



Care Network

The Care Net Work has functioned this past year serving those in our church family with support of encouragement prayers and meals.

We also are aware individuals have been supported individuals of our church without knowledge of the CareNet Work.

26 people who have allowed their name to be included as part of the Care Net Work were notified by e-mail as to a need within the church.

We were for the most part made aware of these needs when we were notified through the prayer chain.

We feel Blessed to serve in this manner.

Ephesians 4:10

We are Gods handiwork created in Christ Jesus to do good work which God has prepared in advance for us to do.

Respectfully submitted,

Arnie and Lois Neufeld



Children's Ministry

Psalm 127:3-5 says, "Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is a man whose quiver is full of them."

We are blessed in Pine Ridge Kids, our quiver is full. It is a joy it is to share God's love for our many children each week. He is working in the lives of these little ones and it is a privilege to be a part of his work. The enthusiasm and excitement that they show for church is amazing. I always have a line of eager children waiting to go upstairs with me before the service starts. On average, about 75 children attend Pine Ridge Kids each Sunday in our many age levels.

We finished off another Awana year with a final total of 89 children registered. It was a large and enthusiastic group of kids. We ballooned even larger on bring a friend night with many children visiting us that night. We were grateful that we were able to spread out into the foyer for lesson time. My favorite part of the year comes right at the end. That is when the children are the most focused and intent on finishing their books by memorizing their verses. I tell the kids that they can call me during the week to say their verses. It is wonderful to have little children call you up to say the verse they have memorized! I even had one mom videotape her child reciting his verse and send it to me as it was long to do over the phone. It was so exciting to receive that video! Thank you once again to the many volunteers who helped to make this past Awana year so fun and successful.

The summer is a transitional time for Pine Ridge Kids. Many of our children will move up into a new age group class and this is so exciting for them. The Toddler Room will be available for parents of toddlers, ages 1 - 2 years old. If your toddler has turned 3 years old, they are welcome to try Pine Ridge Kids upstairs. Parents are always welcome to join us, especially during this transition time. We will also continue to have our Saplings Class (our Preschoolers), our Explorers Class (Grades 1 - 3) and our Rangers Class (Grades 4 - 6) over the summer months. I am looking for teachers who would be willing to serve in these classrooms, if you are interested in joining our team please contact Sherry Palmer.

Vacation Bible School will be on July 8th - 12th, from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. This year's theme is Roar: Life is Wild, God is Good. It is always so much fun! I went home each night last year, in an amazing state of exhaustion yet completely invigorated! This past year we had 22 children tell me that they accepted Jesus for the first time! That's the reason why we do what we do. There is nothing more rewarding than being a part of that. I would encourage you to sign up to be a volunteer. We are gearing up for a large number of children. Last year, we hit our maximum limit of 150 children and I already have well over 100 kids registered for this year's program! You can sign up your kids and yourself at the front desk.

Thank you for the privilege of working with your children!

Sherry Palmer



Men's Ministry

Men's ministry had a great start this year. A new committee of 4 men came together to plan events for the men at church. The committee consists of Tyler Hendren, Kevin Fandych, Mark Miller and I (Ryan Smith).

We started everything off with floor hockey where we averaged around 10-12 guys per night. This ran for the months of February and March. In May there was a "getting to know your brother" event that had a turnout of 8 men. It was a great evening of guys getting to know and praying for each other.

For the near future we are planning an overnight camp-out where men can come with their sons, a men's breakfast with a guest speaker, a couple of bible studies and floor hockey again after the New Year.

We are excited to see what God has in store for Men's ministry.

Thank you for your support,

Ryan Smith

Outreach

I am thankful for this opportunity to serve in this capacity as leader of Outreach. My desire for this Ministry is to see non-believers come to an “event”, interact with Christians and see Christ in us. Earlier this year God gave me a picture of a sheaf of wheat and how it relates to this Ministry. People come from all walks of life, interact with Christians, without being judged and eventually accept Jesus as their Savior, then fulfilling the Great Commission to go into the world to share His message.

