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the fiftieth annual report
to the people of

Community Bible Church

1966-2016

Community Bible Church

knowing Christ intimately, sharing Him lovingly

Community Bible

CHURCH

A NOTE FROM PASTOR TSCHETTER....

Happy Anniversary, Community Bible Church!

A lot has happened in 50 years, some of which can be easily measured ...

- Bible studies
- Preaching, singing and times of worship
- Prayer meetings
- Gospel presentations
- Baptisms
- Awana club nights
- Sunday School lessons
- Children in the Kiddie Kollege program
- Baby dedications
- Youth group meetings
- Adult Bible classes
- Budgets
- Committee meetings
- Bible conferences
- World Missions Festivals
- Missionaries
- Money given
- Weddings and funerals
- Babies born and child dedications
- People reborn!
- Choir numbers
- Small group meetings
- Elder meetings
- Hospital calls and home visits
- Wednesday evening family meals
- After-school clubs
- 5-DAY Clubs
- Summer camps

Other things are harder to quantify, but are no less important ...

- Demonstrations of faith, hope and love
- Grace
- Mercy
- Peace
- Spiritual growth
- Forgiveness
- Perseverance and endurance
- Encouragement
- Effort and hard work
- Waiting on the Spirit's direction and leading
- Planning
- Praying
- Answers to prayer!
- Joy
- Laughter
- Maturity
- Yielding to the Spirit
- Submission
- Pursuing holiness
- Knowing Christ
- Obedience
- Discipline
- Devotion
- Service
- Contentment
- Thankfulness
- Faithfulness

And honesty compels us to acknowledge we have also experienced ...

- Suffering
- Adversity
- Loneliness
- Trials
- Grief
- Fear
- Failure
- Discouragement
- Struggles
- Problems
- Pain

No doubt, you can add to the lists above, maybe from areas of ministry in which you yourself have been involved ... words or phrases that describe some aspect of life and ministry over the last five decades. But, day in and day out, God has been faithful. He has not changed. And for this we are so very grateful. We are certain His faithfulness will continue to grace our lives. As you flip the pages of this annual report, looking back on 2016 and remembering the last 50 years, celebrate and rejoice in what God has done through CBC. And let us continue to trust Him for how He will use us in the future (Philippians 3.14).

Rev. Charles Tschetter
Senior Pastor

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In October of 2016, CBC unveiled a new logo! The logo was inspired by Matthew 5.14, "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden." The central shape represents an open Bible and it also resembles an arrow, pointing heavenward. Beams of light radiate from the central focal point (God's Word), symbolizing CBC, the "city" on the hilltop, whose light cannot be hidden.

SENIOR PASTOR
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JEREMY WISSINK

PASTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE
LAVERN SMITH

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & WORSHIP
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DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES
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MEL FRIESEN
JEREMY HASELHORST
JAMES KOPSA
KEITH STRASSER
JOHN TAULBORG
CHARLES TSCHETTER
STEVE WHITE

