# 2018-2019 Annual Report



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AND GROW TOGETHER

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# **Pastor Deven's Report**

Summerside,

It's been a great year! Let's start with a review. I think one of the biggest things in our church's life was the launching of a second service on Sunday mornings. It's been amazing to watch our community grow in this end of the city, and part of responding and preparing for that growth was the vision to offer a service at 9am and 11am.

I know that the second service was a lot of work. I am so thankful for your hard work, sacrifice, and overall investment in making the two services a success. Although there were some gaps and minor speed bumps, it was a good move that allowed us to engage even more people with the message of Jesus.

We spent a lot of time working through the book of Exodus from the Old Testament. Our central theme was that Jesus perfectly fulfills and embodies all of the rich themes, theology, and heart of God throughout the book. The Exodus of Israel reminds us that Jesus is working deliverance for his people, rescuing them from sin, slavery, death, and the devil. I loved Exodus.

We brought Carissa Bayliff onto our staff team to help with children's ministry. She's been a great help and a great addition. Tyler Legouffe, our Pastoral Intern, continues to serve and help in a number of areas.

We've investigated purchasing the property next door to us (east side) to ensure that we can continue to use it for ministry, but the deal fell through. Who knows what God has in store for us? It's a good thing we're not dependent on property to reach people. God is going to continue to lead and use our effort to further his mission. Nothing can stop him!

For some reason, as I pray and reflect, the image of "family" for our church body is becoming more and more central. Summerside, we're not a movement, a social-group, or a powerhouse team of all-stars, we're a family. We're called to love, serve, and care for one another. We're called to be committed to one another regardless of whether it's easy or simple. I am so thankful that we're growing and evidencing deep concern for one another. I'm thankful that we're a family.

I think that planting the church (2018) and launching a second service (2018 as well), resulted in a bit of a drop in our momentum. If I had to go back, I don't think I'd do anything differently. We've obeyed God, invested in his mission, and sacrificed to see people reached with the good news of Jesus. This is a win, no matter what!

Keep praying for me, for our church, leaders, and outreach. I love you and am grateful to be your pastor.

## **Property Team**

Even though we speak of our building as being "new", it is starting to show signs of aging. We have a great team of people that help keep it clean and looking great:

- Thank you to Bill Legouffe and Roger Decosse who took care of the custodial work each week. Roger has retired and Becky Cuthbert has taken his place.
- Thank you to Blair Gress and his team of people who are regularly working on various projects around the building.
- Thank you to lan Houghton for keeping our grass cut
- Thank you to Fred Lukianow and Arnie Brown for trimming, keeping the weeds down, and making the flowerbeds look great.
- Thank you to the many people who help to keep the kitchen organized and clean, but a special thanks goes to Gail Dixon and Carlene Northrup who are making sure it is kept organized and functional.

#### There were several major projects in our building this year:

- The stage in the auditorium was redone to provide a cleaner more versatile look.
- We finished renovations on the North wing basement, providing good useable rooms especially for our youth.
- We had to do a major repair on our roof to address problems with leaking.
- We made an offer to purchase the property to the East and when we learned they were not interested, proceeded to enter into discussions with the West side (Loblaws) regarding the potential of purchasing land. That is an ongoing discussion.

Submitted by Mark Cuthbert

# **Missions Report**

#### Missions Regional

This year, we separated our global/cross-cultural ministries from the regional ministries. This helped our Missions Committee focus on the need to reach the unreached around the world. Our Regional participation included the following:

- 1. The Streetlight ministry of Youth for Christ has been one that many from our congregation have been supporting. We not only do that by providing financial support for Justin Dimoff, but a number of people from the congregation help on teams that provide food for the downtown ministry to youth.
- 2. Heritage College and Seminary helps train people for church ministry and provides young people with a good foundation for any career.
- 3. We support two church plants in Ontario. Our own daughter church, Chelsea Green Community Church, has been operating for over a year and is off to a great start. We are also partnering with Graham Bulmer who is starting a church in Stoney Creek, Ontario.

4. We contribute to the FEB Central region of our Fellowship which supports church planting, leadership development, and church revitalization across our province.

#### Submitted by Pastor Mark

#### Missions Global/Cross-Cultural

During this year, the following priorities were identified to guide our choices in ministry partnerships to take the gospel to all the world:

- Unreached People
- Church Planting & Equipping
- Missionary Support Staff
- New Canadians

Guidelines were also drafted for our Missions Committee (ministry team) to help the congregation engage with these priorities:

- Challenge every member to take responsibility for taking the gospel "to all the world".
- Provide consistent support to our cross-cultural partners so they can effectively serve.
- Recommend initiatives consistent with the church's beliefs, practices, priorities and budget.

