



Spring 2024

NEWSLETTER

NADIA ZEVERSENUKE
Executive Director



EXCITING UPDATES!

The view from my desk has changed since our last newsletter! We are so excited to announce that our main office has changed locations and we have moved into a facility that is centered around Christian outreach ministries all focused on spreading the gospel. As the Executive Director I am filled with gratitude for each one of you who has dedicated your time, resources, and prayers to support us in this amazing new season of ministry!

At New Life, we witness the transformative power of God's love every day as we bring His Word to those who are incarcerated. Through Bible studies and one-on-one mentorship, we are planting seeds of faith and hope in the hearts of the men and women behind bars. We are excited to give you the chance to be inspired by the stories that we witness every single day. On April 20th, we will be hosting our *Taste and See Fundraising Event*, where you can join us through live stream or in person to get a glimpse into the work God is doing through NLPM.

It is through your partnership and generosity that we can continue this vital work. Your donations provide Bibles, study materials, and resources that allow us to reach more individuals with the message of salvation and redemption. Your prayers sustain us and uplift those who are seeking forgiveness and a new beginning. Together, we can be a beacon of light in the darkness, sharing the love and grace of Jesus Christ with those who need it most.

Let us continue to "taste and see" the goodness of the Lord as we serve Him faithfully in this mission. Thank you for being a part of the New Life family!

- Nadia

Executive Director, NLPM

TASTE AND SEE FUNDRAISING EVENT
APRIL 20TH

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Carol Kent

*Bestselling Author and
International Speaker*



As well as having a very personal connection to our mission of transforming inmates lives through the good news of Jesus Christ, Carol Kent is a bestselling author and an international speaker for conferences and retreats. She's the Executive Director of the Speak Up Conference, an event committed to helping people develop their speaking and writing skills. She and her husband, Gene, have founded the nonprofit organization, *Speak Up for Hope*, which benefits inmates and their families. Carol holds a master's degree in communication arts and a bachelor's degree in speech education. Carol has trained Christian speakers for over twenty-five years, and she has been a featured speaker at *Women of Faith*, *Extraordinary Women*, and *Women of Joy* arena events. She is the author of over twenty-five books, including the bestselling *When I Lay My Isaac Down*, *Tame Your Fears*, and *Becoming a Woman of Influence*. Her two newest titles are a 365 page-per-day devotional titled, *He Holds My Hand*, and *Staying Power*.

There will be a livestream video of the Taste and See Fundraiser for those unable to attend. More details on how to access this livestream video to come.

INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE EVENT?

