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## *Living In Residence* AT GREAT LAKES

**M**y name is Tesha Gault, and I am a student from Guelph ON. I have had the privilege of living in the girls' dorm for two years as a five day dorm student. Being a five day dorm student means I stay in the dorm during the weekdays and go home on the weekends. Living in the dorm has had a very positive impact on my life emotionally, academically, and spiritually.

When I first came to Great Lakes

I had never lived away from home before. Moving away from my family was a big challenge for me because of the close relationship I have with my parents and my two sisters. I was also hesitant to have adults who I had never met before be my guardians during the school year. However, within a week of staying in Perry Hall with Phyllis May (known fondly as "Mamma May" to her residents) I quickly realized that living in the dorm didn't mean I had to lose my

parents and people looking out for me; it meant that I gained an extra supporter and friend to help me navigate through my high school years. Through small things like mending my uniform or weekly snack and chats on Sunday evenings, my dorm mum was always there for me and supported me through all of the new and sometimes nerve racking events that took place during my first year away from my family. Living in

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Some of the 2015-2016 female residential students with current dorm mothers **Kathy Preston** and **Rachael King** ('08)



The Gault Family

the dorm has also taught me how to live in a community and how to trust the people around me. As the year progressed, the girls living with me in the dorm grew closer emotionally and learned how to work together as a group. We used our gifts to help each other grow stronger in things like school work, relationships, fashion, and faith. I learned to lean not just on my own abilities, but also on the abilities of others.

While living in the Great Lakes dorm I have grown academically. Both my parents are teachers who have taught the value of education and hard work, but once I did not have my parents around to encourage me and support me in

my school work I was worried that I would not be as successful in school. Coming to Great Lakes has caused me to grow academically in two main ways. First, I have grown in initiative when it comes to my school work. If I get a bad grade on an assignment or am struggling in a class, it is my responsibility to talk to my teachers and seek help when I need it. I learned to stick up for myself and to take responsibility for my own work.

Secondly, I have learned how to balance my academics with my social time. Great Lakes is such a fun and busy environment that I had to learn quickly the importance of balance. I needed to balance my faith, friends, extra-curricular activities, sleep, and education. Having scheduled study halls was a big help in this process. Creating a designated quiet time for me to get my work done was very helpful and provided a solid base for my study time. Also, having teachers at study hall once a week was a great opportunity for me to get the extra help I needed in certain classes, and to really improve in the areas with which I struggled.

Through my teachers and dorm parents I have grown spiritually while living in the dorm. By living in the dorm, I am constantly surrounded by strong spiritual mentors and role models that I can look up to. Having teachers that are open about their faith has really taught me a lot and has created an environment where I feel comfortable in asking questions and exploring what it means to be a Christian. Also, living in the dorm has taught me the importance of constant prayer. Before meals, sports events, tests, exams, when someone is struggling, when we are excited, and when we are stressed, we pray together. This has really helped me learn to lean on God and to build my relationship with him through prayer. Overall, living in the Great Lakes girls' dorm has been a great experience, and has helped mold and shape me into the person I am today.

*Tesha Gault, Grade 12*

Tesha's parents are **Malcolm** and **Mair (née Lewis, '84)**

Tesha's sisters are **Siann ('15)** and **Kylee (Grade 10 at GL)**

## Message FROM THE BOARD

As a board we are pleased to extend our greetings and appreciation to all readers of our Laker Connection.

Many of you are parents, guardians or sponsors of current or past students, or donors and volunteers. Many of you fit into several or all of these categories. We deeply appreciate the role that you have in making our school a possibility.

From a board perspective, we find our school to be in over all good condition on many fronts such as debt reduction, facilities upkeep, caliber of staff, and loyalty to our mission. Areas of concern include ensuring

ongoing viability, keeping our costs low enough to make the school accessible to as many as possible, seeking adequate diversity in revenue sources, and managing the growing gap between societal values and the values of an independent Christian school. As we deal with these and many other topics, we are grateful to be part of a community committed to providing Christian education. May God bless us all in our ongoing efforts to provide a school where our students can seek, serve, and become like Christ.

