



January 9, 2023

Closure of Mount Nemo Christian Nursing Home

Since 1985, Mount Nemo Christian Nursing Home has been dedicated to providing quality individualized care to enhance the lives of our residents in a Christian environment. Staff and volunteers, both past and present, have worked to create a welcoming, friendly and engaging home in which to live, visit and work, despite the multitude of challenges with our building and location.

After almost 40 years of serving the Burlington community, we are sad to announce that our long history will be coming to an end. Mount Nemo is licensed to operate until June 30, 2025, however, the Home does not have a fire sprinkler system, which is required for all care occupancies by January 1, 2025. While our rural location has been a draw for many residents and families, it also means we do not have access to municipal services. This means that a sprinkler system would not be feasible in our location due to water supply issues; and we rely on a well, and water filtration and septic systems, which would all require substantial upgrades in order to sustain a renovation or redevelopment of our current Home to bring us up to current standards. While we were hoping that the closure of Mount Nemo would align with the opening of the new Home in Hamilton with Shalom Manor, it is now clear that the timing will not work out. Accordingly, we have agreed with the Ministry of Long-Term Care that September 13, 2024 will be the Home's date of intended closure.

We will be working with placement services and local long-term care homes to transition all residents to a placement destination of their choice and will be providing employment supports to our staff to allow them to find gainful employment elsewhere.

In the meantime, we are grateful to our entire community for helping Mount Nemo to provide care and services to our residents, their caregivers, families and friends over the last 39 years. On behalf of the Leadership Team of Mount Nemo Christian Nursing Home and the Board of Directors of the Canadian Reformed Society for a Home for the Aged Inc, we thank you for your support and your patience as we work together to overcome the challenges that lie ahead as we close our Home.

In faith,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "K Edge".

Karen Edge
Administrator, Mount Nemo

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Chair, Mount Nemo Mgmt. Cmte.

**“Since my youth, O God, you have taught me, and to this day
I declare your marvelous deeds.” – Psalm 71:17**