



# Annual Report of the Congregation 2017

Annual Report respectfully compiled,  
Tai McGee, Office Manager  
January 2018

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## **PCBW Mission Statement**

We are a community of people,  
from every walk of life  
and every part of the country,  
called together through the love of God  
and the grace of Jesus Christ.

Through the enabling of the Holy Spirit  
we are pursuing the purpose of  
making disciples  
in authentic community  
for the sake of the world.

## Pastor's Annual Report 2017

Dear PCBW Family,

*God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.. (2 Cor. 9:8)*

The document you are reading right now is entitled Annual Report of the Congregation 2017. It is a title that admittedly might sound a little dull. OK, a lot dull. I get that. It is also true that much of what you will find in this document might feel a little "corporate." For in it you will find things like budgets, committee reports, financial reconciliations, balance sheets, etc. While all this information is essential to communicate to the congregation, on one level it might seem less than exciting.

Don't let the report's title or format mislead you, however. Because if you study a little closer, you will find that this report is anything but dull - but instead is chock-full of excitement. This is because what you will find in this report is evidence of the hand of God at work.

For in it you'll find more than staff reports, but a reminder that God has been faithful in helping us transition our staff, and has brought us exciting new leadership in children's ministry with Sarah Jones, in youth ministry with Mark and Tracy Mueller, and worship ministry with Karis Kemp, Sean Martin, and Mark Mueller. God is good!

You'll find more than information about this year's Vacation Bible School, but be reminded that more than 150 children spent a week at PCBW hearing about Jesus. You'll find more than information about youth ministry, but be reminded that each week young people are gathering at PCBW for fun, worship and an opportunity to grow in their faith. You'll be reminded of the Beth Moore simulcast we hosted, the men's breakfast with Tod Bolsinger, the all-church study series, the numerous small groups that meet regularly, and much, much more. Hallelujah!

You'll find more than a preschool report, but the exciting news that we now more students - more than 110 - than we have ever had before! 110 children and families being provided an important service while being reached out to in the name of Jesus! Praise the Lord!

You'll find more than a finance report, but a sign of God's faithfulness in the generous provision He has brought to PCBW through its members, affiliates, and attenders as once again we were able to not only meet our budget, but restore some of the reserves used in our denominational transition.

Speaking of that transition, you'll be reminded in this report of our new denominational affiliation with ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians and as you do be reminded that though the process was long and demanded patience and forbearance, that God has brought us through and has something exciting and good and new for us.

This "annual report" also reminds us that besides these ongoing ministries, that we also gave more than \$70,000 to mission both local and abroad - to support the Hunger Coalition, an orphanage and university in Zambia, outreach to college students through CRU, and on and on.

And these are only some of the ways God's hand is evidenced in this report!

So my encouragement is that you not let the title fool you, but that you take the time to look through this report and allow God to encourage you through what you find. I know He's done that for me!

Peace, Mark

## 2017 Annual Report of the Session Church Officers

### ELDERS

#### Class of 2018

Bart Adrian  
Mark Balcos

#### Class of 2019

Gretchen Evans  
Jeff Howes  
Bunny Manus  
Jerry Mitchell  
JoAnne Morrical  
Hayward Sawyer

#### Class of 2020

Bob Cunningham  
Jennifer Halverson  
Cindy Kirk  
Jennifer Self

### DEACONS

Sharon Bockemohle, Linda Closner, Suzanne Cunningham, Karen Forsyth, Cassie Jones, Sandy Kirk, Jennifer Self and Cheri Watson.

Thank you to all of you for serving.

### MEMBERSHIP

Membership - December 31, 2016	181	104 Women, 77 Men
New Members	3	
Losses:		
Letter of Transfer	11	
Death	4	
Removed from Rolls	1	

**Membership - December 31, 2017                      181      95 Women, 73 Men**

Baptisms: 3

Respectfully submitted,  
JoAnne Morrical  
Clerk of Session  
January 2018

## 2017 Annual Report for Adult Ministries Committee

Reflecting on the past year, many adult programs were discussed, planned, and implemented. Without a team effort, however, none of those things would have been accomplished. Therefore, I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Adult Ministries team: Lisa Bjerke, Lynn Bockemohle, Phil Doerflein, Chrissy Field, Sandy Kirk, and Brian Kotara. We met every month, with few exceptions, and supported the following activities:

1. Pastor's Studies during Lent and Fall Focus on the Book of James. Books were ordered and available for sale several weeks prior to each study so that church members and small groups would be able to participate.
2. New Members Class: Dave and Lisa Bjerke opened their home and hosted a new members class in April. Members of this committee supplied food and attended the get-acquainted portion of the class.
3. Men's Breakfast: Phil Doerflein and Brian Kotara organized and facilitated a very successful men's breakfast in August. Over 70 men attended. A guest speaker provided "food for thought".
4. Beth Moore Simulcast: In September, a first attempt was made at testing our audio/visual system to bring well-known speakers to our church and community by way of modern technology. We stepped out in faith to host this simulcast which was being held live from Toledo, Ohio, on that same date. I'm pleased to report that thirty-two ladies spent a wonderful Saturday enjoying the energy and passionate Bible-teaching of Beth Moore and worship music by Travis Cottrell. This opens the door for many similar opportunities in the future.
5. Small Groups: One of our major ministries, is the promotion of small groups. I am happy to announce that after we made the decision to seek a Small Group Coordinator, Stephanie Manning answered the call. She is now an active member of the Adult Ministries team and is working hard to identify and support all groups. We are thankful for her willingness to take on this leadership role.

I encourage all members and guests of our church to participate in the opportunities provided within this committee. I guarantee you will be blessed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bunny Manus  
Chair  
January 2018

## 2017 Annual Report for the Affiliates Ministry

The Affiliates dinner this year was held at the home of Steve and Julie Meineke on August 2. It was well attended. Pastor Mark started the evening with prayer and an acknowledgement of the contributions that our affiliates provide PCBW and the Wood River Valley. The entire evening was filled with laughter and fellowship and the Lord's presence. Several members of session attended and helped serve and fellowship with the Affiliates. As I listened to our Affiliate members talk about how PCBW impacts their time in the Wood River Valley two comments were repeated; they felt they were welcome and meaningful to the congregation of PCBW and that Pastor Mark's sermons stayed in the word and were a grounding force to start their week.

The Affiliates contribute to several activities of the church family while they are in the valley. Many of them attend small group bible studies and worked during the summer bible camp with the campers.

I wrote a quarterly Affiliate newsletter on various topics depending on the time of year. I send a rough draft to Pastor Mark for comments before I do the final letter. Seventy-one newsletters are sent: twenty-two to Idaho addresses, nineteen to California, nine to Washington, four to Texas, one to the Virgin islands, one to Hawaii, fifteen to other states from the Carolinas to Arizona. This is a resource other churches do not have. What a blessing for PCBW.

I am constantly updating the Affiliate master list. We have gained eight new people interested in Affiliate information. There is now a card in the pew that people new to our church can fill out concerning Affiliate membership.

The Affiliates are Kingdom work for PCBW as they travel back to their home churches.

It has been my pleasure to work with them this year.

Humbly submitted,  
Jennifer Halverson  
Elder for Affiliates  
January 2018

## 2017 Annual Report for the Big Wood School

Big Wood School set its sights high for 2017! Now at year's end, I can say with confidence that we surpassed every one of our set goals and expectations with flying colors.

Again this year, we began the school year with eight classes with over 110 students enrolled. We have increased our staff to keep in line with our desired ratios and have the most superb collection of teachers and aides that possess a sincere desire to educate, nurture, and love our students.

This year we have continued to offer a variety of extracurriculars activities to our already well-rounded curriculum. Creative Movement, Yoga, Music, and Gymnastics instructors come weekly and really get us moving! Healthy body, healthy mind! Brand new this year, we have also welcomed a Nutritionist to come in every Friday to teach us about one of the essential nutrients young bodies need to grow healthy and strong. The lessons include a healthy snack built around that nutrient, as well as hands on activities that ties it all together. It has been a tremendous success.

We have continued our Hailey bus service in the mornings, as well as in the afternoons, and are running a Spuds bus that picks up all of our little skiers at Dollar Mountain after their ski clinic during the Winter months. Our families are so grateful that we offer these extra transportation services as it relieves a lot of their daily stress.

