

# Firefighters' boot drive against MD

On Saturday, Aug. 28, the Oakville Professional Fire Fighters Association will hold their annual boot drive for Muscular Dystrophy Canada.

In 1954, a group of parents with children affected by MD approached a fire department requesting assistance in raising funds. With support from the fire fighters, MD Canada conducted the first residential canvass in Toronto and raised more

than \$200,000 for research. The International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) pledged their continuing support "until a cure is found."

Muscular dystrophy is a group of neuromuscular disorders that are characterized by progressive weakness and wasting of the voluntary muscles.

Career and volunteer firefighters each year organize boot drives, car washes, pan-

cake breakfasts, magic shows, "Buck For Luck" campaigns, pub crawls, ladder-a-thons, roof-top-campouts, raffles, and sporting events in support of an estimated 50,000 Canadians with neuromuscular disorders.

The Oakville drive will be held Aug. 28 at Dorval Crossing Mall from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

To make donations online or via text message, visit [www.muscle.ca/](http://www.muscle.ca/).

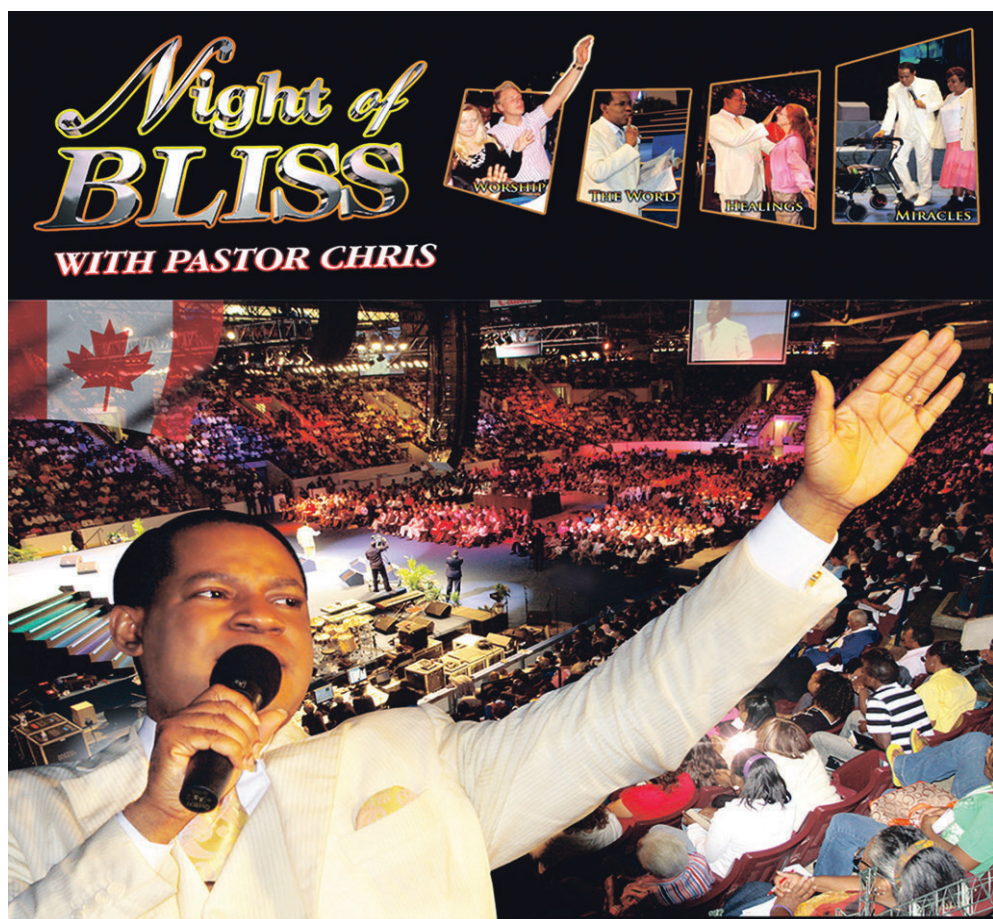


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