



OASIS DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

UPDATE: OCTOBER / NOVEMBER 2010



Dear Friend,

As we approach the end of 2010, I can't help but think about all the exciting things that have happened in the Oasis community.

Here is a brief update of the activities at Oasis:

1. On October 2nd, several Oasis friends took part in the Ride for Refuge. This bike riding event helps to raise money for organizations working with displaced, vulnerable and exploited people. Oasis riders were able to ride over 100KM's combined and were excited to participate in this inspiring event. Financially, however, we were unable to raise enough pledges to allocate funds to Oasis.
2. On October 16th, the 15th Annual Oasis Walkathon took place. A small group of approximately 30 dedicated Oasis supporters and volunteers joined together in praying for the community and raising much needed funds. To date, over \$5,500 was raised through the Walkathon.



THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

15th Annual Oasis Walkathon



Praying
together for
the community

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3. The Oasis Senior's Program has been expanding. In October, over 20 Spanish speaking seniors participated in an orientation workshop regarding government services available to them in addition to their regular social activity and meal. It is great to see people being able to access services they did not know existed.
4. At the Oasis Food Bank, monthly usage has remained steady and thankfully food drives by local churches and Daily Bread have provided a great fall harvest and there has been sufficient food for all clients. An increasing need at the Oasis Food Bank is in the advocacy department as many more clients and volunteers are accessing help in finding jobs, re-training, settlement services as well as receiving support with emotional and spiritual needs.

Prayer Requests:

1. Please pray for the finances of Oasis. As mentioned, the Ride for Refuge and Walkathon did take place but did not raise as much money as was hoped.
2. The Oasis Life Group that meets weekly also needs prayer as participants live out their faith and serve God in the Oasis community.
3. Pray for the funding proposals and grant requests that have been prepared for 2011.
4. Please pray for the upcoming Oasis event:
 - **The Oasis Christmas Celebration which will take place on December 3rd, 2010.**

Thank you for your continued Support!



**Chris Ortiz,
Executive Director**

A vertical invitation card with a blue background and white decorative patterns. At the top, a black-bordered box contains the text "You're Invited" in a cursive font. Below this, another black-bordered box contains the text "Help us celebrate..." in a cursive font. The main body of the card contains the following text in a simple sans-serif font: "Join us as we celebrate Christ's birth and see what is new at Oasis. Enjoy a special evening with desserts, musical interlude and impacting Oasis stories. Date: Friday Dec. 3rd Time: 7:00P.M. R.S.V.P. by Nov. 25th (416) 536-3197". At the bottom, a black-bordered box contains the address: "1219 Dufferin St., Toronto, On M6H 4C2".



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