

# *12,000 homemade cookies*

On August 28th Dunnville had their "We are Christ Day" and it was remarkable. The team did an exceptional job of organizing an eternal day. Six local churches banded together to make Jesus famous and they did it really well.

They set up a Carnival in the middle of a low income area and had hundreds and hundreds come through. There were inflatable games, a face painting tent, a toy tent and free hamburgers and back-bacon on a bun sandwiches.

They gave away jammed full back-packs to every kid. Downtown they set up a FREE STORE that had a continuous flow of people coming and going that left with bags full of groceries and clothes. There was another BQ team set up there as well cooking up a storm giving away free burgers to all the shoppers. Beside the store was a HAIR CUTTING room where kids were given free back to school haircuts. Down the street and around the corner was the SPA where tired Moms came and enjoyed an afternoon of free pampering. There was more food in the Spa and tangible love.

The pregnancy Center got a much needed makeover. A team of guys transformed an old cellar into a useable workspace. They painted the floor and built shelves for storage. They also painted the director's office. This Director of Dunnville's Pregnancy Center is also the Regional Director and oversees the Pregnancy Center in Simco so she had been the recipient of another WAC Day back in May and just couldn't get over the quality of work done in both places. Yeah BODY OF CHRIST!!!

Teams went through town and did endless runs to the dump. The Youth Pastor put on an excellent youth event in one of the parks. He hosted a Basketball tournament and then had a band come and rock Dunnville. All the neighbouring porches were full of people smiling and bopping :)

At the end of their day there was a Roast Beef FEAST in the gymnasium at Calvary Church that was outstanding.

They had two seating's and 600 were fed and overwhelmed by the love of Jesus. Faith Church in Welland lent their bus and a driver and he picked people up from various points in the city and drove them to the FEAST. Even after over a dozen "We are Christ Days" it is still beautiful to watch the lost, lonely, broken and forgotten come streaming in through those doors. The youth put on a drama that had everyone on the edge of their seats. The presence of God was so real and hearts were persuaded to look to Jesus. A lady came up to one of the pastors that was at her table after the feast with tears pouring down her cheeks and told him that this day had saved her life. Another couple asked this same pastor if he could please come to their home because they had a problem they really needed to tell someone about.

I was sitting at a table with two women. One of them told me that the reason she had come was because someone had come to their door that week and gave her a bag of home-made cookies with a personal invite to the day's activities. A team of 25 women from 6 local churches baked 12,000 cookies and then another team hand

delivered them the week before the "We are Christ Day"! How cool is that!? When she left to go up to the "make your own sundae bar" her friend told me that she was from Cambridge and was a follower of Jesus. She told me that she had been praying for this lady for years. She went on to tell me her friend desperately needed Jesus and a family of believers to belong to. She said that as soon as her friend had told her about the day she volunteered to come to Dunnville and hang out with her and hopefully meet someone who could connect her lonely friend to a Body of believers who could love her right into the arms of Jesus. By the end of the meal her prayer was answered. This lady has been embraced by the family of God.

Way to go Dunnville! You represented Jesus so well....may the fruit of your labour bear huge amounts of fruit in the days to come!

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