

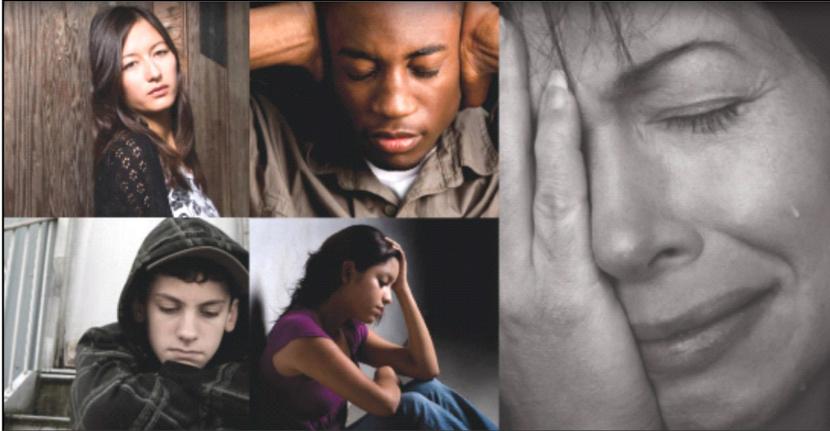


south niagara life ministries

HERE BECAUSE WE CARE!

Helping People Resolve Life Crises, Issues, And Problems

[Coming Soon . . . A relaunch of our website]



2019 – 2nd Quarter Newsletter

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Coming Soon—Watch for the relaunch of our website. Also—please join us for any and/or all funding events, with thanks.



Editorial—Executive Director Martha Beroud

50 years ago, scientists and engineers used slide rule instruments to send astronauts to the moon for the first time. In 1969, viewers who watched Neil Armstrong walk on the moon watched mostly on black and white TVs—and perhaps had three channels.

Atlases and Encyclopedias were used for information (not Google or GPS's), as were paper maps that never seemed to fold back properly into place.

Morning and evening newspapers and TV anchors (Robertson, Jennings, Cronkite, to name a few) gave us our news – while phones, back then, locked into a wall or sat on tables.

Still, all the iPhones in the world may be able to give us data at our fingertips (unimaginable a generation ago), but are not able to reach, rescue or renew a life; nor save a child.

This Year – on May 14, 2019 – Canada marked 50 years of decriminalized abortion, with eligibility over the last 30 years to abort through the last day of pregnancy (*a new reality for some of our U.S. neighbours*).

In spite of the amazing ways we gather information and connect with people—whether facing an unplanned pregnancy or another life altering challenge—many remain isolated, uninformed and alone, before reaching out to us for help; often angry, broken and wounded.

People reached through this ministry often testify that it's the human connection with someone who cares about them where they are hurting, along with facts, resources, and counsel, that helps resolve their life crisis, issues, and problems, by God's grace.

Its a blessing to witness healthy life changes, to hear encouraging testimonies, and victories, as shared at our March Social, and to hear about their renewal experiences through time spent with us in counsel (pgs 2-3).

Our thanks to all who regularly support this mission, and who aided us in meeting our first funding target (1st in SNLM's 6-event plan to meet this year's needs). We are grateful for the difference you make as you invest gifts, prayers, and time, for connecting hurting people to this ministry for the help they need. **Thanks again, and God's blessings to you.**

Members of the ROTARY held a photo op with **Niagara-This-Week & the F.E. Observer**, April 10, to present South Niagara Life Ministries with a \$2000.00 cheque. Rotary is dedicated to six areas of focus in community and internationally. At the community level, SNLM meets 5 of those focuses—serving area families, individuals and homes. *Peace & Conflict Resolution, Education, Maternal & Child Health, Community Development, and Disease Prevention*—are focuses incorporated in SNLM's mission. SNLM provides free counsel, supplies, programs, and presentations to area schools, businesses and church groups (general mission, healthy relationships, unplanned pregnancies, STI prevention, etc.). The FE Rotary is supporting likeminded community initiatives within their focuses. For more info see: <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryFortErie/>



April 10-Photo Op at SNLM's main offices in F.E, on Gilmore Rd, with Richard Hutton (NiagaraThisWeek) & Bryanne Martin (FE Observer) as members of the FERotary presented SNLM with a gift.