Our fundraising efforts this year have been really well received. We raffled off a Sun Valley ski pass and a weekend in Jackson Hole and raised over \$3000 in tickets sales. We also sold winter greens again which brought in close to \$1000. But by far, our Pumpkin Patch was the most fun! It ended up serving more as a community outreach than an actual fundraising event, but that is a very valuable thing to us as well. We plan to do some fine-tuning and hold it again this year with even better results.

We continue to teach God's Word and plant seeds of faith in the hearts of our students. We have combined several online Christian curriculums to build one of our own that we teach in Sanctuary every morning. It is structured around the Jesus Storybook Bible, which we present to every Big Wood graduate as they leave Big Wood School. The number of school families that attend PCBW has continued to grow and it is our pleasure to work in unison with the Children's Ministry Team to be sure to invite and include all families in all special events and classes offered.

We anticipate enrollment to remain steady in 2018 and can't wait to see what God has in store for us.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Piggins  
Big Wood School Director  
January 2018  
(Hayward Sawyer, Big Wood School Elder)



## 2017 Annual Report for Children and Family Ministries

It has been a year of change here at PCBW and Children's Ministry is no exception. Many of the things we have come to expect from our Children's program were as great as ever, if not better. With an amazing coordinator like Carrie Kotara leaving, there are bound to be some struggles but we have exciting opportunities ahead of us to continue to share the love of Christ with the children of the congregation, the school, and the valley.

### Growth in the congregation

- We continue to see an increase in young families at church.
- Number of kids up front during the Pastor's message continues to grow.
- New ideas, new volunteers, and new curriculum being added in 2018.

### Relationship to Big Wood School

- Parenting classes continued to be requested and praised by many families.
- Family Skate Night had largest turnout to date.
- Several Big Wood kids (former and present) were involved in the Christmas Program.

### Events

- Vacation Bible School had largest number of participants, especially in the older class. Over 150 children participated. The additional Thursday night event advertised to the community, as well as, to VBS families, was successful and well received and offered the gospel message to all who attended.
- WOW-4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> ministry met every Sunday in the spring, then took a break through the summer and fall. Now being ramped up for once a month meetings throughout spring of 2018.
- Great day at Redfish for the families of the church to gather. Many were able to camp up at the lake and participate in water activities throughout the day.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Jones  
Children's Ministry Coordinator  
January 2018  
(Gretchen Evans, Elder)

## 2017 Annual Report for Communications

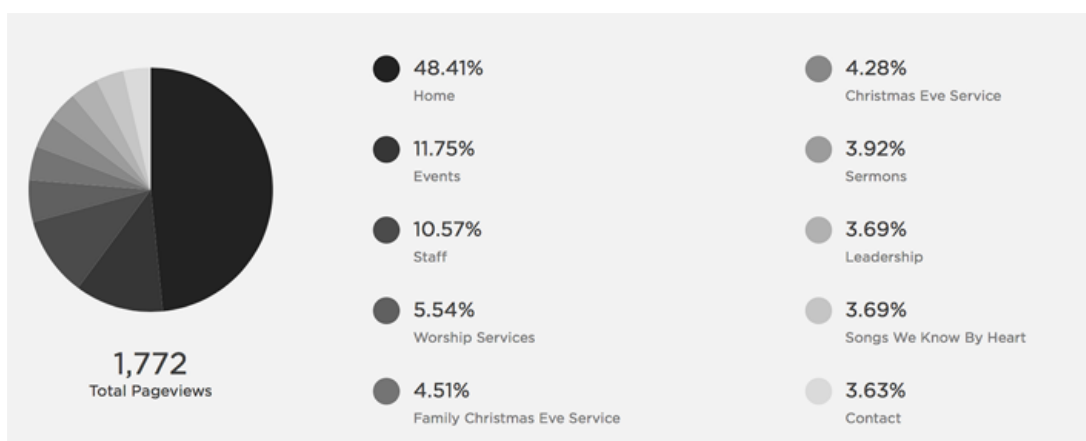
A little under a year ago, our church began a new strategy of re-tooling our media and technology outreach.

### WEBSITE 1.0

Step one was a complete re-build of the church website. The new website was built in a robust new platform called squarespace.com which encourages innovative features and easy editing. The new website is mobile friendly, and features a blog highlighting various church news and activities and also a current event calendar. The new website also features real time analytics which reveal trends in user behavior that will benefit future content marketing.

### Popular Content

The data below displays the ten most popular pages among viewers. Viewers are very interested in events and sermons. Traffic patterns help us understand what people are looking for.



