

NASHVILLE ROAD
COMMUNITY

CHURCH

December 20, 2015

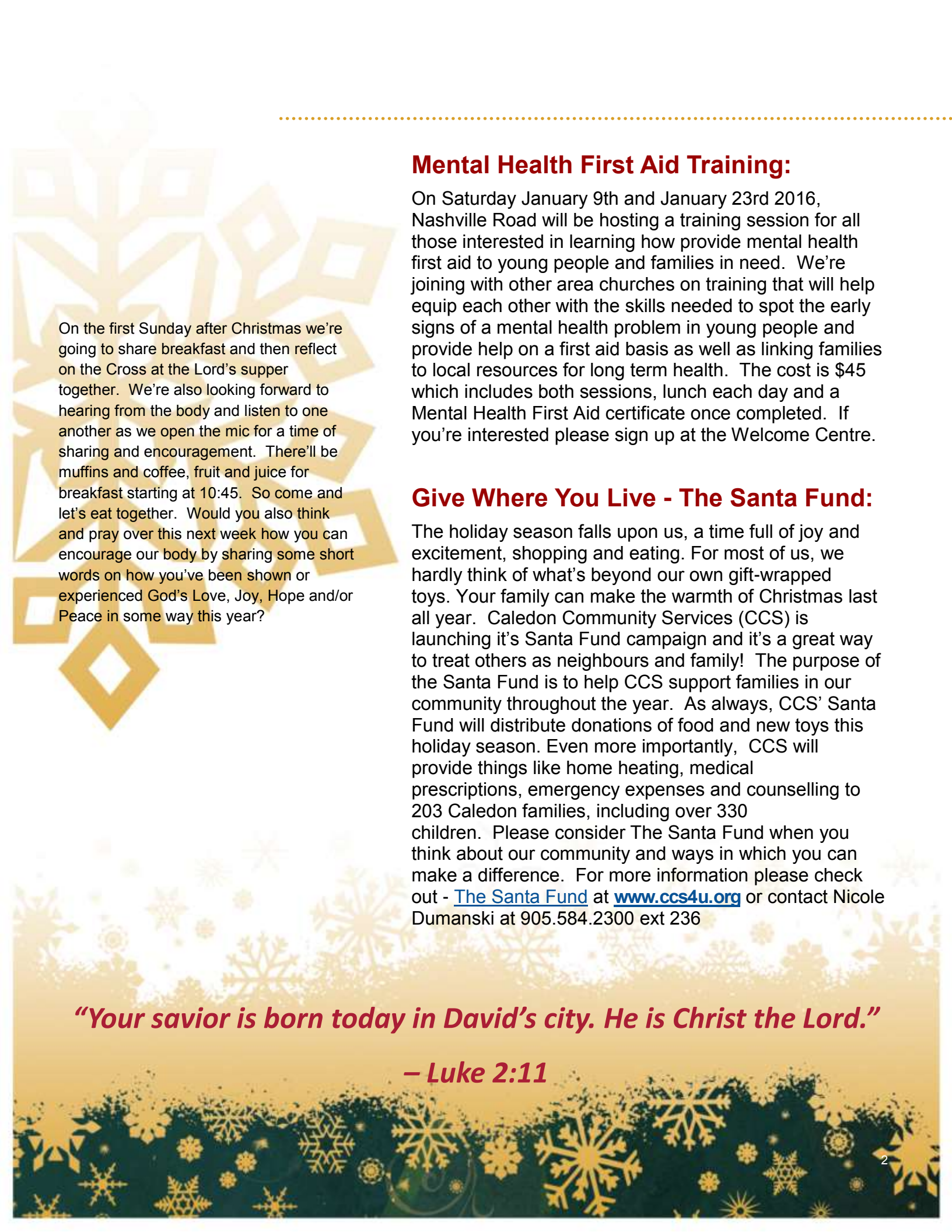
Mark Your Calendar

December 24
Christmas Eve
Service

December 27
Family
Reflections @
10:45am

January 17
Town Hall
meeting

Are you familiar with “Anticipointment”? For the uninitiated - it works like this: you look under the Christmas tree at a certain shaped box and after doing some quick calculations on it’s size and shape you anticipate the contents to be THE gift that you were hoping for. It takes a real good actor to be able to cover up the disappointment when that box reveals a cleverly wrapped pack of underwear! Hence “anticipointment”. In the movie “Love The Coopers” - Eleanor Cooper views her her anticipated family Christmas gathering with “anticipointment” - longing for their approval but certain she’ll never receive it. Can you identify with the desire for approval and yet the sense that you can never do enough to earn it or to cover up the things you think would lose it? This Sunday we’re “wrapping up” our Advent series - Christmas At The Movies with a look at "Love The Coopers" and seeing how a baby called Immanuel answers our craving for acceptance and approval.



On the first Sunday after Christmas we're going to share breakfast and then reflect on the Cross at the Lord's supper together. We're also looking forward to hearing from the body and listen to one another as we open the mic for a time of sharing and encouragement. There'll be muffins and coffee, fruit and juice for breakfast starting at 10:45. So come and let's eat together. Would you also think and pray over this next week how you can encourage our body by sharing some short words on how you've been shown or experienced God's Love, Joy, Hope and/or Peace in some way this year?

Mental Health First Aid Training:

On Saturday January 9th and January 23rd 2016, Nashville Road will be hosting a training session for all those interested in learning how provide mental health first aid to young people and families in need. We're joining with other area churches on training that will help equip each other with the skills needed to spot the early signs of a mental health problem in young people and provide help on a first aid basis as well as linking families to local resources for long term health. The cost is \$45 which includes both sessions, lunch each day and a Mental Health First Aid certificate once completed. If you're interested please sign up at the Welcome Centre.

Give Where You Live - The Santa Fund:

The holiday season falls upon us, a time full of joy and excitement, shopping and eating. For most of us, we hardly think of what's beyond our own gift-wrapped toys. Your family can make the warmth of Christmas last all year. Caledon Community Services (CCS) is launching it's Santa Fund campaign and it's a great way to treat others as neighbours and family! The purpose of the Santa Fund is to help CCS support families in our community throughout the year. As always, CCS' Santa Fund will distribute donations of food and new toys this holiday season. Even more importantly, CCS will provide things like home heating, medical prescriptions, emergency expenses and counselling to 203 Caledon families, including over 330 children. Please consider The Santa Fund when you think about our community and ways in which you can make a difference. For more information please check out - [The Santa Fund](http://www.ccs4u.org) at www.ccs4u.org or contact Nicole Dumanski at 905.584.2300 ext 236

“Your savior is born today in David's city. He is Christ the Lord.”

– Luke 2:11