

NORTHERN PLAINS

EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION



ANNUAL REPORT

2012

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NPEA Treasurer's Report

by Chris Kauffman

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Income & Expense Report

January 1, 2012 ~ December 31, 2012

Income

Donations

Churches	\$75,578.33
Individuals	\$80,120.11
Speaking	\$8,669.00
CP Residency Program	\$300.00
Car Replacement	\$2,000.00
Investments - Interest	\$42.08
Church Planter Coaching	\$1,425.00
Bismarck Capital Campaign	\$62,163.60
Bismarck Planter Support	\$40,609.24
Sheridan Capital Campaign	\$1,000.00
White Water Christian Church	\$1,250.00

Total Income \$273,157.36

Expenses

Payroll

Salaries & Housing Allowances	\$117,111.68
Wages/Hr	\$17,802.10
Pension	\$2,250.00
Taxes	\$1,684.17

Total Payroll Expenses \$138,847.95

Insurance

Auto	\$487.99
Health	\$11,872.83
Health Savings Account	\$2,780.00
Liability	\$822.00
Worker's Comp.	\$420.16
Life Insurance	\$101.50

Total Insurance Expenses \$16,484.48

Conventions & Seminars

Booth Supplies	\$320.84
Presentation Materials	\$139.00
Registrations & Fees	\$1,367.50
Leadership Retreat	\$344.99

Total Conv. & Seminar Expenses \$2,172.33

NPEA Treasurer's Report

by Chris Kauffman

Northern Plains Evangelistic Association Income & Expense Report (cont.) January 1, 2012 ~ December 31, 2012

Administrative Expenses

Banking	\$297.18
Board Expenses	\$105.65
Book Allowance	\$388.14
Bookkeeping	\$1,580.45
Computer Equipment	\$2,016.72
Computer Supplies	\$129.56
Dues & Subscriptions	\$304.99
Internet	\$2,996.90
Miscellaneous	\$241.29
Office Equipment	\$1,020.37
Office Rent	\$4,687.50
Office Supplies	\$479.92
PayPal Fees	\$262.00
Postage	\$3,011.04
Printing/Coping	\$2,709.64
Staff Assessment & Training	\$124.00
Telephones	\$1,946.43
Utilities	\$60.58

Total Administrative Expenses \$22,362.36

Travel Expenses

Airfare	\$1,348.32
Car Replacement	\$10,426.25
Car Maintenance	\$1,862.43
Car Rental	\$797.24
Gas	\$2,834.60
Lodging	\$1,857.07
Meals	\$1,503.55
Miscellaneous	\$478.03
Railfare	\$476.80
Shipping	\$96.63

Total Travel Expenses \$21,680.92

Revive Christian Church	\$110,280.64
White Water Christian Church	\$5,250.00
Sheridan Project	\$201.93

Total Church Planting Expenses \$115,732.57

Total Expenses \$317,280.61

Net Income -\$44,123.25

Northern Plains Evangelistic Association

2012 Board Members

Executive Board Members:

Larry Berlin: President

Senior Minister: Paradise Valley Christian Church, Casper, WY
Home Address:
4323 Trotter Rd
Casper, WY 82007
307.265.7428

Craig Fausett: Vice President & Prayer Coordinator

Elder: Highmore Church of Christ, Highmore, SD
Home Address:
PO Box 83
Highmore, SD 57345
605.852.2500

Dennis Coull: Secretary

Member: First Christian Church, Rapid City, SD
Home Address:
6500 Cottonwood Ct
Black Hawk, SD 57718
605.787.5321

Larry Andrews: Member Gateway Community Christian Church Management Team

Elder: White Water Christian Church
Laramie, WY
Home Address:
2353 N 9th St #96
Laramie, WY 82070
307.272.8880

Don Burton: Travel Companion

Member: Northfield Christian Church
Ft. Dodge, IA
Home Address:
604 North 2nd St
Ft. Dodge, IA 50501
515.570.5218

Other Board Members:

One of NPEA's major Faith Objectives for 2013 is to add additional Board Members. We desire to have twelve Board Members total. Thank you for your prayers on this matter. If you have anyone to recommend please contact us.

* The NPEA Board meets quarterly. All Board Meetings but one (Annual Board Retreat in March) are hosted online via WebEx Meeting services. We encourage you to attend any NPEA Board Meeting which is always open to the public.