In the front row, board member Kathy Klune, accepted the large cheque from ROTARY Pres. John Maurice. In the back row SNLM E.D. Martha Beroud received a bank cheque from members Scot Broda and Ian Johnstone, to help offset free area services.

Our Thanks To All Our Social Event Sponsors.

SNLM Key-2-Hope Social Ticket Sponsors March 2019

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Joe and Heather shared about their marriage counsel. "There are so many details, if time allowed, that we could share about our journey through separation, forgiveness and reconciliation *but* what we want everyone to know is this; God used this ministry to save our marriage – and as a result – saved our family. Through solid biblical counsel we have been able to see – and to experience hope again. Through attending joint counseling at South Niagara, we have come to realize that there is so much more that God has in store for our marriage. That His plan is perfect, no matter what the circumstances in life are, and that there is hope in the midst of chaos .”



In closing we would like to share a verse with you that has tremendously helped us both, through this journey....

"Do not be afraid of the enemy, remember the Lord who is great, [who] fights for your family and home." Nehemiah 4:14

R.O.I. (Return-On-Investment)



Rick shared, "I had received counsel from other professional services but never with the permanent solution I needed. I would recommend South Niagara Life Ministries to anyone who needs to talk through a problem – who needs someone to listen – and who is able to help."

Mel shared, "I seldom look back . . .because I feel bad thinking how foolish I was in my thoughts and actions. . . . I gave my life to Christ and He has changed me a great deal. God has blessed me. I love church and helping others. Knowing how stubborn I was, if God can change me, He can change anyone.



Key2Hope Hors d'oeuvres Social March 29th



By way of R.O.I. (return on investment), at our event Emcee - Larry Hart asked, "What is a saved life Worth?"



Our Thanks - to Wes Stickland for music - "You Say" by Lauren Daigle & "Well Done"- a song by The Afters.





Rhiannon—when I transferred to a new public school, I missed having the regular religion connection I had in the Catholic school. I felt I was losing my ties to God. I kept having anxiety meltdowns. My mom sought a doctor’s help, that only increased my anxiety. When my mom brought me to SNLM for counsel, I felt listened to, and everyone is helpful - very kind - welcoming.



Amy: “**Desperation** – running from place to place looking for services to help my daughter cope with her autism, anxiety, and depression—and with her transition from a different school board to high school. When I brought Rhiannon to South Niagara Life Ministries, I took a step of faith and applied for services, myself. I had tried counseling and therapy through the Niagara Health System and other organizations.

I left those therapy sessions feeling judged, violated and broken again, again,—believing I was damaged beyond repair; that it was somehow my fault. I felt hurt, slipping back into a downward spiral. I began working through my life issues. My mind and heart opened up and I am learning the meaning of peace, a sense of quiet, and unity, as God brings my brokenness into wholeness. We are working on resolving conflicts and peacemaker solutions, and ways to help Rhiannon with others. I am so grateful for the love and kindness given to Rhiannon. I have noticed a huge shift in energy and attitude in her, with thanks to everyone at SNLM. Above all, I have learned these are caring individuals where I can reach out for support, help, and prayer.

Welcome back seasonal residents – Feel free to apply for services while you are visiting. PLEASE NOTE OUR HOLIDAY CLOSURE JULY 1 TO JULY 8TH (MESSAGES TO BE PICKED UP) WHEN WE WILL REOPEN—REGULAR OFFICE HOURS.



SUNDAYS AT 8:45 AM July 7 - August 25 2019
 There will be no service Aug 4th.

CHURCH ON THE BEACH
 Crystal/Bay Beach
(by the rocks)

Start Time: 8:45 / Come Early.
 Arrivals after 9:00 will pay \$5.00 to access the beach (Town of F.E.)

www.churchonthebeach.ca

Volunteer Opportunities at SNLM

We are seeking those having time they want to redeem doing some volunteer work. We have need for extra hands from time to time to do office sundries, and those who like to clean—for a few hours each week. We also are seeking people persons who like to socialize in helping out with our ongoing funding events. Please call to inquire.

UNPLANNED PREGNANCY? - Please Call.

