

Pastor's Report 2018

My wife Carol and I have been extremely blessed over the years to have had the privilege of pastoring Neighborhood Assembly of God. As you all know, it has not been without its challenges, however, by the grace of God and dedication to God, this fellowship has endured the attacks of the enemy both individually as believers, and corporately as a fellowship. Neighborhood Assembly of God has proven to be strong, steadfast, and spiritually attuned to God's Spirit. They have been diligent to fight the good fight of faith. I have been privileged to have served with a very strong, sensitive, compassionate, yet visionary staff and board members.

I have watched God move in a powerful way and allow the challenges, while at the same time set boundaries allowing the enemy to only go so far. I am reminded time and time again, **Deut 8:2-3**: You shall remember all the way which the LORD your God has led you in the wilderness these forty years, that He might humble you, testing you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. "He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD . The Lord God allows tests to find out whether you love Him with all you heart and with all you soul. God is drawing lines to test His people, God is calling His Church to step up and truly be the Church, not just play Church.

First and foremost, I want to thank God for allowing me the opportunity and the privilege of serving Him here in the position He has entrusted me with and the faithfulness of my precious wife Carol for standing beside me and being my faithful counselor and helpmate. Carol has been a strength and a prayer warrior in my life and ministry for 47 years. She stands in the shadows of all the others, but her ministry to me is unparalleled. She truly is my valiant warrior in battle.

I have been blessed with a super great staff and so honored to have Pastor Steve, Pastor Katie and Pastor Ben beside me. God has honored this church, Carol and myself with the greatest blessing any fellowship could ever have, and that is our

Secretary Michelle Garcia and her family. No words can describe that blessing for this pastor and fellowship as she labors diligently to keeping us on track and aware of upcoming needs.

There are so many that has been such a blessing and such an integral part of the ongoing ministry of this fellowship, it would take hours and many pages to honor and thank everyone.

I also want to thank a very important part of this fellowship, the congregation and members who attend regularly and support our fellowship. You are my family and thank you for trusting us and being part of us.

Pastor Gary

Anual reflection

As I ponder and reflect on 2018 I come to the conclusion that we hunger. Whether you are 6 or 65 it doesn't matter the age we will always hunger for more of God, it's just how God made us. It is the efforts to feed our spiritual hunger that fluctuate. The efforts fluctuate and vary by age as well as by whether you are a man or woman. In fact I see many more women seeking after a touch from God than men in our fellowship. When I say we hunger it is not to say that we are not being feed or we are starving because we are lead to the green pastures but many times it is like the old saying "you can lead a horse to water but you cant make them drink". I find that we are hesitant in stepping out and going deeper, seeking a powerful personal relationship. For myself I have found a motto that is now Phase III "I have not come this far to come this far". This motto has prodded me through the last year to allow God more freedom to change who I am or who I thought I wanted to be. I feel we have come a very long way together as a fellowship and grown very close together with God and are now sensing from Him to prepare our lives for our next growth in Him. We have not come this far to only come this far.

Phase III has always been about moving forward and looking to the next reach while all the time holding on to the hope that we share in Christ. We are continuing to build up our young adults and help impact young families. There will always be a next and higher stretch and I feel we have the determination for seeing it though to the end.

'So here's what I think: The best thing you can do right now is to finish what you started last year and not let those good intentions grow stale. Your heart's been in the right place all along. You've got what it takes to finish it up, so go to it. Once the commitment is clear, you do what you can, not what you can't. The heart regulates the hands. This isn't so others can take it easy while you sweat it out. No, you're shoulder to shoulder with them all the way, your surplus matching their deficit, their surplus matching your deficit. In the end you come out even. As it is written, Nothing left over to the one with the most, Nothing lacking to the one with the least.

2 Corinthians 8:10-15 (The Message)

Pastor Stephen Bailey

MEN'S MINISTRY

Our goal for the men of Neighborhood Assembly of God is to teach, encourage, train and build up to be disciples of Christ as well as the Godly leaders of our families. It has always been a passion of mine to encourage other men to be Godly leaders and to pray and help lift each other up in the ways of God.

