



2019.20 ANNUAL REPORT



COCHRANE
ALLIANCE CHURCH



**WE ENVISION A THRIVING TOWN
SHAPED BY 1000S OF PEOPLE
EXPERIENCING THE TRANSFORMING LOVE OF GOD.**

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**FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR
JASON KOLEBA**

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens....
I have seen the burden God has laid on the human race. He has made everything beautiful
in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom
what God has done from beginning to end.

Ecclesiastes 3

In March 2020, humans beings entered into an unforeseen, difficult and puzzling “time”. People everywhere, rich and poor, have experienced rapid change and a perplexing sense of disorientation. It is impossible, as Ecclesiastes observes, to discern what God is doing. How does this fit in his master plan? How is this season of pandemic and uncertainty beautiful in its time? Despite our inability to get a clear answer, God invites us to seek and trust him (Eccl. 3:14). If he can make something beautiful from a cross and tomb, then he can certainly do something wonderful in “these times”. There is already evidence that he is doing so.

Even before the shared life of our church family was shaken in late winter, God was up to new things. In November, our long-time (and deeply loved!) Pastor of People Care, Larry Charter, retired from full-time ministry. Our leaders launched two new groups– [Bonafide](#) and [Day 6](#) – designed to enable women to grow closer to Jesus and one another. With plans to bring its unique mix of adventure and challenge to Canada, a contingent of women ventured to South Africa to participate in [Arise](#). The newly branded [WING Men](#) continued to grow and press men to live life authentically. God sparked a vision in several our men to take on the Everest-sized challenge of human trafficking. By February, [Freedom 8848](#) was born in Cochrane.

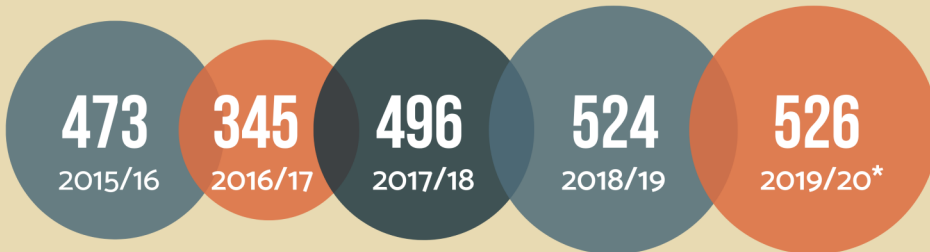
Although our plans took an unexpected detour in March, the Spirit wasn’t caught sleeping! Within a few short weeks of the outbreak, we took our services and ministries online and introduced a brand-new [TV Channel](#). In response to many emerging needs around us, the Community Ambassador Initiative was launched. Dozens of us were recruited and equipped to reach-out practically to those in our church and community. This resulted in everything from grocery delivery, to prayer support to simple human conversations over the phone. In May, we offered [Alpha](#) for the second time in 2020. Hosting Alpha online gave more people access to the course than ever before with participants join from Alberta, the Maritimes, the US and even Central America. A number of those people took significant steps in their spiritual lives leading to our first “socially distant” [Bow River baptisms](#) in June. We praise God for the ten people who took the cold plunge that day. Despite the economic challenges many of us are facing, Cochrane Alliance responded generously to the needs of others facing hardship around the world. Approximately \$12,000 was raised and invested in projects around the world—from the Fort City Flood Response Fund in northern Alberta to food hamper initiatives for Rohingya in SE Asia and Guatemalans in our partner church in San Raymundo.



Although we can’t control or accurately predict what will happen in the “times” ahead, this annual report serves an important purpose for our church community. As we look back at the goodness and faithfulness of God in a uniquely tumultuous year, we can take courage going forward. God is weaving our narrative together according to his good purposes. He will make everything beautiful in its time. May he sustain and encourage us as we continue the adventure.

