



December 17th - 23rd

Welcome to The Gathering!

We exist to connect people to the love of God.

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Take Notes with YouVersion

To follow along with today's message, and take notes online with YouVersion, visit www.thegatheringottawa.com/december17. To access the OCSB wifi, use the password: wireless4all

Multiple Giving Options Available

There are three ways to give to The Gathering: the offering plate on Sunday morning, via direct debit, or by going online and using Canada Helps. Contact Kristyn or visit us online at www.thegatheringottawa.com/giving for more info. *Please note that there are only 2 Sundays left in 2017 to give in person!*

Annual Family Christmas Service TODAY!

Today the kids take the stage and show you their hearts...show them how much you value them with your applause!! Also, plan to stick around after service for our traditional turkey dinner potluck, followed by our kids talent show!

Junior High

If you are interested in becoming a junior high leader in January, for a Tuesday night Home Church or during our Sunday morning elective please email Mike!

Youth

Our Gat Youth Home Church will be returning in the new year on Wednesday nights at 7pm at Pastor Mike and Amanda's house starting on January 10th! If you aren't on our mailing list please email Mike.

Facebook Live Streaming

Travelling for work? Sick and unable to make it to church? We are now live streaming our messages on Facebook!

Operation Baby Bottle

Support First Place Options by taking home an empty baby bottle today, and returning your donation on Christmas Eve! Donations can be made by cheque, credit card, cash and coins. First Place Options offers free and confidential services to anyone who is facing, or who has faced an unintended pregnancy; visit firstplaceoptions.ca for more info.

Christmas Schedule

With the Christmas season almost here, we want you to mark these special dates on your calendars!

- December 24th: *NO Sunday morning service*
- December 24th: Candle Light Christmas Eve service @ 6pm
- December 25th-January 1st: Church Office is closed
- December 31st: *NO Sunday morning service*

New Years Family Retreat at Camp IAWAH

IAWAH's New Years Family Retreat provides a great opportunity for active outdoor adventure, quality family time and bringing in the new year with spiritual focus & fellowship. Visit iawah.com/family-experiences to learn more!

Scripture Study - Lessons from Phillipian's: January 5-7th

Dan Reid is leading a scripture study called "Became Nothing", looking at Christ's humility, power and authority. With a small cost of \$30 to cover food for the weekend, contact Dan at danmarkreid@gmail.com for details to this great event.

Alpha Starts in the New Year!

We are running an Alpha course in the New Year at Michel Dupuis School! If you would like to be involved with helping to facilitate the Alpha course (ex. providing food, greeting, praying, table leading, etc.), or if you and/or a friend would like to participate in the course, please sign up at the coffee table or email us!

Volunteers Needed

Would you like the chance to help make Sunday mornings a time and place where everyone can meet with Christ? The Gathering is looking for people to volunteer! Contact Kristyn to join the team. **In particular, we are looking for new set-up team members!*