



Shalom

Extend the Blessing

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Message from Our Campaign Chair

Last month, we introduced you to the new Hamilton Campus of Care project and how it will be important in extending the blessing that Shalom in Grimsby has already provided to our Reformed Christian community throughout the greater Hamilton/Niagara region. We shared with you that, with the Lord's help, we have launched the *Extend the Blessing Campaign*.

When I joined the Board in 2015, I was eager to help. I only knew Shalom as a longstanding elder care facility with a solid reputation for providing care for seniors, mostly of Dutch Reformed background.

But, I soon realized that Shalom is much more than that: it is an amazing place where our seniors live in a loving Christian environment, surrounded by caring staff and volunteers from all of our Reformed denominations, working together. That's exciting for me! When I learned there were plans to expand our services into Hamilton, and that the Canadian Reformed community at the Mount Nemo Christian Nursing Home would be helping us there, it was even more exciting.

The Ministry of Long-Term Care approved 128 new long-term care bed licenses for Hamilton in 2019, Wellingstone Christian Home on Upper Wellington donated land next door, and we were able to purchase the former Mount Hamilton CRC, another neighbouring

property. Then we knew we were underway, and the enthusiasm for the project has been building ever since!

So, for me it has been a privilege to become Chair of the *Extend the Blessing Campaign*. Initially, it was daunting to think of raising \$22M in donations to support the project, but our campaign has already been blessed with gifts from individuals, businesses and organizations from across our community! And now, as we are planning the community drives in all our churches, we are seeing the excitement build there as well. What a blessing from the Lord to be part of it!

We look forward to working with all of you over the months to come!

Bill van Staalduinen
Extend the Blessing Campaign Chair



The Pillars of Shalom Manor Hamilton

*This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
Psalm 118:23*

Shalom Manor Hamilton extends the blessings of generations of families who created a strong foundation at our Grimsby campus. With the support of our community, we will provide a **caring home for our parents and grandparents in the Hamilton area well into the future**, through:

- A values-driven organization that encompasses key elements of Christian values, servant leadership and spiritual care.
- Person-centred care and service, promoting a culture of quality, innovation and transformative change.
- Community spirit and fellowship providing enrichment, vitality and energy to the lives of our residents through an intergenerational campus.
- An aging-in-community philosophy that will exemplify an age-friendly model.

The vision includes a full range of residential and service options for over 260 seniors, providing a continuum of care. It will minimize the need for our residents to move throughout the home and allow for the support of those in the adjacent Wellingstone. **It will feature 72 new assisted living units, 56 memory care units and 128 new long-term care beds.**

Please join us! Pray with us! For more information about the *Extend the Blessing Campaign*, please visit our website.



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We wish to express our gratitude for Shalom Manor. It is a wonderful home, and through the years we have been witnesses to the kind attention and noble effort it takes to care for and facilitate a life-giving community to its aging, vulnerable residents. We are very thankful for the Christian values and the integrity that is evident in the caring staff as they honour each resident. Our mother, aunts and uncle have all experienced God's love and providential protection at Shalom Manor.

We are excited that Shalom Manor is now expanding and adding a second location to enable many more Christians to age with dignity.

The Kikkert Family



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