BY THE NUMBERS

WEEKEND WORSHIP ATTENDANCE



*Weekend worship attendance in person July 2019–March 8, 2020



Online Live Stream Attendance
March 15 - June 28, 2020



83 of these decisions came at
BKC in partnership with BVBC



TV CHANNEL LAUNCH

In December 2019, WorldPlay generously invited our church into a one year pilot project to provide a TV channel for our viewers. This project would give a “Netflix” type platform of a variety of videos and livestreaming to our congregation. The big launch was planned for March 22. With the height of the pandemic upon us, our new TV channel, with its livestreaming and videos, became our primary means of communication to the congregation. Before the TV channel and COVID-19, we rarely shared videos beyond our livestream services. As our TV channel launched, we increased our output to several videos per week, including updates on what was happening in the church overall, JAM kids and youth teaching, updates from international workers, devotionals and more! We praise God for the blessing of our pilot project with WorldPlay during this technology-driven time.



CLICK HERE TO CHECK OUT OUR TV CHANNEL

DIGITAL OVERVIEW



75,837

WEBSITE
PAGE VIEWS



42

AVG. LIVESTREAM
VIEWERS PER WEEK
PRE-COVID-19



474

USERS APRIL 5
LIVESTREAM



20

PODCAST
EPISODES



526

FACEBOOK
FOLLOWERS
(35% INCREASE)



167

INSTAGRAM
FOLLOWERS
(NEW THIS YEAR!)



3,869

TOTAL USERS ON
TV CHANNEL



442

TOTAL VIDEOS ON
DEMAND ON
TV CHANNEL



12,845

TOTAL PLAYS ON
TV CHANNEL

MEET THE KUPERIS FAMILY

We are the Kuperis family: Matt, Sam, Charlotte & Dylan. In the summer of 2018, Charlotte attended Backyard Kids Camp in our neighborhood of Sunset. She came home beaming each day and mid-week announced, "Mom and Dad: I have taken the Lord!". That summer we read The Jesus Storybook Bible that she brought home from camp, and after a many questions about church and great perseverance on Charlotte's part we attended our first church service for the kids Christmas concert. We said we would commit to going for a month to see what the kids thought of Sunday school. We were blown away by how much we loved being at church, learning about the ways God works in our lives, and the way the sermons made us think outside of ourselves and look at others and the world. In the coming year our faith grew and we participated in the Marriage Workshop, Wingmen, Life on the Balcony, the Alpha Course and Bonafide. In the spring of 2020 we dedicated our kids to God and were both baptized in the Bow River. We are so thankful for Cochrane Alliance for introducing us to Jesus, helping us grow a personal relationship with him, and forever changing the trajectory of our lives.



WATCH
MATT & SAM'S
BAPTISM
TESTIMONY



Matt, Sam, Charlotte & Dylan

Dear God, Please help
me be like you. You are
very important in my
life. please help me love like
you. Will you help my family live?
I love you so much. in Jesus' name,
Amen.

Charlotte's first entry in her prayer journal (age 7)

COVID-19 RESPONSE

When the coronavirus caused everything to shut down this spring, a team at The Crossing at Ghost River decided to use their talents, time and energy to supply meals to people in need. The Crossing at Ghost River held 2 fundraisers to purchase supplies, then Doug Ghanam, Executive Chef and his team got to work making meals. Doug connected with Kristen from FCSS to partner with churches including ours to distribute meals. Since Easter, they have delivered over 600 meals that we've been able to pass on to people in our congregation and our community. These meals have been a big blessing to the recipients and they are grateful to Doug and his crew for offering their time and talents to bless others.



Here's what some of our recipients are saying:

My husband and I had the blessing of delivering meals to a Chinese family who were under a lot of stress from a move and the arrival of another baby. The family was very thankful for the meals and said they were so tasty! This is a very beautiful service offered and given in Christ's Name and we know God will richly bless Doug, the chef, and others involved in making this happen. Thank you very much.. - K.

