



COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
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A LETTER FROM PASTOR TSCHETTER



The older you get the faster the years go by. At least that's the way it seems. I suppose the clock is ticking at the same rate as always, but from my perspective 2017 has hurriedly come and gone.

The Apostle Paul wrote to the church in Ephesus of the importance of "making the most of your time, because the days are evil." Fifty-one years have flowed under the bridge of time at CBC. We will never be able to relive those days. We can only wisely use the days before us.

In my thinking, this past year has been a foundational year for us, laying the groundwork for future ministry. Primarily that has come through the call of Pastor Seth and Pastor Tim to serve on staff. Along with all our pastoral staff, they have been charged with the task of equipping the saints for the work of service (Eph 4.12). Certainly, two key areas in the life of the church are corporate worship and discipleship ... these important aspects of church life will receive special attention this year. They are incorporated into our five ministry essentials ... Scripture, worship, evangelism, fellowship and service.

I look forward to 2018 and the opportunities, challenges and changes it will bring. My prayer is that we will be wise stewards of the time the Lord gives us.

CHARLES TSCHETTER
LEAD PASTOR

BOARD OF ELDERS



JOHN TAULBORG



HOMER LEICHLITER



JEREMY WISSINK



JASON LEHR



JEREMY HASELHORST



JAMES KOPSA



DENNIS DICK



CHARLES TSCHETTER



MEL FRIESEN



KEITH STRASSER



JEROME WENDT

"Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task..."

MINISTERS: EVERYONE



"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."

CHURCH STAFF

PICTURED FROM LEFT: CHARLES TSCHETTER (LEAD PASTOR), TIM GALLEGOS (PASTOR OF MUSIC & WORSHIP), JEREMY WISSINK (PASTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRIES) SETH GHEEN (PASTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP) LAVERN SMITH (PASTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE)

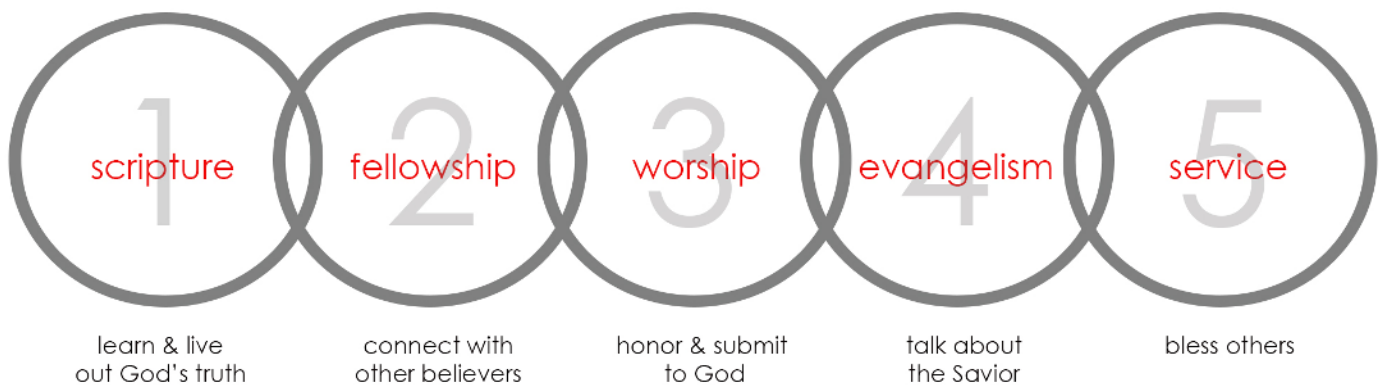
BOTTOM: MARILYNN LESTER (DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES), RENEE CALVIN (OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR)



OUR MISSION

to
KNOW **CHRIST**
INTIMATELY &
share **HIM**
lovingly

OUR CORE VALUES



A LOOK BACK



November 2016: CBC celebrates 50 years

January: New website is launched

March: New Information Center is constructed

July: High Power Sports Camp

October: Seth Gheen hired as Pastor of Discipleship

Tim Gallegos hired as Pastor of Music & Worship

Martin Luther helps us celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation

HIGH POWER sports camp!

JULY 24 -28

NEW FOR 2017. RETURNING IN 2018!

"The week was electrifying! The music was upbeat and memorable, the sports activities were lively!"