SNLM equips, empowers and encourages healthy, life-affirming choices. We are committed to providing both women and men with accurate, up-to-date information in order to make informed decisions about their pregnancies, options, sexual health, and relationships. Pregnancy Tests , as needed.

Thanks to All Participants & BBBC Liaisons

B.B.B.Campaign Concludes - And Please Return Bottle Banks to Your Participating Location - on Father's Day.



Gifts, in honor or in memory of a loved one, usually come in spurts; *i.e.* \$25 dollars here, \$10 or \$15 there—\$50, \$100, *etc.* These **Commemorative Gifts** don’t seem like much in comparison to what a Dinner or Walk can bring in, in support of our mission. Yet the impact on lives these tributes bring are just as vital, while adding a different mission focus to our Baby Bottle Bank Campaign, and other times throughout the year. We recognize such gifts often come at a time of loss and sorrow – presenting opportunity to minister through acknowledgment cards.



GriefShare Group—for those grieving the death of a loved one. GriefShare is 13-week support group that meets weekly, 1:00—3:00 Wednesday afternoons, at SNLM, with Daisy May giving leadership. Please note the group reconvenes September 18 through December 11. Please call 905.871.0236 to register. You are welcome to come weekly, or as you can attend.

www.snlmcounsel.ca - See Details for Burnaby Skydive & Wildplay Whirlpool Adventure

SNLM's 2019 Key-2-Hope Events Yet To Come

3rd Event: 6.15.19
Leap-Of-Faith Skydive
4th Event: 6.22.19
Wild Play Whirlpool
Extreme Adventure in
Niagara Falls Canada
5th Event: 9.28.19
Sugarbowl Run, Walk & Roll
6th Event: 10.25.19
SNLMs 27th Anniversary
Dinner Celebration, 6:30 pm

Dollar-Match Incentives This Fall, Where Each Dollar Goes Twice As Far - A Good Time To Give.

Volunteers, Prayer, and Sponsors are crucial to sustain our mission to young moms, youth, and area families.

Together we are making a difference, with ample opportunities to join in. We welcome one and all.

67% of SNLM's Mission, for Helping People Resolve Life Crisis, Issues, & Problems, Is sustained through SNLM's annual 6-Event Funding Plan and community support.

Call For Details Or Check Out Our Website.

South Niagara Life Ministries

Key-2-Hope

5/10K Run, Walk & Roll 2019

FE Lions Sugarbowl Park

Match Challenge \$23,000

Event Goal \$46,000.

Every investment goes twice as far!



Join Us Saturday

September 28, 2019

Registration 9:00-9:50

10:00 Photo Start, Kids Games & Music

11:00 Life Tree Of Hope Tribute

11:10 BBQ Lunchtime Begins

11:50 Top Pledge & Door Prizes

Register \$25. or Raise Pledges (\$25. min.)
(\$25. includes Lunch & 1 door prize ticket)

*In Making a difference —
one life at a time.*

Main Office: 143 Gilmore Road, Fort Erie, ON L2A2L9
Registration: Main Office / Or On Event Day—FE Library
M-F 9:00-5:00 / Phone: 905-871-0236 / www.snlmcounsel.ca

Special Door Prize for all who come out in support and sign our Guest Book Event Day.



"Key-2-Hope"

COMING UP THIS FALL~ 2019

SOUTH NIAGARA LIFE MINISTRIES

27th Anniversary

Dinner and Fundraiser

FRIDAY—OCTOBER 25th, 2019

Location: Italian Canadian Cultural Centre
223 Bell Street; Port Colborne, ON

6:30 p.m. - Dinner (prompt)

7:30 - Program begins

8:30 - Program ends

**Key-2-Hope
Event Goal
\$32,000.00**

AN OPPORTUNITY TO INVITE & INTRODUCE
OTHERS TO SNLM SERVICES, TO SOCIALIZE, &
SUPPORT. ALL ARE WELCOME. PLEASE JOIN US.

PLEASE PHONE SNLM 905.871.0236
Mon-Fri as an event donor (\$250)
and/or to Register (& Your Guests).

Helping People Resolve LIFE Crises, Issues, and Problems

SNLM provides counsel & resources
through donor partnerships and commu-
nity support to area families and individu-
als, to those in distress and in need of
timely help. *Thank You.*
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