



# ANNUAL REPORT

2014

At Genesis Church we believe that Jesus Christ is the hope of the world. Because of this, God is using Genesis to communicate the life-changing message of Jesus and to meet the real needs of people around us.

God has provided generously for His work here at Genesis Church. He has called great volunteers, generous donors and gifted leaders in all areas of ministry who dedicate their time, their prayers and their talents to helping people find their way back to God. You are one of those people!

*Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NLT)*

He's using you, regardless of how you got here, to do His work. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now he's using YOU. Brick by brick, person by person, with Jesus Christ as the Cornerstone we come together as His Church. He has called You to be a part of it. Join us in celebrating your church, your story and your part in God's Master Plan.

Paul Mumaw  
Lead Pastor



## ON THE COVER YOUR ONE

In March we challenged everyone to pray for one person who needs to find their way back to God. We received over 230 My One cards back and began praying for them. Some of those prayers were answered quickly and some will require patience and praying for years, waiting on God's perfect timing.

Linda knows what it's like to pray those prayers and to trust in God's timing. She had been praying for her husband Terry for years and had asked many she served with and met with in Connection Groups to pray too. Terry began coming to church with Linda and serving, but it took over 4 years before he was ready to choose a new path for his life. In November, Terry came forward telling Pastor Paul Mumaw "It's time I surrender my heart to the Lord. I've fought it way too long."

Linda's persistent and faithful prayers were answered, and in March Terry made it public and was baptized!

*The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9 NIV)*

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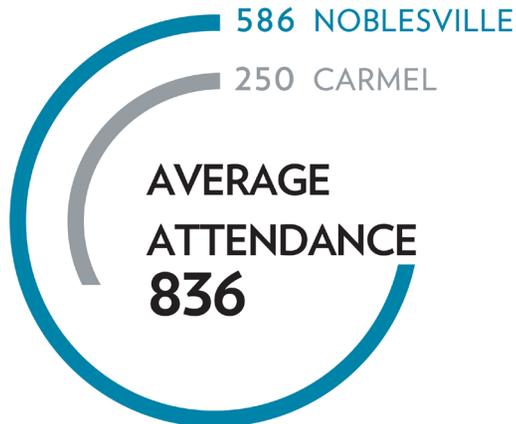
After giving his life to the Lord and being baptized in October of 2013, Chad was hungry and on fire for his new relationship with Jesus. He joined a men's group and began meeting with Kevin one on one to learn what it means to follow Jesus and how he could share his faith with others. His passion for Jesus and God's Word is contagious. Chad says "I can't read God's Word enough" and "All I can think about is Jesus." This summer Chad said "They just hired two new guys here at work that I am working with and training. That makes me excited because I have two new guys to talk to about our Heavenly Father." God is using the faith that has ignited in His people to do His work and spread the good news.



*Come and hear, all you who fear God; and I will tell what he has done for my soul. (Psalm 66:16 ESV)*

CELEBRATE  
YOUR FAITH

# CELEBRATE YOUR INVITE

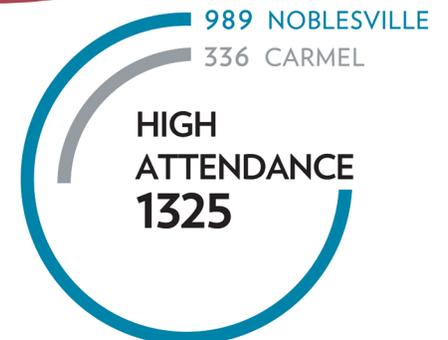


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*Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. (Galatians 6:9)*



Shelby was a new elementary school teacher and was struggling with anxiety as she began teaching. Her Connection Group prayed for her and encouraged her that God had a purpose for her at that school. Shelby started carpooling an hour to work daily with Shara. One day Shara came into Shelby's classroom after school and emotionally collapsed, sharing her own anxieties. Shelby shared the love of Christ with Shara, explaining that it is Christ who gives her strength when she has no strength of her own. Shara accepted Shelby's invitation to come to Genesis Church. After coming, Shara said she "just couldn't stop coming back.." During our "Follow Me" series Shara prayed with Shelby as she surrendered her life to Christ! Shara was baptized a few weeks later, and Shelby's Connection Group celebrated their months of prayers and how God used Shelby's love and compassion to minister to Shara.



2013/2014  
(EASTER WEEKEND)

# CONNECT YOUR LOVE

*Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord,  
not people, because you know that the Lord will reward  
each one for whatever good they do  
(Ephesians 6:7-8 NIV)*



Every week we have approximately 48 volunteers who sacrifice one hour of their morning to serve in GenKids between our two campuses. They make it possible for parents to attend church distraction-free and they partner with parents to love on kids and teach them about the love of Jesus.

Amber was driving by church one day when her 8 year old James said “I would be happy if we went to church everyday”. Amber told a GenKids volunteer “How cool is that?? I just love that the boy who doesn’t love anything but video games, legos, and comic books also loves church!!



