

## Family Outreach Ministry



Family Outreach Ontario Christian Addiction Services (FOOCAS) is a faith-based, inter-denominational, not-for-profit organization that offers Christian addiction support services. Our mission is to promote, advance, support and minister to those afflicted and affected by substance abuse.

Originally, in 1986, Family Outreach Ontario was a CRC ministry with an outreach to other CRC churches. Later, this was extended to other Reformed denominations. In 2008, Family Outreach became incorporated and, therefore, independent of any single church or denomination.

Our mandate is to reach out anywhere God takes us with a special focus within the Christian community. We are but a small organization completely dependent on individuals and the churches we serve for prayer and financial support.

Family Outreach is made up of volunteers who are sensitive to the dynamics of addictions because either they or someone they dearly love suffer deeply with alcoholism or drug addiction. These volunteers have a first-hand understanding of the physical manifestations of substance abuse, the destructive and even deadly consequences of it, and, most importantly, how God's grace can provide healing when all else seems hopeless. This life experience alone qualifies them as being perfectly suitable to walk alongside those who are currently working through or otherwise struggling with these alcohol and drug addiction issues. Family Outreach does not provide treatment for those who are struggling but we do liaise and network with those who do.

We believe it is imperative that anonymity and confidentiality be a foundation for each and every person seeking help.

We firmly believe that we cannot "fix" those who are hurting due to addiction. Our prayer is that God will use to help bring hope to those He puts in our path.

In Christ's Service,

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