This first year has been an opportunity to organize several events both within our premises at Pineridge and in the community where we reside. We hosted a site for the RM of Springfields’ Share-a-Thon in September, three Games/Pizza nights over the winter months and a marriage enrichment evening in February. In November we had the opportunity to share the Christmas message at the Oakbank Moonlight Madness (organized by Dave Wiebe) and enjoyed weekly cycling in Birds Hill Park through the summer. These events have facilitated an environment that encompasses relationship building amongst different age groups from Pineridge while providing an opportunity to extend an invitation to those within our social sphere.

In the year ahead, my desire is to provide *relevant* opportunities for us to reach into our community. This may include hosting events away from Pineridge, participating in functions within the RM and more family, parenting and marriage occasions where we can impact those around us.

We can organize events, but real/effective outreach takes place when we as a team live and love the way Christ taught us too and so ultimately Christ can love through us. Outreach is reaching out from where we are at. Outreach starts with our hearts.

John 13:35 If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.

Respectfully submitted by;

Wayne & Cynthia Fast



This past year was an exciting year of growth for the women's ministry! I was blessed to have Leah Fraser join me as a co-leader of the women's ministry. Under Leah's guidance we were able to run women's bible studies again. Average attendance at the studies has been about 30 women and I believe the studies have been an encouragement to many in their spiritual walk.

Our prayer focus in women's ministry has also continued with Karen Jansen leading a team of ladies to cover our Pine Ridge women in prayer once again this year. Thank you to Karen for her dedication!

Special events this past ministry year included the Christmas dessert evening, which showcased Masterworks Dance studio and their very talented dancers, and a spring brunch fundraiser for A New Hope ministry. Each event brought over 70 ladies into our space to be encouraged and to build fellowship. Between these two events we were able to raise over \$1600 which was donated to Youth for Christ in support of Masterworks Dance Studio and A New Hope.

We are planning to continue with women's bible studies and special events in the fall. We look forward to what God has in store for our women in the 2019-2020 ministry year!

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Becker and Leah Fraser

Worship Ministry Report 2019



“But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship in the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” John 4:23-24

Our whole aim as a worship ministry is to be a people who have their hearts set solely on Christ. Our hope is that the outpouring of our hearts and lives in worship would be able to inspire the church to join us in doing the same. There is something incredibly precious about the gathering of God’s people when we worship him. He blesses us with his presence and we are given a glimpse of his heart as we exalt him together. This leads us to no other place than more worship. And deeper authenticity in worship. I’m so glad to see us continue to grow in this and press in to worship God together. There have been many wonderfully powerful moments that we have shared together.

We are able to freely enter into worship at Pine Ridge in part because of the 34 people that have served on either worship teams, sound or tech over the last year. Thank you for using your gifts and blessing us with that!

As we aim to always grow our ministries in the way Jesus directs, we will be working on improving our simulcast experience and making room in our services for more time in worship and prayer. As we get together, it’s our job as a worship team to help set eyes on Jesus. And it’s everyone’s responsibility to come before our God and give him our everything. Not just Sunday, but daily!

Thanks for a great year together. I look forward to growing in worship with each one that calls Pine Ridge home! To worship in sincerity and passion towards Jesus. To worship as Christ says. In spirit and truth. The time is now!

Respectfully submitted,

Josh Fraser

Pine Ridge Youth Ministry Report 2019

It is hard to believe the time is here for yet another ministry report! The past year has been a joy to serve the youth at Pine Ridge. With a focus on making sure teens know that they are loved and that they have a place to belong in the family of God, we have had a year of good connection and fun through small groups, the fall campout and the February youth retreat. We have lots of time spent in God's word together this year. Together we've sought to grow in our understanding of God and that our faith is in something real through an apologetics series. We've learned not only that God is real and reliable, but also that he is relational. We create an environment in age specific small groups where teens can experience God for themselves through prayer and his word after having had worship and a short message together. One of our most important nights to instill a personal walk and relationship with God happens once a month and has become a favorite of many who want to deepen their faith; The Summit is an evening of worship, personal and corporate prayer, and encouragement that has resulted in many answers to prayer and the God of miracles doing his thing!

