



Ontario Conference

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Fellow Pastors, Bible Instructors, Elders, Personal Ministries Leaders, OCLEA Members, Church Members,

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Lord and coming King! As we continue to live and adjust to ministry in the Covid-19 pandemic environment I pray everyone is doing well and keeping safe.

As we consider new creative strategies to reach our members and members of the community who are looking for a God to love, let us be hopeful for the future. The Ontario Conference Lay Evangelism Association (OCLEA) is planning a virtual Lay Evangelistic series July 17-31, 2021. I am kindly soliciting every church to give your support to our excited and dedicated members who are doing their best to embrace the commission given by Jesus Christ to be witnesses of Him to the world. This series would be premiered on You-tube and Facebook live. There will be five (5) speakers who have all attended the Ontario Conference School of Evangelism and Discipleship.

Here are a few items we prayerfully request of you to consider as you make that decision to lend your support to this amazing initiative:

- 1. The OCLEA Evangelistic series meeting days will be Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. The OCLEA Evangelistic meetings will not take place on Sabbath mornings, so your regular church services can take place. We kindly solicit the churches support for the ten (10) days series on the meeting days listed.
- 2. We'd like the churches to support by:
 - a. Promoting the series throughout June and July
 - i. Posting promotional materials on their church website, and social media platforms
 - ii. Sharing information during their announcements
 - b. Utilize this series as a means of ministry to their visitors and interests
- 3. Each member of OCLEA has been challenged in the 'Each One, Reach One' so souls can be won for Jesus. The members have been encouraged to 'find one in 2021' so that the model of Friendship Evangelism can be utilized to its fullest.
- 4. Pastors kindly designate Sabbath July 31 as baptism Sabbath to facilitate any candidates ready for baptism to be baptized by the church pastor in their local church.

5. Pastors please help to identify any member in your church who attended the school of evangelism and encourage them to engage someone in Bible study in preparation for the series.

I have attached the second iteration flyer promoting the series. Another flyer with more information will be released early in June.

Feel free to contact me via email at rhazelwood@adventistontario.org or the OCLEA president Julia Clarke at oclea@adventistontario.org for further information or help if needed. Keep safe and may God bless you.

In His Service,

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