2018 has been a great year of growth through our men's breakfasts. We have had some new men added to our fellowship which has been an encouragement to our ministry. We have started a men's bible journaling class/study that has already become an encouragement to myself as well as others. I've been praying and feel that God wants us to start up a men's bible study or a special series of studies to do throughout the year. Please pray with me to have the right direction from the Lord. We do plan on doing another deep sea fishing trip this year which has been a big success before.

God is faithful and will continue to add and strengthen our men's ministry as long as we are faithful to him. We can do nothing successful in ministry unless we make God the center of it. I would like to thank you all so much for your prayers and I look forward to what this New Year brings us. Please come and be a part of our ministry as we teach and encourage men to become Godly leaders. Thank you.

Mike Haferkamp

Women's Ministries Report - 2018

The Women's Ministries have changed as the needs of our ladies have changed. The women of the WMC (Women's Ministry Council) for 2018 were: Michelle Garcia, Margaret Schultz, Lorina Johnson, Sharon Erz, Susan Wiggins, Carol Stanley, Alta McCortney and myself. I am so thankful to the Lord for these ladies who have voluntarily given of their time, energies, talents, and in many instances their own personal finances to minister to the ladies of our fellowship. During the course of the year we have had some changes to the WMC; Alta McCortney and Carol Stanley have stepped aside due to health issues, Margaret Schultz and Lorina Johnson have stepped down from the council and I have turned over the leadership role to Susan Wiggins and Sharon Erz to co-chair the council (I will remain involved in an advisory capacity). We are currently in the process of restructuring the council membership.

Some of the events throughout the year are: Ladies Spring Fellowship; Annual Ice-Cream Social and the annual Ladies Christmas Party. We have fun, fellowship, play games, prize giveaways, have great food, sing songs, study and pray together, and get to know each other better.

The ministries of Neighborhood Assembly of God under the auspice of Women's Ministries are:

Tuesday Morning Prayer: This began as Ladies Prayer but has evolved into a time of prayer open to all and all are encouraged to participate. This is under the direction of Karen Vinje. Prayer time is 9am-10:30am. Prayer requests can be submitted to caringvinje@yahoo.com or through the church office.

Thursday Morning Bible Study led by Carol McConnell has become a co-ed group as we have several men involved in the study as well. We meet on Thursday mornings at 10:30 and adjourn around 12:00 noon. We are currently studying how to become Christlike as we are commanded in the Scriptures to do by imitating the life of Jesus in our own lives. Everyone is welcome!

Prayers & Squares: This is the ladies of our fellowship working together to make lap quilts for those needing a physical touch. Once the quilts are complete, they are made available to the congregation to tie the knots and pray for the person's need. As the recipient covers their body with the quilt, they are in essence covering themselves with the prayers of those who labored over the quilts and tied the knots. Many have given testimony to the peace and comfort these quilts bring. This ministry has an ongoing need for quilting supplies. If you would like to support this wonderful ministry offerings would be welcomed. If you would like to request a prayer quilt for a friend or loved one going through a trial, see Joan Lungren, or get a form from the church office. Joan Lungren who has faithfully let this ministry for many years is desiring to step down and is currently looking for someone to replace her. The ministry is always looking for ladies who want to become involved in the ministry and help make the quilts. It would be a shame for this beautiful ministry to stop for lack of leadership and involvement from the congregation. Please pray for this ministry and your possible involvement.

Senior Ministries: Headed by Dolores Rigsby, assisted by Barbara Nelson and Joan & Bruce Lungren, this ministry holds a monthly potluck and some other fellowship events throughout the year.

Widows Ministry: This ministry is under the direction of Marjorie White. She organizes visitation and outings and hosts a monthly luncheon. Many times she assists with transportation to doctor's appointments and other errands. What a beautiful and selfless commitment Marjorie has made to the widows of our congregation. Marjorie also blesses our congregation with her talent on the piano in playing for our Sunday morning worship services. Thank you Marjorie, you are truly a blessing.

Wedding and Baby Showers: These activities are usually organized by a friend or family member who volunteers to do the shower. The church provides the cake, beverages and venue (if needed). The rest is up to the person who volunteers to put the shower together for the individual. The church's involvement in baby showers is limited to the 1st child born to the family while attending the church. Thank you to all who have participated in organizing showers for those getting married and having babies within the congregation.