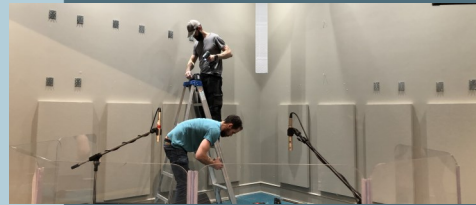
A special thank you for the delicious, super-sized meals that I have received through Cochrane Alliance Church recently. They have made my life so much easier. Thank you to the church for this practical service, and to the kind gentleman who has done all the work of preparing the food, freezing it, and then bringing it to the church. God bless everyone who has a part in this ministry. - E.

Thank you so much Doug for the delicious meals that you provided during this difficult time. They were so greatly appreciated. Being a stay at home single mom of special needs children, having the stress of what we were going to eat taken off of my plate for a time was such a blessing. - R.

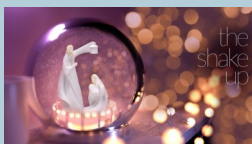
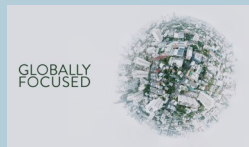
WORSHIP MINISTRY

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM PASTOR RANDALL

There were some really exciting things that God did this past ministry year and some difficult things that came our way. A highlight for the Worship Department was our “After His Heart” worship conference in November. Ryan Iverson came and challenged us to return to our first love and love God in reckless abandonment. The first week of January we spent in prayer as a church and ended with an evening of prayer and worship. It was great to see so many engaged in what God is doing. In February, we hosted Burn 24/7 with an evening of four hours of continuous worship. It was a great night with over 100 people in attendance and God met us in an incredible and tangible way. Then in March, COVID-19 hit. This was an incredibly difficult time for everyone and for our worship department. It was a time that the Lord stretched us in many new ways and we learned how to run a TV studio from March through June. We also did several improvements in sound and tech including the installation of 40 sound panels. Thank you all for your patience, support, and encouragement during this time.



2019-2020 SERMON SERIES



TOP 5 SONGS

MOST FREQUENTLY
SUNG THIS YEAR

1. He is Faithful
2. Build My Life
3. Unto Your Name
4. Behold the Lamb
5. Here for You



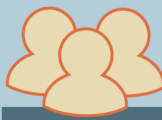
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NEW SONGS
INTRODUCED



16

SERVING
EACH WEEK



70

WORSHIP TEAM
MEMBERS



4

WORSHIP
NIGHTS

SPECIAL SERVICE ATTENDANCE



629

JOINT SERVICE
WITH BVBC



800

PANCAKE
BREAKFAST



915

CHRISTMAS
EVE



393

EASTER
ONLINE USERS

MEET ROBYN & REBECCA

Robyn Eeles has enjoyed being part of the worship department over the last year and she has been able to find a community that to connect with. The "After His Heart" Worship Conference in November really impacted her heart for worship and the Lord. Robyn learned that worship is not about us or just an emotional reponse. God is worthy of our worship regardless of how we feel. She has felt blessed by being able to minister in this way.

Rebecca Capeling has been blessed this past year by our heart as a church to go after unreserved worship. She has thoroughly enjoyed worshipping as a church together at the worship conference and the Burn Worship night. Our worship nights have been great to experiment in our worship and try new ways to express ourselves to God. Rebecca loves seeing how God is moving and leading us and bringing us closer to his heart.



WATCH
ROBYN



WATCH
REBECCA

JAM KIDS MINISTRY

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM PASTOR DONNA

JAM Kids Ministry is deeply invested in developing kids spiritually. JAM Sundays are a time when kids participate in community, learn God's word, and are challenged to apply what they learn. Our faithful team of JAM volunteers care for kids and share the love of Jesus. Our prayer is that JAM will be a place where kids will discover Jesus.

