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Hello Friend!

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to spreading God's word and inspiring your congregations to support children in need around the world. May the light of Christ shine upon you and your loved ones this holiday season.

Merry Christmas & a blessed New Year from the World Vision Canada Church Engagement team!

In this issue:

- **Discover** why Pastor Mark Roslund from Rose Church, Winnipeg, partnered with World Vision for an unforgettable Chosen event with his church family.
- **Meet** our new Church Advisors for Ontario - your fresh connection to transformative ministry.
- **Find peace** in the midst of holiday chaos with practical tips and heartfelt insights.
- **Explore** the 2024 World Vision Gift Catalogue and choose a gift that truly transforms lives.
- **Have your say** by participating in the Resilient Pastor Survey - help shape the future of ministry.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6



Thank You for Being Chosen!

In 2024, we were blessed to partner with 17 churches across Canada, transforming the lives of 469 children through Chosen.

Chosen gives back what poverty takes from children: the power of choice. For the first time, children in need can choose their own sponsors. And with that choice comes power - to seize their futures, pursue their dreams, and have a relationship with you!

What does your support provide?

- Access to well-stocked clinics help protect girls and boys from illness
- Children flourish when they learn new skills and expand their horizons
- Clean water opens doors to better health, equality, safety and education
- Nutritious food is vital to supporting a child's health and development

Click below to join Pastor Mark Roslund of Rose Church, Winnipeg, as he shares his inspiring story of partnership with World Vision.

[WATCH THE VIDEO](#)

We are pleased to introduce to you ...

New Church Advisor - Susan Burston - ON

Susan has over 30 years of experience in children’s and pastoral ministry, with a strong commitment to spiritual growth and community transformation. Based in Alliston, Ontario, she and her husband raised their four, now adult, children. Throughout her career, Susan has been dedicated to empowering local churches and building global partnerships to extend the Kingdom of God.



New Church Advisor - Shiraz Siddique - ON

Shiraz resides in the Niagara Region and brings strong leadership from both his corporate and pastoral experiences. He holds a Masters of Theological Studies from Tyndale University and is a noted published author. He is passionate about building community to advance the purposes God has for all of us.



Finding Peace Amid Holiday Chaos

In a season of hurry, why not take a step back and give yourself the gift of a quiet heart.

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2024 World Vision Gift Catalogue

Providing a gift for a child in another country is amazing. Providing livestock to

a family so they can feed their child and generate income to lift themselves out of poverty ... even better! **The gift of a goat or a chicken is a gift that keeps on giving.**

Want a supply of gift catalogues for your church family? Send us an email at churches@worldvision.ca and we'll be happy to send those out to you.

Give a gift. CHANGE A LIFE.

ONLINE GIFT CATALOGUE

Participate in the Resilient Church Leader Survey!

World Vision Canada and Barna Group are partnering on an important and ambitious global research project, and we want to hear from you! If you are a church leader (part-time, full-time, or volunteer), we invite you to complete a survey so that we can better understand your perspectives, experiences, challenges, and stories.

Have your voice heard during this brief anonymous survey (15 min). This survey will result in a report that will be made available to you in the future to support your leadership in the years to come.

TAKE THE SURVEY

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

2025 Events You Won't Want to Miss:

- Jan 25-26: [Youth Worker Conference \(Saskatoon, SK\)](#)
- Jan 31-Feb 1: [Youth Worker Conference \(Abbotsford, BC\)](#)
- Feb. 22: [Today's Teens Conference \(Brampton, ON\)](#)

Save the dates and share with your youth!

PRAY WITH US

World Vision empowers children worldwide through faith-based programs tailored to their specific needs. Please **pray** for their spiritual leaders and the children they guide.

P.S. May we pray for you? Please [EMAIL](#) us your personal prayer requests and the Church Team would be blessed to pray specifically for you.





Many blessings, Chris Schroeder
Your World Vision Church Advisor

If you have any questions or would like to connect with me directly, please [email](#) or book a virtual coffee on my [calendar](#).

World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organization working to create lasting change in the lives of children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. Inspired by our Christian values, World Vision is dedicated to working with the world's most vulnerable people regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

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