*Devote yourselves to prayer,  
being watchful and thankful  
(Colossians 4:2 NIV)*

Bud and his wife Linda have been coming to Genesis for over 2 years now. Bud was diagnosed with Chronic Fibrosis shortly after finding Genesis and learned he would need a lung transplant. He and Linda began serving on both the Host Team and the Prayer Team and connecting with other team members who began to pray for Bud's transplant. Just recently prayers have been answered and Bud is close to receiving a double lung transplant! Bud said "So many people have been praying for me, we've just got a wonderful church family." Bud is not a new Christian, but has been a follower for years. He confessed something about his years in church saying "I used to look for excuses not to come to church, now I'm excited for every Sunday I get to come."

CONNECT  
YOUR PRAYERS

Before Joe started attending Genesis last year he would tell you he had been “completely tormented” by a series of events in his life. Divorce. Debilitating back injury. Bankruptcy. And quite a few others in just one year. Any ONE of those is enough to knock many of us off our feet. When Joe found his way to Genesis he was still suffering from his back injury. He had remarried and his wife was having their 2nd baby and was on bed rest. He was overwhelmed by the kindness of the people he met at Genesis and how so many people on the Helping Hands Team began providing meals for his family. He began to find peace in his life and joined a men’s Connection Group. He found his way back to God here at Genesis, and he got baptized in March. Joe began serving this spring, saying he wanted to get involved and serve the way others had served him and his family. Thanks to his new relationship with Jesus, Joe says he can finally “be the husband and father that my family deserves. It has changed everything!”

*Whoever serves me must follow me;  
and where I am, my servant also will  
be. My Father will honor the one who  
serves me. (John 12:26 NIV)*



CONTRIBUTE  
YOUR SERVICE

# CONTRIBUTE YOUR GENEROSITY



*All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. (Acts 2:44-45 NIV)*

\$15,000  
+  
1 Sunday morning  
of everyone volunteering  
=  
60,617 Meals Packed for  
Kids Against Hunger!

Ministries around the world are making huge progress with extreme poverty, and you are a part of that progress! In 1981, 52% of the world's population lived in extreme poverty. Today, that number is 21%. We have already cut the percentage of people living in extreme poverty in half!\* Genesis Church partners financially with Kids Against Hunger, Convoy of Hope, Nehemiah Vision Ministries, Shepherd Community Center, and Grace Care Center to help people in poverty. These organizations don't just provide food, but many of them counsel people on financial management, help them obtain skills so they can work and provide for their families, and minister to them throughout the process showing the love of Christ. Your tithes and offerings are contributing to the progress in reducing extreme poverty!

\*Source: Changing Our Expectations by Scott Todd (July/Aug edition of Relevant Magazine)

*Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds,  
and to be generous and willing to share  
(1 Timothy 6:18 NIV)*



**\$57 HAITI TRIP**

**\$31 REGIONAL & INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARIES**

**\$28 NEHEMIAH VISION MINISTRIES HAITI (KEY PARTNER)**

**\$28 CHURCH PLANTING**

**\$24 LOCAL OUTREACH**

**\$14 BENEVOLENCE**

**TOTAL  
OUTREACH :  
\$182**

NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS

In 2013/2014  
Genesis Church  
invested over \$182,000 in  
Outreach, exceeding last  
years record of \$134,000.  
We have strategic  
partnerships to help people  
physically, financially and  
emotionally in need.



CONTRIBUTE  
**YOUR REACH**

# PROVISION & STEWARDSHIP

Over 500 families gave tithes and offerings as an act of worship and obedience this past year. God provides for the needs of His church through you! Through your gifts of both financial resources and giving your time to serve others. Over 400 volunteers used their gifts and talents to minister to others by serving on a ministry team and sacrificing their time and energy to help people find their way back to God. Below are the financials for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014.

## TOTAL REVENUE

**\$1,499,252**

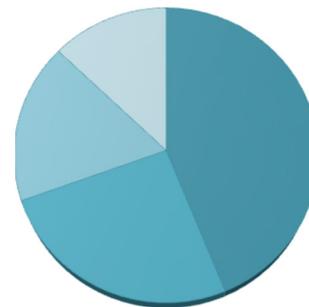
## TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES

**\$1,413,690**

**UNRESTRICTED REVENUE**     \$1,222,485

**RESTRICTED REVENUE**     259,557

**OTHER REVENUE**     17,210



Our commitment to financial integrity is to ensure that we honor God's provision by exercising wise and faithful stewardship, ethical business practices and full accountability. Genesis Church is governed by a Board of Elders that includes two church staff members and six lay members. Elders are from each campus and together they provide support and oversight to the Lead Pastor and staff team as one church. For questions about church governance or financial matters, please contact Steve Wallen at [swallen@genesischurch.me](mailto:swallen@genesischurch.me).

# A LOOK AHEAD



*You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live.*  
(Psalm 63:1-4 NIV)

We are looking forward to another year of doing ministry with you. We are praying for you, your relationship with your creator, and your personal ministry to others. We are also seeking God's direction in how to make room for all those that God brings in the doors at Genesis Church. We believe that He has plans for a 3rd location and your prayers are needed so together we can have clarity and discernment.

We eagerly look forward to hearing further testimonies of lives changed, families growing stronger in their faith, and our community being impacted by your influence and generosity towards others.

# CONNECT WITH US



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