Two current challenges we face are how to communicate well in an age of information overload, and how to engage people born after 1976 (generations X and Y).

We made a significant donation to the Clementia Learning Centre at the end of 2018 and began monthly support to the Karkafis January 2019. Their ministries are described below.

We have been blessed to partner with those serving the Lord in Canada and around the world. They serve as an extension of Summerside's ministry, with particular skills and the ability to focus on evangelism, discipleship and training ministries, and supporting those who are engaged in these ministries full-time. The following are supported financially from our General Fund offerings.

Tim Bahula: is the Curriculum Design and Development Officer with Horizon Education Network, an affiliate of ABWE. He is responsible for the oversight of design and development of Horizon's curricula tailored to address the cultural needs and standards in the different settings where Horizon is providing theological education in local languages.

Mark & Anjelica Cassidy: Mark serves as Director of Arab World Media, providing leadership to a multi-ethnic team who produce media that brings the love of Jesus to the peoples of the Arab world through a variety of digital mediums.

Todd & Tonia Coyle: Todd serves as the Financial Services Director for Pioneers Canada, providing support for missionaries in 20 countries around the world.

David & Cathy Foster: serve with SIM (Serving in Mission) in outreach to Muslim-background peoples in the London, Ontario area.

Bechara & Roula Karkafi: Bechara works with FEB International leading church planting movements in Lebanon, the Middle East and North Africa. He also engages with FEB Central supporting church plants for immigrants from these areas in Canada. Roula works with the Clementia Learning Centre, church planting and a prison ministry in Lebanon.

Michael & Abby Lodge: Michael serves as the Member Care Director for Pioneers Canada. Abby provides support to families, Missionary Kids (MKs), women in ministry and new missionaries through their period of pre-field preparation.

Pioneers Africa: We support the work of African missionaries among the Bedouin Fulani peoples. Paul & Ruth Kone serve as team leaders for this ministry.

Although not supported financially at this time, we are privileged to have in our congregation career missionaries:

Minne and Michele Bouma: Minne serves as the president of ABWE Canada (Across Borders for World Evangelism).

Jeremy and Heidi Mullin: Jeremy serves at the TWR Canada (Trans World Radio) office as the IT/IS Administrator and Special Projects Technician.

This past year, Keith and Lucille MacDonald travelled to Portugal in support of ministry there. Caleb Bouma travelled to the Dominican Republic for a 6-week edu-deo HANDS project. The team of students spent time in educational settings, helped with building projects and did community outreach activities. Eden Sheil returned in July 2018 from 7 months in New Zealand and Australia working with CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship

Submitted by Doug Squire, with thanks to committee members Nancy Brock and Norayda Cabansag, Pastor Mark Cuthbert, and Elder Michael Lodge.

# **Welcome Ministry**

It has been a blessing and a pleasure for me to serve Embrace this past year. I have learned much and I am grateful for every opportunity God has given me.

We have seen steady growth this year. In addition to Don Acres, Luella Lukianow and me, we have added Elias Baribeau and Minne Bouma as Team Captains. Scheduling is being co-managed by me and Don. We have also added a dozen new members to serve as Greeters and Ushers - Mike & Brenda Barnett, Yemi & Victor Alade (Tobi & Tishe Alade may also join officially), Greg & Grace Elliott, Holly & Lloyd Weiss, Melanie Belanger, and Mary Collins. So thankful to God for providing good-hearted people to serve and support this ministry

We held a training session in May. Our focus was an introduction for all new members, manual review, and an opportunity to get to know one another a bit more. There will be another training session this year – date to be determined – that will focus on a few key topics, including how to answer questions concerning sexuality. As the first face many see coming into Summerside, we want people to feel comfortable asking us questions concerning the church's position on various topics and, given the current cultural/political climate, sexuality is a key concern for many. May Christ give us the confidence and clarity to articulate our stance while showing love, grace and kindness

Goals for this year include continued growth as we ramp up for two services again in the fall. I would like to add another scheduler to support me and Don. I would also like to find more time/support to engage with those who serve our ministry, to ensure they feel part of the team and appreciated. To that end, Jody and I are planning a get together at our home for any Embrace members who would like to attend.

A key area for improvement is adherence to counting those attending services, as this has fallen off in recent months – this is my responsibility to correct and I will do all I can to ensure this is not neglected going forward

God bless Embrace. God bless Summerside

Tyler Wood - Director of Embrace Ministry

# **Children's Ministry**

As I read through last year's Summerside Kids report in preparation for writing this one, I was left with the overall impression of "Wow, that didn't go how we thought it would!" The past year of children's ministry has definitely been one of adaptation.

