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Funny in a Good Way wants Ottawa Valley “to be filled with laughter, and our tongues filled with shouts of Joy” for an upcoming event.

(Pembroke, ON) Whether you laugh from the belly, offer up a hearty giggle, a bray, a hee-haw or a haw- hee, or some other type of laughter, Funny in a Good Way (FIAGW) wants you to come out and share in the laughter and joy on January 18th, 2025. For the 6th time, (FIAGW) will offer another evening of laughter and praise. This year's event is set for a 7:00 start at the Pembroke Pentecostal Tabernacle.

The event coincides with the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which runs from January 18th to the 25th. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity holds events across the Northern Hemisphere and has a history going back to 1908. It can be safely said that the FIAGW approach, is a little different than some of the more traditional unity services of yesteryears and even those being currently held.

“The focus of the event is to bring the community together to celebrate the “Joy of the Lord” “says FIAGW Managing Director, Michael Gulliver. Gulliver continues by saying, “The event is certainly different from what you see at many of the more liturgical-based services for Christian Unity. From the inception of FIAGW, the vision has been to provide the church (people) with opportunities to unite with laughter and offer up good clean fun.” The event has a history of bringing in top-level comedians featured on mainstream media, Dry Bar Comedy, Fun & Faith Comedy Nights, and a host of others.

This year the event will feature Joey I.L.O. Joey hails out of Branson, Missouri, and is a seasoned professional who truly has fun on stage. Joey delivers unconventional yet relatable on-stage antics, full-body comedy, hilarious insights, and a host of impersonations. Adding to this, the event will feature a comedy sketch by local clergy (like you’ve never seen them before) and local funnyman Rob McKenzie.

A fixture for the event since its inception has been the contemporary Christian band GATE47. Band leader Kevin Rabishaw states “People from the Valley know when they see GATE47 they are listening to a worship experience where we encourage people to embrace the moment and participate in it. We’ve been working on some wonderful worship songs for the evening.”

Managing Director of FIAGW Michael Gulliver says “We’re just so blessed to be able to continue to do this event. The event has been so well received; we’ve had excellent crowds. The community and the sponsor support continue to be amazing.” As is usual, the net proceeds from the event go to support a worthwhile cause within the community and this year it is - Saint Vincent de Paul - Pembroke, Soup Kitchen.

Tickets for the event are \$25.00 for individuals. In the interest of encouraging groups to take in the event, there are special pricing packages for groups of four or more. Visit funnyinagoodway.ca for all the ticket purchase options. We also have a list of locations that are selling tickets.

There still exist opportunities for organizations and businesses to partner with the mission and interested parties are invited to contact Michael Gulliver at 613-401-5524 or via email at funnyinagoodway@outlook.com.

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