

FLOW

NEWSLETTER

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"There is More"

By Peter Ma



Today when I got a coffee from McDonald's, the order number I was assigned was '666'. When I told my wife Mora about it, she laughed at me.

Before when I would come across that number, some part of me would be afraid. But for some reason, God took away that fear. I don't know why and I don't know how, but my fear was turned into confidence. Today when I saw that number, it made me smile because it reminded me that there is more. The 'more' of course is what is happening in the spiritual realm. Our struggle isn't against the flesh and blood, but against spiritual forces of evil (Eph 6:12). If I fear a number, then I give that number power over my life. If I give that particular number power, then I believe it can give the devil a foothold in my life. Ephesians 4:27 speaks about the foothold of anger in verse 26 and falsehood in verse 25.

Instead, I find myself taking that number as a sign that God is working in the world. It's a negative sign, yes, according to Revelation 13:18. But it is still a sign that reminds me that God is all-powerful, sovereign, just, loving, truthful and good. It gives me confidence not in myself but in finding myself hidden with God. This is what gives me peace and confidence.

That very first Christmas, when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, there were very few positive signs. There was no room for Mary and Joseph in the inn. The Romans ruled over the Jewish people. King Herod had become a powerful, paranoid, and murderous tyrant. Only a band of shepherds responded to the angelic chorus. There were a lot of things to be negative about. But there was more. God was at work on that very first Christmas. In fact, God was at work "in the beginning" of time and God will continue to be at work through to the end. Let's not lose that hope.

“Sign of God in the Neighbourhood”

It's been a whirlwind of ups and downs in the neighbourhood. But with each up and with each down, we have brought them to the Lord in prayer. After all, we believe that every opportunity is from God.



- We were able to support someone in the neighbourhood going through elder abuse; with the goal of protecting the senior and showing God's love to both parties who were involved in the elder abuse situation. We prayed a lot during that time.
- We reached out to the Kin Administration about using the community room. This was met with a non-committal answer.
- We supported a family with a teen who is struggling in school. This involved a student-parent-teacher conference where a Flow person was able to support in the situation.
- We mentored kids in the neighbourhood... learning how to make pies, going to Upla Stouffville, playing sports, visiting the Varley, baking cookies, sharing prayer and Bible verses, and sharing our lives, etc.
- We shared at churches about how we see God at work in the neighbourhood and encouraged people to see the heart of God for their neighbourhood.
- We organized Christmas Hampers and encouraged other churches to get involved.
- We bought groceries, tidied up, took people to hospital appointments, moved sofas, setup phone plans, visited, listened, prayed and prayed and prayed.

HOUSE CHURCH - Sundays at 3:00 PM

House Church or as we like to call it, "*Church Without Bounds*" meets on Sundays at 3 pm.

This allows the Christians in Kin Village and Trinity Square to worship together and to be a Christian presence. We sit together with neighbours in their homes and link other homes by Zoom.

Here's a couple of ways to get involved:

1. If you know a neighbour and would like to invite them to house church, you can ask to go to their place and link up by Zoom.
2. Or, you are welcome to worship in one of our existing homes.

Please contact Peter Ma for more details: pma535@gmail.com



Congratulations to Sophie and Mike!



On September 27, 2025, Sophie and Mike got married! The wedding ceremony was beautifully held at Bayview Glen Church with Pastor Lou officiating. Everyone from Kin Village and Trinity Square who knew Sophie and Mike, were invited.



It was interesting to follow over the weeks who was going to come from the neighbourhood. With the support of Flow Ministries, a bus was rented and neighbours came.

All in all, it was a beautiful day. The bride was stunning. The groom was handsome. God was honoured. The food was great. People enjoyed themselves. And, Sophie and Mike got married.

The group picture is with Sophie, Mike and the wedding party, along with people associated with Flow Ministries and the Kin Village and Trinity Square neighbourhood.

Flow Volunteer Retreat

On November 1, 2025, a small group of us gathered for our annual Flow Volunteer Retreat. We met at Tyndale University and enjoyed our time together. We worshipped with the help of Emily and Sophie. We listened to a devotional from Peter. We heard about the growing edges of Flow's ministry with Nelson. But most of all, we spent time with the Lord. We took an hour to go off on our own and pray, read scripture, or simply to be quiet before God. It was a beautiful reminder to find our strength in the Lord. Then some of us went off to Pastor Brian and Cynthia's new burger restaurant for dinner.