Funeral Dinners/Refreshments: While these are not pleasant occasions, the dinners or refreshments provided by the ladies of our fellowship are a tremendous comfort to the families of those who have gone on to be with the Lord. Pam Bachmeier is usually in charge of the kitchen and organizing the food. Most of the ladies at our fellowship and some of the men have at one time or another worked to bless the members of our congregation either by bringing food, set up/clean up, etc. While this ministry largely goes unnoticed it is none the less very labor intensive and there is a lot of work involved in pulling everything together. Thank you to all of you who so faithfully pitch in to help during these times of need.

Food for Sick and Recovering Persons: Ilene Mackin does a great job of contacting people to bring food in to persons who are sick or recovering from surgery or other illness. I would encourage you, when you get the call to help, please be quick to get involved!

Church Pantry: Our pantry has been a source of blessing to many families who have been hurting and in need. Sometimes families feel humiliated by needing help and our pantry is able reach out a helping hand anonymously so no embarrassment is involved. Margaret Schultz has been so faithful to organize and oversee our church pantry. She rotates the food and keeps the church office apprised of what is needed to keep the pantry stocked. Margaret, thank you so much for your faithful service. (P.S. Rod does a lot of the heavy lifting, so Rod we also thank you!)

Special Recognition: Thank you to Margaret Schultz for the way she keeps things decorated for every season of the year. What a joy it is to see things so beautifully decorated. Thank you to Michelle Garcia for all the little and big extras she does that are not expected of her. Michelle is a tireless worker for God's kingdom! Thank you Michelle.

Something New: Pam Bachmeier has started a monthly 4-Bit Café where all food is 50 cents or less and we have a great time playing games. This is a ministry to the older couples of our church and is great fellowship. Come and have a good time! Watch the bulletin for dates and times.

Respectfully Submitted by *Carol McConnell*

Children's Ministry report 2018

Last year was a great year!!! I am beyond blessed to help lead this ministry. Thank you to all took part in making this ministry successful. We strived to make it a year where we dug deeper into Gods word and to let the Holy Spirit guide us and lead us in everything we did. We know God did amazing things among our kids and leaders.

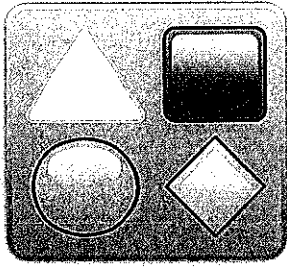
We have a wonderful many who serve in Sunday school, a huge thank you to those who serve. Dana Fergoso- pre-k, Michelle Garcia and Margaret Schultz- K-2nd grade, Eric and Zulma Huggins- and now Lisa Woodruff - 3rd-5th grade. Pastor Ben to lead the 6-12th grade. Thank you was and is not enough. They are awesome.

A change last year is that we have been attending Children's Ministries events with other local churches CM kids. It has been amazing making great friends and connections while having fun. We also had many game nights, a boys and a girls all-nighter, and a great summer camp that we put on here at our church.

This last year was the first for our Trunk or treat event. We had 18 "trunks" or vehicles and it was amazing! Definitely a huge success. Beyond blessed by the help we had, as well as we got a chance to be part of our community. We finished the year with the blessing of putting together the Christmas play called "Christmas in the country" for our Congregation. Lots of practice later and it was very successful (very proud of the kids). Overall we had a great year.

This next year we have many plans to attend camp, to continue having all of our events and more. My hearts desire it to lead the kids with their relationship with Christ, to have a heart on fire for the Lord. I am very excited to see what the Lord is going to do this year. Please continue to pray for Children's Ministries, for wisdom and guidance to help us lead the kids.

Pastor Katie Haferkamp



Neighborhood Christian Learning Center 2019 Annual Report

God has blessed us this past year.

Our Infant/Toddler Class gained a new infant in December of 2018, a toddler in January and we are welcoming 1 new infant in February and another in March.

The Over 30 Month Class has grown. We have added 3 kiddos since January.

Our Latchkey Class is full.

We are already starting to put together the Summer Program.

We are looking forward to what God has in store for us in 2019!

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