



**NET Canada Expands,
Opening 2 Regional Offices**
Page 2

**A New Kind
of NET Team**
Page 3

**Putting Down Roots
in Québec**
Page 6

2016–17 Teams Announced!
Page 4



NET Canada expands into Western Canada & Quebec



For the past 22 years, from our head offices in Ottawa, NET Canada has helped young Canadians grow in faith. Life-changing results have abounded, and these have only been possible with your support.

Now, thanks to your prayers and continued help, we're pleased to expand our presence by opening new mission offices in Western Canada and Quebec. It's a true blessing and joy to know that even with growing secularism, Canadian youth are continuing to embrace the message of hope and mercy of Jesus Christ.

Why shift to a more national focus? We

undertook a series of consultations and focus groups to better understand how you, our key stakeholders, felt that youth ministry could be improved. Donors, bishops, youth ministers, alumni and others gathered in small groups across the country to talk about youth ministry and discuss the future of this important missionary activity of the Church. You talked; we listened. The results revealed that even though our missionaries already travel a great distance to spread the Good News, localized offices – spread out across provinces – would allow us to better serve the spiritual needs of Canadian youth. The establishment of new offices became a key part of NET's 5-year Strategic Plan.

The need was so apparent that we decided to pursue the idea of new offices barely a year into the new Plan. Our Western Canada office, located in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, will be staffed by four employees, including Executive Director, Joe Vogel, who is bringing along his wife, Laura, and their eight children. The Quebec office, operating in the Archdiocese of Montreal, will be run by two staff members of the NET Canada family (read more of their story on page 6).

Through the great support of Archbishop Miller in Vancouver and Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Dowd of Montreal, we are looking forward to spreading our wings both east and west. Here's what Vancouver

Archbishop Michael Miller had to say about the expansion into the archdiocese he shepherds:

"Over the years we've had a number of young people from the Archdiocese called to serve NET Ministries. They've come back inspired and prepared to bring the New Evangelization to the parishes, which is one of the priorities and goals the archdiocese has identified for the next several years. We want to help others grow closer to Jesus by fostering personal encounters with Christ and promoting discipleship paths. Net Ministries is perfectly placed to help us do that, and I'm delighted they've chosen Vancouver as part of their expansion into the West and Quebec."

It's a bold move for many of us here at NET Canada. As we journey on our mission to effectively spread the Gospel to the peripheries through following the call to respond to Jesus' sacrifice, we are blessed to work alongside you in the opportunity to support young Catholics to lead a life of virtue and hope that has become increasingly counter cultural.

NET Canada's ethos and core foundations are inspired by the words Jesus said to his disciples and continue to inspire us now. "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." (Matthew 4:18-20)

Thank you for joining us on this important journey. Though we are expanding our mission and venturing to new places we still need your help and ongoing support to get there. Please continue to pray for this missionary work and period of transition and learning. To stay connected and support the work of NET Canada, visit our website at www.netcanada.ca.

A New Type of NET Team



Jacob Douglas & Josée Loïselle are serving in their third year as missionaries with NET through a pilot ministry at Divine Infant Parish in Ottawa.

Jacob Douglas and Josée Loïselle, NET Mission Staff, will be coordinating the youth ministry program for Divine Infant Parish in Ottawa. This pilot ministry is based off a model by ABLAZE Ministries in Texas and gives a parish experienced youth ministers while ensuring continued formation and community for the youth ministers. It also links the parish to NET's quality resources and programs allowing the youth ministers to coordinate the junior high and high school programs and to thrive in their mission of evangelization. Since this pilot ministry is based in Ottawa, their program will also be supported by other NET mission staff, giving everyone the opportunity to be on the front lines of ministry. Jacob says, "We want to create new, long lasting relationships with the youth of the parish and look forward to encouraging them and watching them grow closer in union with Christ, discovering His endless mercy and love for each of them. We want to outreach, whether in or outside Divine Infant parish and its affiliated schools, inviting youth into the life and mission of Christ's Church through their own parish community."

Meet the 2015-16 teams!