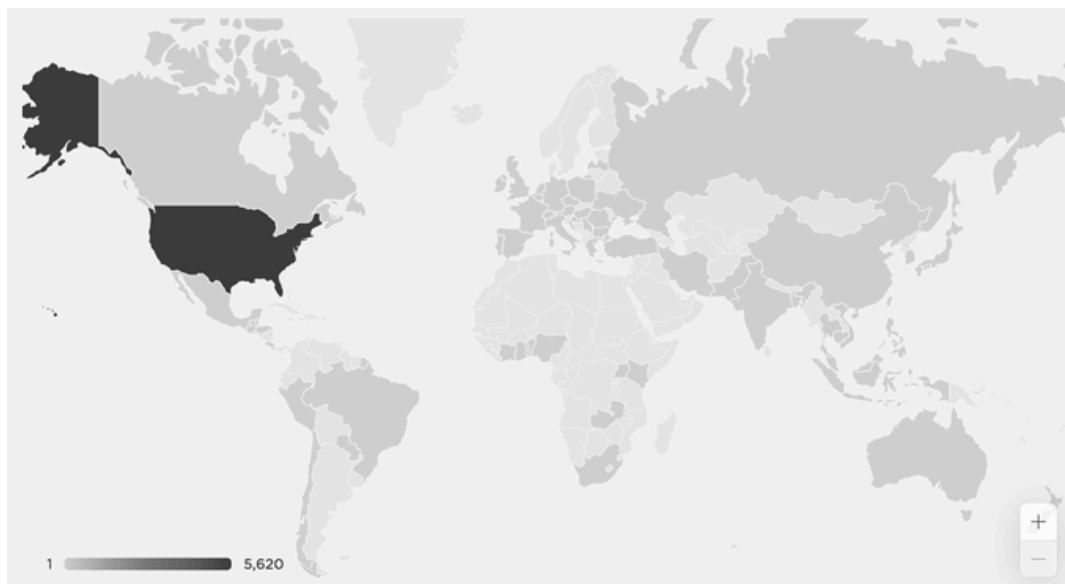
### Traffic Overview

The data below displays the ten most popular pages. June was the busiest month for website traffic.



## Geography

While the greatest traffic to the website occurred domestically, the website was viewed internationally 267 times in over 36 countries.



Countries where the website was viewed:

Australia	Germany	Latvia	Romania	<b>States in the U.S. with the most views:</b>
Austria	India (31)	Mexico	Russia (11)	
Benin	Indonesia	Nigeria	South Africa	
Brazil	Iran	Pakistan	Spain	
Canada (33)	Israel	Philippines	Switzerland	
Chile	Italy	Portugal	Thailand	<b>Idaho</b>
China	Ivory Coast	Uganda	Togo	<b>California</b>
Czechia	Japan	Netherlands	Ukraine	<b>Utah</b>
France	Kenya	Republic of Korea	United Kingdom (22)	<b>Washington</b>
				<b>Oregon</b>
				<b>New Jersey</b>

## ONLINE GIVING 1.0

In addition to launching a new website, we also launched a new online giving platform. In October, PCBW integrated Network for Good into the new website to create an experiential and efficient user interface for online giving. Since November, the online giving page has received 187 visits, 27 donations, 5 recurring donors, and has raised over \$31,000. The online giving platforms enables users to manage their own giving and set up account for a customized experience.

## SOCIAL MEDIA 1.0

PCBW is currently in the process of rebuilding the social media offering. Social media is not a new phenomenon. We are having this conversation about Jesus in 2018 because of 12 disciples who shared the good news with everyone. Our team is working on optimizing our social media so we, too, can go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.

## ADVERTISING 1.0

In 2018, PCBW will seek to engage our local community through ads and engagement with local media.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Self, Communications Elder - January 2018

## 2017 Annual Report for the Deacons

The Deacons Ministry continues to be active in ministering to our PCBW family as well as to the community.

The list of Deacons are as follows: Sharon Bockemohle, Linda Closner, Suzanne Cunningham, Karen Forsyth, Cassie Jones, Sandy Kirk, Jennifer Self and Cheri Watson. Sandy Kirk is retiring in 2018.

