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The Other Side of the Glass

For most NET missionaries, the months from their acceptance leading up to the first day of training are filled with anticipation. No one is really sure what they've gotten into, only that God has called them there. For me, it looked a bit different. My parents both served with NET USA in the 90s and, shortly after, moved to Ottawa where my Dad now serves as the Program Director. Every year our family would pack up into a cramped minivan and take a 4-hour journey to a summer camp called Circle Square Ranch for a month of "NET Training."

It was almost inevitable for me to be formed by the hundreds of missionaries that I met throughout the years. Growing up in the culture of a charismatic movement, I often felt a bit like a "pastor's kid." There was always a sense that I was watching something beautiful happen on the other side of a glass wall. It felt as though I was always present but rarely part; a spectator to a lifestyle I desperately wanted for myself.

It made sense then that the moment I entered grade 12 I would apply. Many disagreed with my decision to serve so close to home but I knew that **God had called me to bring the Gospel to the young people of Canada**. I was placed on Team 1, a traveling retreat team, and I helped run 101 retreats for thousands of young people where more than 1620 made a decision to put Jesus Christ at the centre of their lives. It felt like every single day I experienced the goodness of God; whether it was in the small groups I lead, praying individually with retreatants, or in the love and community I lived with my team.

I think that the Lord graced me with the gift of growing up in the NET Community to prepare me for a lifetime of working to move His Kingdom forward. I know that the years and years of experiencing NET Training have given me invaluable skills in practical evangelization and a heart for the mission and so far this year of service has only further convinced me of the need for young people to step up in leadership of the Church. Something I've learned as a result of being part of a missionary family is that **doing something amazing doesn't end with a NET year, rather it is only the beginning.**

With that in mind, I applied to serve on NET's mission staff program and was accepted to be the Youth Coordinator at a local parish called Annunciation of the Lord. It is a youth ministry that I grew up in and was instrumental to my faith formation. I am beyond excited for this next chapter that the Lord has in store for me as I come home to give back to the local church. Please keep the young people of this parish in your prayers as NET's local apostolate expands. God is doing something amazing in this country and we all have a place in His mission. 🙏

James Pereira, Team 1
— Annunciation Youth Coordinator

Meet the 2019–20 teams!

Team 1 – Retreat Team

Back Row (L–R)

Peter Roddis (Abbotsford, BC),
Domenic Thachuck (Cottam, ON),
Nikola Frlan (Ottawa, ON), Peter
Tomaszewski (Strathroy, ON)

Front Row (L–R)

Abbygail MacDonald (Halifax,
NS), Gabriella Debusschere
(Clyde, AB), Mirjam Welling
(Netherlands), Meganne
Schwartzentruber (New
Hamburg, ON), Pia Ocenar
(Calgary, AB)



TEAM 1 TRAVEL ROUTE

Sep 29–Oct 6	Timmins
Oct 6–13	Sault Ste Marie
Oct 13–23	Sudbury
Oct 23–Nov 6	Thunder Bay
Nov 6–15	Winnipeg
Nov 15–Dec 1	St. Paul
Dec 7–14	Pembroke
Jan 17–Jan 30	Prince George
Jan 30–Feb 5	Edmonton
Feb 5–Feb 10	Calgary
Feb 10–29	Vancouver
Feb 29–Mar 6	Calgary, Holy Spirit School District
Mar 6–Mar 22	Edmonton
Mar 22–Mar 28	Calgary
Mar 28–Apr 13	Grouard-McLennan
Apr 14–May 10	Vancouver
May 10–12	Nelson
May 12–17	Calgary

DON'T SEE YOUR DIOCESE OR PARISH ON THE LIST?

We want to come to you! Email Maria at schedule@netcanada.ca
and we will work to bring a team to **your youth!**

Team 2 – Bilingual Retreat Team

Back Row (L–R)

Petra Nikolic (Winnipeg, MB),
Benjamin Taylor (Aurora, ON),
Lucas Pollard (Stratford, PE),
Brandon Milley (Ottawa, ON),
Estefania Pryma (Victoria, BC)

Front Row (L–R)

Rebecca Harber (Stoney Creek,
ON), Libby Kautz (St. Malo,
MB), Dominique Gougeon-
Gagnon (Winnipeg, MB), Lucy
Starkie (Manchester, England)

Absent

Jonathan Crespo (Stouffville,
ON)



TEAM 2 TRAVEL ROUTE

Sep 29–Oct 14	Hamilton
Oct 14–22	London
Oct 24–Nov 4	Halifax–Yarmouth
Nov 4–14	PEI
Nov 18–22	Kingston
Nov 22–25	North Bay
Nov 25–Dec 4	Peterborough
Dec 4–15	Toronto
Jan 12–19	Ottawa
Jan 19–Feb 7	London
Feb 8–15	University Tour – Southern ON
Feb 15–Mar 3	Toronto
Mar 3–10	Montreal
Mar 10–18	Saint John
Mar 18–Apr 2	Newfoundland
Apr 7–19	Ottawa
Apr 19–May 16	London

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Team 3 – Peace River, Alberta

Holy Family School District

Back Row (L–R)

Kieran Gillespie (Surrey, BC), Patrick Wasch (Calgary, AB)

Front Row (L–R)

Rebecca Pruner (Ashton, ON), Sarah Irving (Prince George, BC),
Emily Harper-McLaurin (Ottawa, ON), Agatha Harrold (Hilpertown, UK)

Team 4 – Mission Team

Archdiocese of Keewatin-Le Pas

Back Row (L–R)

Yohan Louise (Mississauga, ON), Scott Hamm (Daysland, AB)

Front Row (L–R)

Emma Sguigna (Brampton, ON), Meghan Darling (Saint John, NB),
Rebecca Bodington (Ajax, ON)