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mission

to know Christ
intimately and
share Him lovingly

core values

learn & live
out God's truth

connect with
other believers

honor & submit
to God

talk about
the Savior

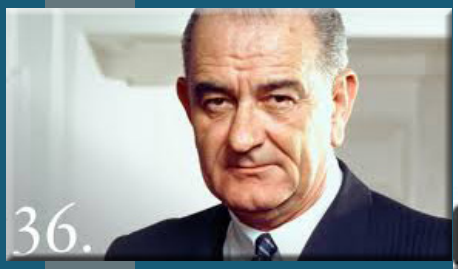
bless others

50 years

A LOOK BACK AT OUR NATION

President of the United States

then: 1966



Lyndon B. Johnson

now 2016

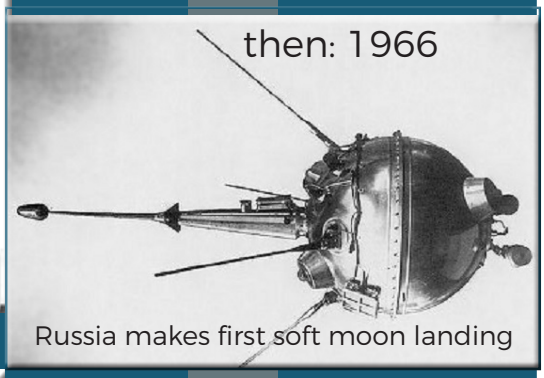
Barack Obama

World Series Champions

then: 1966

now 2016

National News



then: 1966

Russia makes first soft moon landing

now 2016

Election Year
Candidates: Donald Trump
Hillary Clinton

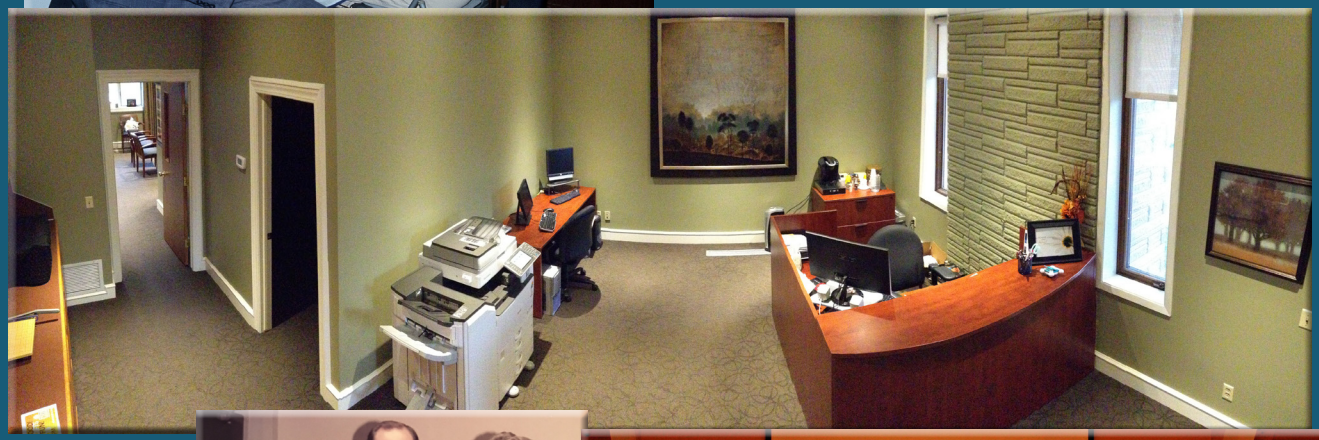
cost of a
gallon of gas
THEN: .32 cents
NOW: $2.22

cost of a
gallon of milk
THEN: .99 cents
NOW: $3.39

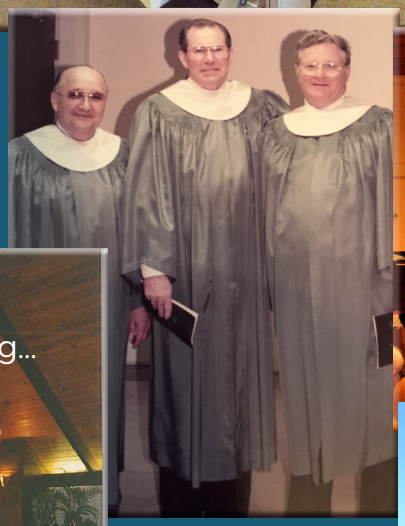
cost of a
dozen eggs
THEN: .60 cents
NOW: $1.79

A LOOK BACK AT CBC

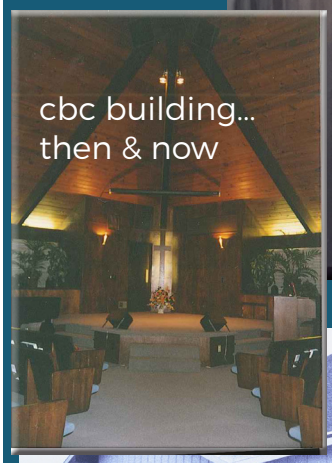
church office....
then & now

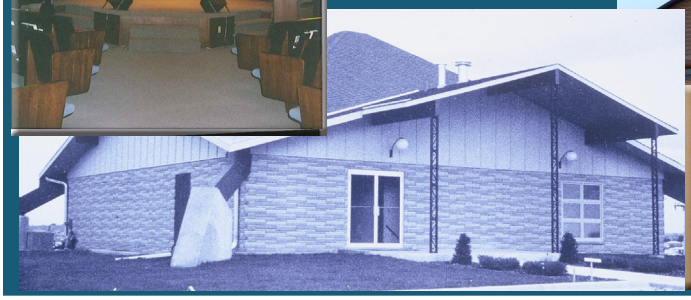


cbc choir.....
then & now



cbc building...
then & now





REVIEWING THE YEAR....