We had 77 children attend our first ever sports camp, with 22 leaders in various capacities. The most exciting number of the week was 16....the number of children who indicated they had placed their faith in Jesus Christ!

High Power Sports Camp will return in June of 2018. We are already excited and looking forward to what the Lord will do at camp this year.

To God Be the Glory!

A LOOK AT THE FUTURE

In August, Pastor Tschetter wrote to the church family, "finding the appropriate person to serve as the discipleship pastor has been a priority of ours for quite some time." So it was with much excitement that Seth Gheen was announced as the candidate for the position of Pastor of Discipleship.

Seth was overwhelmingly approved by the congregation, and began his ministry at CBC October 1, 2017.

In that same letter, Pastor Tschetter stated that the elders had been exploring the possibility of Tim Gallegos candidating for the position of Pastor of Music & Worship.

Tim's candidating resulted in the congregation's voting to call him to that position, which he began on October 15, 2017. We praise the Lord for His providence and perfect timing in bringing Seth and Tim to CBC.



I am looking forward to developing the music and worship ministry of Community Bible Church. Many of you may not know that I am working with the youth to develop correct ways to view and execute worship. I am anxious to incorporate more of our youth into the worship service so they can not only be involved in the church, but also be able to experience serving God in this area.

"worship is not strictly music..."

Worship is not strictly music. It encompasses a wide range of expressions and therefore I'm excited to start implementing some different activities into our worship services that will enhance both our understanding of God and our worship of Him. In addition, I want to grow our worship teams to be able to involve more people. It would be exciting to have full bands every Sunday with some special instrument playing along. My main goal though, looking to the future, is to continue the legacy of producing theologically sound worship services.



"God has good things in store for us this upcoming year!"

Community Bible Church is on an exciting path for this upcoming year. Fundamental to fulfilling our core values is an increased emphasis on discipleship. Effective discipleship demands that Christians have sincere relationships with one another, and one of the absolute best ways to help these relationships form is through small groups. Therefore, much of my focus in 2018 will be recruiting small group leaders, providing leadership training, and launching small groups as a church-wide ministry.

Small groups are a powerful tool because they become the arena in which we communally study God's Word, share our lives, and experience the kind of fellowship that brings about spiritual growth. Small groups are the place where newer or less mature believers receive mentorship and training, and the more spiritually mature Christians take up their rightful position as leaders and disciple-makers. God has good things in store for us this upcoming year! My prayer is that we move forward boldly and decisively as we enter deeper levels of spiritual growth.

-Seth Gheen

-Tim Gallegos

A LOOK AT THE WORLD



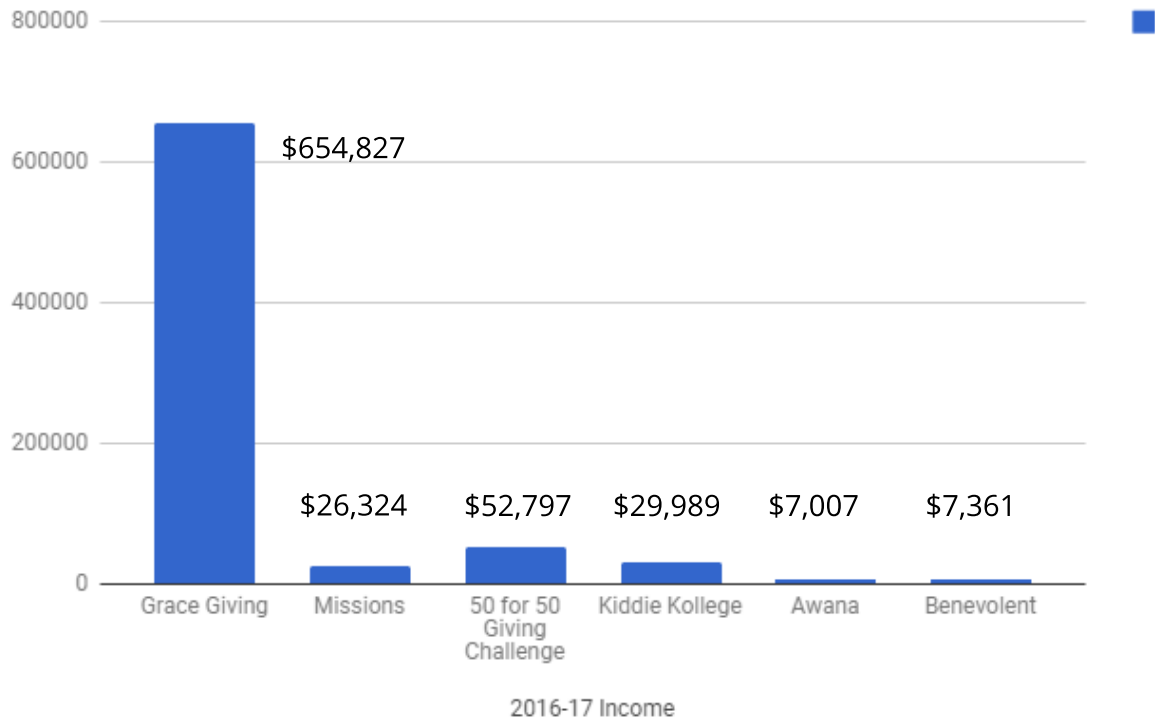
Friends and neighbors of CBC Global Partner, Julie Schmidt

