: July 19-23 and July 26-30. Visit [GSCC.ca](http://GSCC.ca) and click on the link for the Day Camp page to get all the information.

#### Staff Note

Nigel is away in Jamaica visiting with relatives until May 12. Please pray for him and his family as they mourn the loss of his uncle.

### Financial Update

As the Board of Elders has identified, we need an additional \$10,000 in General Givings between now and the end of June to cover our 2009/2010 giving deficit. We also expect the need to increase our offerings in 2010/2011 ministry year by approximately \$35,000 and would like to bring those additional givings in by October 31, 2010. This will validate the Congregation's commitment to the increase and prevent cash flow issues throughout the summer months. The Board of Directors and the Board of Elders, who are asking you to meet this challenge, have committed to lead the way by providing \$10K of what is required. To join the Boards in meeting this commitment to raise an additional \$45K between now and October 31ST, please designate your special giving as "2010 Stewardship Challenge" so we know your intentions. May God bless us as we demonstrate our gratitude for His blessings through our tithes and offerings.



### Audio System Training

Want to help on Sundays by learning how to operate our sanctuary Audio System? Saturday, May 15TH, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM is our next training session. All experience levels welcome. For details, contact Murray or Jordan Lahn.

#### Upcoming Events – Please Mark your Calendars

Today	Elder Nominations Due
May 15	Audio System Training
May 16	Praise Team Appreciation Luncheon
May 23	Global Day of Prayer – 6:30 PM
June 4-6	Youth/College and Career Retreat
June 6	Congregational Meeting
June 13	Congregational BBQ
	Day Camp Volunteer Training
June 27	Pet Celebration – 2:00 PM

Visit the Good Shepherd Web site at [www.gsccl.ca](http://www.gsccl.ca) to listen to past messages and services or to sign up for any of our e-mail lists (announcements, prayer requests, or CVC updates).

## Prayer

**Sunday:** Pray blessings on all mothers today, especially single mothers, foster mothers, and step-mothers in our community. May our hearts be open to mothers living on low incomes and in sub-standard housing.

**Monday:** Pray for wisdom for workers trying to cap the oil well in the Gulf of Mexico. Pray for safety for those concerned. Pray that damage to the marshlands will be minimal.

**Tuesday:** Pray that the Lord will provide jobs for the young people this summer.

**Wednesday:** Continue to pray that Good Shepherd people will respond to the financial needs of our church.

**Thursday:** Pray for healing and restoration in the lives of those who are sick and sad and sorrowful.

**Friday:** Pray that we would be more aware of God's love and His plan for our lives.

**Saturday:** Pray wisdom and vision, good health and good spirits for our pastoral team and board of elders.

Please notify the church office ([office@gsccl.ca](mailto:office@gsccl.ca)) if you have a prayer request.



#### Our Families in Prayer This Week

Winnie Chung

Fane Clarke

Yvonne Clunies

#### Value of the Week: **H**olistic Transformation

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Cor 5:17 We value ongoing life-transformation, believing God desires wholeness for his children in every dimension – spiritual, social, emotional, psychological, and physical. We recommend every believer be part of a small group because we recognize God primarily uses such relationships to transform brokenness into wholeness.