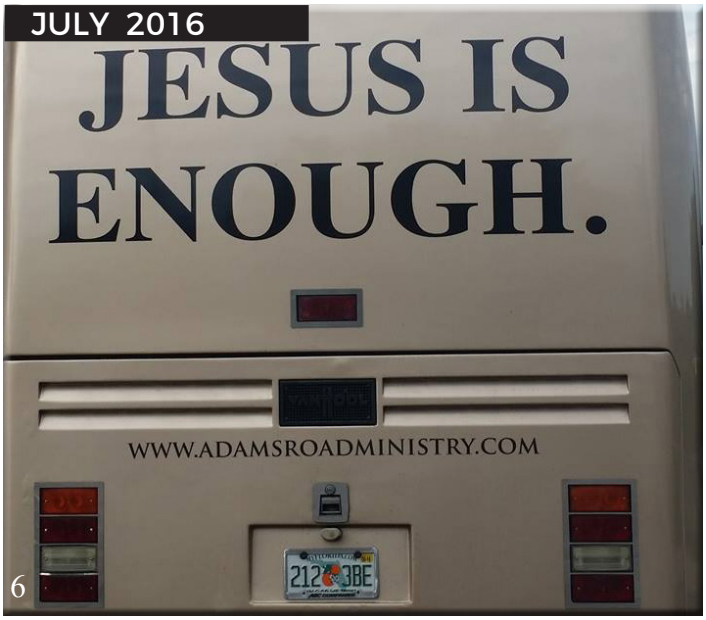
NOVEMBER 2015

DECEMBER 2015

MARCH 2016

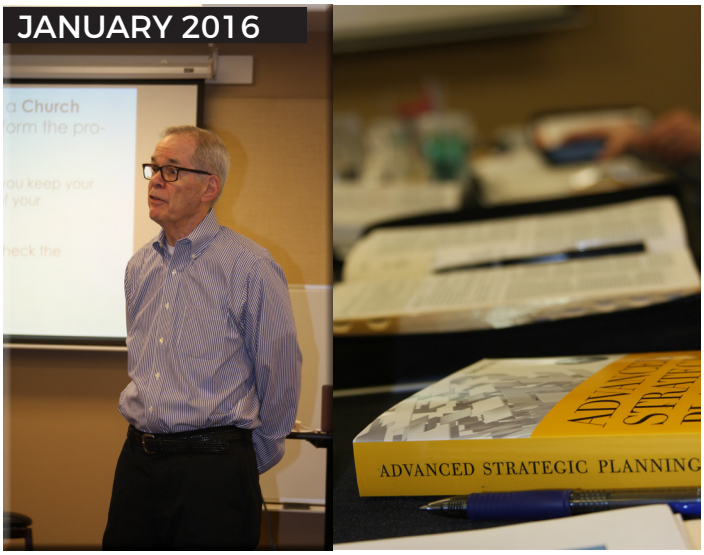
APRIL 2016

JULY 2016



AUGUST 2016

JANUARY 2016



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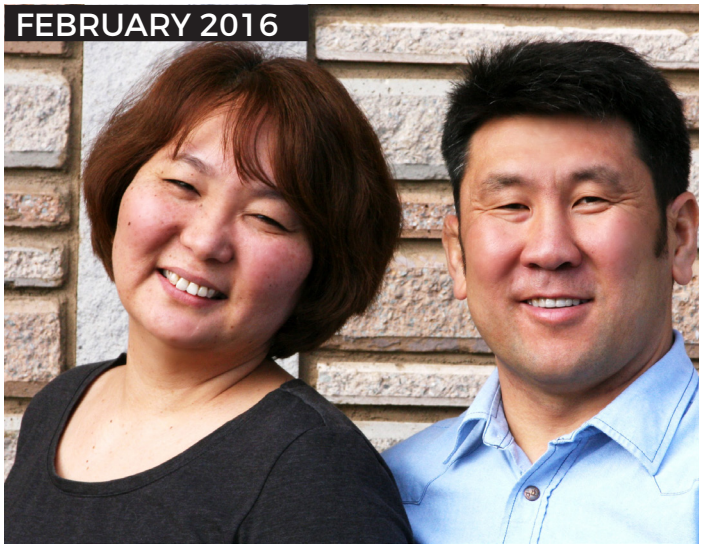


