## Celebration Sunday

Highlighting community services



The Mission and Outreach Committee and the Guild Executive Committee recently worked together to host a very successful and informative Celebration Sunday on January 15th. Eighteen charities who receive financial support from Mission and Outreach and the Guild were represented:

Action Réfugiés Montreal, Auberge Madeleine, Camp d'action biblique, Chez Doris, Elizabeth House, Fondation CRDM, Generations Foundation, Isaiah 40 Foundation, L'Abri en ville, Maison Flora Tristan, Montreal Children's Library, Montreal Diet Dispensary, The Open Door, Presbyterian College, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Homes Foundation, St.Andrew's Residential Centre, St. James Drop-in Centre and Tyndale-St. Georges Community Centre.

The church service was beautifully co-ordinated with the event by the ministers who integrated the theme in their welcome, their prayers and the sermon. After the service, members of the congregation gathered in Kildonan Hall where they and the charity members were greeted by Brian Merrett (Mission and Outreach), Kirwan Martin (Guild), and Dr. Chestnutt. Light refreshments were served while people visited the tables of the various charities, asking questions and some volunteering their time and talents!

As well as the knowledge gained by our church members, another positive outcome was the chance for our charitable partners to interact with one another about common goals and current needs. In addition, six video interviews with charity representatives were recorded by our Communications Committee and posted on the church website to share with everyone. This event helped to confirm the real needs that exist in our urban community, the great work that is being done by these organizations, and the fact that many are depending on our support.

Please check the weekly bulletin to discover ways that you can get involved and offer your help!

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