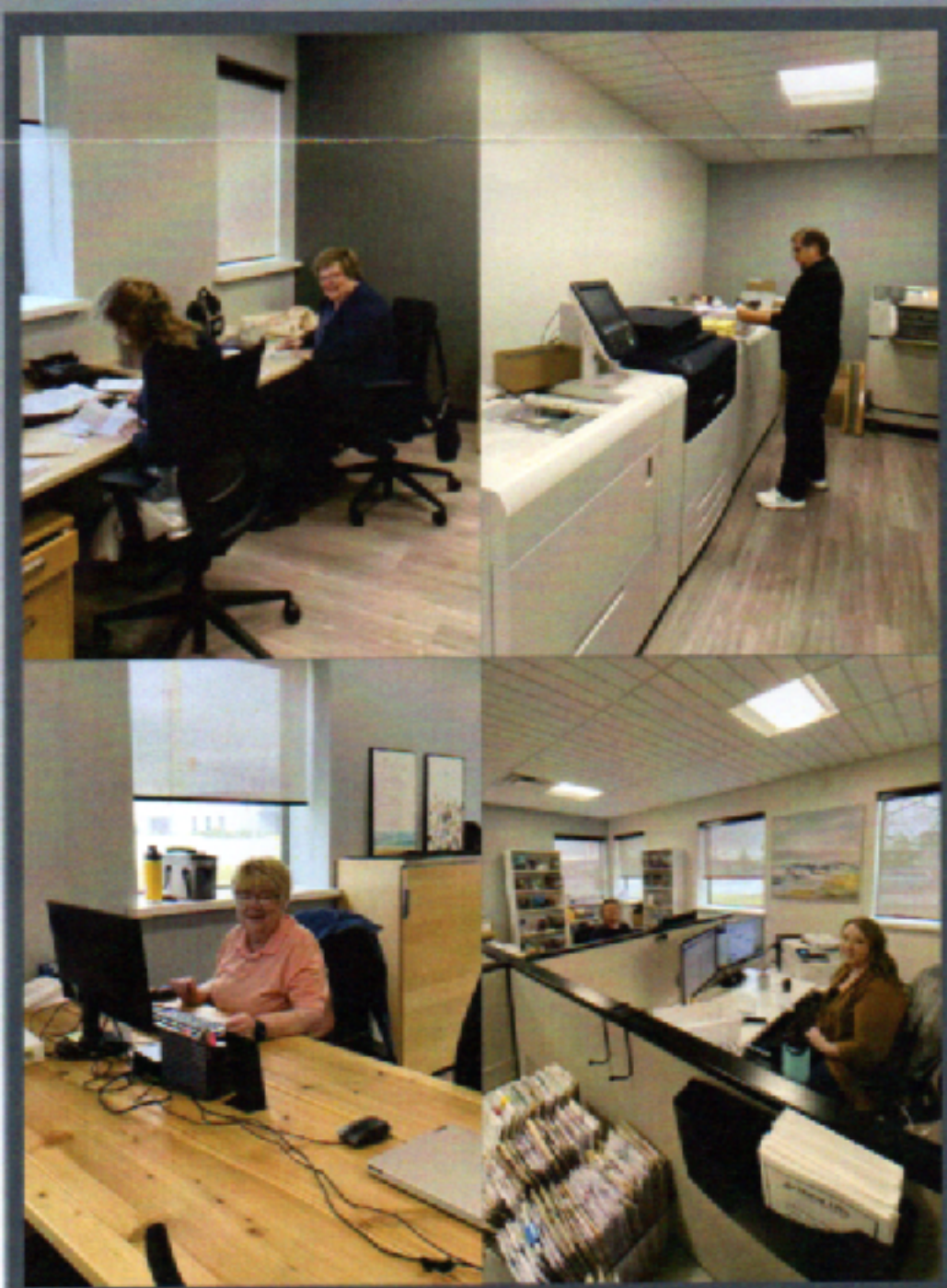
Visit nlpm.ca for more information and to reserve your spot.

OUR NEW LOCATION

WE MOVED!

Our team worked very hard over the last several months to prepare for this move. As we said goodbye to our beloved Arva location, we also felt great excitement over our new space in the Compassion Canada building in South London Ontario. The team at Compassion have been so wonderful to partner with and our team was warmly welcomed. We are very excited about this big step in our ministry and look forward to many years of growing our reach from this incredible new space!

A GLIMPSE INTO THE NEW SPACE



IN THE EYES OF AN INSTRUCTOR

Lori Fellner

We asked one of our amazing instructors, Lori, some questions about her role at NLPM.

We are so blessed to have such a large team of dedicated instructors and volunteers who work alongside our students and show them the love of Jesus.



When did you begin volunteering with NLPM?

I began volunteering with NLPM in 2021. It was during COVID at a time when I really welcomed the opportunity to focus on serving others.

Why did you volunteer with NLPM?

I was inspired by Charles Colson's story and how he became an evangelical Christian after serving time for his involvement in the Watergate scandal under US president Nixon. I heard him on a podcast that was recorded years earlier, talking about the Prison Fellowship non-profit organization he started and I felt God nudge me to look into a local organization I could volunteer with. I was so excited to learn about NLPM.

How has volunteering with NLPM impacted you and what have you learned?

