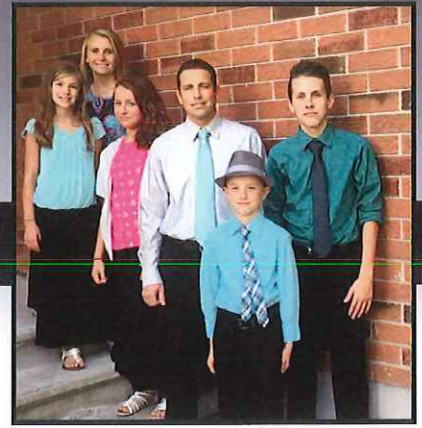


the
SMITHS serving Christ in **Ottawa**



Dear Prayer Partners,

December 11, 2018

Greetings from icy, snowy Ottawa. Our attendance was down in our last Sunday service partly because of freezing rain. Some of the people who attend on Sundays have a 5-10 minute walk to the bus stop or to the community centre for the Church service. Please pray that our core group at the Vanier services will continue to be faithful and will continue to grow.

We are in the middle of our Christmas ministry opportunities, as I am sure many of you are as well. Our family had singing and acting roles in CBC's presentation of *A Crosspoint Carol*. The presentation was very well attended. A few people attended from the Vanier Outreach and we have follow-up opportunities with people who asked questions about their salvation.

We are planning for a special Christmas service this Sunday, December 16th. Please pray that it is well attended and that any unsaved would personally believe in the Christ of Christmas. I am in the middle of a Christmas sermon series, *A Saviour is Born*. The Sunday message will be "The Arrival of a Saviour".

Please pray for other Christmas, Gospel opportunities. We will be having services in a retirement home, an extended-care home, and a housing high-rise.

Thank you for your continued care, support, and prayers! We wish you a very Merry Christmas season!

Serving Christ in the Capital of Canada, The Smiths
Jeff | Kim | Kyle | Emily | Alayna | Carson

Prayer Requests:

- For many opportunities to speak of Christ during Christmas.
- For the Crosspoint Baptist/Vanier outreach services.
- For our family to be healthy, happy, and faithful in the service of the Lord.

Culture Corner

The Butter Tart is a staple at Canadian Christmas gatherings.



"A poster at the 2005 Library and Archives Canada exhibition, *Bon appétit! A Celebration of Canadian Cookbooks*, filled the butter tart with all kinds of purple Canadiana:

...The Americans have their symbols and sayings, eagles and apple pies, bombs and movie stars. We have the butter tart. Born and baked in this incredible land of ours to be a constant reminder of how sweet and likeable we are."

<https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/butter-tarts>



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