Providing excellent care and Bible-based learning activities for kids over two services required adaptation in the number and role of leaders needed, shared use of spaces and resources, and administration time to coordinate it all!

Carissa Bayliff has been a vital piece in making all this possible. I'm so grateful for her support and assistance; her strengths, experience, and character are an incredible asset to the ministry.

 Challenges with equipment and technology at digital check-in and with AV in the KUR required a host of people supporting us to analyze issues and implement possible solutions.

Those like Mark Cuthbert and Tyler Legouffe who have expertise in these areas and who step in to help during IT challenges keep the ministry running! Thank you.

Summerside Kids' leaders also processed personal and family adaptation as they navigated serving over two services, and for many, multiple ministries. They were also stretched in their leadership abilities as they adapted lessons in real time to accommodate the fluctuation in attendance to suit the group present.

All individuals on the Summerside Kids' ministry team contribute significantly and serve sacrificially. They have demonstrated Christ's love and generosity not only to our Summerside kids, but also to others team members as they take turns standing in the gaps when needed.

As noted within the process of creating successful adaptations, much faith was built and joy was found. God is faithful and it's a privilege to serve Him alongside such an amazing team.

#### Other highlights of the year include:

- Growth in the 32 50 program not just in numbers, but spiritually as students developed a desire to know God and His Word at a deeper level. Denise Brown and Dorothy Meyer had a fabulous year of teaching on Sunday mornings. (See additional information below.) We were thrilled to launch the first PA Day Camp for this age group on April 5, 2019.
- Financial support from the Summerside Church community was sufficient to supply children's ministry
   resources such as curriculum, activity and teaching supplies, and equipment and furniture replacements
- Encouraging statistics: 15 new team members have been added to the ministry team; 9 who served previously as helpers have moved into a leadership role. 40 new children have become regular Sunday morning attenders.

#### Submitted by Michele Bouma

Play & Grow: We estimate that between 50 and 100 people attend this playgroup on Wednesday mornings, in the foyer, at Summerside. Denise Brown and myself, along with set-up help from the Tuesday Night Group and Gail Dixon's team of coffee/tea and snack providers (Faye Squire, Arlene Lewington, Connie Gress, Lucille MacDonald, Roger & Marilyn DeCosse), welcome parents, grandparents, and caregivers, along with their babies, toddlers and preschoolers between 9:30am and 11:30am. This year, Early ON (formally Ontario Early Years) sent only one staff member who provided a craft room in the South Wing and a closing circle time of songs and action rhymes, etc. We appreciate their partnership. It's their "advertising" that brings in so many people from the community (and all over London). Our group is known as the biggest and best in London. We think it's because we have a fabulous space (which is kept clean by our amazing janitorial staff) and so many servant volunteers who welcome and form friendships and share the love of Jesus with the people who attend. At Christmas and Easter, we were able to give a Jesus-focused children's book to each of the families. On our last Wednesday (end of May), we provided a pizza, veggies and ice cream sandwiches lunch to the families who had children old enough to attend JK in the Fall. This was our second Graduation Party and we hope to continue the tradition. Each family was happy to receive a Children's Bible. There were 12 graduates.

#### Faith Cuthbert

**32 50:** 32 50 is a program for students in grade 3 to 5 Only (32 50) that runs most Sundays during the school year (during the second service). This past year, we averaged 12 students per week. We spend our time together learning from the Bible using the 5 W's and an H (Who, What, When, Where, Why and How). This year, we followed the children's ministry curriculum from Life Way and worked our way through the Bible starting at Creation and ending at the Cross. We read through the scripture reference for each week and then take it apart using the

above format. We use creative ways to engage the students from playing games to science experiments, etc.; which allows the students to discuss and discover what God's word is saying to them. Together we can discover the truth of God's word (through Investigation, Interpretation and Application) and how it applies to our lives. Our group verse is 2 Timothy 3:16 "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right." Our hope is that when students leave 32 50 they will have confidence in God's word and their own ability to study the Bible.

Many thanks to my teaching partner Dorothy Meyer and our support staff (Cory Moonen, JM Davis, Mark Nasvadi, Faye Squire and Mark DeVries) for their energy and support of this important program and our students. It has been a privilege to serve with you.

Denise Brown

#### **Kids Camp:**

We did not run a Kids Camp in the summer of 2018.

**DC4K:** Divorce Care for Kids (aged 5-12) is a 13-week program which we held at Summerside, during the Divorce Care class, on Tuesday evenings in the Fall of 2018. We started with eight children from three families, but one of the moms stopped attending Divorce Care and another didn't find it a good fit for them, so we ended the time with just two children (a brother and sister). With the excellent help of Tonya Goodmurphy, we were able to help these two children see the truth of God's love for them and give them tools to cope with the separation of their parents. On our final evening, in December, we were blessed to enjoy a turkey dinner hosted by the Tuesday Night Group.

