

8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

AURORA  
**Prayer**  
Breakfast

Marina Nemat  
*“Finding Hope”*

**Date:** Tuesday, October 18, 2016  
**Time:** 7:00am (out by 9am)  
**Place:** St. Maximilian Kolbe CHS  
278 Wellington St. East, Aurora  
A Fragrance-Free and Scent-Free Environment

**WE BELIEVE**

Prayer is the foundation of a peaceful and secure community.

By coming together and praying for all levels of government, in conjunction with many other regional prayer breakfasts throughout North America, we can make a lasting impact.

*"Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no one comes to the Father except through Him." (John 14:6)*

*The Bible is the inspired, infallible Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16)*

The Aurora Prayer Breakfast Committee is an extension of representatives of local churches in Aurora. We are distinctively Christian in nature and welcome all people of any faith or belief to attend.

**Prayer as the Foundation of a Peaceful and Secure Community**

# Aurora Prayer Breakfast

The Aurora Prayer Breakfast is a not-for-profit event, focusing on the gathering to pray for our elected officials, business leaders and the residents in Aurora: as taught in I Timothy 2:2 of the Holy Bible. In addition, we are impacting the Youth of our region who will become the leadership of the future. It is our intent to have approximately 150 of the 500 available seats filled by students.

## What is a Prayer Breakfast?

A Prayer Breakfast is a program whereby the entire community gathers together at a breakfast meeting of approximately 500 attendees to pray for every aspect of our community. It is planned and managed by a committee composed of representatives of local churches to invoke God's blessing on everyone.

All aspects of the community are prayed for:

- all 4 levels of our government - federal, provincial, regional and municipal
- our education system
- our emergency services - police, fire, EMS
- our health care system - practitioners and the hospital leadership
- our businesses
- our charities
- our churches

## Benefits to the Community of an Annual Prayer Breakfast

- excellent educational value to students of our community. We endeavour to provide free tickets to them. They include approximately 30% of those attending.
- businesses sponsor the students who come free. This provides an excellent opportunity for businesses to contribute to building good character in our students and further their reputation in the community.

prayer contributes positively to building good character in all of our citizens in encouraging and respecting every part of our community and building unity of purpose.

- building relationships between the various players in our community. Businesses supporting and encouraging charities, churches volunteering in social service programs, parents and churches volunteering in our schools, businesses and charities co-operating with various levels of government, and many more.
- the opportunity to hear a speaker whose personal and/or business experience has something worthwhile to contribute to how we each interact with our community in the most beneficial way.
- the opportunity to showcase musical talent and benefit from their inspiration.
- the opportunity for each person attending to interact and encourage hundreds of others in our community.

### For Sponsorship Inquiries:

[sponsor@auroraprayerbreakfast.ca](mailto:sponsor@auroraprayerbreakfast.ca)

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## Aurora Prayer Breakfast

### **Marina Nemat** **“Finding Hope”**

Marina Nemat was born in 1965 in Tehran, Iran. She was arrested at the age of sixteen and spent more than two years in Evin, a political prison in Tehran. She was tortured and came very close to being executed. Marina was later released and came to Canada in 1991.

Her book of memoirs called *“Prisoner of Tehran”*, was published in Canada by Penguin Canada in 2007. Marina has received numerous local and international awards. While a Fellow of Massey College at the University of Toronto she wrote her second book, *“After Tehran: A Life Reclaimed”*, which was published in 2010. Marina and her family are residents of Aurora.



Marina regularly speaks locally and internationally at high schools, universities and conferences around the world, including University of Milan, Oxford University, Yale, Tufts and Stanford. She sits on the Board of Directors at the CCVT (Canadian Centre for Victims of Torture) and Vigdis, a Norwegian charitable organization that provides legal and other forms of assistance to female political prisoners around the world. In addition, she is the chair of the Writers in Exile Committee at PEN Canada and has been a volunteer at her church's Refugee Committee Since 2010.

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## Sponsorship Opportunities

These contributions assist in providing tables and seats for students as well as supporting all elements of the breakfast.

### Platinum Sponsor

**Cost: \$2,500.00**

**Entitlements:**

- 1 Table with 10 seats for your own use or to donate to students
- 2 Tables for students and youth from our community
- Table sign on all 3 tables with sponsor's name and logo, recognizing the sponsorship
- Sponsor's logo on Aurora Prayer Breakfast website home page
- Recognition of Sponsorship on Screen at the venue during the event
- Listed as a Platinum Sponsor on Program Flyer
- Acknowledgement and appreciation of sponsorship on stage

### Gold Sponsor

**Cost: \$1,500.00**

**Entitlements:**

- 1 Table with 10 seats for your own use or to donate to students
- 2 Tables for students and youth from our community
- Table sign on all 3 tables with sponsor's name and logo, recognizing the sponsorship
- Recognition of Sponsorship on Screen at the venue during the event
- Listed as a Gold Sponsor on Program Flyer

### Silver Sponsor

**Cost: \$1,000.00**

**Entitlements:**

- 1 Table with 10 seats for your own use or to donate to students
- 1 Table for students and youth from our community
- Table sign on both tables with sponsor's name and logo, recognizing the sponsorship
- Recognition of Sponsorship on Screen at the venue during the event
- Listed as a Silver Sponsor on Program Flyer

### Bronze Sponsor

**Cost: \$500.00**

**Entitlements:**

- 1 Table with 10 seats for your own use or to donate to students
- Table sign on the table with sponsor's name and logo, recognizing the sponsorship
- Recognition of Sponsorship on Screen at the venue during the event
- Listed as a Bronze Sponsor on Program Flyer

### APB Supporter

We appreciate any contribution you can make towards the \$25 cost of a student's seat. Seats are offered to approximately 150 Students in Aurora at no charge. Your name, or "anonymous", will be acknowledged on our overhead screen for any amount of support (no amounts will be listed).

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