Sharing Christ with our community is a high value we embrace through Backyard Kids Camp and Soccer Camp. 2019 was a stellar year for both programs. 83 kids made their first steps to Christ at BKC. At Soccer Camp kids left with new friends, new skills and new learning about what it means to follow Jesus.

This year we enjoyed some great family events. Our Christmas Kids Production "Born is the King" was a highlight for family and friends followed by an interactive Bethlehem Experience journeying through the sights and sounds of Bethlehem. Leading up to Easter, families participated in an "Exodus Adventure" culminating with 'Take-Out Seder Meals'...a quarantine family friendly event. It was a very meaningful experience for many.

The last few months of our church year, during the pandemic, 'JAM Family Church' has been largely a parent-led experience. Families have engaged in JAM Family Church videos, challenges and events. It has been a fantastic opportunity for kids and parents to participate together in learning, activity and conversation. How wonderful to support families as they spiritually lead their kids!



AVG. JAM SUNDAY
ATTENDANCE



CHILD
DEDICATIONS



JAM VIDEOS
PRODUCED



SEDER KITS
DISTRIBUTED

Born is the King



Bethlehem Experience



Seder Meal Live Stream



Social Distance Child Dedication

Melanie is a wife to Phil and mom to 4 children. They have been an active part of our church for 6 years. Melanie and Phil are passionate about passing on their faith to their kids. Melanie shares about the importance of spiritually parenting....in her words, the “mission of motherhood”. She identifies the influence of church and school as significant, and the value of relationship as her kids “see people live out their faith”. What a great privilege and joy it is for JAM Kids and our church community to come alongside kids and support families in their spiritual development.

MEET MELANIE HANNAH



WATCH MELANIE'S
INTERVIEW

YOUTH MINISTRY

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM PASTOR JASON

God is on the move! We are seeing his goodness and transforming power at work in the lives of youth. Let me share a few ways we have seen this. We had a strong start to the fall 2019. Some weeks, we were seeing 55 youth engage with us on Wednesday nights. It is encouraging to see new youth coming and participating with us. The youth ministry is building a strong community that is supporting one another and reaching out.

One of the most exciting things is that we are seeing youth take more leadership in the ministry. One of the highest values of this generation is that they want to be contributors not consumers. We saw this in a few ways; a youth team planned and led the majority of our Friday events, 2 missional communities (one for junior high girls and one for senior high boys) were started and led fully by youth and we also saw youth leading the teaching on Wednesday nights. The other exciting youth led ministry was an online Alpha group. Youth from our church collaborated with youth from Bow Valley Baptist to run an online youth Alpha that saw anywhere from 15-25 participate on a weekly basis.

As always, it was a highlight to bring a team of youth and leaders to Guatemala. We so value our relationship with Pastor Victor and the Jesus Viene Church. Our team taught in the school, delivered food hampers, ran a soccer tournament, and helped with other projects in the school. The real highlight though was the work God did in our team. During our trip, the team shared openly and honestly with another as they shared testimonies. Through this, deep bonds were formed and God changed hearts and lives. The highlight on our team was when one team member gave her life to Christ on the trip!



MEET JOCELYN HAYES

Knowing that many seniors were feeling isolated and alone in April, our youth made it a goal to send encouragement cards to the seniors within our church. Many of our seniors pray continually for our youth and so we wanted to “flip the script” and pray for the seniors. Youth each took the name of one senior and they wrote them a card including words of encouragement, a prayer and some scripture. 54 cards were sent out in the month of April and many seniors responding with thankfulness and gratitude. Click to watch Jocelyn sharing about a neat relationship that formed between her and the senior to whom she sent an encouragement card.