Coffee hour is an ongoing ministry that we deem very valuable to our church family. Cassie Jones has successfully recruited and trained a team who put their time and effort into this ministry.

Sharon Bockemohle, who is in charge of Memorials and Receptions, has co-ordinated two memorial services this past year. Memorials can be a very time consuming and even daunting task as many times, it is difficult to deal with families after the loss of loved ones. She does an outstanding job.

Jennifer Self has coordinated our Casserole Ministry. She has successfully introduced a fresh variety of healthy frozen meals. They are always available in the kitchen freezer and are meant for anyone in need.

Cheri Watson is always on the prowl for those in our congregation undergoing struggles, sickness, surgery, loss of loved ones and even joyful occasions. She continues to send cards to those individuals.

The Meal Train has been busy this year. Linda Closner has coordinated many people online to prepare and deliver meals to those in our congregation who are in need of meal assistance. This has been a very successful ministry that has touched many.

We now have five women who have taken a Sacraments class from Pastor Mark and are serving communion monthly down at Bell Mountain Care Center.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cindy Kirk  
Deacons/Hospitality Elder  
January 2018

## **2017 Annual Report for the Finance Committee**

### **Financial Health**

Our church had a strong financial year in 2017. We are grateful for the very generous giving this past year that allowed our church to serve our community.

### **2017 Donation Income**

Total operating donation income was \$779,977 which was \$104,977 more than the budgeted income of \$675,000.

### **2017 Expenses**

Expenses for 2017 were \$770,761 which was \$1,164 more than budgeted. This amount over budget is due primarily to legal and staff recruitment expenses that were not anticipated. We also paid our settlement expenses to Kendall Presbytery in the amount of \$450,000 this year.

Note the School had an annual income of \$692,515 and expenses of \$708,155. The School fiscal year runs from September through August each year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeff Howes  
Finance Committee Elder  
January 2018

## 2018 Budget

Session has adopted a budget which anticipates \$675,000 in operating donation income, the same as in 2016 and 2017.

Session would like to express our appreciation for the support that our church received in 2017 and we look forward to your continued support in 2018 as we maintain and expand the church's mission in our community.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE BIG WOOD			
2018 Budget			
		2017 Jan-Dec	
INCOME	2017 Budget	Income	2018 Budget
<b>ANTICIPATED INCOME</b>			
Operating Donation Income	675,000.00	779,977.44	675,000.00
Adult Ministry Income	0.00	2,838.46	0.00
Building Rental Income	8,000.00	6,905.00	8,000.00
BWS Surplus/Deficit Income	7,500.00	2,550.00	0.00
<b>Admin Income</b>			
CD Ministry	150.00	0.00	0.00
Flower Fund	800.00	820.00	800.00
<b>Admin Total Income</b>	<b>950.00</b>	<b>820.00</b>	<b>800.00</b>
<b>Children's Ministry Events</b>			
Events	300.00	150.00	300.00
Vacation Bible School	2,175.00	3,769.62	2,175.00
<b>Children's Ministry Total Income</b>	<b>2,475.00</b>	<b>3,919.62</b>	<b>2,475.00</b>
<b>Young Adult (20/30s) Ministry</b>			
Mission Support	0.00	0.00	0.00
Retreats	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resources	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Young Adult Ministry Total Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Youth Ministry Events</b>			
Camps & Retreats	4,750.00	1,854.44	0.00
Mission Support	4,000.00	40.00	0.00
Special Events	0.00	250.00	0.00
Summer Youth Group	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Youth Ministry Total Income</b>	<b>8,750.00</b>	<b>2,144.44</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Interest (All accounts)	10,000.00	29,811.63	10,000.00
Misc Income & Reimbursements	0.00	90.50	0.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>712,675.00</b>	<b>829,057.09</b>	<b>696,275.00</b>
		2017 Jan-Dec	
BUDGET SUMMARY	2017 Budget	Expenses	2018 Budget
Administration	125,261.59	126,287.38	118,859.59
Adult Ministry	500.00	3,530.23	1,500.00
Building/Grounds	71,200.00	96,643.04	72,400.00
Children's Ministry	19,350.00	24,271.93	19,350.00
Communications	0.00	50.00	0.00
Congregational Care	1,250.00	653.35	1,250.00
Deacons/Hospitality	9,100.00	6,918.19	9,100.00
Missions/Outreach	67,500.00	67,500.00	67,500.00
Personnel	308,686.00	289,071.20	234,325.00
Senior Pastor	126,850.00	128,760.32	131,925.00
Worship/Music	8,350.00	8,347.34	21,350.00
Settlement Reserve	0.00	466,861.00	16,000.00
Youth Ministry	31,550.00	18,728.38	31,550.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>769,597.59</b>	<b>1,237,622.36</b>	<b>725,109.59</b>
<b>Net Deficit</b>	<b>-56,922.59</b>	<b>-408,565.27</b>	<b>-28,834.59</b>
Less Settlement Expenses	0.00	58,295.73	0.00