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2012 Monthly Financial Partners

Supporting Churches:

Broadwell Christian Church
Broadwell, IL

Brookings Christian Church
Brookings, SD

Calvary Christian Church
Swartz Creek, MI

Christian Church of Gillette
Gillette, WY

Cody Christian Church
Cody, WY

Concord Church of Christ
West Concord, MN

Crookston Church of Christ
Crookston, MN

Fairmont Christian Church
Fairmont, MN

Fifth Ave. Christian Church
Havre, MT

First Christian Church
Broken Bow, NE

First Christian Church
Kissimmee, FL

First Christian Church
Newcastle, WY

First Christian Church
Rapid City, SD

First Christian Church
Wheatland, WY

Franklin Heights Christian Church
Vincennes, IN

Highmore Church of Christ
Highmore, SD

Jackson Church of Christ
Montezuma, IA

Kingsway Christian Church
Yankton, SD

Latona Church of Christ
Wheeler, IL

Lewis Church of Christ
Lewis, IA

Main St. Church of Christ
McConnelsville, OH

McCook Christian Church
McCook, NE

Meadowview Church of Christ
Frazeyburg, OH

Morningside Church of Christ
Sioux City, IA

New Hope Christian Church
Maysville, KY

North Christian Church
Cheyenne, WY

North Point Christian Church
Spearfish, SD

Oakwood Park Christian Church
Sioux Falls, SD

Paradise Valley Christian Church
Casper, WY

Preston Christian Church
Bruce, SD

Revive Christian Church
Bismarck, ND

Staples Church of Christ
Staples, MN

Summit Christian Church
Akron, OH

The Bridge Christian Church
Dubuque, IA

Two Timbers Church of Christ
Oskaloosa, IA

Valley Christian Church
Moorhead, MN

West Way Christian Church
Scottsbluff, NE

White Water Christian Church
Laramie, WY

Watertown Christian Church
Watertown, SD

Individual Supporters:

The 168 Individuals that financially partner with NPEA come from all over the United States!

Revive Christian Church

by Derek Olsen

2012 Reflection & 2013 Projection

We officially launched Revive Christian Church on September 9th, 2012. We had lots of coffee, smiles and excitement. We had 110 people come that day. God showed up and made a great celebration out of it. As much as Satan tried to stop what we were doing, God willed it together.

Our mission is “Moving People Closer to the Heart of God” and our values are to Relate to our neighbors, Respond to the needs around us, Reproduce leaders among us and Rejoice with God who loves us. We believe our values will set us apart and know that there is a great community that we can get our hands and feet dirty in while moving us all closer to the heart of God.

From January to September we were busy getting the name of Revive Christian Church out to the public. We did this through giving out quarters at a local laundry mat. Giving out free coffee in the winter and free soda in the summer. We did dollar drops downtown at different city events with our info on the bills. We partnered with a local school, Saxvik Elementary, to help them with getting 45+ kids food on the weekends. This has been a great blessing to us. We are seeing fruit from this, although this was not the reason for serving this school. We also created a free family event after surveying the community. Saturday in the Park is a free family event where we have 2 large inflatables, outdoor games, hotdogs, chips, sno-cones, popcorn and drinks. We had more than a 1,000 come out for this in 2012. We are expecting more in 2013.

Our Launch Team did not grow as expected. In fact, we started with 25 instead of 120. We had 110 people at launch instead of the 425 hoped. There are several reasons for this. We have a very high church mentality here in Bismarck. If their parents were from a specific denomination then every generation to follow is as well. The longtime residents of Bismarck and Mandan are skeptical of change, especially if it's from a church they are not familiar with. In fact, many of the ministers I meet with regularly are not that familiar with the Independent Christian Church. Although, God did send us some families that were eager and excited to partner with us as we build Revive. I cannot wait to see what 2013 will bring.

Goals for 2013:

- ◆ Re Launch bigger and healthier March 24th.
- ◆ Replenish to grow to 2 schools.
- ◆ Partner with more organizations.
- ◆ More friends, neighbors, co workers and people far from God being baptized.
- ◆ Increase giving (Time, Talents, and Tithe).

We are thankful as God continues to lead Revive.

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White Water Christian Church

by Adam Coop

2012 Reflection & 2013 Projection

2012 was filled with much adventure, anticipated and unanticipated. In the midst of all of the adventure we watched God win! Though at the time, we weren't entirely sure what He was up to. Here is a short list of highlights from the last year:

- * Thirteen people gave their life to the Lord and were baptized.
- * \$25,000 was given to missions.
- * Chad Halbach (our Lead Church Planter) resigned.
- * Adam Coop took over as the Vision Pastor.
- * Matt Coulter was hired as our new Teaching Pastor.
- * God established an Eldership.
- * Rich Henderson was ordained as our Prayer & Visitation Chaplain.
- * Larry Andrews and crew launched Celebrate Recovery.
- * Average attendance in 2011 was 110 and 130 in 2012.