Faith Cuthbert

#### **Armour Hockey:**

Armour Hockey is a program that teaches the game of hockey, in a fun, safe environment, to kids who can't or don't want to commit to a full season of organized hockey. We have kids as young as six and up to age fourteen at various skill levels. From first-time skating to ready to transition into competitive hockey, Armour Hockey fits every child at every level. The goal is to teach kids hockey in a less competitive, low cost, low pressure environment where they also get introduced to Summerside Church and its other ministries. Armour hockey runs from October to April and includes 20 ice times on Saturday mornings and is held in Dorchester.

Part of what we try to do is to develop the kids' leadership skills as well as their hockey skills. The older group is encouraged to help coach the younger group and, when kids age out of the program, they are offered a place on the coaching staff where they can continue to build their leadership skills and earn community service hours for high school. This season, we had another two program graduates join the coaching staff. Special thanks to all the coaches who helped out throughout the year - Reid Bayliff, Nick Moonen, Jay Wright, Matt Hagar, Jordan Foster, Larry Banks, and our two junior coaches Korsyn Pranger and Malcolm Banks.

We had another successful year. We had 37 kids registered this year ranging in age from 6-13 many of them new to Armour Hockey. The program is broken into two groups (7-10 and 11-13) and, in each group, we spend time on drills and we also have a scrimmage. The kids learn hockey skills like skating, shooting, passing, and strategy as

well as life skills like fair play, leadership, and cooperation. It's always amazing to see the improvement of the kids from the start of the year to the end.

In the fall of 2019, we will be opening registration for our eighth season. Hopefully we'll have even better registration numbers so we can continue to be a self-supporting ministry. It's an incredible privilege to coach these kids and see them grow. Please pray for the coaches and the kids (especially the coaches) as we move the program forward and try to include as many kids as possible.

Keep your blades sharp,

Coach Cory (Moonen)

# **Emmaus Youth Ministry**

This was our fifth year running the Emmaus program for Grades 6-12, and our second year running on Wednesday night. We saw a lot of consistency across this year, with around 30-40 students of both Jr. High and Sr. High students attending the Wednesday night program regularly. Emmaus is about a journey together towards knowing Christ, and that was reflected in our teaching as we went through sections of the book of Mark, touched on spiritual growth and spiritual disciplines, discussed issues of marriage and relationships, and went through the book of 1 Peter.

We are encouraged to see that students feel comfortable inviting their friends to come to youth and especially to our events. Events were well attended this year. Parents are becoming more familiar with our Registrations app through Planning Center Online.

This was a year of renovation. A lot of our budget this year was spent on the new Youth Room for things like couches, table-tennis, repairing the pool table, and chairs. We are excited that we now have a space for students to hang out on Sunday as well as more space for our programs and small groups.

We ran a week of summer day camp for Grades 3 – 5, 3250 Camp. 3250 is an important age group for Youth Ministry as students from 3250 will eventually enter Jr. High. Investing in this age group is key for a sustainable youth ministry. This was a fun week, attended by 20 students. Teaching for this week was connecting Old Testament and New Testament imagery in the person of Jesus through inductive Bible study.

We ran a week of summer day camp, Summerside Youth Camp, this year with great success. This was a four-day camp ending in a day at East Park. We had 30 Jr. High students attend this camp. This week-long event functions as an on-ramp to our Jr. High ministry, transitioning students from 3250 to Emmaus. Teaching for this week involved looking at the person of Jesus through inductive Bible study and interactive lessons.

Although we welcomed new youth leaders this year, we are saying goodbye to some of them this coming year. We need more youth leaders, particularly leaders for Sr. High girls and Jr. High girls. Our goals have never been simply

to get by with the least number of adult leaders or to have as many leaders as possible. We want adults who want to invest in the spiritual lives of young people and have enough people to accommodate future growth.

Our current needs include finding out a way to successfully separate Jr. and Sr High. This has been requested by both groups and poses an opportunity for growth for both ministry groups. We feel the need to invest more specifically for each of these groups and can see the benefits of splitting the groups. Please pray as this ministry steps out in faith that we would follow the Lord's leading so we can see more students move further along their journey towards knowing Christ.

Luke Cuthbert

#### **Adult Ministries**

#### Men's Ministry:

"Iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" Proverbs 27:17

Therefore, if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose'. Philippians 2:1-2.