Encounter Team 1

Back Row (L-R)

Isaac Pruner (Ashton, ON)
Gloria Bator (Grand Prairie, AB)
Natalie Zima (Grimsby, ON)
Samara Monteiro (Drayton Valley, AB)
Beth Reitzel (New Hamberg, ON)
Jonathan Ramessar (Yarmouth, NS)

Front Row (L-R)

Jaclyn Bergeron (Windsor, ON)
Christopher Laming (St. Louis, PEI)
Alan Coffin (North Bay, ON)
Matthew Dunham (Ottawa, ON)
Maryrose Doucette (Peterborough, ON)



Travel Route by Diocese

Toronto, ON
London, ON
Hamilton, ON
St. Catherine's, ON
Peterborough, ON
Montreal, QC
Kingston, ON
Pembroke, ON
Ottawa, ON
Prince Albert, SK
St. Paul, AB
Edmonton, AB
Grouard-McLennan, AB
Kamloops, BC
Victoria, BC
Vancouver, BC
Calgary, AB

Want to host an Encounter Day your school or parish? Contact Cecile at schedule@netcanada.ca for more information!

Encounter Team 2

Back Row (L-R)

Andrea Sidloski (Weyburn, SK)
Tonya Stewart
(Mt. Maunganui, New Zealand)
Teresa Mervar (Toronto, ON)
Leigh Duckworth (Dorchester, ON)
Presley Bonnar (Bittern Lake, AB)
Imelda Hartnett
(Co. Donegal, Ireland)

Front Row (L-R)

Brian Foy, (Co. Donegal, Ireland)
Elton Jarvis (Fort McMurray, AB)
Justus Odiatu (Winnipeg, MB)
Sam Veil (Charlottetown, PEI)



Travel Route by Diocese

Thunder Bay, ON
St. Boniface, MB
Regina, SK
Saskatoon, SK
Keewatin-Le Pas, MB
Sault Ste Marie, ON
London, ON
Toronto, ON
Ottawa, ON
Charlottetown, PE
Antigonish, NS
Corner Brook, NL
St. John's, NL
Halifax, NS
Saint John, NB
Toronto, ON
London, ON
Kingston, ON
Sudbury, ON

Are you between 18-30 and ready to **Do Something Amazing**? Become a NET Missionary and you can be part of a team of dynamic young Catholics sharing your faith across Canada! Applications for 2017-18 are available! Email Julia and Francis at recruit@netcanada.ca today to request your application!



iNFUSE Team 1

Holy Angels Parish & St. Anne's Parish
St. Thomas, ON

Back Row (L-R)

Jocelyne Chartier (La Broquerie, MB)
Ewa Makarewicz (Edmonton, AB)

Front Row (L-R)

Evelyn Calzavara (Abbotsford, BC)
Donovan Blair (Langley, BC)
Draedyn Coulombe (Ottawa, ON)
Mary-Kate O'Hara (Co. Donegal, Ireland)

iNFUSE Team 2

St. John the Baptist Parish & St. Paul's Parish
Fort McMurray, AB

Back Row (L-R)

Victoria Hall (Norfolk, VA, USA)
Suzette Doiron (Winnipeg, MB)

Front Row (L-R)

Maria Redl (Saskatoon, SK)
Kelsy Gamache (Stettler, AB)
Nico Fillion (Landmark, MB)
Cecilia Bouwman (Abbotsford, BC)



iNFUSE Team 3

Christ the Redeemer School Board
Okotoks, AB

Back Row (L-R)

Mary Theresa Pitre (Lake Verde, PEI)
Emma Bergeron (Edmonton, AB)
Naomi Abel (Dapto, NSW, AUS)
Julia Wiendels (Denfield, ON)

Front Row (L-R)

Jonathan Mani (Milton, ON)
AJ Barrows (Littleton, CO, USA)
Shavi Perera (Pickering, ON)



2016-17 Theme Scripture

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." Luke 1:76-79



Cameron Turner (right), with fiancée Sara Pellegrino (middle), and missionary, Samuel Jean (left), who will begin ministry in Québec later this fall.

NET to Put Down Roots in Québec

“If you don’t want to go, I understand.”

Joe had another one of his wild ideas. I wasn’t surprised to be having this conversation with our Executive Director, because it isn’t rare that Joe is sharing a new dream or vision with me. What caught me off guard was my reaction. I was totally captivated this time. I hung on every word he said and my mind began to race as I began to ask myself questions and planning the details. *He’s going to ask me to go, I’m sure of it*, I thought.

“I want you to champion this, Cameron.”