This past year has seen 30-40 youth coming to our Thursday evening gathering. This includes many non Pine Ridgers and it's been good to have an impact on teens outside of this specific body. I have had the pleasure of working with six lovely youth leaders that have poured their lives and gifts into these youth represented here. It's been a joy to serve with this faithful bunch.

What's next?! I envision Pine Ridge Youth to continue to grow in maturity and passion for Jesus. I see a generation that will be set apart to fulfill the Great Commandment and Great Commission simultaneously. To live lives on mission for Christ as ambassadors of the King of kings! This will look like more outreach and mission opportunities to come as well as continuing growth in prayer and knowledge of the scripture.

Thank you for all the prayers for the ministry to the youth at Pine Ridge. Your prayers are doing a very real work here in Springfield! God bless those prayer warriors!

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Josh





Crossroads Young Adult AGM Report 2019

As I was looking back at last years report for Crossroads Young Adults I found something rather cool! The last line in the report was Cory and I asking for prayer for God to guide us down the right path that is suited for the young adults that will attend the coming year. We knew there was going to be an increase in attendees and also were anticipating the newcomers to be a younger crew having just graduated high school. It was a scary thought. What was going to have to change, what was going to stay the same? Are we equipped for the change? Many thoughts rotated through my mind. Well thank you for the prayers. God never ceases to amaze me. We were right, many things are different this year. But God is so faithful to meet us right where we need Him. He has provided for us, grown us and gave us the tools we need this year with the young adults.

This year has been interesting. Last year our average participants was 8-10 Young Adults. This year our average from September-December has been about 25 Young Adults and from January-May averaging about 20 young adults ranging anywhere from 15-35 young people! The cool thing about this is that the growth was not only our graduates from last year! We have many new people coming from outside our church. Our Glorious God is finding a community for these young people to feel comfortable and have a place to be surrounded by fellow believers with commonalities. Cory and I are so blessed watching different friendships form and seeing the young adults feel comfortable with each other and share life with one another. God deserves all the praise and glory for this. And just for your information, praise be to God, I have the privilege of sending out upcoming young adult events via text messages to over 65 young adults that have attended Crossroads Young Adults over the past 3 years! God is so good!

This past year we started the year off with a BBQ out at our place. A time for us to fellowship and introduce our new comers to the other Crossroads Young adults.

This year we are meeting here at the church. On our basic nights we start the night off with worship usually led by Brett Bredin. Then we have a small study together and following the study we like to break off into groups and discuss what we learned that night as well as talk life and pray together. To end the night we fellowship together while snacking on the delicious snacks and play games like dodge ball, basketball and board games. It has been a time of getting to know each other, to figure out the new dynamics in the group and wait on the Lord to guide us to the next steps in our Crossroads Young adult's nights.

We have recently been led to a video bible study, by Louie Giglio called Relatable. We have

been gathering biweekly and meeting in small table groups with the intent to grow and learn together what God has intended for relationships. We are learning about all relationships whether it be parent/child, married couples, new relationships, relationships with ourselves and most important, our relationship with God. It has been a great season of learning for many of our young adults. We will be finishing up the series in the next couple of weeks.

Along with our basic nights, this past November we offered the Set Free retreat to the Young adults. 26 Young Adults attended. Chains were broken and lives were changed as they surrendered their lives to Gods perfect plan.

Following the Set Free retreat, 12 of our young adults attended the Empower retreat at Southland Church to continue their growth in Christ as they learned more about The Holy Spirit.

In January the Young Adults had their first Prayer/Worship night. Led by Brett, he put together a worship team and they led us in worship and prayer. We praised God together and prayed as a united group. In March we had our second Prayer/Worship night. It was a beautiful as well. We gathered here in the sanctuary, lowered the lights and worshipped God however we felt led, whether sitting on the floor, on our knees or standing with arms raised. Everyone was completely comfortable to give praise to Jesus as they wanted. It was beautiful to watch and participate in and so honoring to our precious Jesus. Then Maria Churchill led us to gather into groups of 2 or 3 and we prayed for various things in unity together. Last Saturday we gathered together for our 3rd prayer/worship night where Brett led our group. He encouraged us to take a half an hour in the beginning to go read our bibles and see what new insights God will lead us to. Once we were done we got together in small groups and shared what we read and what new insights God led us to. We prayed together as we felt led and then finished the night off with Brett and his team leading us in worship songs. It was another glorious night of encounters with God!