*Lawrence Whitfield  
Chairman, Board of Directors*



**Back row (l to r):** Jeremy Cook (Tintern), Jamie Tallman (Tintern), Melba Belo (Strathmore), Bev Boden (Tintern), Jim Dickie (Tintern), and Mark Knutson (Bramalea). **Front row (l to r):** Greg Toohey (Secretary, Stratford), Geoff Taylor (Vice-Chairman, Beamsville), Lawrence Whitfield (Chairman, Tintern), and Bob Ammerman (Treasurer, Amherst). Absent: Sharon Ammerman (Amherst)

# ÉGLISE du CHRIST

The Chorus at the Ville-Émard Church of Christ in Montreal, March 2016.



## Chorus

**M**y name is Fay Zheng. I am an international student from Shanghai, China. Last year was my grade 9 year at Great Lakes and my first year in Canada. I joined chorus last year and it was a lot of fun.

Chorus is a really awesome chance for international students, like me, to know more people. People here are very friendly and kind. I was kind of shy when I first came here, but people were always there and willing to help me, especially chorus members. We went on several chorus trips and did a lot of performances, which gave me a lot of opportunities to get know them. One time, Sydney Cook, Emily Rose and I stayed in the

same homestay. We chatted and had snacks together. We had a really good time and I got to know them and later we became good friends.

Chorus is a good place for me to learn Bible, know God, and to build my faith. The first chorus trip was really memorable for me because it was the first time that I got to go on a road trip; I was really excited. We traveled to several different places to sing songs to worship God and some of us shared our testimony to speak out God's word to encourage people.

This year I also went on the March Break chorus trip. We flew to Nova Scotia, and then drove to Halifax, Shubenacadie, Moncton, Prince Edward Island, Quebec City, and

Montreal. I stepped out in faith and shared my story several times during that trip. Before I shared, I was really nervous, but others prayed for me and asked God to give me strength in my heart. When I shared, I felt God's strength through the word. Before I came to Canada, I knew nothing about God and had never read the Bible before, but now I believe that God has a plan for me. I know God loves me so much. I show my thankfulness to God through my prayers every day.

Overall, I had a really good time in chorus. I pray that more and more students can join, enjoy themselves, and build their faith in chorus.

– Fay Zheng, Grade 10

# PERRY HALL Kitchen Reno

At Homecoming in the Fall of 2014, Phyllis May made a plea as a dorm mother on behalf of her dorm children. She described our residences as “holy



ground.” When these spaces are safe, functional, and comfortable they help create an environment that encourages the young people who live there to be open, whether personally, emotionally, or spiritually. Some of the most significant conversations our students have occurred in these spaces, outside of the structured environment of the academic

day. Most of us know that the heart of many homes is the kitchen, and Perry Hall was in need of some serious attention to this central meeting place. The Alumni Association, the WAVES, and a major donor all responded to Phyllis May’s plea, and after much work, a transformed Perry Hall kitchen was opened to student use January 2016.

This project would not have been possible without the help from many people. **Colleen Cann (née Keller, ’80)** and **Laurie Whitfield (née Miller, ’77)** volunteered to be a part of the design team. They made sure that all the elements of the kitchen design have been chosen with the idea of trying to maintain



a historical look while still being a usable, sturdy space for the girls. We are grateful for **Sharon Ellis (née Spearman, ’59)** who was our key



fundraiser. **Wayne Whitfield (’74)** and **Kevin Preston** were a part of the construction team. **Evan Cramp (’04)** and Kirkland’s Verne’s Carpet One did the flooring. **Kirk McIntee (’98)** made custom cupboards. **Sheldon Whitfield (’87)** with Whitfield Plumbing did the plumbing, and **Dave Azzoparde, Seymour Azzoparde, and Leo Razon** did the electrical.

Colleen and Laurie chose quartz counter tops because they are virtually maintenance free, and although there was a mix-up with the company and we were disappointed that the wrong colour counter top was delivered, we worked around it by changing some paint colours. There are new Sears appliances including an Induction stove top which automatically shuts off the heat when the pot is removed, and a bigger fridge. The original servant’s staircase has been converted into a pantry using the original door with a replaced glass window. There is a white wood panel dropped ceiling. The final touches are a wall of clocks marking time in the countries of our students and original framed photographs of serene places visited and photographed by Laurie’s daughters **Lacey May (’98)** and **Katie (’04)**.

A wonderful historical touch is the home’s original servant call box, which was saved by **Geoff Ellis** and restored by **Marvin Johnson**.