Team 5 – Kamloops, BC

Sacred Heart Cathedral & St. Ann's Academy

Back Row (L–R)

Remi Lambert (Burnslake, BC), William Danahy
(Belleville, ON)

Front Row (L–R)

Catherine MacLean (Ottawa, ON), Michelle Pacheco
(Brampton, ON), Angie Sanchez (Toronto, ON)





Team 6 – Brooklin, Ontario

St. Leo the Great Parish

Back Row (L-R)

Louis Hollowell (Guernsey, Channel Islands), Colin Frayne (Waterloo, ON)

Front Row (L-R)

Annette Hartman (Zurich, ON), Mary-Anne Ruggles (Fredericton, NB), Gemma Hall (Minnesota, USA), Evronia Allan (NSW, Australia)

**MOST YOUTH
DON'T KNOW THAT
GOD LOVES THEM,**

so we recruit Catholic young adults and provide them with training and opportunities to share their faith and change the lives of youth in Canada.

Do you want to grow in your faith? Are you willing to share your story? Would you like to change the lives of youth in Canada next year?

Recruiting missionaries for our 2020–2021 Mission Year officially opens on October 1st!

Request an application and register for the Do Something Amazing Retreat closest to you to find out how you can become a NET Missionary at dsa.netcanada.ca.



Contact Julia, Kyle, or Maria today for more information on becoming a NET missionary! recruit@netcanada.ca

- Feb 7–8 Archdiocese of Ottawa
- Feb 14–15 Archdiocese of Toronto
- Feb 14–15 Archdiocese of Vancouver
- Feb 21–22 Archdiocese of Winnipeg
- Feb 28–29 Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth
- Mar 6–7 Diocese of Grouard-McLennan (Alberta)
- Mar 6–7 Diocese of London
- Mar 6–7 Diocese of Saskatoon

DO SOMETHING AMAZING
Share your story • Do something amazing • Become a NET Missionary

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Team 7 – Calgary, Alberta

St. Michael's Parish

Back Row (L-R)

Noah Runstedler (Listowel, ON), Issac Pruner (Ashton, ON)

Front Row (L-R)

Maria Altamirano (Vancouver, BC), Ashley Perry (Richmond, PEI), Renske de Greeuw (Netherlands), Maria Van Vugt (Langley, BC)

Team 8 – School Ministry

Archdiocese of Vancouver, BC

Back Row (L-R)

Paul Bentler (Saskatoon, SK), Matthias Steiner (Fraser Lake, BC)

Front Row (L-R)

Helena Wong (Georgia, USA), Faith Ortmeier (Lac Ste. Anne County, AB), Isabella Jorna (Auckland, New Zealand)



2019-20 THEME SCRIPTURE: 1 JOHN 5:3-5

For the **love of God** is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?



DO YOU WANT TO SEE A NET TEAM IN YOUR SCHOOL or DIOCESE NEXT YEAR?

Many youth lose touch with their Catholic faith by the time they graduate high school. NET Canada trains teams of dynamic youth leaders to come into your community for two years to ignite faith and raise leaders.

Don't let the faith crisis continue! Transform your youth ministry at your parish, school or diocese today!

Email cameron@netcanada.ca to learn why 50 Canadian communities have chosen to go with NET.

Applications for a 2020–21 team close Dec. 31, 2019!

Ottawa Ministry Team!

NET's head office is located in Ottawa and we want to serve the local community as best we can. Over the past couple of years, we began a new initiative ran by mission staff: Ottawa Ministry!

Ottawa Ministry provides our local archdiocesan community with the opportunity for high-quality youth coordinators and consistent ministry support. We want to give the very best that we have learned about youth



Julianna Squires and James Pereira are the Ottawa Youth Ministry mission staff serving at Annunciation of the Lord Parish.



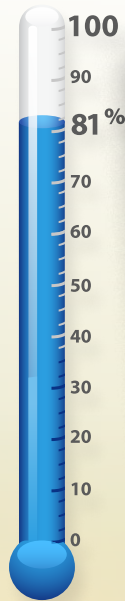
Hunter Langill and Fernanda Cano are the Ottawa Youth Ministry mission staff serving at Divine Infant Parish.

ministry in Canada over the past 25 years. We build leaders that will invite young people into a relationship with Jesus Christ, into the center of their

lives. This initiative began in 2016 at Divine Infant Parish and this year we have expanded to also serve Annunciation of the Lord Parish! 🇨🇦

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 a minimum of \$7800, one-third of the cost of NET's mission each year. So far our 52 missionaries have only reached 81% of this year's goal. Will you join with them in the critical work of bringing youth to Christ across the country?



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



Goal **\$436,600** Total Raised **\$353,673** Left to Raised **\$82,927**



YOU CAN LEAVE YOUR LEGACY FOR THE CATHOLIC YOUTH IN CANADA

Estate giving is good stewardship of your life's work.

Planning ahead provides the opportunity to ensure that you will be remembered for what you lived.

Having provided for your loved ones, you can then make arrangements for the things that you are most passionate about.

Making a bequest in your Will, to NET Canada, is a simple way to leave your legacy for the Catholic youth of Canada.



Contact:
Heather Penney,
heather@netcanada.ca

*Always consult a qualified income tax accountant and/or estate lawyer before planning your gift.



I WANT TO HELP RENEW THE FAITH OF CATHOLIC YOUTH!

STEP 1: (check one)

- Monthly gift (starting: 1st or 15th of the month)
 One-time gift

STEP 2: (amount)

- \$500 \$250 \$100 Other: \$ _____

STEP 3: (method of payment)

- Cheque, payable to NET Canada (**Void cheque needed for monthly gifts**)
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Card number: _____ - _____ - _____ Exp. date: _____ / _____

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