Whom We Serve

The name “*Flow Without Bounds Ministries*” derives from Jesus’s encounter with the Samaritan woman and said,

“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life”

John 4:13-14

Flow wants to *flow without bounds* to every nook and cranny with living water, reaching all people with the message of the Kingdom.

PRAYER SUMMIT



Have a prayer request?
Come to our Zoom version of Prayer Summit.

“Let us encourage one another in prayer”.

Join us at 7:30 pm on the
2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

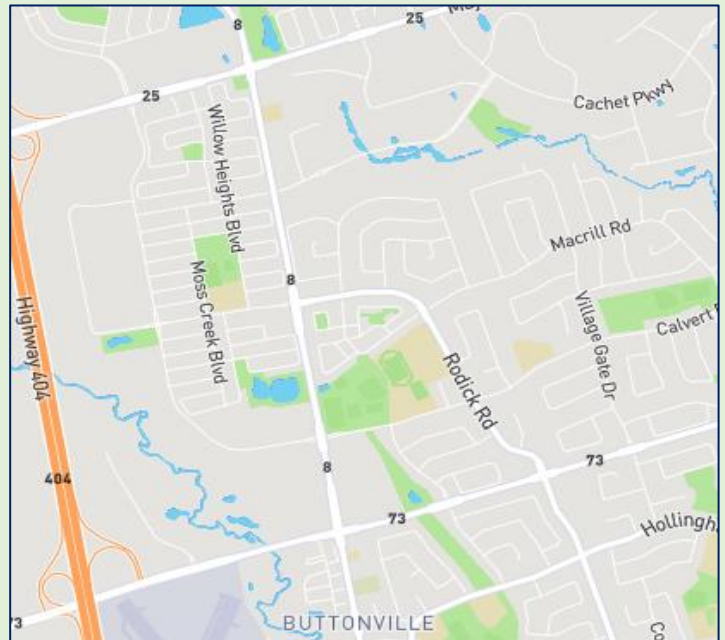
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Dec 10
Jan 14, 28
Jan 28
Feb 12, 26
March 11, 25

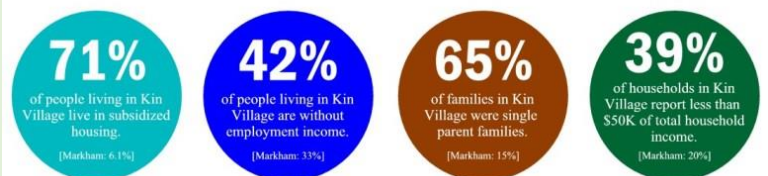
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For specific details about these virtual meetings, please send us an email to: flowministries.general@gmail.com

Kin Village and Trinity Square are two communities located north of 16th between Woodbine Avenue and Rodick Road in Markham, Ontario.



Most of the households are on subsidized housing rent and a substantial number of people are in unique circumstances and challenges.



Source: Statistics Canada 2021, Census Profile: 2021 Census of Population: Profile Table, Modified 2023-02-01. Accessed Mar 7/2023



FINANCIAL UPDATE

At Flow, we are thankful for your support in prayers and financial support. We aim to spread the Good News all over the neighbourhood of Kin Village and Trinity Square. Will you help us achieve this goal?



REVENUE \$82,760

EXPENSES \$78,477



Our Five Areas of Ministry:

- + **Stream Mentoring** (*Building relationships through mentoring*)
- + **Mercy Rain** (*Building relationships through practical care*)
- + **Hamper Program** (*Building relationships through practical gifts*)
- + **Community Events** (*Building relationships through practical engagements*)
- + **House Church on Sunday Afternoons** (*Worshipping together*)

Three Ways to Donate to Flow Without Bounds Ministry:

1) **Give via Cheque:**

Please make the cheque payable to "Flow Without Bounds Ministries."

Mailing Address:

Flow Without Bounds Ministries
21 Saintsbury Road
Markham, Ontario
L6C 2H9 Canada

2) **Give via Interac E-Transfer:**

Send your donation to: flow.finances@gmail.com

We have auto-deposit setup but if you are first time donor, please email your name and mailing address to: flow.finances@gmail.com for tax donation receipt purposes.

3) **Give via Credit Card/Apple Pay or Be Our Monthly Partner:**

We have a profile through CanadaHelps.org at: www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/flow-without-bounds-ministries/

Please note that a fee of 3.5%+ will be charged and tax donation receipts will be issued by CanadaHelps.

We would love to care for YOU our donors and inform you of any future donor appreciation events.

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