– Laurie Whitfield



# Bonjour tout le monde!

**A**s you've been reading in other articles, Great Lakes has continued to be a Christian host for many nations! This year we have had students from all over the world such as China, Korea, Hong Kong, Haiti, Japan, and Nigeria. Something that naturally comes along with many different countries being represented is many different languages. Sometimes it can be easy to overlook Canada's second language, le Français! This year we have breathed life back into the French program, including a French Club, and for the first time in many years, a Grade 10 French class! In

past years French beyond grade 9 is not a required course and was not taken. This idea has been changed by the graduating class of 2019 and our French teacher, **Ms. Reimer**.

Now, we are working hard to create a solid French program, and this Grade 10 class is just the beginning. Grade 11 French is offered at GLCHS this year and the intention is to offer Grade 12 French in 2017-2018. With this, Grades 9 and 11 French will be taught in the fall, while the 10, 12 classes will be offered in the spring. On top of the subject progression, French has also been something sought after through extra-curriculars, and so

the French Club was born!

The French Club is working to fundraise for a trip to Montréal for the French students. Aside from the trip and the ability to say you are a "Frenchie", another awesome part of French Club is the T-Shirt that comes along with it! The French club is really developing at Great Lakes and is headed by a dedicated French teacher and the French Club council that will continue to push it forward. In all, the entire French program has a solid base and amazing plans for the future. With all of this, French will be another culture to add to Great Lakes' broad spectrum.

– *Samm Reimer*

Caption: French Club 2015-2016 from left to right: Micah Vandewetering, Ethan Kennedy, Xavier Thibault, Kenwyn Fecik, Samantha Reimer (staff sponsor), Sydney Cook, Emily Rose, Kylee Gault, and Jade Cox.

# Great Lakes Christian Preschool: MEETING THE *Needs of the Community*

The community is really growing, and it is seeking us out.

The website has been a big help to use and we are looking forward to having thirty-two children next year. With the growing community we have felt the pressure to expand to meet its needs. We now offer eight hours a day for five days, compared to six and a half for three days before. Over the past few years the Preschool has been undergoing some changes to keep up with the growing demand for daytime child care.

In the afternoon we have fifteen children compared to ten children in the previous years. We are finding that the parents are more supportive of us and the program we are using. We also aren't advertising as much as we have in previous years; rather our program is getting out through parents talking to other parents in the community.

Some changes that we have done to the facility are: we put new

floors in the main building, painted the halls and entryway, put a child-size toilet in the bathroom, put in a new back door, and repainted and put new trim in the portable. We have expanded our playground by twenty-five feet, so we now have room for a small garden, and we use tires and logs to make obstacle courses.

Every year we try to do an all-school trip; this year we went to the strawberry farm. All of the parents are invited too, and the children have so much fun. We also do fun activities with the children throughout the year like painting or working with loose parts to build different things. For the building unit we had a picnic table last year that the children still use. The 'loose parts' aspect to the program is using things around us instead of buying new things. For example, in the fall a tree by the playground got cut down and, instead of getting rid of it, we are now using the logs of

the tree as an obstacle course in the playground; every week we change the difficulty level so it becomes more challenging or easier depending on how that week went.

Developments of the last five years have happened under the caring direction of **Heather Moyer** and the tireless full-time support of **Pauline Lacroix**. We are also thankful for our part time helpers **Esther Tigchelaar**, who started in January as five day help, and **Kirsten Jones** who started last year to assist with the growth. The foundation for the school and program was set up by **Barb Smith (née Zila, '77)**, and Heather is honoured to follow in her footsteps.

Kindermusik rents out our back room, which is a program that Corrie Rose started, in it children learn about music and movement while giving the parents an opportunity to interact with them in fun and intimate ways.

– *Heather Moyer*





This year's Youth Rally was yet another success! A team of fifteen Great lakes students planned, prepared, and offered a spiritual weekend program for more than one hundred teens in April 2016. Our theme this year was focused on the idea of "Refuel, Recharge and Replenish." The idea came from our recollection of times when we go to events such as a Youth Rally to be "Refueled" in our faith journey. The idea of Recharge and Replenish were added to the refuel idea because they seemed to follow the same idea of filling up on our faith with God. This theme is highlighted in Ephesians 3:14-16 where we see

God strengthening us and filling us with His renewing spirit.