Doris & Jocelyn



WATCH
JOCELYN'S
STORY



25

PRETEENS
ATTENDING
MOMENTUM



22

YOUTH DOING
YOUVERSION BIBLE
READING PLAN



26

HOURS OF DOING
YOUTH VIA ZOOM
THIS SPRING



4

YOUTH-LED
SERVING INITIATIVES
DURING PANDEMIC



54

ENCOURAGEMENT
CARDS SENT TO
SENIORS IN APRIL



23

TEAM MEMBERS
GUATEMALA YOUTH
MISSIONS TRIP

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM PASTOR MIKE

- Alpha has exploded for us this year! With the help of 18 volunteers, we ran Alpha three ways: At two different sites in the winter and online in the spring. In total, 61 people registered, and 8 people became followers of Jesus.
- There were a ton of opportunities for women to connect and grow in their faith this year. Two highlights were the launch of Bonafide on Thursday mornings and Day 6 on Wednesday evenings. In total an average of 36 women gathered weekly to help each other grow.
- Every Tuesday, an average of 25 men gathered at WING Men to challenge and encourage each other.
- Many groups and ministries did the hard work of converting their gatherings to online after the quarantine began including a number of Life Groups, Bonafide, WING Men, and Day 6! A big thanks goes out to the many leaders who worked hard to continue a sense of connection and community through trying times.
- One of the most encouraging developments of the year was our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our Community Ambassadors Initiative mobilized almost 90 volunteers from three different churches and the wider community to regularly check in on approximately 360 neighbourhood households. Thank you Cochrane Alliance Church for stepping up to love your neighbours! Ambassadors have made over 700 support calls to neighbours in Cochrane.

Did you know that trafficking is the fastest growing crime in the world? Freedom 8848, launched in February, is committed to bringing awareness and funds to those who are in real danger to be groomed and trafficked or to those who need rescue and restoration from sex trafficking situations.

This August, several teams will be climbing the equivalent of Mount Everest: 8848 metres over the course of 3 days. These teams are being sponsored by people like you who want to fight trafficking. Freedom 8848 has three pillars for fighting sex trafficking: Prevention, Rescue and Restoration; all funds raised will go directly to three organizations that specifically target these purposes. Please visit freedom8848.com to find out more.



WATCH MORE
FREEDOM 8848

MEET IAN & KIM MCCULLOCH

KIM'S PERSPECTIVE ON ALPHA: TOUCHING THE HEM OF HIS GARMENT

As person who accepted Jesus as a child and mostly in the church since those early years, I have never seen such a gracious way of presenting the Gospel. There is an excitement and confidence in me to know of this safe place that I can invite someone where God will be presented in a logical and kind manner. I've experience a compassion for someone I wouldn't have thought to connect with, a glimpse of hope proclaimed by people who had none, connections made, vulnerability expressed, teamwork displayed, and new friendships pursued. There are opportunities to serve as well as be disciplined through the program. Alpha challenges you to listen to others and let its message stand alone as God moves through His Spirit. Serving with Alpha has given me an opportunity to show love and receive a greater love for God and others and a confidence in this



God I chose as a child. God has done great things and is continuing His work – I'm privileged to be His and to be included in what He is doing.



WATCH AN
INTERVIEW WITH
IAN & KIM



24

LIFE GROUPS
LED BY 40 PEOPLE



95

ATTENDED 4 EVENTS
TO GROW
SPIRITUALLY



95

ALPHA
PARTICIPANTS



700

SUPPORT CALLS
MADE BY
AMBASSADORS

CARE MINISTRY

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM PASTOR LARRY

- Freedom Session ministry saw 7 participants, 3 facilitators and 2 co-facilitators complete the 28 week course.
- This past year 5 couples were trained in our Marriage Mentor ministry. Each of these couples are now mentoring five other couples.
- Grief Share ministry saw 10 people attend our 13 week course as they worked through loss in their life.
- I stepped into semi-retirement as of October 30, 2019.
- Our Easter Parade Walk-By saw 60 people from our church bring greetings to residents of three local long term care facilities. Families brought homemade posters to show at the windows. Residents at Bethany Care Centre, Points West Living and Big Hill Lodge were thrilled to be remembered on Easter Weekend during the pandemic this spring.