Community Bible Church has a long history of emphasizing the importance of reaching the lost through World Missions. We support over 30 full-time missionaries, who are spreading the good news of the Gospel on nearly every continent of the world.

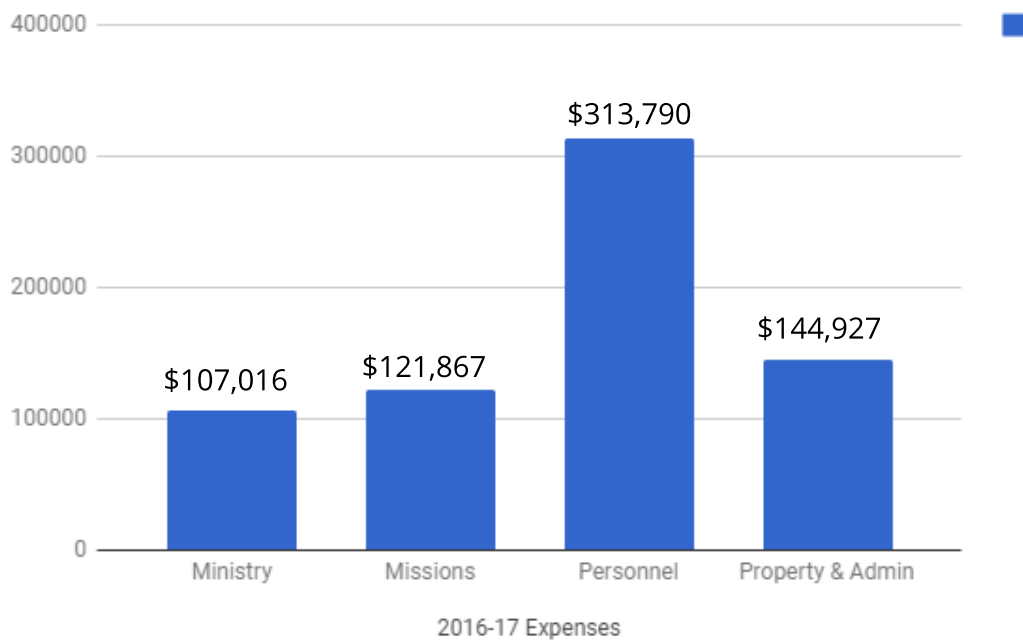
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| Cristy Hofer | Malaga, Spain |
| Alicia Homeyer | The Netherlands |
| Sonjek & Elsa Kukeev | Kalmykia, Russia |
| Gretchen Larsen | Bolivia |
| Don & Nancy Rempel | Canada |
| Julie Schmidt | Tanzania |
| Steve & Mikki Schmidt | Niger |
| Ron & Donna Schumacher | The Philippines |
| Sam & Tawnya Smith | Westboro, Wisconsin |
| Lee & Michelle Sonius | Ghana |
| Ken & Lori Stucky | Brazil |
| Brynden Wiens | Alaska |
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| African Pastors | Tanzania |