**Patrick Mead** came from Franklin Tennessee to share with us his intelligence and spiritual wisdom. He was a great addition to our weekend and we thoroughly enjoyed his humour and the lessons he brought us every day. **Autumn** (the a capella singing group from Rochester College) sang for us and their director, **Chris Shields** lead our worship throughout the weekend. Together they brought a passion for Christ through music all weekend.

Overall, this Youth Rally had the best attendance of the past six years with groups coming from

Tennessee and New York State. I am so glad that I got to be a part of an event that encourages spiritual growth and unites students from all over. This was a great event to finish off my time here at Great Lakes and I hope that the Youth Rally tradition will always be a part of Great Lakes.

*By Caitlin Boden ('16)*





The Kielstra Brothers (l to r): Ron Jr. ('05), Sake ('07), Todd ('09), Sandy ('11), Tom ('14), and Ben ('14)

# Why I Came Back TO WORK AT GREAT LAKES

**M**y time at Great Lakes showed me not only what true joy is, but also how to deal with hardships. I am the second youngest in a competitive family of six boys, beating out my twin brother by a whole two minutes. Because my twin and I were the youngest in the family, we grew up knowing about Great Lakes. We know the teachers, **Mr. Azzo**, **Mr. McBay**, and especially **Mr. Rose**. I was excited to come, but nervous at the same time. I had no idea what I was getting myself into.

While I was at Great Lakes I had a job that I had to do. These jobs

ranged from cleaning a floor of the dorm to collecting the recycling, to cleaning dishes. I have to say my favourite of all of these had to be cleaning the dishes. We would blast the music and sing at the top of our voices the entire time. It was the first job that I ever had where I was actually excited to go to work.

*"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of Death, I will fear the no evil: you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4*

In my Grade Nine year **Mr. McBay** passed away suddenly. This was really hard for me, but

Great Lakes showed me that in community with God and fellow followers of Christ, you can get through almost any hardship that you face. It was one of the first times I realized how important relationships with other followers of Christ are important in a faith journey. As the year went on and I continued to look into what my faith really was, I made the decision to get baptized.

When I was in Grade 11 my mother was given the opportunity to work at Great Lakes as the admission director. Before she took the job, she asked me if this would be okay. She thought I would not



Ingrid and Ron Kielstra

want my mother to be so involved with my g. This confused me, why would I not want my mother to enjoy the same environment that I grew to love?

In my last year I was ready to leave high school, but I did not want to break completely and leave the teachers with whom I had made such good relationships. In order to delay the inevitable, I applied to work at Great Lakes for the summer after High School. I got the job. In the last week of high school, my friend, **Eric Sypk**, passed away in a car crash. This really hit me hard. He was always full of energy and joy. The summer job at Great Lakes, which I had taken for a selfish reason, turned out to

be a blessing. I was surrounded with support while I mourned the death of my friend.

When I was looking for a job this summer, Great Lakes was where I wanted to work. I needed a job with flexibility and wanted to go to work where I knew I was going to enjoy myself. Working at Great Lakes has never felt like a job. It feels like doing chores for my family. That is why I wanted to work for Great Lakes after my student journey ended.

*Thomas Kielstra (14')*

## FriendSpeak

**B**eing involved in the FriendSpeak program at Tintern has been a very rewarding experience. Getting to know various young people from Asia and elsewhere and establishing relationships with them are definite blessings. Studying a portion of God's Word, discussing it and

sharing some life experiences is a good way to get to know another person. To do this with a young person of a totally different background and culture from my own can prove to be quite a challenge, but also quite enriching.

For the past two school years I have had the pleasure of having **Dale Liang** of Shanghai as a FriendSpeak student while he completed grades 11 and 12 at Great Lakes. Our sessions usually resulted in most of the time being spent discussing teen and school issues. It was a learning experience for me in many ways, for example, adjusting to some of

Dale's terminology, such as his description to me of someone he encountered as being "very elderly....like you". Very serious, very innocent, very honest. I would be quick to interrupt and correct him, saying that the term "elderly" shouldn't apply to me for another 15 or 20 years. Yet Dale continues to say that my wife, Laurena, is like a "mother" to him here and that I am like a "grandpa" to him! Along those lines, it has been great having Dale's dad Jeff, in our home and getting to know him. Having graduated from Great Lakes, Dale is continuing his education at the University of Guelph.