Easter Parade Walk-By



58

COUNSELLING
SESSIONS



800

PANCAKES SERVED AT
PANCAKE BREAKFAST



15

HOSPITAL
PHONE VISITS



14

CHAPEL SERVICES
AT 3 COCHRANE
CARE FACILITIES

MEET JON & DANELLE SCHWAB

We sought out Marriage Mentorship with the intention of meeting with another couple who was further down the road than us in terms of stage of life, who would challenge us to grow in our marriage and help us to make our marriage a priority. We wanted to meet with a couple who we respected, who loved each other well and who we looked up to. When we initiated this, the purpose was really to grow and strengthen our marriage and to do things that would help us individually as well as together as a couple. We had a few weak areas we hoped to work at but also really wanted to strive towards having a strong and healthy marriage. By no means was our relationship perfect, but we didn't see any major problem areas.

Over this past year, this mentorship has really helped us to be intentional about investing time into our relationship. It also helped us not to just be content and coast in our marriage but to strive towards greater intimacy like God intended marriage to be. It was also a place not just to discuss failures and weaknesses in our relationships, but also helped us find ways to appreciate one another, to celebrate things that we have done well, to compliment our spouse and to encourage and build each other up. The material provided a framework for conversation and helped us to explore issues that we wouldn't normally talk about and also gave helpful ways to grow in each of those areas. One big advantage of Mentorship is the wisdom and life experience that the other couple brings. When we met and started to discuss some of the topics either in the book or even just real life stuff that was going on, it was so refreshing to hear from someone who had already been through something like that and were on the other side of it. They were able to impart wisdom from their experiences and from their personal relationship with God and that has been invaluable. It also has really helped to build our faith. As we are able to share experiences both ways, we are able to see the many ways that God works and that has been powerful. It has helped to give us perspective on areas we need to work on, what we need to strive for, things to worry about or not and has been a safe place for us to ask questions.

On a more personal note, Marriage Mentorship has been life-giving and a source of hope for us over this past year. Marriage isn't always easy and we don't always do things perfectly. We have been working through a very hard season in life in a number of areas this year and recently encountered some struggles in our marriage. The very first people we reached out to was our mentors and they have been closely journeying with us and helping us navigate our struggles. This couple has become part of our life and our family and they have provided an invaluable network of support, love and encouragement. They are able to challenge us, encourage us, remind us of truth, hold us accountable, be a listening ear, share their own struggles and experiences, pray for us, love us and they constantly point us back to Christ. Even in the struggles, there is grace, love and forgiveness and working through these struggles helps to bring us closer to true intimacy the way God intended. God has a plan and purpose for us and for our marriage. It isn't always easy and it can take a lot of hard work, but I'm so glad we have mentors who are walking alongside us.



WATCH
THEIR
STORY

GLOBAL MINISTRY



GUATEMALA YOUTH MISSIONS TRIP

For ten years, we have partnered with Jesus Viene Church in San Raymundo, Guatemala. Together, we have build a school from the ground up. In February 2020, a team of 23 youth & leaders served in the school teaching English and Bible lessons.

EMERGENCY RELIEF RESPONSE

Since the emergence of the pandemic, there has been no shortage of opportunities to “love our neighbour” globally. To date, you have contributed approx. \$12,000 towards Rohingya food hampers in SE Asia, flood response of Fort City Church in Fort McMurray, and food hampers for Jesus Viene Church in San Raymundo, Guatemala. Thank you for your generous support above and beyond your regular donations! There will be other opportunities to share God’s love in tangible ways in the future. We might live in uncertain times, but we can be certain that God is blessed when we serve those less fortunate.

GLOBAL ADVANCE FUND

\$ 64,520

Alliance workers are actively reaching out to the least-reached people groups around the globe. When you give to the Global Advance Fund, you are directly providing for our international workers.

GENERAL FUND

\$ 57,456

The local church also supports missionaries and churches in Canada and around the globe (see below). When you give to the General Fund, you are also supporting missions.