It has been another rewarding year of Men's Ministry here at Summerside! We continue to see new faces joining our men at our monthly breakfast held on the 3rd Saturday of each month, including men who attend other churches. This 'safe place' encourages, equips, and sees men set free as we embrace learning from one another, as we journey together. The time committed to prayer brings unity and encouragement to all as we pray for one another, our community, and our country.

We hosted a PromiseKeeper's workshop in March on 'Identity' with 60 men in attendance. Dean Holtz, our speaker, reminded us our identity is defined not by the world's standards, but it's found in the heart of Jesus Christ living in us. Mario Gargache, our Compassion child, who lives in Honduras, receives regular support from our ministry. He appreciates our pictures, letters, and prayer for him and his family.

We are a founding member of the MMNL, Men's Ministry Network of London, to further men's ministry across the city. This group meets quarterly to support and encourage church men's ministry leaders.

My thanks to our men's ministry team, Ron Berman, Ian Houghton, Randy Kay, Tyler Wood, and Doug Squire who are committed to serving the men of this church and community. I want to thank Rod Parfitt for faithfully serving for many years as well.

#### **Pinery Camping:**

Early in the year, a few men gathered to review the Camping Weekend, now in it's 12th year, to assess what's working and what can be improved. Our thanks go to Liz Fildey and Luke Cuthbert for assisting us in getting all of our campers using the Planning Centre Online for registration and payment collection. Kent Nielsen will be eternally grateful for your help! Michael Lodge brought his culinary expertise to assist with meal planning and food purchasing.

As in the past, there was lots of new faces, an abundance of good food, the water was still cold, the dunes were still fun, and the campfires ignited good conversations. We welcomed men and boys who have never attended our church. They are friends and neighbours who embrace this safe and fun event. Messages from some of our own men planted seeds of faith that will be harvested by others. Our thanks to lan Houghton, Kent Nielsen, Michael Lodge and a host of volunteers who cooked, cleaned, and served one another.

#### South Western Ontario Band of Brother's Weekend - Forest Cliff Camp:

The third annual 'Boot Camp' was held at Forest Cliff Camp at the end of May, with over 75 men attending. I count it a great privilege to have been invited on the leadership team again for this event, joining a number of men from both Summerside and Chelsea Green churches. In spite of rain that created a lake in the centre of the boys' cabins, our spirits were encouraged when the sun did come out! The outdoor activities and delicious meals spawned numerous new friendships and deepened existing ones.

Men keep coming back because 'God shows up' - and he did not disappoint any of those attending this year. Just like last year, the 'ripple' effect of this weekend continues to bless families and the greater community. We hope some new community groups will be formed from this year's camp.

Our thanks to Jon Mark Davis for his ongoing passionate leadership in this ministry.

#### **Friday Night Hockey:**

Late every Friday night during the 'hockey' season, the Dorchester Arena comes to life with the Summerside Hockey teams. The two pads provide safe space for all skill levels from novice to expert and a good time is had by all. The locker room and 'post game' conversations provide a safe place for good conversations to encourage and equip all those present.

The coveted 'Summerside Cup' is circulated during the off season to remind the guys that more fun will be coming again in the fall.

Our thanks to Jay Wright and his team for their leadership both on and off the ice.

I'm grateful that many of our men have created and participate in several small groups that meet regularly for accountability and encouragement. We look forward to working together in the year ahead to create more groups across all age spectrums, in order to 'leave no man behind'.

Jeff Ste. Marie Men's Ministry Coordinator

#### Women's Ministry:

The women's ministry at Summerside has had an exciting year.

We organized a plant night, axe throwing, bible journaling, treasure exchange, games night and card making. It was great to see new faces as some women invited friends to these events.

There were three praise and prayer nights this past year. Again, we saw new women attend each of these events and some even shared. God has really used these to allow us to draw closer to Him and other women.

Our annual brunch was sold out with 77 ladies attending. The Women's Friendship Circle prepared the food and Dorothy Meyer demonstrated how to make a container garden. There were several door prizes handed out and ladies are already excited for the next one.

For this coming year, we are going to continue with the praise and worship nights, the treasure exchange, and the annual brunch. In September, we are going to start a book club that meets once a month to discuss the assigned book. We have planned to do some other fun nights that women can invite their friends out to such as a dessert/games/movie night. The idea of running a workshop day was also added to our planning list.

On behalf of the women's ministry team, Sherry Nasvadi Liz Wright, Connie Gress, Cheryl Trojek, Heather MacDonald, Sarah Davis, Dorothy Meyer

#### **Friendship Circle:**

This year, the number of women has increased to over forty with new women attending through word of mouth. We have taken friendship to a new level with many women gathering in groups outside our Monday morning events. The level of chatter is greater and there is an increased level of caring and prayer for one another. This is a safe place to share issues in our lives and we know we have each other's backs.