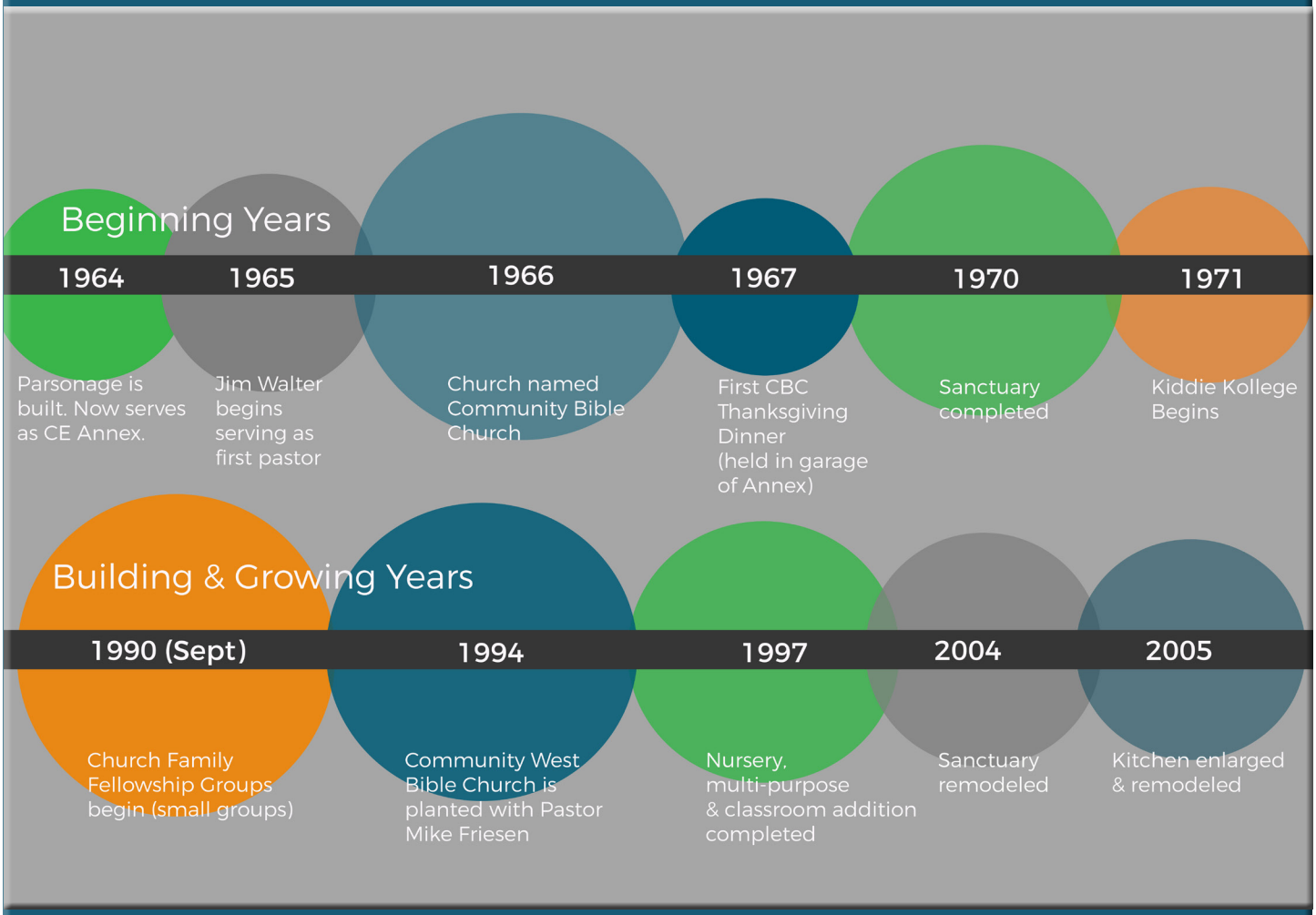
MAY 2016

JUNE 2016

SEPTEMBER 2016

OCTOBER 2016

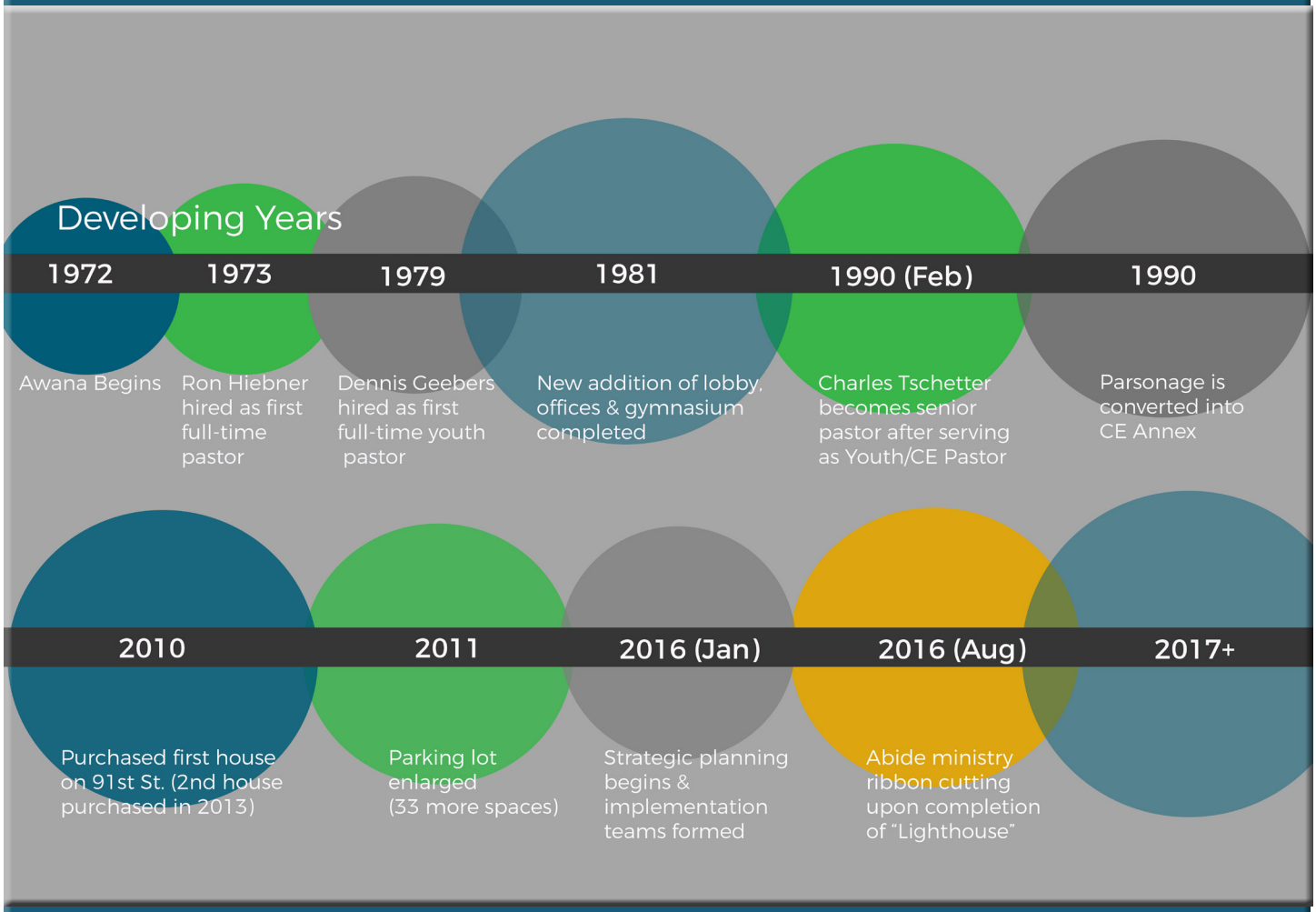
COMMUNITY BIBLE



LEAD PASTORS OF COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

MR. JIM WALTER	1965-1968
DR. HAROLD BURKHOLDER	1968-1972
REV. RON HIEBNER	1972-1975

THROUGH THE YEARS



LEAD PASTORS OF COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

DR. ROGER ANDRUS	1976-1982
REV. DOUG HORNOK	1982-1990
REV. CHARLES TSCHETTER	1990-PRESENT

2016 GLOBAL PARTNERS

Community Bible Church has always had a strong emphasis on world missions. 2016 was no exception. In this 50th year of ministry, CBC supported over 30 full-time missionaries, who are spreading the good news of the Gospel all over the world. In 2016 CBC began supporting a group of Haitian pastors. Desiring to spread God's Word to their native countrymen, these men received teaching and training throughout the year. In addition, in November we commissioned one of our own members, Julie Schmidt, to begin her work in Tanzania with SIM/AIM.

