
MINISTRY UPDATE



2025 AGM Newsletter Update

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WORSHIP AT OUR NEW WHITBY LOCATION – CELEBRATING GOD’S FAITHFULNESS IN TRANSITION.

Celebrating a Year of Growth and God’s Faithfulness

2025 has been a significant year for Living Hope Community Church Durham (LHCC) – a year marked by growth, transformation, and new beginnings. God continues to shape LHCC into a vibrant, intercultural community committed to learning, living, and leading like Jesus. We are deeply grateful for Hebron CRC’s partnership, encouragement, and prayers that have sustained us through this journey

Leadership Development

In September, Abigail Jallim and Nikita Abraham were examined and officially approved as Commissioned Pastors by Classis Quinte. Mark and Debra completed their final Timothy Leadership Training (TLT) manual on November 2, becoming certified facilitators. In January 2026, LHCC will launch the “Discovering Spiritual Gifts and Purpose” Workshop to help members identify and use their gifts – rooted in being Welcomed, Valued, and Connected.



Worship & Discipleship

Our Discipleship Journey Sermon Series — Learning, Living, and Leading Like Jesus — concluded this year with inspiring stories of transformation. Weekly Men’s, Women’s, and Youth groups continued to grow in faith and unity. Sixteen weekly newsletters kept our members engaged and encouraged with devotionals, ministry highlights, and testimonies.

Missions & Partnerships

The Guyana Mission (July 2025) witnessed the Lord opening new doors. Though the Mahdia session was cancelled due to illness, over 30 pastors in Georgetown and East Demerara attended and expressed interest in TLT. These connections are paving the way for future expansion. LHCC’s Church Plant Fund has been renewed for five years with increased support, and Classis Quinte has committed \$10,000 in seed funding toward expanding TLT training in 2026.

Guyana Mission 2025 — Expanding Timothy Leadership Training across Latin America





Community & Events

2025 was filled with moments of fellowship and shared purpose. The 4th Annual Diaspora Leadership Retreat brought together over 50 leaders for worship and collaboration. LHCC will lead worship and TLT awareness at the 2026 retreat. Our Family Fun Day and Intercultural Cohort Weekend (Nov 6-8) fostered strong relationships and embodied our mission to serve together in love.

4th Annual Diaspora Leadership Retreat – Over 50 leaders gathered in unity.

Community Celebration – Building belonging and joy in Christ.

Looking Ahead to 2026

- Launch Discovering Spiritual Gifts Workshop (Jan 2026)
 - Expand TLT training locally and internationally
 - Deepen intercultural worship and discipleship partnerships
 - Strengthen Classis Quinte collaborations for mission growth
- Leaders and partners advancing the mission together.

Gratitude

We give thanks to God for His provision and to Hebron CRC for your continued partnership in mission. Your prayers, generosity, and support are helping us see lives transformed by the Living Hope of Jesus Christ.

To God be the Glory – Living Hope Community Church Durham 2025