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Becoming Neighbours

SPRING FESTIVAL

Sunday, April 7th, 2013 - 1:00 pm—4:30 pm

All are invited to our Spring Festival to gather and pray together, share food, talk among us and enjoy being part of this wonderful group.

Spring Festival is taking place at:
Scarboro Missions - 2685 Kingston Road (Brimley/Kingston Rd)
If you will join us, please contact us at 416-267-4817 or e-mail jam@becomingneighbours.ca by Wednesday, April 03, 2013.



Prayer Partners

Are you interested to be a prayer partner?

We are waiting for you!!!!

We are people who believe in the power of intercessory prayer. This is a special relationship among the newcomer, prayer partner and God.

Some of the commitments are:

- Pray daily the Prayer of Solidarity for the needs and intentions of your newcomer.
- Respect and work within the mandate of Becoming Neighbours.
- Attend a Commissioning Liturgy and any activities for prayer partners.
- Maintain a commitment to this ministry for at least one year.

For information contact Becoming Neighbours 416-267-4817 or jam@becomingneighbours.ca



Refugee Rights Day April 4th, 2013

Mark in your calendar this upcoming April 4th as we celebrate the day to take action and protect "refugee rights" in Canada. Join us in showing Canadians and the world why we are still proud to protect refugees and refugee rights. Here are some ideas of actions and activities to help you get you started.
www.ccrweb.ca/en/proud-to-protect-refugees

Spring Events!!!!



During April, there are a lot of fun activities for children around the city. Please enjoy this Spring and check the calendar for all the concerts and free activities in Toronto such as the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF kids)

Elmo's Alphabet Challenge with Special *Sesame Street* guests to introduce the film!
Saturday, April 20 at 11am
FREE - Advanced Ticket Pickup Required

Mascot Meet & Greet
Saturday, April 20 & Sunday, April 21 - 10am through 4pm

FREE - Pre-Registered Required
Information and reservation contact [1-888-599-8344](tel:1-888-599-8344)

From 10am through 7pm daily maximum of 4 tickets are available per person. Visit the web page:
www.tiff.net/tiffkids/festival/sesamestreet



Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO)

AGO is an art museum in downtown Toronto. The collection includes more than 80,000 works spanning the first century to the present day.

Address: 317 Dundas Street East, Toronto Ontario
Phone: 416-979-6648 www.ago.net

Free entrance every Wednesday 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

Canadian Opera Company (COC)

COC is one of the largest opera companies in North America which is located in downtown Toronto.
Address: 145 Queen Street West Phone: 416-363-8231

Free concert and ballet for all weeks of April 2013.

First week: *Ballet Jorgen* April 4th 12:00 to 1:00 pm

www.coc.ca/PerformancesAndTickets/FreeConcertSeries/April.aspx

English Conversation Circles

Did you know there are different kinds of activities related to the process for adults to learn English?

Example: full time or part time classes, in the day, at night or on weekends, as well as conversation clubs.

Sometimes when we learn a new language, we need extra help with conversation skills. Conversation Clubs give you the possibility to practice and speak English in a friendly and easy way. You need only the energy and desire to join such a group.

To find one near you, contact one of the following:

Toronto Public Library:
www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search.jsp?Ntt=conversation+circles&N=37867

WoodGreen Community Services:
www.woodgreen.org
English Conversation Circles,
815 Danforth Ave 3rd floor
phone: 416-645-6000 ext.2344.

Volunteer Opportunities



Volunteer work in Canada is important for our daily life because through it we help and give back to our community. Volunteering also gives you the Canadian work experience that you need.

Yes, it counts on your resume!

For this reason it important to choose a volunteer position related to your skills or profession. If you wish to improve your skills, you can find many opportunities at Volunteer Toronto Office:

344 Bloor Street West, Suite 404
Toronto Ontario.
Phone: 416-961-6888
or if you prefer follow the next link:
www.volunteertoronto.ca

Finding primary schools for your children

All children, with or without status, must attend school.
www.settlement.org/edguide

Do you know that in Canada there are 3 kinds of primary schools? If you live more than 1.6 km from the school, they send a school bus to your address to pick up and return your child home. If you are looking for a school for your child, please keep in mind that:

Public Schools: for all children. The selection is according to your address. www.tdsb.on.ca

Catholic Schools: for children with parents with proof of Catholicity. The selection is according to your address and a Catholic baptism document. www.tcdsb.org

Alternative Schools: for children with parents searching for something different from mainstream schooling. These schools have small populations. With innovative programs they focus on specific activities. Each school has it's own culture and commitments. www.tdsb.on.ca/site/ViewItem.asp?siteid=122&menuid=490&pageid=379

Choose the school that is best for your children.

Social Insurance Number - SIN

In this section we are giving you some important information about documents and things that you need to do before you look for a job in Canada:

Your Social Insurance Number is very important. This card allows you to work in Canada. The only way to get a card is by fill out a SIN application through Service Canada:
www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/sc/sin/.

The settlement worker may help you fill out the application. For information please contact the following non profit organizations or check the websites below:

Tropicana Community Services
Phone: 416-439-9009
www.tropicanacommunity.org

Newcomers Women's Services
Phone: 416-469-0196
www.newcomerwomen.org

Mennonite New Life Centre
Phone: 416-699-4527
www.mnlct.org