JULIE SCHMIDT COMMISSIONING SERVICE, NOV, 2016

2016 GLOBAL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

ST. VINCENT YOUTH MISSIONS TRIP, JULY 2016

Over the past decade, our high school youth have gone on several short-term mission trips to the island of St Vincent. This ministry continued this summer as twenty students and four adults went to serve the church and community of Diamond Evangelical Church. The team helped to continue the work on a new church building and led a week long Bible club for kids and youth. God used them to serve and encourage the Diamond community and church and to clearly share the Gospel. Perhaps the greatest thing that God did during the week was to bring two individuals into His Kingdom, as a child in the Bible club and also one of our own high school students placed their faith in Christ! This led our group to hold a baptism service in the ocean at the end of the week and nine of our students were baptized. We praise God for the work He did in St Vincent and in the lives of our students!

-Jeremy Wissink
Pastor of Student Ministries

2016 LOCAL PARTNERS

Abide Network

Assure Women's Center

Child Evangelism Fellowship

Fellowship of Evangelical Bible Churches

Good News Jail & Prison

Tri-City Food Pantry

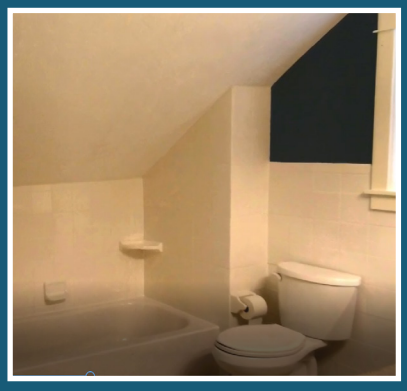
Open Door Mission

Release Ministries

Youth For Christ

2016 LOCAL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY: COMPLETED

IN 2014 our partnership with the Abide Network began with the purchase of an abandoned house in north Omaha. For the next 2 1/2 years, demolition and a complete remodel was done using volunteer labor by the people of CBC. In August, this house became a home to Rob & Samantha and a "Lighthouse" for the neighborhood. We praise the Lord for this completed project, and for the ministry that will take place in the years to come.



2016: STRATEGIC PLANNING

THE MALPHURS GROUP

Beginning January 2016, Dr. Aubrey Malphurs of The Malphurs Group met one weekend a month for six months with 24 members of a Strategic Leadership Team. As they met each month Dr. Malphurs led them through an evaluation and strategic planning process which involved multiple key areas:

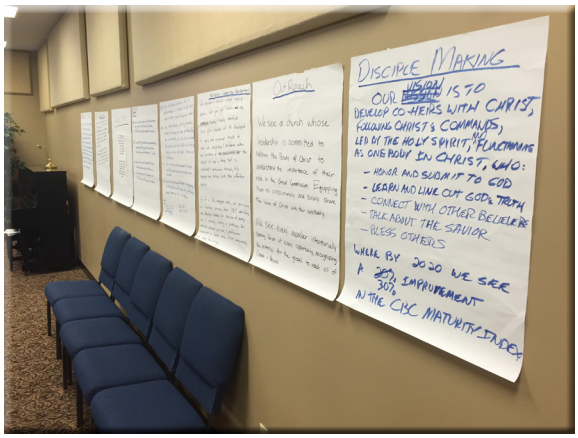
- Mission
- Vision
- Values
- Making Mature Disciples
- Community Outreach/Evangelism
- Leadership Development
- Congregational Vision

This team evaluated the current course of the church using a ministry analysis, and initiated a strategic planning process for our future in light of our newly adopted mission ... "to know Christ intimately and share Him lovingly." The team agreed on five core values that will now be the focus of our ministry: Scripture, Fellowship, Worship, Evangelism and Service.