There it was. He dropped the bomb. Really? Me? You must be mistaken. You must be looking for someone else. I know what God wants — at least I thought I knew what He wanted.

The last few months, I’ve been thinking a lot about where I want to be, and one thing I’ve wanted most is to be back on the front lines evangelizing and discipling

young people. I loved my time serving on NET teams and I don’t get as much of that working in the office (thank God for all those staff who make the ministry possible!). Ministry brings me life and I didn’t see any doors open for me where front line ministry would be possible. Then all of a sudden, Joe proposes that I move to Montreal with NET, advancing our 2020 Strategic Goal for NET to have a permanent presence in Quebec.

This spring, Joe met with Bishop Tom Dowd, auxiliary bishop of Montreal. During their meeting, Bishop Dowd shared one of the areas in his diocese that breaks his heart — and a vision that could make a real difference. And this vision involves NET. The bishop stood and walked towards his wall-sized map of his flock, the Archdiocese of Montreal. “I pray in front of this map sometimes,” he shared with Joe. “I see a huge pastoral void in my diocese — the CEGEP schools. I want to bring the Gospel there, bring ministry there, and I see NET as being able to help.”



CEGEP schools are vocational colleges that students attend after their secondary studies before going to university. They can be dark places on a spiritual level. “CEGEP is where you lose your faith,” NET translator Doriane Angers told me from her Quebec City hometown. Bishop Dowd had a similar sentiment as he passionately told Joe about how dangerous these places can be for the souls of the young people studying there.

Bishop Dowd invited NET to send missionaries into his diocese, to slowly and surely seek an entryway to the students of CEGEP. With 15 CEGEP colleges in

Montreal alone, there are 20,000 students attending these schools that the bishop’s heart is concerned for. He dreams that we could connect with Montreal’s Catholic youth community and eventually begin a Catholic movement on CEGEP campuses.

I told Joe I didn’t want to go. “If you don’t want to go, I understand,” he said supportively. But I couldn’t get it off my mind. My heart started to burn for this mission. I felt the call. Throughout the following days, my heart turned and I was filled with desire for this mission. I felt new life, new excitement, and total clarity when think-

ing about this move. The Holy Spirit was wrestling with my heart. I lost. God won!

After much discernment, I have chosen to drop everything and go. Moses has been my inspiration. “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” he humbly asks. And God said, ‘I will be with you.’ (Exodus 3:11-12). God will be with me. He loves every single one of those students and has great plans for their lives. I don’t know exactly what my life is going to look like next year, but I know it’s going to happen in Montreal, doors are going to open, and God will be with me. ✠

Plan for Year 1

Mission: Foundation

- Begin a NET Men’s Household
- Partner with Loyola High School retreat ministry Kairos, get to know students, and serve Kairos program in order to take to CEGEP
- Get to know Montreal Catholic community, movements, university ministries

THE BULLETIN BOARD



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

NET Canada missionaries rely on your generosity. In addition to giving a year of their lives, team members are each asked to raise \$6500, one-third of the cost of NET's mission. So far, our 51 missionaries have only reached 64% of this year's goal. Will you join with them in the critical work of bringing youth to Christ across the country?

Total partnership needs: \$363,600

Total partnership raised: \$277,565

@netcanada

Follow the teams as they travel the country sharing the Gospel! Visit netcanada.ca to read our blog or follow us on social media!



I want to help renew the faith of Catholic youth!

Mr. Mrs. Miss Mr. & Mrs. Other _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Province _____

Postal Code _____ Phone (_____) _____

- I would like to give a **one-time** gift of: \$ _____
(Please enclose cheque, or fill in credit card information below.)
- I would like to give a **monthly** gift of: \$ _____
- I would like to have a **monthly gift deducted automatically from:**
 - my **chequing account:** (*Please include a voided cheque*)
 - my **credit card:** Visa MasterCard Other _____

- Send me information on bequests/investment gifts
- J'aimerais recevoir mes envois en français
(Pour contacter Les équipes NET veuillez appeler au 1.855.308.4737)

Donations are tax receipted
(Reg. Charity # 89411 6854 RR0001)

I hereby authorize NET Ministries of Canada to make a monthly deduction from my bank chequing account or credit card, for the amount indicated above, until I inform them of any changes.

NET Ministries of Canada
1820 St. Joseph Blvd.
Orleans, ON K1C 7C6

Signature _____ Date _____