Thanks to FriendSpeak we have established new relationships that will last a lifetime...and thanks to FriendSpeak students from other cultures have established relationships with their Heavenly Father that will last for eternal lifetimes.

*– Ralph Tallman, Class of '71*



Ralph Tallman and Dale Liang

# Introducing the Western Christian College LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP



On January 31, 2012 Western Christian College, our sister school in Regina, Saskatchewan, announced that it would close its doors June 30. WCC's predecessor, Radville Christian College, officially opened in 1945 and started offering a Christian high school program the next year. Some of those involved in beginning this visionary work not only had been operating Summer and Winter Bible schools since as early as 1931 in the region, but they also inspired similar Bible schools across the country. For our Ontario base, the most familiar inspiration would be the establishment of Omagh Bible School, which we now know as Camp Omagh, in Milton, Ontario. In 1952, six years after Radville Christian College opened its doors, Great Lakes Christian College in Beamsville, Ontario, welcomed its first high school students.

As the name indicates, Western primarily served western Canada and the northwestern U.S. while GLCC served eastern Canada and

the northeastern U.S. Founded and supported by members of the Church of Christ, both schools primarily served students from that fellowship for much of their history. As numbers of available students decreased and parental attitudes about residential schools changed, continuing to serve has become an ongoing struggle. By 2012, WCC was, simply, no longer viable, joining dozens of schools like it that had closed over the years south of the border.

We mourn the loss of WCC. Interestingly, some have asked if there is relief in knowing the "marketplace" has become a little easier with one less competitor. If that was how we viewed WCC, this may have been an easy "yes;" however, we did not lose a competitor, but a fellow servant who toiled alongside us for more than six decades. Moreover, becoming the only school affiliated with a cappella churches of Christ in Canada is a sad reality. There is no joy in outliving a partner in faith.

In the last four years, we have struggled with how we respond to what has happened at WCC. One of the considerations we felt most strongly was how we might fill a need that may now be unmet yet honour the rich legacy of WCC itself. The establishment of Western Christian College Legacy Scholar-

ship Fund is one response: up to two scholarships are available each academic year to students who come from churches of Christ west of Ontario. The scholarships are substantial, reducing fees (tuition and residential) by 50%. To our delight, one was used in 2015-2016 by Grade 11 student Landon Huyghebaert from Manitoba.

The school has invested some

seed money to establish the WCC Legacy Scholarship, but we seek donors who will contribute toward the scholarship with the goal of establishing a self-perpetuating fund. In particular, if you live in western Canada and are reluctant to send funds out of the west, please

consider a way to do so

that directly benefits families who live in western Canada.

We mourn with those who mourn, but recognize that the legacy of Western Christian College continues to be felt across the Kingdom. We pray we are able to honour that legacy as we continue to serve.

If you would like to learn more about Western Christian College's history up to 1995, please visit <http://www.oldpaths.com/Archive/WCC>.



Landon Huyghebaert

– Don Rose

# WCC's Library Comes to Great Lakes

When Western Christian College closed, they had thousands of books in their library and classrooms. In an age when the reliance on printed materials is starkly decreasing, was there any opportunity for the collection to continue to be useful and used? In June 2015, a truck arrived on the GL campus with the aforesaid books and several other classroom materials. **Dwayne Williams ('84)** took upon himself the monumental task of processing the WCC resources.

First, the books were categor-

ized and laid out across tables that took up half of the Tallman Auditorium. Over a period of a week, teachers, Bible teachers, administrators, and our librarian worked through the collection, pulling those resources that would augment our departmental offerings, classroom collections, and library holdings. Many books were also forwarded to Great Lakes Bible College in Waterloo.

Second, the staff was allowed a few days to work through what remained and claim anything they would like for their personal libraries. Third,

we had several graduated book sales, opening first to our church community and then to the public on two separate occasions. Funds for the sales were used to benefit the school. Those books that still remained were donated to a local used book seller.

We are grateful to WCC for considering us in the donation of these resources. We pray that there is some small comfort in knowing that they continue to be used in a Christian school and continue to bless young people.