- Jesus Viene Church in Guatemala
- Seamless Link Agreement in SE Asia
- Oasis Church in Quebec
- Local Missions Partners

\$17,500

\$12,000

\$ 5,000

\$22,956

\$121,976

TOTAL GLOBAL INVESTMENT

MEET TWO OF OUR LOCAL MISSIONS PARTNERS



COLIN & SHELBY GILMORE

SERVING WITH
AFRICA INLAND MISSION

Being part of Cochrane Alliance Church means that our family knows that we are not alone. While we are doing our ministry or preparing for our work overseas, we know that we are being prayerfully held up by people that love us and care for us. Our family knows that, financially, we have people that want to see our family grow the Kingdom of God and grow in the Kingdom of God. We are so thankful to Cochrane Alliance Church for taking us in, allowing us time to grow and connect, and then sending us out to serve and continue to grow and connect! Thank you for loving our family and supporting us both in prayer and finances!

When we came back to Canada after working in Bangladesh with SIM, we were very glad to find Cochrane Alliance Church, who welcomed us and our three sons 1993. Seven years later, when we joined International Students Ministry of Canada (ISMC), the church supported us financially and prayerfully. Year after year, many people at Cochrane Alliance Church have opened their hearts and homes to international students through the Friendship Partner Program (now called Home Away from Home) as well as donating furniture for students and even hosting larger student gatherings. On top of that the Seniors' Group provided a full meal yearly for the FOCUS Club student gatherings. To tell you the truth we both felt so proud of our church and your generosity.

ISMC is a mission that seeks serve and empower international students to impact the world that has come to us. Its an amazing opportunity for us as followers of Jesus and churches to do just that in both small and big ways. We now serve as semi-retired as Bruce is over 80 and also legally blind, but God is still giving us some amazing opportunities.



BRUCE & KERSTIN LITTLEJOHN

SERVING WITH
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
MINISTRY OF CANADA

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD OF ELDERS

I would first like to thank all of the Elders – Doyle Peterson (vice-chair), John Wicker (secretary), Blaine Ellerby (treasurer), Steve Gross, Simon Ongom, Brad Smith, Jon Wilcox, and Jason Koleba. I want to extend a warm welcome to our new members and a thank you to our congregation who continue to support each other during the ongoing pandemic and generously give financially to further the kingdom work.

This year we balanced providing direction, and caring for our staff, congregation and community amongst the unexpected challenges. We took a look at implementing best practices for church boards and our governance committee worked on updating some of our policies and bylaws. We studied the Holy Spirit, heard reports on the church ministries and prayed for spiritual renewal in our church community. We

continually seek to use our resources wisely and effectively. We enjoyed gathering the staff, board and spouses together in January to fellowship and provide strategic direction. In March, we assisted the staff in pivoting that strategic direction to carry out our priorities:

gathering, serving, and growing in light of the new social distancing realities. We helped form the Community Ambassadors Initiative and determined how we would continue as the church with things like communion, baptisms, and caring for those in need.

JON SCHWAB

CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF ELDERS



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE TREASURER

When I look back to last year's report, I used the word "memorable", and I talked about "answering His call". A year ago, I had no idea we'd be sitting in this current situation we find ourselves in right now but those same words still ring true.

Living in the midst of a worldwide pandemic. Has been memorable! With job loss and reduction of hours for many, the Board of Elders & Finance Committee made plans for a significant impact to the church financial bottom line. But as the fiscal year progressed, God's people continued to give faithfully, to a point where we even had a small surplus at the end of the 2019 - 2020 fiscal year!

As the Board of Elders and Finance Committee prepared to "batten down the hatches" per se, the call went out to pray for financial stability and sustainability, and prayerfully contribute if you are able - and give you did! God's faithful people answered His call. On behalf of the Board of Elders and Finance Committee THANK YOU again

for such faithful giving. Without you, we could never carry on ministry in our town.