This past year has been a fun year. A great year to get to know the new attendees. A new adventure. God has great plans for these young people and Cory and I are so blessed to be able to provide our time to these young adults. We are already looking forward to the upcoming year and any other plans God has to end off this great year of new beginnings.

We would like to ask you for continued prayer for the young people attending Crossroads, that they would rely on God and follow His plans for their lives. Also please keep Cory and myself in your Prayers that we will be sensitive to hearing Gods leading for the continued direction of Crossroads ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody & Cory Macauley



Missions Report 2019

Members of the Missions Team for this past year included: Lois Neufeld, Melanie Penner, Esther-Ann Boutin and Mark Miller (as Chair). The Team met throughout the year to pray, seek God's direction, learn, share and discern how best to allocate the precious dollars allocated to Missions in 2018/19. This was also a transition year as the Outreach part of the original Committee was re-assigned as a separate entity allowing the Missions Team to solely focus on Missions.

The Missions Team continued to highlight various missions related Bible verses, activities or events via our weekly Sunday Church Bulletin article.

This past year, and through the generous giving of God's children at Pine Ridge, we were able to financially support multiple organizations that are focussed at spreading and building the Lord's Kingdom. Based on quarterly giving, over 10% of our churches tithes/income was dedicated to Missions which helped support everything from materials at VBS to students at Camp and indeed missionary work locally and abroad. Generosity from the 2018 Quilt show saw proceeds contributed to missions related activities. Thanks to all those who coordinated and made this event possible. We are thankful for their past years of commitment.

Our Team was able to disburse funds to a variety of charitable Christ focussed organizations. In addition, as few students/youth workers were supported very modestly for work at Camp Arnes. The list below highlights the organizations that received funds (totaling well over \$50k disbursed throughout the past 4 quarters along with funds directly raised for dedicated missions) in no particular order:

- Union Gospel Mission
- Dignity House
- Charis Centre
- Forward House
- Pakistan Mission (Chaudharys)
- Joy Smith Foundation (Ride for Refuge)
- Springfield Food Bank
- Gateway for Hope/Romania Mission (Rasa Family Centre)
- Camp Arnes
- Kingdom Ventures (KVI / Loewens)
- Sarah Speer Mission (Congo)
- Crisis Pregnancy Centre
- Mullys (Canada for Kenya)
- Habitat for Humanity
- The Why Campaign (purchase of 10 books)

The Missions Team was able to once again meet with certain missionaries' and mission

organizations throughout the year. This was a valuable opportunity to learn first-hand their experiences and needs going forward. We are receptive and hopeful to have the opportunity to meet with more over the next year to have a better understanding of their accomplishments and plans for the future.

Core values of your Missions Team:

Commitment to the local church and its mission.

Commitment to celebrating and supporting members of the church who are actively involved in mission work and encouraging and supporting those who are pursuing education and training to that end.

Commitment to world Missions.

Commitment to making the Gospel relevant.

Commitment to congregational members' involvement.

Commitment to establishing connections and maintaining communication between mission projects and the church through regular updates and reports.

Further, our Church has an on-going UGM clothing bin (parking lot) and supported the efforts internally with Samaritans Purse shoe box hampers. Some new outreach type activities were being offered by some of our other church ministries and so duplicating or hosting additional events was not our main focus, this past year. We encourage you to contact any one of us with updates, ideas for outreach, events or missions, going forward. We encourage you to periodically visit the Missions Bulletin Board which has been maintained throughout the year. Updates on the various missions we recognize and support are maintained as received.

Moreover, one of our main goals remains encouraging and creating opportunities for those who do not know Christ to get to know Him. As our community continues to grow, as the world continues to turn its back on God, our purpose will become stronger and our role more defined.