Implementation "Teams" were formed for several key areas of ministry:

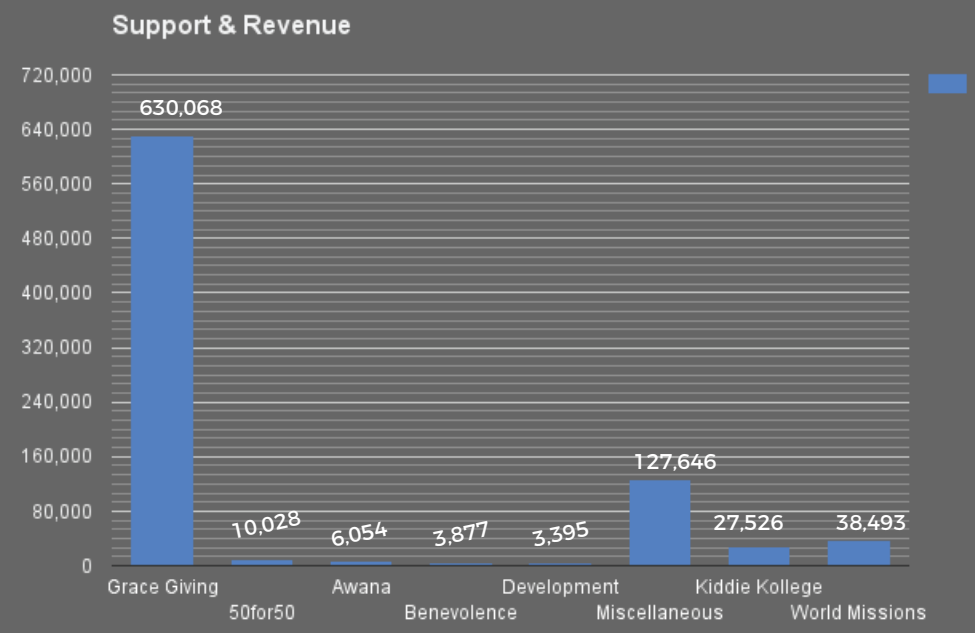
- Prayer Team
- Communication Team
- Staff Team
- Discipleship Team
- Outreach Team
- Finance Team
- Leadership/Mobilization Team
- Facility Team

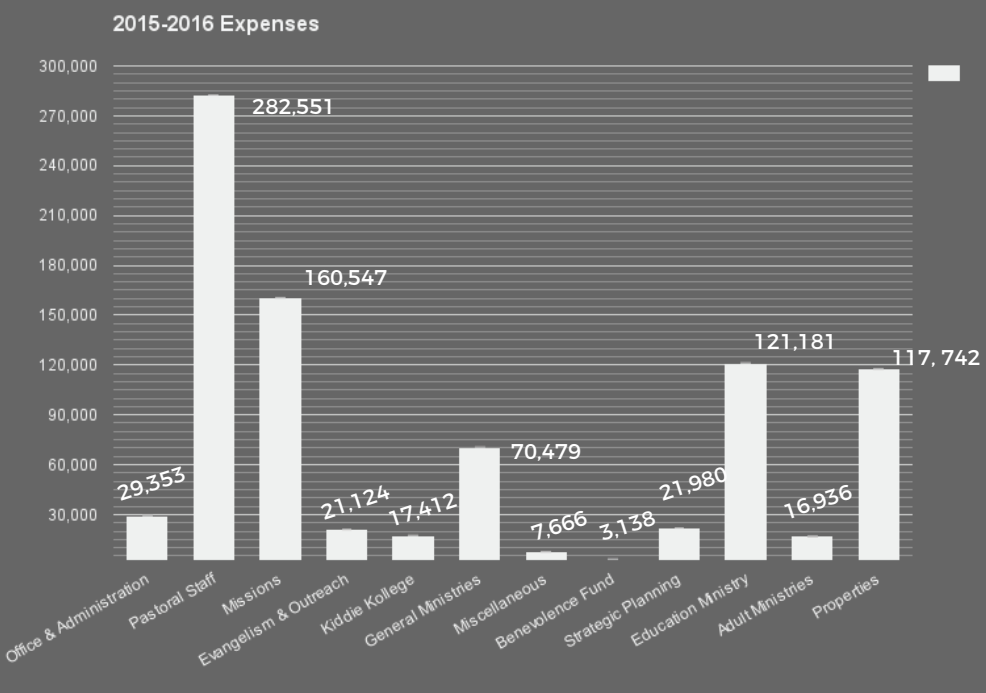
These teams are up and running, some more visibly than others, but all are staffed and functioning at the end of this fiscal year.



STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP
MEETINGS
JANUARY-JUNE 2016

2016: INCOME AND EXPENSES





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