

# HANOVER MISSIONARY CHURCH GENERATIONS FOLLOWING JESUS TOGETHER GATHER · GROW · GIVE · GO

Happy Thanksgiving! 

Hi everyone! After having a week off to relax and unwind, it feels great to be back with all of you!

It is hard to believe it is October already! I have to pinch myself thinking about this next weekend being Thanksgiving already! Where has the time gone? I know this has been a different year for all of us. For some of us it has been stressful. For some of us, it has been unsettling. Some of us may be missing the opportunity to gather with our families this weekend for a Thanksgiving meal. As we come into thanksgiving, we may struggle with things to be thankful for.

In the midst of all the changes all around us, we can still choose to be thankful. We can be thankful today that God never changes. We can be thankful that He never gives up on us. We can be thankful that His love is unconditional. We can be thankful that we can have hope and peace, even when everything around us points to the contrary.

This Thanksgiving, we can still be thankful!

Thankful for all of you, Pastor Dave

## KICKING OFF [thiswayoflife.online](http://thiswayoflife.online)

**Being limited in the kinds of gathering we're allowed to do has forced us to get creative in ministry.** Last week we launched a brand new schedule with a keen focus on bringing Jesus into your home. Households were encouraged to sign up for a 'thiswayoflife' Drop Box that will guide them through a fall rhythm that includes feasting, praying, celebrating, and serving. If you missed signing up for the first box, don't worry! You can still follow along online. Visit [thiswayoflife.online](http://thiswayoflife.online) to learn more. Be sure to share your experiences across social media using #thiswayoflife so we can see how you're feasting, praying, celebrating, and serving together.

**Pastor Kristina is inviting you on a journey to discover a fresh way of looking at discipleship.** Her newly developed

Discipleship manual is a powerful tool to guide you towards intentional friendship, modelled after the way Jesus approached relationship. Digital copies were sent last week, but if you'd like a printed copy, please call the office. Reach out if you have questions or would like to discuss the issue more deeply with her.

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We are celebrating communion together on Sunday morning (October 11). If you're joining us online from home, be sure to have your bread and juice ready.

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

**MONDAY October 12**

Closed for Thanksgiving

**TUESDAY October 13**

7:00 p.m. **5 Minute Thoughts**

Join Pastor Kristina online for a quick reflection

**WEDNESDAY October 14**

8:00 p.m. **Pilgrimage Challenge**

Tune in as Pastor Amos invites you to participate in a pilgrimage of prayer

**SUNDAY, October 18**

10:00 a.m. **Join us in person or online as Pastor Dave continues our series on the 'I Am' statements of Jesus**

We are open throughout the week by appointment. Please call the office if you'd like to meet with a pastor or drop off your tithe. Visitors must be masked and are required to sign in at the door so we can track who is in the building. Remember, if you are attending our Sunday morning service in person you must register first. Call the office or fill out the form at [hanovermissionary.com/registration](http://hanovermissionary.com/registration) by 10:00 a.m. Thursday mornings.

Thank you for continuing to be a generous community. In these tough times, we have been so blessed to see God provide. If you are not attending in person on Sunday mornings and would like to give, you may contact the church to arrange a drop off or to use the debit machine. Tithes and offerings can also be sent through e-transfer (to [bookkeeper@hanovermissionary.com](mailto:bookkeeper@hanovermissionary.com)) or using the Tithely app (go to [get.tithe.ly](http://get.tithe.ly) and sign up, or download the [tithe.ly](http://tithe.ly) app from the app store).



We know many of you aren't ready to come back in our building, and that's okay. We want to make sure you're still finding ways to connect with one another and one of those ways we've helped facilitate that is through The HMC Penpal Project. Throughout the summer there were households exchanging letters and getting to know each other in a new way; in fact, we received a call just last week telling us how enriching these exchanges have been. If you'd like to jump in on the fun, reach out to the church office and we'll pair you up with someone else eager to exchange notes.

### It's SHOEBOX time!

Pack a shoebox, change a life. If you missed the pick-up window we will have some boxes available on Sunday morning. Drop off will be November 5-6. Stay tuned for times.



### WARMING CENTRE

Cold weather will be upon us in no time and much thought has gone into how to run our Warming Centre in a safe and helpful manner. Extra precautions will be taken by volunteers to ensure social distancing, sign in procedures, and the use of hand sanitizer and masks. Food will no longer be available buffet-style, but served by the volunteers.

Our Warming Centre is an important community ministry and beginning on November 5 it will run every Thursday from noon to 2:00, providing a place for those in need of warmth and company to enjoy a hot bowl of soup and friendly conversation.

We are accepting donations of non-perishable food items, as well as knitted hats and mitts. Donations can be dropped off on Sunday mornings, or you may contact the church office to arrange a drop off time during regular office hours. If you would like to volunteer to make soup or to help at the Warming Centre on Thursday, please connect with Marcia Burt. 519-364-3422 or [paulandmarciaburt@yahoo.ca](mailto:paulandmarciaburt@yahoo.ca)

**Please keep this ministry in your prayers as they prepare for a new season.**



### SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS | KEVIN & MICHELLE WEPPLER

Kevin and Michelle Weppler have been serving in Romania since 2006 and are now associated with Greater Europe Mission. They are running a second hand store through which they are blessing their community and finding many opportunities to share God's message of salvation. COVID 19 has had a huge impact of their plans to build a clinic/store. Construction teams were not able to go to them but God had a plan and able local men have stepped in and the construction is on schedule!

**Pray** for Kevin and Michelle as they are missing their annual visit home to be with family and friends. **Pray** for their health and safety as well as their community.