## 2017 Annual Report for Church Missions

The Overseers of the Missions at PCBW are tasked with the privilege of "Touching the World for Christ". We accomplish this with our support of local, national, and international missionaries. This past year, we were blessed by the generosity of the congregation and given a budget of \$67,500. This is based on prior giving levels and 10% of the total PCBW budget. As a committee, we require all missionaries to submit a "Request for Support Form". This form details their ministry and how they would utilize the support if granted. We, as a committee, also established a "reserve" fund. This was to be available to support any missionaries that feel God calling them after our budgets were set and to have available in the event of a shortfall. Last year, with the generosity of the congregation, we were able to support the following missions:

### Locally

1. **Youth Mission Trips (\$4,268.04)** This money was used for the Youth Retreat. We originally budgeted for \$7,500.00. Therefore, we are carrying over to the 2018 budget the amount of \$3,231.96 to be used for Mission trips and outreaches.
2. **SONDance Retreat Center (\$1,225)** This donation was used for helping maintain their center that helps ministers and missionaries heal, restore, and reignite their passion for the calling the Lord has placed on their hearts.
3. **Global Community Partners in Boise: (\$5,850)** Nick and Laura Armstrong work to build a bridge between the Church and the Nations at our Doorstep.
4. **The Big Wood Pre-School (\$5,000)** This money was used for scholarships to the preschool. To some families in our community this is the only exposure to Christ their child may have and financially they were not able to afford the tuition.
5. **The Agape Fund: (\$6,000)** Bob Cunningham heads up this ministry and it goes to help people who are in need of immediate financial aid... (i.e. housing, utilities, food, medical treatments and medicines).
6. **The Hunger Coalition (\$2,450)** The money is used to help feed the hungry in Wood River Valley.
7. **Youth Music Outreach (\$4,700)** Due to unforeseen happenings with the Youth Ministry, regrettably we were unable to see this come to pass. Therefore, we have carried this amount over to the 2018 Budget to be placed in the Reserve Account in the hopes 2018 will see a Youth Music Outreach.
8. **Ketchum Community Dinners (\$1,000)** This money was used to help stock and support our Church's efforts to feed our community with free meals served on Wednesday nights.

### Nationally

1. **Campus Crusade for Christ: (\$7,350)** Rob and Kristen Hamm are working on the University of Oregon through Bible Studies and outreaches. The donation helps to cover costs of evangelism materials, discipleship materials, salary, and health benefits etc.

2. **Reserve Account:** This account was established to be available for missionaries seeking support throughout the year. After disbursement to missionaries we are supporting and giving \$500 to Living Water as well as supporting St. Luke's Suicide Prevention campaign, we have a remaining balance of **\$1,845.01** that will be carried over to the reserve account for 2018.

## Internationally

1. **Northrise University: (\$10,427.50)** Located in Zambia, the money was used to sponsor four students for one year at this Christ Centered University and to help with Campus construction.
2. **Mapalo Orphanage (\$10,427.50)** The money went for the general fund of the Orphanage and Academy to help with meals, teachers, and providing basic healthcare for approximately 350 students.
3. **Missionary Gospel Fellowship: (\$2,450)** Located in Tijuana. Dave and Debbie Tazelaar use the money to fund their Christmas Ministry which gives food baskets that include Scriptures as well as breakfast totes.
4. **Free Wheel Chair Missions: (\$620)** Donations were used for manufacturing and shipping wheelchairs to those in need in over 91 developing countries.