Many afghans, socks, scarves, and hats have been finished and each new item is photographed and put into a scrapbook documenting the history of the group back to the first meeting.

For two years, we have had a soup and bread lunch every second week when we study from a book or video. This past year, we had a Bible study and video on the book "Uninvited" by Lysa TerKeurst. In January, we each told our life's story and this experience took us to a new level of empathy for one another.

One interesting development happened when Pastor Deven brought in a large bag of yarn and said, in passing, that it would be nice if we knit him something. Well, this was the start of the coat of many colors for Pastor Deven. We passed the garment around and around and each woman completed a row of color. Gradually it took shape and, on April  $1^{st}$ , Hazel Berman presented it to him. He was most grateful, but wondered why it took us so long! He has promised to wear it soon. Maybe when we study Joseph next.

In summary, many of us have come to recognize Friendship Circle as a time to get out and enjoy our crafts, learn new activities, and, most of all, strengthen our friendships.

Submitted by Dorothy Meyer

#### **Community Groups:**

Community Groups are central to who we are and how we make disciples as a church. If someone can only be involved in one "thing" outside of Sunday, I always encourage them to make it a Community Group. Why? Because, in community, we know, are known, and receive the care and support that we need as we all seek to follow Christ.

In this past year, we've seen our group change and transition. After we planted the church, we sent out many of our group leaders. This made it hard to regain momentum and continue having a strong group ministry. But it is coming. Right now, we have groups meeting throughout the city and in neighboring communities.

Our groups were involved in outreach and community service. We also saw our groups inviting people who are new to Summerside to jump into their groups. This is terrific! We saw a few groups grow and transition into a situation where they multiplied and launched another group.

Overall, our group ministry has a lot of room to grow. Keep praying and seeking to be involved. We're excited about what is coming in this new year and how we can strengthen our group ministry.

Pastor Deven K. MacDonald

**Summerside Seniors:** When we speak of our Senior's ministry, we are talking about the programed aspect of ministry. A majority of ministry to seniors takes place in informal one-on-one interactions or smaller groups that get together for fellowship and community. In addition, we had a number of larger events:

- The Tuesday morning Bible Study was an opportunity for people to get together to study a book of the Bible and share life together. They usually included a time of singing and praying for missionaries they were following. Thank you to Gerry McAuley and his team for coordinating this.
- Several special catered meals were held at the Youth for Christ Centre. These happened around key days
  of the year like Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Seniors from Chelsea Green, Compass, and Knollwood
  Baptist churches also participated.
- There were also several less formal events the seniors shared in like hymn sings and watching a movie together.
- A big thank you goes to Hugh Mitchel for coordinating many of the events that took place this year. Hugh
  has moved to Chelsea Green Community Church to help establish that congregation.

One of the changes we made this year was establishing a new identity for Summerside's Seniors ministry. We are now calling it "North of 60". We are working on making some changes to the ministry to help meet the needs of our seniors across a 30+ year age spectrum. This coming year, we will be continuing some of the events from last year, but also making a few changes to help address this changing face of seniors' ministry.

Submitted by Pastor Mark

**DivorceCare:** Most people will tell you that separation and divorce are the most painful and stressful experiences ever faced. It's a confusing time when you feel isolated and have lots of questions about issues you've never faced before.

The 2018 leadership team for DivorceCare consisted of two people who understood and have a real concern for individuals who are experiencing separation and divorce. As a DivorceCare leader, I have been through divorce and understand the healing and self-restoration that can occur after the breakup of a marriage.

Attendees discover there are people who understand the hurts, conflicting emotions, and depth of these painful experiences; and that everyone processes / accepts / adjusts / and comes to terms in their own timeline, and they should NOT to be ashamed of those struggles. In divorce, it's common to feel isolated. In DivorceCare, attendees find that they are not alone, that there are others who understand what you are going through.

DivorceCare takes a biblical supported approach in guiding attendees through stages of divorce, separation, and their related issues such as: reconciliation, remarriage, forgiveness, and the effects on both children and families. It addresses better language to use, different perspectives of how to address and open their minds to amicable possibilities without feeling taken advantage of. Further, it aligns attendees - whether spiritual or just coming to the church - to become part of the community for support and guidance by way of passages linked to the weekly topics.

This past fall, the group started with four attendees and saw another two join after the initial start. One left the group after a couple of weeks.

After its wrap up in December 2018, a group of four within Divorce Care sought further support as they felt the group fell off too quickly. They had hoped for more, which extended our conversations from Jan 2019 to March 2019.

