

# The Road Ahead



## It's a Celebration



Nehemiah 2:16 ...come  
let us rebuild the walls of  
Jerusalem.

Knox United Church, Ayr  
Would like to Invite Everyone to the  
Grand Re-Opening  
of the newly restored Church Sanctuary

Sunday, May 31  
Dedication Worship Service with Special Music  
at 10:30 am  
Light Refreshments and Fellowship to follow

OPEN HOUSE  
and tours of the building  
1 – 3 pm

Come to see the latest restoration work in the 120 year old heritage  
church

## REBUILDING BROKEN WALLS—Quick Bible Study

“Come see the rebuilt walls of Knox!” The rebuilt walls of Knox’s Sanctuary are rebuilt for God’s glory! They are rebuilt so our body of believers have a place to worship God together. These walls mirror God’s majesty and awesomeness!!

They hold God’s presence, power and protection. You will feel it, when you enter. Come and see for yourself.

Nehemiah 2:17 – “Jerusalem lives in ruins.....come let us rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.”

As in Nehemiah’s day, these walls have been completed despite opposition, fear, conflict and discouragement. God enabled us in getting the work done, through strong leadership, prayer, teamwork and diligent efforts. The work isn’t completed though – not until we rebuild our lives spiritually. Let us remove sin from our lives and

ask God to be the center of all we do. Also, what other walls in our world need rebuilding? Does God have a vision for us? As we recognize deep needs in our world, God can give us the vision and desire to “build”. Let us pray for that vision and a plan of action. Let us continue to build for God’s glory.

Further study – II Chronicles – Solomon builds the temple. In II Chronicles 7: 16 God says, “For I have chosen this Temple and set it apart to be holy – a place where my name will be honoured forever. I will always watch over it, for it is dear to my heart.”

New Testament study – John 14:23 Jesus replied: “If anyone loves Me he will obey My teaching. My Father will love him and we will come to him and make our home with him.” “May God’s glory in the Sanctuary, be mirrored in our lives.”

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## What do you think?

The Transition Team has been established to encourage meaningful conversation about the future path of Knox. At the previous Town Hall meetings, comments were made suggesting the need to provide services and activities which would meet the needs of youth and young families. Others reflected upon the desire for more old time hymns and more pastoral care and visitation. Is there a way to meet the needs of all including everyone and encouraging each person, young and older, to grow in their relationship with Christ?

What would this church look like?

Is this the church you would like to see?

## Meet Your Neighbours

In a recent Provincial Skills Canada Competition in Landscaping, held at the Convention Centre in Toronto, during Canada Blooms, **John Paul Bartle**, son of Paul and Diane Bartle, was part of a two-man team who were awarded the Bronze Medal. They represented Fanshawe College. It was a close race with only 1 point 5 marks separating the top three positions. John Paul is finishing his 3<sup>rd</sup> year in the Architectural Landscape Design Programme.

**Jacqueline Dance**, daughter of Dave and Sandra Dance, graduates with Distinction from St. Jerome's University (University of Waterloo) on June 11th with an Honours degree in Legal Studies. Come fall she will be pursuing further legal education.

**Chad and Josh Davidson**, youngest sons of Don and Linda Davidson have completed their university degrees. Chad graduated from



Senior Youth Group Car Wash  
May 9th

Wilfrid Laurier University in the spring of 2008 with an Honours B.Sc. in computer science. He is now working as a software developer at MCGG in London.

Josh graduated on May 14, 15, 2009 from the Royal Military College of Canada with a BA in military and strategic studies. He has received his commission – second lieutenant in the Canadian Armed Forces as an infantry officer. Josh is proud to announce that he is now bilingual.

Needless to say the Davidson family is very proud of Chad and Josh's accomplishments.

## Upcoming Events

**Seniors:** Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> BBQ at Knox  
Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> Walters Family Dinner Theatre  
Driving Miss Daisy  
For more information, contact Carol Kopp

**Busy Moms' Supper:** Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Pasta supper – all welcome

**Youth – 30 hour famine:** Weekend of May 22nd. For more information contact Rebecca Yates

**Steeple Chase Run:** Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. For further information email [steeplechase@knoxuayr.com](mailto:steeplechase@knoxuayr.com) or call John Jolliffe at 519.632.9254

**Prayer for our Troops:** Wednesday, May 27th 7:30 p.m. at Christ Anglican Church. Contact Diane Bartle 519.622.8934

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