# Track and Field Team 2016



(Back row, l to r): Mitchell Emmanuel-Kalu, Jeremy Denbok, Mattea Lodewyk, Charlize Breukelman, Sierra Breukelman, Curtis Stavinga, Gabriel Boden, and Eli Banta (coach).  
(Front, l to r); Chioma Nwebube, Jillian Bermel, Saira Cariaga, Mayenn Buist, and Hailey Yang

## TRACK

I really liked track because I got to know my peers a lot better. At a track meet we have the whole day to hang out, meet new people, cheer on team mates, and get ready for our events. During the track season you have lots of practices and meetings to help you stay fit and relaxed. It was always a good time. I loved practicing knowing that I would be better than yesterday, and that I had a better chance of moving on to the next meet. I loved after a race how tired you are but knowing that you did you absolute best. In the end I liked track because it was a fun way to stay fit and healthy.

*Charlize Breukelman, Grade 9*

## GIRLS SOCCER

The activities of Track & Field underlie all other sports: run, jump, and throw. So it would be expected that many student athletes would be participating for at least the benefits in their other sports. The difficulty enters when students show up to practice. Once they realize the level of suffering involved in the sport many students lose interest, and who can blame them with so many other activities happening during the spring semester? Even so, we had over a dozen athletes participating through the season. Thirteen

athletes competed at Pre-zone competition, ten at the zone level, seven at the SOSSA level, and one (**Charlize Breukelman, Grade 9**) went on to Regional championships. The goal for next year is to take more athletes to every level and hope for an OFSAA athlete! Smaller goals include buying a new tent and new uniforms. Parent involvement at many levels is always appreciated. I believe that this sport offers students opportunities to experience God and their faith in new ways and I look forward to another successful season this year.



(1) Basketball team; (2) Senior badminton; (3) Junior badminton; (4) Midget badminton; (5) Boys soccer; (6) Girls soccer

# ATHLETIC WRAP UP

The final athletic action of 2015-2016 saw **Charlize Breukelman** compete and finish in the middle of the pack in women's Track and Field 800 m at the Regional level (one step below provincials). The girls and boys soccer teams completed their seasons in May. The Lady Lakers competed in an exhibition schedule as well as at the Christian Schools Tournament where they had some success but, more importantly improved over the season and had a positive attitude throughout. The Boys are always up against solid competition and played well – qualifying for the playoffs but not getting past the first round.

Badminton always seems to be our strong suit (serving us well!) and last year was no exception. We were able to place two senior doubles teams in SOSSA competition (**Annette Fong**, and **Matthew Wong**, – **Hailey Yang** and **Ellen Huang**, both and one entry in Midget

SOSSA competition (**Ethan Kennedy**). The Lakers also had a strong showing at the Christian Schools tournament with a handful of competitors into the playoffs and an overall team finish in the top four out of eighteen schools.

At the year-end Awards Banquet, we celebrated our athletes' achievements. The Female Athlete of the Year (based on involvement and collecting points throughout the year) was **Charlize Breukelman** and the runner up was her sister, **Sierra Breukelman**. The Male Athlete of the Year was **Somachi Agbapu** and the runner up was **Andrew Fecik**. The Female Sportsmanship Award went to **Lauren Cook**, (**Chioma Nwebube**, runner up) and the Male Sportsmanship Award went to **Chapman Li** (**Micah Koudijs**, runner up).

Second year gold bars for athletic involvement were awarded to: **Somachi Agbapu**, **Micah Koudijs**, **Hailey Yang** and

**Andrew Fecik**. First year athletic bars were awarded to: **Temi Adebukunola** **Esther Au-Yeung** **Sierra Breukelman**, **David Ekwueme**, **Daniel Garcon** **Chapman Li**, **Looney Mo** **Chioma Nwebube**, and **James Park**.

Most Improved players this season were **Lauren Cook** (Girls Basketball), **Ezechiel Garcon** (Boys Basketball), **Ethan Kennedy** (Badminton), **Anjola Akinleye** (Girls Soccer), **Kieran Yorke** (Boys Soccer), The MVP were **Chioma Nwebube** (Girls Basketball), **Somachi Agbapu** (Boys Basketball), **Dylan Ayala/ Micah Koudijs** (Badminton), **Brittany Pompilii** (Girls Soccer), **Temi Adebukunola / Daniel Garcon** (Boys Soccer).

