

Sunday, September 1, 2013

Today at W.L.A.

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
SERMON: "And Pray, A Lot" (Pastor Mike Wilkins) **Ephesians 6:18**
Our summer-long sermon series, "**Strong in the Lord**" concludes today as Pastor Mike Wilkins preaches from Ephesians 6:18.

10:00 a.m. JK-Grade 3 Growzone 1

A warm welcome to Mario Ngabwe who today joins our pastoral staff as our (Part-time) Director of Sunday Morning Music Ministries.

This Week at W.L.A.

Tuesday, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Playgroup
Starting this week, the Nursery will be open every Tuesday for parents with young children to spend time together in a fun space, enjoying the company of other kids and parents. Snack will be provided... bring your own drinks/coffee.

Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer & Accountability
All men are welcome. For info, email info@wlachurch.org.

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Growzone Teachers' Meeting
For all Growzone teachers. In the Explorer Room. Please let Judith know if you are able to come.

On Beyond THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 8, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. "Launch"
Come with your friends and family to "Launch"! With kids going back to school and fall programs starting off, we thought this would be a great time for a **Big Celebration!** We will start the morning off with a celebration service outdoors, followed by a BBQ, family fun programming, inflatables, live music, and games. Come and join us for the morning. Don't miss out!!

Tuesday, September 10, 6:15 – 7:30 a.m. Women's Prayer
Not much free time to pray with other women? How about early Tuesday mornings? We resume September 10. For more details, contact Deb Wilkins at dwilkins@compassion.ca.

Tuesday, September 10, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Community Drop-In
Seniors and their friends are invited to join us for coffee, snacks, games and more.

Wednesday, September 11, 9:15 – 11:30 a.m. TLC
The Ladies Connection... resumes after our summer break. Join us for Priscilla Shirer's new video/work book study, "Gideon" (God can use your weakness!). Come prepared for registration, to purchase your book, and arrange/pay for childcare. Contact Cheryl Hargraves at cherylhargraves@live.ca.

Thursday, September 12, 12:00 Noon Forevergreen Luncheon
Join us Thursday as we kick off another exciting year! Enjoy a hot lunch (\$5/person), program and the revealing of our Secret Pal from last year!

On Beyond THIS WEEK (cont'd)

Saturday, September 14, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. "Advance"
Pressing on and taking hold! An opportunity for women of all ages to advance in their walk with God and friendships with one another. Back by popular demand: guest speaker Vera Kuranji!

Other Important NOTES

A Note of Thanks... Dear West London Alliance Family, thank you so much for the gifts you sent with Lyaal and Brian. It was like Christmas in July in our household! We felt extremely blessed and encouraged by your kindness and generosity!
....Matt & Connie, Quinn & Emma

Interested in Quizzing... on the Books of James and Romans this year? Please contact Paula VanBrenk for Senior Quizzing (grades 7 - 12) at 519-652-5651 or Nancy Blackwell for Junior Quizzing (Grades 3 - 6), at 519-666-3238.

Adult Quizzing... Those interested in memorizing the book of James, Chapters 1 - 5 in ESV, please contact Paula VanBrenk or Miles Malik.

Life Groups... If you are interested in joining other people in understanding what it means to follow Christ, then sign up for a Life Group today! Sign up and information brochures are located at the Kiosk in the South Foyer.

Community Groups... If you are currently living in the Byron Community and want to be more mission focused, please join us on September 5th, at 7:00 p.m. (location TBA) for a Community Group Information Session. This will be an opportunity to be encouraged about how we can see our community changed for Christ. Contact Graham Buchanan at grahamb@wlachurch.org if you are interested. If you have a missional heart for *your* neighborhood, contact Graham to discuss the next steps to start a Community Group in your part of the city.

Food Bank... WLA is excited to have the opportunity to take on the sponsorship of the food bank depot at the Northwest London Resource Centre. The food bank takes place every third Tuesday of the month. If you are interested in being involved or want more information, contact Graham Buchanan at grahamb@wlachurch.org.

Kids Packs... are available for children to work on during the service! They can be picked up and dropped off at the back of the sanctuary during the summer months.

The latest news about Mike's ongoing health challenge can be found on his most recent blog posts (www.wlachurch.org/blog). For those without a computer, a paper copy is available at the kiosk in the south foyer.

Growzone NOTES

*Our thanks in advance to **Sunday, September 15th Nursery workers...***
10:00 a.m: Merel Wharry, Joanne Marzaro, Thea Close, Kristen Garrett, Liz Russell, Jesleana Jacob, Ken McLaughlin, Kim Banman, Faith Mix, Jenny Usher, Sarah Henke.

Youth STUFF

CORE
STUDENT MINISTRIES

Check out our website for the latest events, pictures, leader bios, prayer requests and more!
www.wlayouth.org

CLUB CORE (Grades 6-8)

Sundays, 9:15 a.m. SHIFT - A church service for Junior Highs at 9:15 Sunday mornings! Our first **SHIFT** of the year is going to be on September 15th. Come on out to the Core for messages, worship and small group time!

Tuesday night Club Core is starting again on Tuesday, September 17th. Our kick-off is happening at Forest Glen Mini Golf. Cost is \$5 for mini-golf, plus bring money for whatever you want at Dairy Queen. Drop off at Forest Glen (415 Oxford St. W.) Pick-up at 8:30 at Dairy Queen at Fleetway.

SENIOR CORE (Grades 9-12)

Senior High: Our Senior High kick-off BBQ is happening on Wednesday, September 18th at 6:00 p.m.! It's going to be a GREAT year!!

OASIS (18-24ish)

We've wrapped up our summer Bible Study. Stay tuned for more info on our kick-off BBQ and new study for the Fall!

A NOTE to Our Guests:

Welcome! And thanks for being with us!

We're happy you are here today and hope that being with us will be a help to you in learning to know and love and live for our great God. Please take a moment to fill out a "**Let Us Know You Are Here**" card and bring it to the **Welcome Kiosk** in the South Foyer. **We have answers to your questions, a packet of WLA information and a gift for you!**

You can use the card to provide us with any information you think will help us serve you. You can email us at info@wlachurch.org or check out our website at www.wlachurch.org or phone us at **(519) 471-8716**.

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Lyaal Mix, Associate Pastor
Jude St. John, Apprentice Pastor
Dave De Smit, Director of Student Ministries
Graham Buchanan, Director of Community Connections
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