This 13-week course at Summerside engages and offers unity in our church community when attendees feel out of touch, possibly depressed, and brings them within the culture of Summerside and a renewed sense of self.

Submitted by Tami Showers

# **Worship Ministry**

This year, Summerside Worship stepped up to the call of two services, saw more people get involved, and moved to modify and renew its mission and values as a ministry.

Two services were lot of work for the Summerside Worship volunteers, but they were ready for it and enthusiastically served our congregation in this way. Two services caused the band to have more time to play together and more time to bond as a team, so this was a positive thing. Two services did make it difficult to schedule people very often, as each Sunday required a bigger time commitment. The addition of a "Volunteer Lounge" or "Green Room" for worship team members during the second sermon would help the team.

More people have joined our team this past year, most of whom are experienced musicians, which encourages our whole team as we all seek to give our best to this ministry. This ministry would benefit greatly from a few more members and will always welcome people who are ready to use and improve their musical or technical gifts.

With input from several team members and worship leaders, the worship ministry has adopted new values and adjusted its mission statement. The Summerside Worship Team exists to inspire Christ-centred worshipers. This

statement reflects our heart to see God use us to encourage and inspire WORSHIPERS in our congregation. Not only for Sunday, but everyday worshipers. The values we adopted as a ministry are Biblical Truth, Kingdom Devotion, Spiritual Transformation, Authentic Expression, and Loving Unity. We believe these words and phrases are what should define our ministry and are discipleship goals for the team members and the congregation, as Christ-centred worshipers.

This ministry continues to grow and our focus this year will be developing leaders and establishing loving unity as a group.

Luke Cuthbert

# **Outreach Report**

#### Fun Fair

Once again, we held our Annual Fun Fair at the church. Our focus this year was on being inviting neighbours. While this has always been something that Summerside strives to do well, we thought it would be beneficial to focus this outreach event on establishing and further building into the relationships we have with the people in our community. On the surface this does not sound like a massive change, but it came with a fundamental change in our ask to the community when they showed up at the event, Instead of inviting them to come to church on a Sunday morning, we instead invited them to join us at one of our various ministries' events. The idea here is that we see better success in inviting people to "hang out" in an informal way before issuing the "big ask" to come to church.

It was great to see representation from a couple of new ministries running events this year. Friendship Circle, Armour Hockey, Men's and Women's Ministries all had their own sections with various activities to participate in while members of those groups were able to connect with people passing by. We also brought back old favourites like a bouncy castle for the kids and hot dogs, chips and pop. The addition of axe throwing seemed to attract older students, and adults without kids, to come out and be a part of the event, thereby opening up conversations we typically have not attracted in the past.

It was great to be able to continue our relationship with Forest Cliff Camps as they help with this event. Part of our partnership with Forest Cliff is that they will help serve at an event we hold each year, bringing their equipment and staff. This is a great opportunity for us as we are able to offer more attractions to the church, and it is great for Forest Cliff since they are able to market their Day Camp program as well. We value our relationship with Forest Cliff and are thankful for all the help they bring to our Fun Fair each year.

Lastly, we had a great turn out of volunteers this year. With the event split into three time periods of one hour each, no person was committed to serve for so long that they could not also enjoy the event for themselves or with their own family. Many of our volunteers served for more than one time block, with some even serving the entire event.

The addition of our new Summerside Community Shirts helped newcomers quickly look out into a sea of blue to find someone who could help them with whatever they needed.

Thank you all for your help, support, and prayer with this event. It is a great way to reach our neighbours and let them know that we are here in the community and it goes a long way in helping break the stigma of "stuffy old church" for those who may have preconceived notions about what church looks like. We are looking forward to next year's Fun Fair and hope to see some new faces out with all of the new houses in our community.

Tyler Legouffe Pastoral Intern

# **Treasurer's Report**

#### Treasurer's Report

#### **CONDENSED FINANCIAL OVERVIEW for YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

GENERAL FUND	Receipts	\$	519,855	
	Disbursements	\$	517,711	
BUILDING FUND	Receipts	\$	12,065	
	Disbursements	\$	37,937	
CARING FUND	Receipts	\$	14,490	
	Disbursements *	\$	20,960	
CGCC	Receipts	\$	25,706	
	(including \$12,000 from Summerside)			
* Includes	FAIR Indonesian tsunami relief	\$	2,000	
	Clementia Learning Centre	\$	3,200	
	London Pregnancy & Family	\$	1,200	
	Support Centre	Ψ	1,200	
	Capport Control			
Notes of Interest	- Building and contents insured value			\$ 4,949,000
	- Mortgage balance			\$ 266,715
- Mortgage paydown for the fiscal year @ 4.25%			\$ 26,452	
- Bond pay down for the fiscal year			\$ 30,500	
	- Bonds payable			\$ 99,000

As we can see in the Ministry Reports, God is working in individuals and families at Summerside, impacting and changing lives. Thank you for your part in this by supporting Summerside financially, allowing the church to offer this facility and programs for serving, growing, and worshipping together.

