



PASTOR'S REPORT

To our church family,

2022 was an interesting year. We saw people come and go. There were some ups and downs. We had one of our best summers to date with new people visiting our church. Several gave their lives to the Lord and were baptized. We were blessed by a wonderful team from Tennessee who led outreach into our community in a variety of ways. There was a BBQ in the park, face painting, and even some door-to-door ministry. Along with our Fourth of July outreach during the parade and opening the doors of our church for the Hailey Hoopla, we touched thousands of people between the months of June to October. We are believing for those seeds to be watered and that God will bring the increase.

The early church understood this. Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 3:7, "So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow." This is a good verse to be reminded of and to hold on to when we aren't seeing the growth we desire. In Luke 13:6-9, Jesus tells a parable about a fig tree that wasn't producing any fruit. The owner of the field thought the tree should be cut down, but the caretaker said to leave it alone. Instead, they would cultivate the soil and fertilize it in the hope that it would bear fruit the next year. We must do the same with our lives, our church, and our community.

This next year let's focus on being healthy and strong spiritually. We must do our part and believe God for the growth. Make sure you are right with the Lord and that you are committed to serving Him to the very best of your ability. Next, commit to praying for ten people within your local sphere of influence. This could be neighbors, co-workers, friends, and family. Believe God to help you point each one of them to Jesus over the next year. In addition to all of this, be sure you are investing in the lives of others and inviting them to church. This is how we can plant and water, and cultivate and fertilize the soil, so God will bring the increase.

We are thankful for each of you. Your support and encouragement make such a difference to us. We appreciate every interaction, text, hug, or kind word. Thank you for lifting our hands by coming along side of us with your support and prayers. We love you very much.

Together for the Gospel,

Pastor Konrad and Sarahlee