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Because Christian Worldview is…*EVERYTHING!!*

What an incredible weekend of worldview growth for both our schools—Unity and TCS—and for the city of Barrie!

On Friday evening, the EQUIP Youth Event at TCS welcomed nearly 500 students for a powerful time of worship, engaging speakers, games, and connection. Then on Saturday, close to 800 youth and adults gathered at Emmanuel Church for the full EQUIP Worldview Conference—an inspiring day of learning, encouragement, and community.

Why would a Christian school host a worldview conference? Because a Christian Worldview shapes everything. It gives meaning and direction to our lives—grounding us in the truth that we are created by God for His glory, and equipping us to navigate both the joys and the challenges of life. In the highs, it reminds us who we belong to. In the lows, it anchors us in the hope of the Gospel and the promise of what is to come.

Because a Christian worldview isn't just important—it's everything.

Friday PD Day: Staff EQUIP Development Session



On Friday morning, our full JK–Grade 12 staff team—nearly 40 educators—participated in a meaningful professional development workshop led by Tim Barnett and Jason Jimenez. The session focused on the subtle but significant ways truth is being challenged in today's culture, including the influence of progressive Christianity and the reality of "*mission drift*." This drift is not isolated—it can be seen across churches, families, and broader society, gradually reshaping beliefs and practices over time.

We explored how seemingly small shifts—such as minimizing the reality of sin, redefining truth, or moving away from the foundational message of Christ's death and resurrection—can erode a strong Christian worldview if left unexamined. The importance of discernment and intentional grounding in God's Word was a key takeaway.

The conversation also addressed the growing impact of Artificial Intelligence and digital platforms. As these tools increasingly shape how information is consumed, the need to equip students with critical thinking skills is more important than ever. Without this, there is a risk of becoming trapped in "echo chambers" that simply reinforce existing beliefs rather than challenge and refine them.

Tim and Jason provided practical strategies for how we, as Christian educators, can remain anchored in truth, guard against mission drift, and intentionally equip our students to engage the world with wisdom, discernment, and a strong biblical foundation.

Friday, EQUIP Youth Event



The evening was amazing! Both Tim and Jason were on again and challenged the close to 500 youth who attended this event to think critically in this world! To be able to discern the truth and use Red Pen Logic to think critically in a culture where information is unlimited!

It was a wonderful evening of equipping our youth to stand with confidence in this world!

Saturday, Full EQUIP Conference



Saturday was amazing and a bit of an eye opener with close to 800 people attending! Some people came from quite a distance, someone from Alberta and another from Ohio! We wanted to EQUIP local youth and adults in Barrie…little did we know we would have attendees from across Canada and USA!

It really was a breathtaking event that drove our deep passion for the Christian worldview to levels we never expected.



Topics included:
Wes Huff on trusting the New Testament
Tim Barnett on Loving people you disagree with
Alisa Childers on discerning a Counterfeit Gospel
Jason Jimenez on Navigating challenging topics with Grace
Tyler Van Hulteren on Helping Children see the Glory of God's story



The event ended with a Q & A. It was very encouraging that 9 out of the 10 who asked questions were youth! We were so very blessed to see our youth wrestling and asking good, deep questions about Christian Wordview at the end of the conference.

A huge thank you Erin Mensinga (gr 3 teacher) and Daniel Wilcox (gr 8 teacher) for all their hard work planning this event over the past two years. A special shout-out to the entire group of volunteers (75+) who worked at both the Friday and Saturday events to help land this wonderful conference! We appreciate your hard work for the Kingdom!

The challenge….keep wrestling with these truths around the supper table this week.

May dates:

6	**9:30 Grandparents' Day**	*8*	***Pizza Day***	*11*	***Hot Dog Day***
	5:30 Celebration of Learning	9	**Unity ALUMNI Volleyball Tournament**	12	Battle of the Books
	6:30 International Food Festival		**- Contact Unity for details**	13	**Pizza Day**

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1 Corinthians 3:11

Christian Worldview Contest for students gr 4-12 - WIN Wonderland Season Passes!

If you are a student at TCS (grades 4 - 8) or Unity (9 - 12) who attended either the EQUIP Youth Event or the full-day EQUIP Conference, you are eligible to enter the Worldview contest and possibly win a season pass to Wonderland this summer!

Contest Details:

STUDENT: Type a two-page reflection paper on what you learned from the conference.

PARENT: One of your parents will also provide a typed one-page response to the student's paper.