So, our goal over the next period will be to have an open heart through prayer to Missions, discerning where God would have us designate funds as well as, being receptive to ideas on how to attract our neighbours to Christ and the Church through encouragement, prayer and activities and supporting worthy events and/or persons aiming to learn about or become closer to our God.

In the Light of Gods Kingdom, we all pray for the Peace of Jerusalem

The Church at Pine Ridge Missions Team



Senior Pastor Report

Would you say the Springfield area is flourishing spiritually when you think about people coming to know God, people living lives of deep faith? In so many ways, we are blessed to live in a place of abundance but when it comes to what matters most, the vast majority of people where we live are not part of a faith community. They do not know God, and we see the results in broken families and in lives lived with unbelievable pressure, anxiety, and depression.

You see this culture of performance and materialism that we live in ends up with all kinds of people living isolated lives with all manner of addictions or mental health issues. We see it in the lives of people who live in the shadows, people who are marginalized, people who aren't flourishing.

What if Jesus were to start happening in this area like Jesus has never happened before? What if hundreds of people turned to Christ, as people have by the millions across the centuries and across continents? What if in people's lives, sins got repented, confessed, forgiven, and healed? What if marriages started getting put back together? What if God were to turn the hearts of the fathers toward their children and the hearts of children toward their parents? What if barriers started to come down?

What if the abundance God has given us is not so that we could be made rich but so that the name of Jesus could be made great? What if that's what the Holy Spirit is up to around here? It's made me think about the what, the how and the why we exist as a church.

Now as a church, our *what* is to make disciples. We exist to make disciples. We believe being a disciple is the greatest opportunity that has ever been offered to a human being. The gospel itself is simply the offer of the opportunity to live as Jesus' disciple.

The reason the offer of discipleship to Christ matters more than anything else is there is no problem in human life that apprenticeship to Jesus cannot solve. You just list whatever problem you want to - human problems will not be solved by human means. In fact, human nature is really our biggest problem. There are all kinds of problems technology, innovations, education, wealth and even religion will not solve.

There is no problem among human life that apprenticeship to Jesus will not solve. That includes the forgiveness of our sins as a free gift of grace. That includes death because we can live with God forever and ever. It includes any other problem any person is facing anywhere on earth.

Discipleship to Jesus is the greatest offer that has ever been given to a human being. I ask Jesus to be *with* me so I can learn *from* him how to become *like* him. This is what we're about as a church. Our *what* is we make disciples, to introduce people to a life as a disciple of Jesus.

We invite everybody to develop a transforming relationship *up* with God. We gather together on a regular basis. We worship God, and we learn. We find out how we arrange our lives around certain practices, around being immersed in the Bible, around generosity, around servanthood, around confessing so we can be increasingly, by the power of God, freed from sin and live lives that are characterized by love and joy. That's *up*.

Then *in* is we're invited into authentic community with each other. That's why our Care Groups are a really big deal, because nobody grows spiritually all by themselves. I want to get to know some other people where I can love them and they can love me. They can encourage me, and they can help hold me accountable. I can tell them where I'm struggling with stuff. That's the *in*.

Then there is *out*. *Out* is really important because the church is the one organization that does not exist for its own sake. We exist for the sake of others so everybody in the Springfield area and beyond can flourish. That's why what matters so much isn't just what happens *in* here. It's what happens *out* there in our homes, our neighborhoods, our schools, our workplace. We're always asking, "How do I do my job, how do I live my life, the way Jesus would in my place?"

Then, our great hope is that some of the people in your life, some people you love, your neighbor, your co-worker or your mom or your dad or your son or your daughter will meet Jesus and will want to follow him. That's our greatest hope. That's our greatest dream. Because there is no problem in human life that apprenticeship to Jesus cannot solve.

We get to be part of a community together that gets to offer this to other people, and it's the best. It's just the best. There was once a community of men and women who lived and breathed Jesus, and the world changed and rejoiced. The new church as it began just lived for that. They just gave everything for that to happen. It can happen again.