A LOOK AT FINANCES

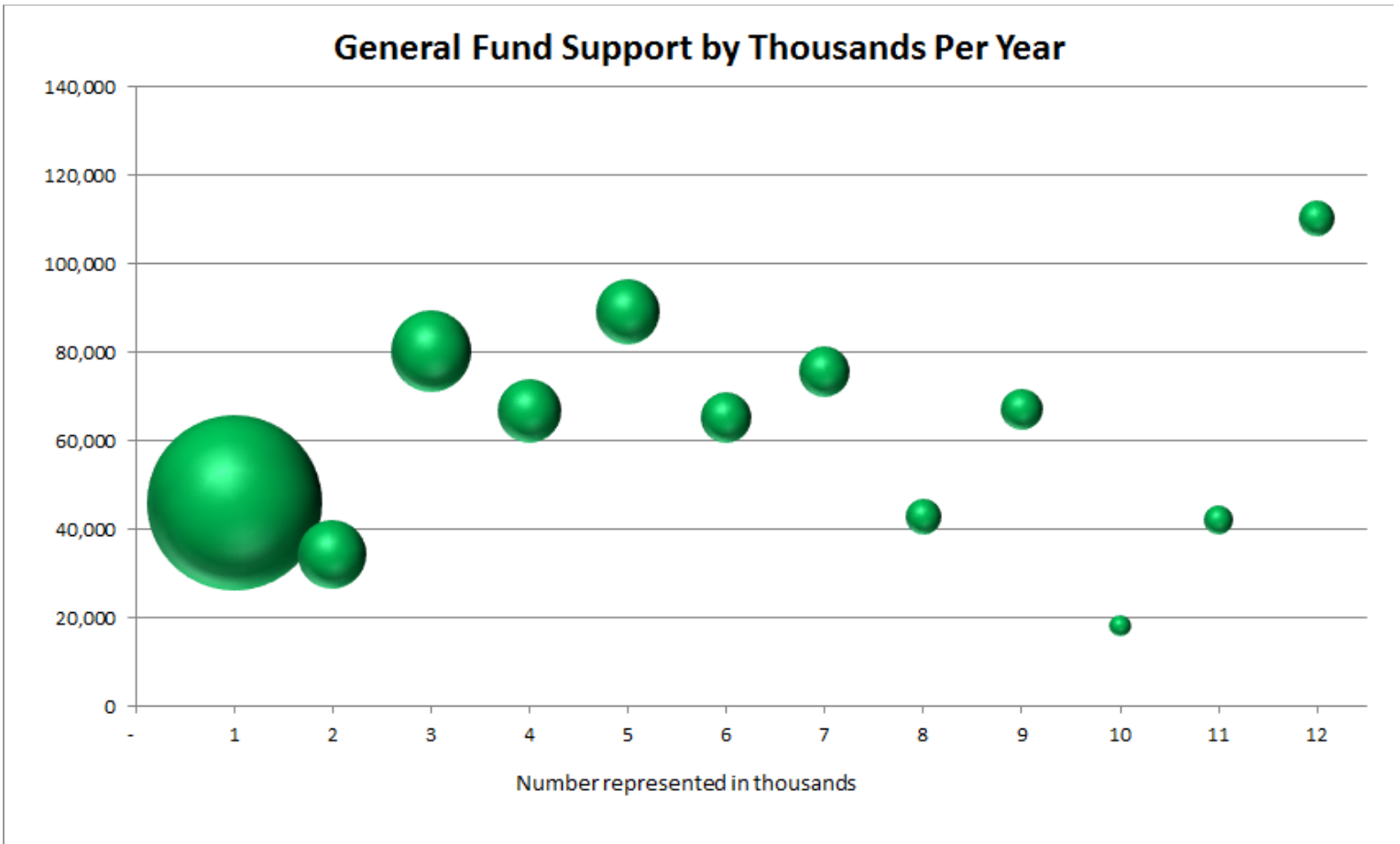
2016-2017 INCOME



2016-2017 EXPENSES



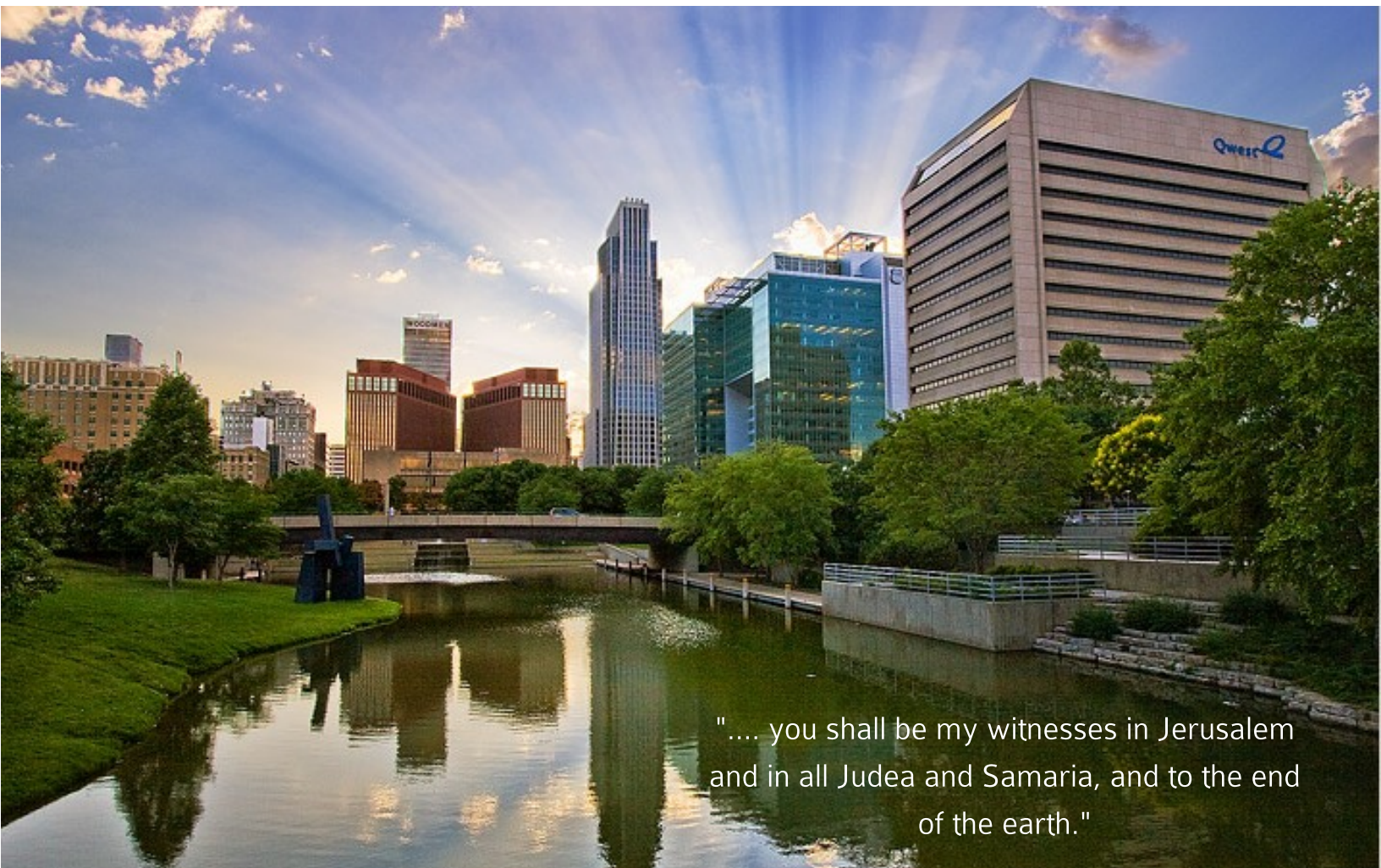
A LOOK AT GIVING



Annual Giving Amt	# Giving Units	Total \$\$
Under 1K	153	45,916
1K to 2K	23	34,208
2K to 3K	32	80,248
3K to 4K	19	66,709
4K to 5K	20	89,019
5K to 6K	12	65,130
6K to 7K	12	75,475
7K to 8K	6	42,985
8K to 9K	8	67,016
9K to 10K	2	18,100
10K to 11K	4	42,040
Over 11K	6	110,010
	<u>297</u>	

Bubble size indicates the number of donors in a category. The horizontal position of each bubble indicates the annual giving per giving unit. The vertical center point indicates the total given by those in that category.

For example, the first bubble is large with 153 giving units. The horizontal position means those donors each gave from \$0 to \$1,000 in the year. The vertical position indicates that these donors collectively gave a total of \$45,916.



".... you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem
and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end
of the earth."



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