DUE: *Submit both the parent AND the student papers to the Unity or TCS Office by Monday, May 11. Winners will be announced the week of May 19.*

THIS Wednesday: Grandparents' Day!



A reminder that TCS is hosting Grandparents Day THIS WEDNESDAY, 9:30-12:15pm.

If your child is going home at 12:15pm with their grandparent, PLEASE CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE THE PARENT CONSENT FORM. Prior permission is needed.

Classes will follow their usual afternoon routine that day.

Wednesday: Celebration of Learning, 5:30-6:30pm!



All students are expected to be at TCS for 5:30pm. This is a great evening of sharing PBL projects with parents, friends, and the community. Please come and visit the classrooms and talk with students about the projects they created, ask them what they learned, AND *what is the deep Christian perspective!*

Class Project Based Learning (PBL) highlights for May 6 - Grandparents' Day & Celebration of Learning

Kindergarten

Wednesday is the Big Day! The JK and SK classes are celebrating their learning with art. Come and tour their art gallery walk and celebrate their learning with them.

Wednesday: International Food Festival, 6:30-8:30pm!



Please be sure to stay for dinner on Wednesday! This is a paid event (small amount to cover food) and it celebrates our various cultures that represent TCS. Come, get dinner for the family and taste the many variety of foods the represent the wonderful cultures our TCS families are part of.

CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS

Enrollment for September 2026: Spots available, JK through grade 12!

Please spread the word that we have spaces in JK through to grade 12.
Spaces are filled on a first come first enroll basis.



Grades 6 - 8: Reminder to practice Band music for Grandparents' Day! 🎷🎺🎶

Parents, please help your grade 6-8 student(s) prepare for Grandparents' Day by ensuring his/her instrument is brought home and *time is set aside for practicing a few times a week (daily even!)*. Our Grandparents enjoy the Band, and we want to present our best. "Skill is only developed by *hours* and *hours* of work"(L. Hamilton, 2020). Thank you!

Grandparents' Day BAKING: Thank you to those who will be baking for our Grandparents! **Remember to label your baking: NAME, special diet (gluten-free/dairy-free).** ***Baking is to be dropped off on Tuesday, May 5 (3:15 - 4pm) or Wednesday, May 6, by 8:45am.***



TCS Track & Field May 15 (grades 3-8) - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - PITCH



If you're short a few PITCH hours, we've got just the thing for you! Gr 3-8 Track & Field will take place on Friday, May 15 from 9 am - 3:30 pm with students participating in various track and field events. We have a variety of volunteer roles that need to be filled to make this day run smoothly... ***Please click here to complete the Track & Field Volunteer Sign Up***

** Please note that ALL Track and Field volunteers are required to have a current (within 3 years) police check on file in the front office. If you would like to volunteer but do not have a police check on file, please contact the front office for more information.*

Below is a brief description of roles to be filled:

- Group Leaders: Supervise and manage a small group of students, ensuring that they arrive at each scheduled event on time
- Field Event Leaders: Run a field event, record scores of competitors, assign placements and distribute ribbons.
- Track Assistant: Assist Track Starter by looking for false starts; Assist Track Event Leaders with timing races.
- Score Table: Receive score sheets, compile a list of placed (1st - 6th) competitors, reconcile ties, etc.
- Freezies: prepare and distribute freezies for each group of students
- Front Door Supervision: Supervise the entry and exit of visitors through the front doors. Ensure all visitors sign in and sign out.

Track & Field CONCESSION - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - PITCH

We're looking for volunteers to help run the Concession stand at our Track & Field Day on **Friday, May 15, 9:00 – 3:00pm**. We'll be selling snacks and drinks all day, as well as hot dogs at lunch and need help with setup, serving, and clean-up throughout the day.
We are also looking to **borrow a portable Blackstone grill** for the event—please let us know if you're able to lend one.
If you're available to take a Concessions shift, please email **Deanna at deannafaris7@gmail.com**. Your help makes these events possible—thank you for serving our school community!



Looking for a Stop Saw for Unity High School



We are looking for a donation or a discounted ***Stop Saw*** for our High School Shop Program. This *saw* retails for approximately $5,000. It is an industry-leading table saw equipped with advanced safety technology that automatically stops the blade upon contact with skin, helping to prevent serious injury. This added layer of protection would significantly enhance our students' safety and confidence as they work with the equipment and develop shop skills. If you can donate the saw OR make a donation towards the saw OR provide this saw at a discounted price, please contact the TCS or Unity office. Thank you!







CALLING ALL JUNIOR ENTREPRENEURS!

