

10 November 2023

Hello NCG Volunteers,

We're excited about two aid containers that are getting close to final inspection and loading dates. One is destined for Kenya through Word and Deed Ministries and the other is planned for Eswatini and our partners at The Lukes Commission. With these two shipments in the works, we could have nearly 2.5 million servings of food on the seas before Christmas. These gifts of food are a wonderful way to point us towards the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ.

If you are one of our valued volunteers, then this invitation is for you. We are planning our Volunteer Appreciation Week beginning Monday, 27 November right through to Friday, 1 December 2023. This is our way of expressing our gratitude to the hundreds of volunteers who help make NCG such an amazing ministry. Throughout the whole week, we'll have extra goodies during coffee break and lunch will be served - each day - all on us! Perhaps you're one of those volunteers who help out behind the scenes on one of our many committees. This invitation is for you also. Hopefully, you'll have an opportunity to drop in and join us. We'd be honoured to have you as our guests.

Thanks again to all those who contribute so much to Niagara Christian Gleaners. We love all of our volunteers. You make an incredible difference, and we could not do this important work without you.

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" Colossians 3:17

Blessings to you all,

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Our volunteers work up quite an appetite by coffee time. The home baking is a true blessing to our volunteers and so if you are able to help us out in this way, we'd sure appreciate it. The goodies can be dropped off at our kitchen any weekday morning. Thank-you.

Important Information & Signup Links

Volunteering is by means of the online signup.

Please consider helping us out by clicking on our signup link. Two simple steps and you're signed up!

- 1) Click this link: https://signup.com/go/BmUxKEe
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

Periodically we host Saturday Morning Volunteer Sessions. Here is the signup link for those sessions. Please follow the same instructions as above: https://signup.com/go/OyEQOLo (Please note that Saturday Sessions may be cancelled on short notice if there is a soft response to the signup. Thanks for understanding)

Parents, please be mindful of this important guideline regarding younger volunteers: Elementary school age children should be accompanied by an older sibling (high school age or older) or an adult. This is very important for safety reasons as the younger children will be under the supervision of the accompanying adult or older sibling. Thanks for your cooperation with this.

We are always looking for additional volunteers to be part of this amazing ministry. If you know of others who may be interested in volunteering at NCG please share or tell them about this one-time volunteer registration link: https://niagaragleaners.org/volunteer (reminder this link is just for the initial, first-time volunteer registration)

Additional Announcements & Information

- Upcoming Events & NCG Calendar Link: PVOCZ2pPT0SgqKsanc7ImNDWkVjn8/edit
- Fall 2023 Newsletter: https://drive.google.com/file/d/14oUvYhDfcJC1J_aU59tmzKVVnNQ3M_hk/view?usp=sharing
- 2023 Expansion Plans: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qV8UpQvXmMB6Ivd1iW5dLsIr4eOq7IS7/view?usp=sh aring
- Food Waste Reduction Challenge https://drive.google.com/file/d/1U9soecuo4AlvkifUg8Qtln2W323eyNTE/view?usp=sharing