2013 will mark the very first year in WWCC's history that it will be fully self-supporting without any outside support! This being said, we are looking at a \$45,330.08 deficit in our 2013 budget. Sounds a little bit scary, huh? When I first viewed the numbers I have to admit that I was discouraged. Then God took my mind to a scene from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Charlie wins the last golden ticket and takes it back to his very poor family, and he states that he could just sell his ticket to make the money to take care of his family. Then his grandpa George in all his wisdom interjects, "There's plenty of money out there. They print more every day. But this ticket, there's only five of them in the whole world, and that's all there's ever going to be. Only a dummy would give this up for something as common as money. Are you a dummy?" Now I understand that we don't have one of five golden tickets, but we do have The One True God, and we don't have the promise of a chocolate factory tour, but rather the promise of the Kingdom of Heaven! And WWCC, much like Charlie, is not going to sell out for something as common as money! We are excited to see how God is going to supply our needs in 2013!

We are watching God move in the lives of druggies, cross dressers, abusive family situations, alcoholics, occult dabblers, food addicts, sex addicts, porn addicts, anger addicts, survivors of divorce, widowers, the hurt, the broken, the hopeless. And our mission has always been "persistently moving the world two steps closer to Jesus". We will continue to do just that in 2013. ***Our goal is to see 20 people come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior in 2013 and see WWCC experience Ephesians 1:18!***

God is moving. Are you watching closely?

Adam Coop
Vision/Creative Arts Pastor

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Gateway Community Christian Church

by Carl Smith

2012 Reflection & 2013 Projection

We want to thank each of you for your continuing prayers for our ministry. God has used our time, talent, energy, and finances to fulfill our mission to join Him reaching people for Christ in the Bridger Valley of Wyoming.

This year we baptized 6 souls and averaged a weekly attendance of 72.

Below is a list of some of the service projects we completed this year:

- Donated winter coats, socks, hats, and mittens to the schools to give to children.
- Sent appreciation gifts to U.S. soldiers serving in Afghanistan.
- Participated in American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.
- Picked up garbage from school playgrounds and city parks.
- Painted picnic tables for a local Forest Service campground.
- Provided school clothes to over 100 kids heading back to school.
- Welcomed 16 families who relocated to Bridger Valley with gift baskets featuring local businesses.
- Hosted 2 dinner parties for our local Senior Citizens Center.
- Gave appreciation gifts to over 70 of Bridger Valley's volunteer First Responders (fire, sheriff, police, ambulance).
- Delivered over 100 Operation Christmas Child Boxes to Samaritan's Purse Ministry.

In 2013, we will continue to:

- Teach people that God is for them and not against them.
- Engage others in love first relationships.
- Equip Christians to serve others through their spiritual gifts.
- Participate as God's servants to the Bridger Valley community.

Northern Plains Evangelistic Association

by Mike Sojka, Director

2012 Reflections & 2013 Projections

God has just blessed us with the best year ever at NPEA so it will be very easy to write about the many victories we experienced under His leadership. In my eleven years at the helm I finally believe we are gaining some traction to do so very serious damage to the enemy's plans to keep people away from God. It's a privilege to be able to share these blessings with fellow partners on the journey of church planting. Some of the reflections from 2012 (check out the next page for more accomplishments that God achieved this past year at NPEA) would include the following:

- ◆ For the first time in the history of the ministry we reached our annual General Budget of \$160,000.
God Blessed us with \$167,542!
- ◆ For the first time in the history of this ministry our total monies income surpassed \$220,000.
God Blessed us with \$240,982!
- ◆ God allowed us to start more churches in the last 6 years than ever before.
God Blessed us with starting 4 churches in the last 5 years!
- ◆ God helped us plant Revive Christian Church in Bismarck, ND.
God Blessed us with putting a Restoration Church (Instrumental) in the only state that didn't have one!
- ◆ I saved the best for last . . .
God Blessed us as we now have 1,000 plus people praying for this ministry!