The Spring Market at Timothy Christian School is a great place to showcase your talents and skills at our Junior Maker Market. This is a place within our Spring Market for you.

The Junior Maker Market is an opportunity for student entrepreneurs to sell their products at our Spring Market.

There are limited spots available, apply today! The application remains open until May 22, 2026!

[To register for a Vendor Booth, click here.]



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Spring Market
TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

We Need You!

PITCH OPPORTUNITY!!!!

The Spring Market is one of the biggest events of the year for our school community, and we're looking for volunteers to help make it a success!

We need help both **Friday, May 29 (setup)** and **Saturday, May 30 (event day)**



WELCOME TABLE

welcoming guests, assist with directions, some day-of sales



ACTIVITIES + WORKSHOPS

help setup workshops or host fun sports games!



EVENT SETUP + CLEANUP

put up & take down signage, setup furniture



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

simple cooking, wash dishes, servers, friendly faces

There are a variety of short shifts available throughout the day or sign up for multiple jobs if you would like more hours! We've made it easy to find something that fits your schedule. Please see all available jobs and time slots here:

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP LINK

Thank you!

Thanks so much for supporting this event — we truly couldn't do it without our volunteers!
If the link doesn't work, please type the following link: https://tinyurl.com/3rwsstxv

Check out this link to buy TCS Gear: https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/

You have a few months left to order Timothy Christian School Knights Gear! These will soon become vintage. August 1st we will become the Trinity Christian School LIONS!

Thinking about ordering TCS Apparel?!

Check out a few of the MANY apparel options modelled by some of our staff and students! Our store offers quality brand names, including Under Armour, Champion, Columbia and more! All the clothing and accessory options are fully customizable (the preview photo shows one of many options), so be sure to explore the many colour, size, and logo options available for each item.

CLICK HERE TO ORDER: https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/

A few things to be aware of:

1. All orders are custom, and as such, they are non-refundable unless the shop has made an error. Be sure to review your order carefully before submitting!
2. All items are available to be purchased using a credit card. All payments are done through the site and the site functions separately from the school.

Hard Plastic Kiddie Pools needed for the last day of school

In anticipation of the end of year Water Fun Day, we are looking for a donation of 4 hard plastic kiddie pools (not blow-up pools). They don't have to be new, just no cracks or holes. If you have one to donate, please let Mrs. Covert know (tcovert@timothychristianschool.ca). Thank you!

re-Source Thrift Shop - Please donate gently used items!



Also, should you be looking for a reason to do your spring cleaning, our Thrift Shop could use your donations to keep the shelves full and their financial donation commitment to TCS strong! Please consider donating gently used items to the store during business hours (10 am to 5pm). If you are wondering if they are able to take a certain item, please call (705) 735-0444. Donating to the re-Source Thrift Shop, Barrie South, benefits us all in reducing tuition and enhancing our student learning opportunities!

Bradford Greenhouses Fundraising Program

It is that time of year again when the Bradford Greenhouse Fundraising Program kicks off - APRIL 15 to OCTOBER 15! Please shop for all your gardening and lawn supplies, and even home decor, at Bradford Greenhouses (in Barrie or Bradford), as a portion of your shopping total can support TCS. Before the cashier starts to ring through your purchases, please mention that you would like to support Timothy Christian School's fundraiser. These funds are used for our Christmas Bazaar Auction and Greenery Arrangements. Thank you in advance! It is a wonderful way to spend time browsing and shopping to support TCS!

Bus Transportation:

- Please be sure your child is at the bus stop 10 minutes early.
- Feel free to contact Landmark Bus Lines Barrie directly for ETA on days when they are late: 705-722-6666.



<u>UPDATED</u> Instructions for logging <u>your</u> PITCH hours

Logging PITCH hours is up to each Family!
Be sure to log and complete your hours!

- 1. Log in to Sycamore with your username and password.
- 2. Click My School (left menu)
- 3. Click on Service Hours (left menu)
- 4. Click on the square/rectangles under the House icon
- 5. In the new menu, click on Service Hours.
- 6. Click on FAMILY Logs (all hours are to be logged under Family).
- 7. Click on NEW to log your hours by date and opportunity.
- 8. Click SAVE.

Families that are required to complete ONLY 15 hours, please be sure to log the SPECIAL PITCH AUTHORIZATION of 10 hours (these are the hours granted to you so you only need to complete 15 hours in total).

If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact pitch@timothychristianschool.ca

Thank you for adding to the life of the school through your PITCH hours!