Becoming a volunteer with NLPM has been a blessing to me. It is a privilege to support others along their faith journey and feeling God leading me further along my own journey in the process.

Are you or someone you know interested
in volunteering at NLPM?

Email mackenna@nlpm.ca for more information
on how to get started!

Heavenly Father, Lord Almighty

Thank you Lord God in Heaven. I cried out to you and you heard my cries. My heart was broken, my soul was crushed. But Lord Almighty you saw how broken I was, you saw how crushed I was. You came and rescued me, I thought you have abandoned me but then you sent a servant to pray for me. Thank you Lord Jesus. You lifted me back up, wiped my eyes and caught my tears. How can I ever repay you, Lord Jesus?

I am filled with joy. I am so grateful to call you Lord and Saviour of my life. I can feel the love of God, thank you Jesus. Please continue to keep me safe, keep me in your presence forever, Lord Jesus. Words can't express the Love I have for you. I praise your Holy name. I am just a nobody and you came to me.

Thank you, Jesus.

— Psalm by an NLPM student

*The Lord is
my protector.*

Drawing by an NLPM student



ARC DEVICE UPDATE

“The ARC device helped bring the scripture to life. I enjoyed hearing someone’s voice as I was reading God’s Word. I now have a better understanding of the Bible and what God wants for my life. Thank you, New Life.

Jessica, an NLPM student since 2022



We are thrilled to report that last fall we raised more than **\$75,000** for ARC devices! This allowed us to send more than 2500 ARCs to chaplains in prisons across Canada last year! Thank you to everyone that supported this amazing fundraising campaign. Your donation means that the inmates can listen to the Bible and hear the gospel message.

**As we move into 2024,
the ARC is getting a makeover!**

We are excited to announce a new and exciting update to our ARC devices! In response to the growing importance of mental wellness, we are enhancing our audio offerings by incorporating new recordings and content focused on nurturing the emotional and psychological health of our students. While our core remains rooted in scripture and Bible studies, we recognize the need to address the psychological and emotional well-being of our students. These additions aim to complement our Biblical studies, by providing mental health support to our students as they navigate life's challenges.

REFLECTING ON 2023

As we reflect on the remarkable journey of growth from the past year, we are delighted to share with you some of the captivating statistics that God has blessed us with in 2023. We surpassed many of our goals last year and we couldn't be more grateful. Thank you to everyone who contributed to ministry through donations, prayer, and volunteering. The Lord is so good and so faithful!

Courses Received

18,475

New Students

1725

Salvations

179

We are so excited for the upcoming year and the plans the Lord has for New Life. With your continued support and the grace of the Lord leading the way we are confident that the year ahead will be filled with boundless blessings, miraculous life transformations, and abundant opportunities to proclaim the love and glory of God to inmates in Canadian prisons.

Before I trusted Christ, I was a lost sheep. I was giving into temptation and committing sins everyday. But I turned to the Lord and he relieved me of my pain and suffering. Since I have trusted Christ, I have become a much better person. I have been studying the Word of God and sharing along the unconditional love I have received and witnessed. I have a much better understanding of my life and the purpose God has for me.

— Chang, an NLPM student since 2015

INTRODUCING DAVID

Print Shop & Inventory Coordinator

MEET DAVID MACDONALD!


We are thrilled to introduce you to David Macdonald, who has joined NLPM as our Print Shop and Inventory Coordinator. This new role stems from the growing demand for materials by chaplains across Canada. With this increased demand, we've expanded our print shop and invested in new print equipment to enhance the quality of our resources and meet this growing demand.



David will be leading a team of volunteers that create, print, and send out resources to chaplains. When we asked David why he joined the team, he quickly said it was "because everyone here has been so fun to work with and has given me such a warm welcome!". We are profoundly grateful to have him on board, bringing his passion, dedication, and enthusiastic personality to NLPM. Welcome to the team, David! We are so happy to have you.

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