2013 is already taking on a fast and furious pace. God continues to invite us to join Him where He is already very busy. My prayer is that we will be able to keep up with Him and all the ministry He has in store for us this year including:

- ◆ Grand Opening Service of Revive Christian Church on March 24th. We are praying for God to send 225 people for this service.
- ◆ The involvement in a multi partner plant in Arlington Heights, IL (Chicagoland). Ed & Kim Taylor are the lead planting couple for this plant. The church will start this October. NPEA will be involved in planting 5 churches in 6 years.
- ◆ Continue a national search to find the lead church planter for Sheridan, WY. Lord willing this church will start in the fall of 2014.
- ◆ Take three Prayer Journeys (April, May, June) to determine where NPEA will plant the next church after Sheridan.
- ◆ Start a Church Planting Residency Program so that we can create a bigger pool of planters for us to hire.

Thanks for your partnership! I am really excited about what God has planned in this upcoming year. Pray we continue to let him direct us in all facets of ministry!

Faith Objectives

by the NPEA Board

2012 Faith Objectives in Review

- To gain 212 new individual Prayer Partners, with the 5/5 Prayer Challenge. *We gained 88 new partners.*
- To gain 259 new individual Financial Partners, with the 10/10 Financial Challenge. *We gained 46 new partners.*
- To gain 10 new Supporting Churches. *God blessed us with 4 new partners.*
- To raise NPEA's average monthly income by \$1,615 to provide a \$160,000 annual budget. **God accomplished this task!**
- To secure 12 short term Mission Teams to come pray in Bismarck/Mandan, ND starting in August of 2011. We need 7 more teams to come and pray. **God accomplished this task!**
- To acquire 5 more Living Links for Bismarck/Mandan by July 15th, 2011. **God accomplished this task!**
- To hire a Creative Arts Minister, and Children's Minister for Bismarck/Mandan by July 15th, 2011. *We are still searching for the right team for Revive Christian Church.*
- To acquire 1 Launch Team family to help with the new work in Bismarck/Mandan by July 15th, 2011. **God accomplished this!**
- To decide where to plant our next church, Lord willing in the fall of 2013. **God accomplished this ~ Sheridan, WY! The date, however, has been pushed back one year.**
- To determine the budget for our next Church Plant. **God accomplished this task!**
- To start a national search for the Sheridan Project. *We are still searching for a Lead Church Planter.*
- To re-establish the Great Northern Church Planting Network to assist in planting our next plant in fall of 2014. *There is a great need here for more partners.*
- To investigate church planting possibilities overseas. *God did not open any doors for us here.*
- To continue to grow and promote our Leadership Couples Retreat, March 1-2nd, 2013. **God is doing this!**
- To recruit 4 more Board Members. *We did not accomplish this task.*
- To raise the remaining funds (\$7,650) to purchase another vehicle for NPEA. **God blessed us here!**
- To move NPEA's office to Fargo, ND by April 1st, 2012. **God has blessed us in our new location!**
- To let God be in control of this ministry! *We are getting better at this!*

Faith Objectives by the NPEA Board

2013 Faith Objectives

- Let God be in control of this ministry!
- To add at least 4 new NPEA Board members.
- To gain 100 new individual Prayer Partners with the 5/5 Prayer Challenge.
- To gain 100 new individual donors with the 10/10 Financial Challenge.
- To gain 7 new Supporting Churches.
- To raise our average monthly income by \$371.00 to an annual budget of \$172,000.
- To hire a Creative Arts Minister and Family Minister for Revive Christian Church.
- To celebrate the Grand Opening service for Revive Christian Church on March 24th, 2013.
- To partner with Ignite Church Planting in planting a new church in Arlington Heights (a Chicago suburb) in October.
- To re-establish the Great Northern Church Planting Network to assist in planting in Sheridan, WY.
- To raise an additional \$167,500 more dollars for the \$280,000 budget for Sheridan, WY by Jan. 2014.
- To hire a Lead Church Planter and additional staff for Sheridan, WY.
- To recruit 3 Launch Team families for the Sheridan Project.
- To have the Church Plant Staff on site by January of 2014 in Sheridan, WY.
- To start Prayer Walks in Sheridan in September of 2013 having teams come once a month for the next 12 months.
- To host three Prayer Journeys to determine where we plant our next church after Sheridan, WY. (April 11-13th, to be determined, May 16-18th in Fargo, ND; June 20-22nd in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada)
- To continue to grow and promote the Leadership Retreat, February 28th ~ Mar.1st, 2014.
- To establish a Church Planting Residency Program to multiply more Church Planters.
- To prayerfully discover a new name for NPEA that better describes what our ministry does.