2018

This year, we have projected funds in the amount of **\$67,500** along with the amount of unused funds that were carried over, we have a total of **\$77,276.97**. Upon receiving "Request for Support" forms and thoughtful prayer, our committee has allocated the available funds to the following missionaries:

## Locally

1. **Youth Missions: (\$10,731.96)** for mission trips for the youth. This amount includes the \$3,231.96 that is carried over from unused funds in 2017.
2. **SONDance Retreat Center: (\$1,000)** for continual missionary refreshment support.
3. **Global Community Partners: (\$4,800)** continual bridging of Christ with international immigrants.
4. **Big Wood Pre-School: (\$10,000)** to assist with tuition scholarships to those in need.
5. **Ketchum Community Dinners: (\$1,000)** supplies and food to serve dinners on Wednesday nights.
6. **Hunger Coalition: (\$2,000)** to help feed those in need in the Wood River Valley.
7. **Agape Fund: (\$6,000)** to provide financial assistance to those in immediate need.

## Nationally

1. **Campus Crusade for Christ in Oregon: (\$5,000)**: Continued evangelism on the University of Oregon's campus.

## Internationally

1. **Northrise University: (\$8,500)** Continual support for this Christian University in Zambia.



2. **Mapalo Orphanage: (\$8,500)** Continued support for health care, meals, education, and other provisions for children at the Orphanage.
3. **Missionary Gospel Fellowship in Tijuana: (\$2,000)** Donation for food and evangelism supplies in poverty areas in Tijuana.
4. **Life Water International: (\$4,400)** currently at work in 18 countries around the globe, partnering with communities to provide critically needed clean water, along with sanitation and hygiene training and education, all with and through the local church, transforming lives both physically and spiritually.
5. **Living Water Ministry: (\$1,000)** this amount will help sponsor a Village Water Project for an underserved community in rural Africa. This would include sustainable water source serving up to 300 people as well as sanitation and hygiene training with an emphasis on sharing the Gospel through partnerships with local churches and church planting organizations.
6. **Free Wheelchair Missions: (\$500)**: \$79 gets one manufactured and delivered wheelchair to over 91 developing country.

*The Reserve Fund is set at **\$11,845.01** year. This amount includes the carry over from unused funds from the Youth Music Outreach and reserve account from 2017.*

As a Missions committee, we want to encourage those whom the Lord has placed a call on their heart, to join us in prayer for these amazing Servants of God, and their success in their missions. To find out more information about these missionaries, please feel free to contact Bob Cunningham.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Balcos  
Missions Elder  
January 2018  
(Margie Balcos, Missions Committee)

## 2017 Annual Report for Student Ministries

The youth said farewell to 2016 with a Fuel New Years Eve Bash and said hello to a year of transition. February kicked off with the youth taking advantage of the incredible amounts of snow on a winter retreat to McCall, Idaho. This retreat was designed to help students experience who God is in real and tangible ways. Approximately thirty plus students came together to focus on the work of the Holy Spirit.

The spring brought about the celebration of ten senior graduates and in June, over twenty youth had an opportunity to visit Salt Lake City on a service trip. The youth were able to serve the homeless, volunteer at a grief center and the Ronald McDonald house, as well as serve at a pregnancy resource center. There was also a trip to Lagoon before returning to the Wood River Valley.

Fall brought a change in season as well as a change in staffing. Jake Hothem concluded his work with PCBW and in November Tracy and Mark Mueller accepted positions as the co-Directors of Student Ministries. The year finished with a Fuel Christmas Party and a prayer for the hope and new opportunities waiting in 2018.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark & Tracy Mueller  
Directors of Student Ministries  
January 2018  
(Jerry Mitchell, Student Ministries Elder)

## 2017 Annual Report for the Worship Committee

2017 began with Trent Austin accepting the position of Worship Leader at PCBW. His leadership was marked by an ability to lead wonderful music combined with prayer and praise in a unique way. In November, Trent accepted a call to a church in their original home city of Oklahoma City and he and his family moved back just before Christmas.

The Worship Leader position will now be shared by Karis Kemp, Sean Martin and Mark Mueller, all of who have served as worship leader at our church in the past.

The computer and software that provide the words for songs and Mark's sermons has been replaced and upgraded. The software will run on all the church computers and there will not be a repeat of the Sunday when the system went down and there were no visual screens.

There was a plan to make changes to grow and improve the choir, but they have been placed on hold. There will soon be an inquiry into interest among singers and musicians to look into restarting the choir program.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bart Adrian  
Worship Elder  
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