Your faithfulness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

Thank you also to the entire Financial Team as they worked hard to keep the records current and in order:

The Assistant Treasurer

The Envelope Secretary

The Head Teller

All the weekly Tellers

The Finance Committee

The Auditors

#### Gisele Baribeau

Treasurer

Attached is an account of the General Fund Activity for this past fiscal year and the Budget for 2018-2019. Amounts are subject to year-end adjustments.

### Summerside Community Church General Revenue and Expense Statement

General Revenue and Expense Statement	2018 - 2019 Actual*		2018 - 2019 Budget		2019 -2020 Budget	
Income						
1000 º Receipts	519,855		546,170		557,938	
Expense 2000 • MISSIONS GLOBAL/CROSS CULTURAL						
2210 º Coyles - Pioneers	3,480		3,480		3,600	
2220 O Lodges - Pioneers	2,966		3,000		3,060	
2250 º Fosters - SIM	2,604		2,600		2,700	
2270 º Cassidys - Pioneers	2,004		2,000		2,040	
2280 º Karkafi's - FEB International	1,800			-	2,040	
2300 o Bahulas - ABWE	4,224		4,220		4,320	
2400 º Pioneers Africa -Fulani Project	2,200		2,200		2,200	
2450 O New Mission Initiatives		200	5,000		3,000	
Total 2000 • MISSIONS GLOBAL/CROSS CULTURAL 2500 • MISSIONS REGIONAL SUPPORT	19,478		22,500		22,960	
2510 º Heritage College & Seminary	1,250		1,250		1,250	
2520 O New Church Plants	20,580		20,000		20,000	
2540 º Dimoffs - YFC	4,500		4,500		4,600	
2550 O Association Support	8,936		9,225		9,225	
Total 2500 o MISSIONS REGIONAL SUPPORT 3000 o MINISTRIES	35,266		34,975		35,075	
3100 º Christian Education- General		872	1,000		1,000	
3200 O Children's Ministries	3,464		5,000		5,000	
3300 º Youth Ministries	9,136		9,000		9,000	
3400 o Adult Ministries- General 3410 o Women's Ministries	(176)	322		- 500		- 500
3420 o Men's Ministries 3430 o Seniors' Ministries	(1,535)	460		750 500	1,000	500

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3500 º Leadership Development	2,299		2,500	2,500
3600 ∘ Library	1,180		1,100	1,100
3700 º Fellowship (Kitchen)	2,340		3,000	3,000
3800 o Local Outreach & Advertising	2,749		4,500	5,500
Total 3000 • MINISTRIES 4000 • ADMINISTRATION & PROPERTY	21,112		27,850	29,100
4100 o Building Debt Interest	18,398		18,424	15,777
4110 º Building Debt Principal	36,452		36,438	35,598
4200 o Utilities	11,507		16,000	16,000
4300 o Insurance	7,847		8,120	8,526
4400 o Maintenance	22,212		22,000	22,000
4500 o Telephone / Internet		995	1,200	1,200
4600 º Visual Design	1,995		2,000	2,000
4700 o Office Supplies	4,862		7,000	7,000
4750 o Banking Costs	3,367		4,000	4,000
Total 4000 o ADMINISTRATION & PROPERTY 5000 o STAFF	107,634		115,182	112,101
5100 º Pastors' Expenses	4,501		6,000	6,000
5200 o Staff Conferences& Seminars	4,519		6,500	6,500
5300 o Professional Development		415	3,000	3,000
5400 o Staff Salaries	248,513		244,113	253,152
5500 º Health Plan	16,505		14,500	16,500
5550 o Pensions	9,983		10,500	10,500
5600 o Administrative Help	2,037		10,000	10,000
5700 o Custodial	15,070		17,000	17,000
5800 o Internships	12,893		13,000	13,000

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5900 º Payroll Costs	15,715		14,000		16,000	
Total 5000 o STAFF 6000 o WORSHIP	330,151		338,613		351,652	
6100 o Guest Speakers/Special Music		-		500		500
6200 O Worship Training		517		250		250
6300 o Supplies - Music / Communion		807	1,300		1,300	
6401 º Audio Visual Technical Equip	2,747		5,000		5,000	
Total 6000 ○ WORSHIP	4,070		7,050		7,050	
Total Expense	517,711		546,170		557,938	
Net Income	2,144			-		-

<sup>\*</sup> subject to year end adjustments