What we're talking about is really core to why we exist. It's just this: People matter to God. Which people matter to God? *All* people matter to God. How much do they matter to God? More than you can possibly imagine. They're worth the life of his beloved Son. Therefore, people matter to us. *All* people matter to us. How much do they matter to us? More than we can possibly imagine. Remember you have let to lay eyes on someone for whom Jesus did not die!

We want to be a place where you never have to pretend, you never have to look like you have it all together. We're just a group of messed up people who are asking, 'God, would you help us? Because we desperately need you.'" This is a place where everybody is welcome, nobody is perfect, and anything is possible.

I believe that God has reinforced these points with us over and over again as we've journeyed this past year on Sunday mornings through the Book of Acts, discovered what it is to be People of the Way, spent considerable time unpacking some of the great prayers and pray-ers in the Bible and of course lately seeing faith and commitment through the life and eyes of Daniel.

For me personally, this last year has been by far the richest, deepest, most meaningful, most heart wrenching, most challenging, most life-changing experience of preaching I have ever had, partly because it's been an era in my life when I have never needed God more. I don't know if you ever feel needy when it comes to God. I have often felt this last year like a character in an old Bill Murray movie called *What About Bob?* None of you will have seen that movie I'm sure, but it's a character who just says, "I need! I need! I need! I need!"

Knowing Jesus, loving Jesus, following Jesus, pointing to Jesus, proclaiming Jesus, obeying his teaching in our choices, trusting his guidance in our problems, surrendering our ego to his love, dying with him in our earthly lives, depending on his grace for our eternity, represents not only our greatest need but also the greatest opportunity ever extended to the human race and the reason we exist as a church.

We are a Jesus church because boiled down to it - the only thing we really have to offer is the invitation to follow Jesus. If sin is to be forgiven, it will be forgiven by our gracious God through the cross on which Jesus died, and no other way.

We want to be part of something bigger that God is doing here and now. When you pray, when you give, when you invite, when you serve the way you do, you're a part of that. Thank you!! I think probably God will be asking us to take on more challenges and to make more sacrifices in the days ahead. That's okay, because God is God of the immeasurably more. I want to tell you something. We don't want to be known as the rich church or the poor church or the liberal church or the conservative church or the smart church or the gifted church or the big church or the little church or the strict church or the lenient church.

We want to be the church that believes our God can do immeasurably more, and we want to ask God for the power to do not what's possible for us, but what's impossible for us. I'll tell you what I'm doing and invite you to join me. I'm saying this prayer. "Now to him who is able... Our God is able to do immeasurably more than all I ask or imagine. To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus." I make that my first thought of the day, and then when I go to bed at night, I make that my last thought at night. "My God is able." Our God is able. Hallelujah!

Respectfully submitted

Pastor Lorne Pearson





Care Group Ministry Report: 2018/19

TCAPR is blessed to have a total of 11 active care groups reaching out and caring for around 120 people. The purpose of our small groups is to draw close to each other in a way that fosters intimacy and transparency to bring grace, transformation, and spiritual growth.

A special thank-you to each of our care group leaders: Kurtis and Bonnie Hadaller, Grant and Bev Churchill, Eldon and Barb Unruh, Wayne and Josie Schellenberg, Jason and Tracy Hallock, Randy and Sigi Hiebert, Eric and Brenda Ediger, Gerry and Pat Wall, Thomas and Lisa Becker, and Arnie and Lois Neufeld. Arnie and Lois have so much fun leading, that they are leading two different groups!

Care groups are structured on different days and locations. The variety of days and locations helps to allow others to participate in different groups based on their schedule. For example, our Thursday afternoon group has appealed to those who do not have regular daytime conflicts (e.g. mom's and retirees).

Leaders take a variety of different approaches and formats for study, from some going deeper in Pastor Lorne's messages, some working through a book or prepared study course, and some preparing studies themselves. Each group strives to serve each other and care for each other.

We realize that there are still many within our church body who are not currently experiencing the care and nurturing that care groups provide. If you are interested in being a part of a care group in the fall, please feel free to reach out to us over email or after church one Sunday. We'd love to find a spot for you!

Submitted by Chris and Karen Jansen