We look forward to this year's athletic activities including the re-introduction of volleyball at Great Lakes. We will be entering both boys and girls teams into the Niagara Area High School Recreation League. Follow us on Facebook to see our schedule for upcoming athletic events!

*Dwayne Williams*  
– Athletic Director

# Graduation 2016



Back Row, l to r: Somachi Agbapu and Charlize Breuklman (Athletes of the Year),  
Kristen Whitfield and Herman Pang (Citizens of the Year, 2014), Looney Mo and Hailey Yang (Honour Students)  
Seated: Caitlin Boden and Chapman Li (Citizens of the Year)



Class of 2016

# Tributes

April 1 – July 31, 2016

## IN MEMORY OF:

### Marguerite Caldwell

Leonard & Dorothy Graham

### Ken Cornfield

Walter Beulter

Gordon & Doris Breadner

Lloyd & Joyce Cann

Les & Joan Cramp

Gordon & Dorothy Dennis

Jeff Elford

Jean Gonder

Leonard & Dorothy Graham

Michael & Nita Irwin

Ivan & Dorothy Ormsby

Fern Park

Isabel Petch

Maurice & Donna Pickard

Nathan & Katie Pickard

Matthew & Alexis Pickard

Clary Wiley

Gladys Williams

Meaford Church of Christ

### Doris Cox

Isabel Petch

### Eileen Dale

Bruce & Linda Minter

### Bazil Davison

Sylvia Davison

### Florence Marie Gordon

Meaford Church of Christ

### Hazel Hibbard

Randy & Lois Morritt

### Allan Jones

Brad Boyd

Paul Boyd

Janine Charters

Brent & Beth Forsyth

Marvin & Ursula MacDonald

Amanda May

Randy & Lois Morritt

Blanche Richards

Bruce & Elaine Robinson

Doug & June Tallman

Ralph & Laurena Tallman

Ron Tallman

Sadie Tallman

Ronald & June Warren

### Rick McBay

Brian & Shanna McBay

### Audrey & Ray Meneer

Ann Steylen

### Joan Napier

Mary Jane Garrow

Valerie Lane

Sharon Osborne

### Thelma Pardee

Bruce & Linda Minter

### Marion Petch

Leonard & Dorothy Graham

### Eugene Preston

Ada Binkley

Phil & Mary Lynn Black

Wayne & Christine Ellis

John & Glenda Standing

### Marge Roberts

Ann Steylen

### Dave Shiels

Leonard & Dorothy Graham

### Oliver Tallman

The Tallman Family

### David Toews

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Marvin & Ursula MacDonald

Ellis & Eileen Moore

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Doug & June Tallman

Ralph & Laurena Tallman

Ron Tallman

John Whitfield

### Roy White

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### John & Mary Colyn's 50th Anniversary

Marvin & Ursula MacDonald

### Allen & June Heuston's 50th Anniversary

Don & Virginia Hipwell

When making a memorial or in honour of donation, please include contact information of the family members to be notified.



## Looney's Time At Great Lakes

I've been at Great Lakes for four years, and graduating only makes me wish that high school was longer. It was here at Great Lakes that I really found myself, and where God molded me into the person I am today. I am really going to miss all the friendships and support I've been given

while I was at Great Lakes.

The loving and accepting atmosphere was my impression of Great Lakes when I first came, and it didn't take long before I started thinking of Great Lakes as my second home. When I was in Grade 10, I realized where that love came from and I invited Jesus to be the Lord over my life after an encounter with God. It is hard to summarize everything

that God did in my life and in other's life these past four years, but I think these two verses sum them up quite well:

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

*They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.*

Lamentations 3:22-23

– Looney Mo



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## ALUMNI WEEKEND

October 21-23, 2016

Great Lakes Christian High School  
4875 King St., Beamsville, Ontario

**Class Reunions ('1 and '6s)**  
**Homecoming Dinner:**  
Saturday, October 22

**Admission:** \$25 pre-registered  
\$35 at the door

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## GREAT LAKES BIBLE LECTURESHIP

November 10-12, 2016

Great Lakes Christian High School  
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Theme: **"Christ and Culture"**  
Keynote Speaker: **Ralph Gilmore**

(Professor of Bible and Philosophy at Freed-Hardeman  
University, Henderson, TN)



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