When the pandemic hit, the Western Canadian District of the C&MA graciously granted our request to decrease our monthly mortgage payments. Our \$20,000 monthly payment was reduced to approximately \$6,000 from April to August 2020. Currently our outstanding mortgage balance is \$2,356,304. The Built to Build fund raised \$189,676 over the last year.

The Board of Elders has approved a 2020 - 2021 operating budget (General Fund) of \$901,198, which represents approximately a 5% reduction from 2019 - 2020.

In closing, thank you for how you contribute and uphold ministry goals, desires, and keep the lights on through your giving.

**BLAINE
ELLERBY**

TREASURER
BOARD OF ELDERS



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

GENERAL FUND

2018-19

\$903,073
INCOME

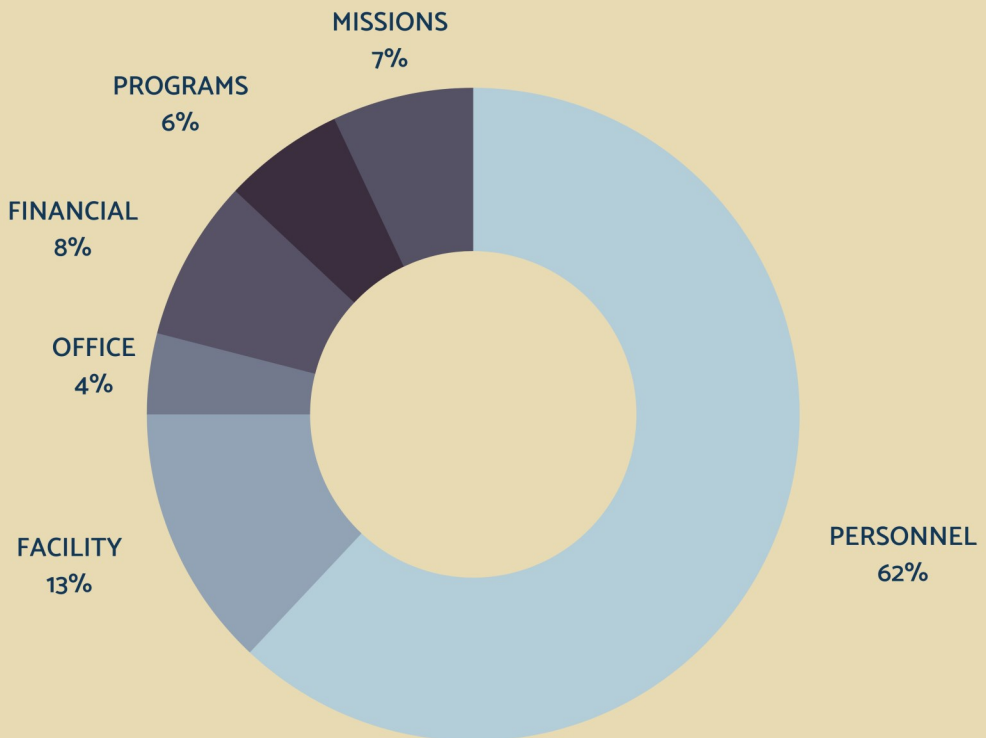
\$903,909
EXPENSES

2019-20

\$969,107
INCOME

\$897,952
EXPENSES

2019-20 GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES



BUILDING LOAN

\$189,676

BUILT TO BUILD
INCOME

\$101,895

PRINCIPAL
REPAYMENTS

\$97,105

INTEREST
PAYMENTS

BENEVOLENT FUND

The Benevolent Fund is used to help people in need
in our church and the community.

\$14,241

TOTAL
DISBURSEMENTS

RENTAL REVENUE

\$31,392

TOTAL
INCOME

37

SINGLE TIME
RENTERS

16

MULTIPLE TIME
RENTERS

121

TOTAL RENTAL
UNITS

Detailed financial statements & proposed budget are available in the supplemental report.

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