

2024 ANNUAL MEETING

April 21, 2024

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Annual Meeting Minutes Ridgecrest, Church of the Nazarene 23 April 2023

Call to Order

Pastor Ken Lewis opened the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene with introductory remarks at 5:46 PM. He thanked the leadership of the church for their service. He also explained the approach taken at the Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene regarding the tenure of board members. He noted Board members serve a three year term and there are nine board members. Given the three-year terms, three board positions are open every year.

After his introductory remarks, Pastor Lewis called the Annual Meeting to order at 5:49 PM. Reverend Lewis pointed out that hardcopies of the Annual Meeting report were available at a side table in the meeting room. He noted the report has also been posted to the church website.

Minutes of 2022 Annual Meeting

The minutes of last year's meeting, included in the Annual Report, were considered. Gregg Brand made a motion to except the minutes of last year's meeting as printed in the Annual Report. Jane Hunsaker seconded the motion and it passed.

Treasurer's Report

David Haugan read the summary of the treasurer's report as printed in the Annual Report. Treasurer Sherry Brubaker pointed out the cost of utilities were higher than budgeted for last year because of increased cost of all utilities (water, electricity, gas, trash pickup), and the fact the church's solar panel system was not functioning at full capacity.

Beth McCain asked about the notation of a "returned check" in the 17 April 2022 portion of the treasurer's report. David Haugen noted notation was an error in the printing of the report.

Beth McCain noted the salary line for a new staff position, "Worship/Outreach Pastor" was \$0.00, and questioned this number since the church is considering filling that position this year. Mr. Haugen replied that approximately \$80,000 is available to fund this position, so, if it is filled, funds will be available for the salary.

Mr. Haugen pointed out the income for 2022 was lower than the previous year. He speculated that some loss of income was due to losses in membership which in turn were due to families moving and also hesitancy of some members to attend public meetings due to continued COVID pandemic concerns.

On a "technical" matter, Sherry Brubaker pointed out that it is helpful for the treasurer if any giving other than the normal tithes and offerings, in particular, missions giving, is specified by the giver. This is because there are several categories of missions giving, i.e., (1) local missions, (2) world missions and subcategories within this category. Beth McCain asked if such specificity was appropriate for funds donated to contributions to the "special funds" component of the budget. David Haugen pointed out that normally, the givers to special funds are very specific by the nature of that component. That is, the line items are naturally identified as a specific individual or church project. In summary, regarding specificity, it helps the treasurer and finance committee if givers provide as much detail as possible to ensure their contributions are applied to the ministries they desire to support.

Beth McCain moved the treasurer's report be approved. Roger Bockhahn seconded that motion and it was passed.

Senior Pastor's Report

Pastor Lewis presented his oral report to the church. His written report is included in the Annual Report document. In his oral report, Pastor Lewis provided additional details regarding the activities of the church. He noted 54 individuals from an active congregation of some 110 people are involved in church ministries. He considers this a healthy, commendable level of involvement.

Pastor Lewis noted his associate, Youth Minister Pastor Steve Smith, is considering offers to take a job as lead pastor. Given such considerations, Pastor Smith and his family may be moving in 2023.

Pastor Lewis also noted the church is still involved in renovating our church property and the goal for this year is to re-furbish the parking lot. An estimate of some two or three years ago was \$150,000 for this job. Pastor Lewis noted the material and labor costs associated with such work has increased and he speculated the cost has grown to \$200,000. Nevertheless, he hopes the church will be able to renovate the parking lot in 2023. He noted some \$50,000 is currently available for the project. Regarding funding for the project, David Haugen asked if we might access grants for nonprofit organizations to help pay for it. Pastor Lewis informed the church grants were a possible source of funds and he also noted such grants usually included stipulations regarding when the money had to be spent—often in the year the grant was obtained. Bob Stark asked the age of the parking lot. He pointed out he had been involved in grading the church property prior to construction of the parking lot and the church itself some 59 years ago. Given this time frame, if the parking lot is original, it is approximately 59 years old. Pastor Lewis noted he was aware of three instances of the parking lot being resurfaced with a thin coat of slurry. Such repair is no longer an option because of the deteriorated condition of the underlying asphalt.

Addressing another component of the restoration effort, Pastor Lewis noted he hoped the church would be able to install refrigerated air conditioning in the children's department facilities in 2023.

Regarding the worship and outreach pastor, Pastor Lewis reported funds are available to supply the salary for such a staff member for two years.

Pastor Lewis finished his oral report at 6:45 PM.

Children and Families Ministries Report

Pastor Stephanie Rogers, the staff member in charge of Children and Families ministries provided her report next. Pastor Rogers is also involved with the women's programs at the church. Her written report is included in the Annual Report document. Pastor Rogers noted we had a large turnout for the Vacation Bible School (VBS) last summer, approximately 170 total. She expects to have a good turnout this year as well. She noted that, in an effort to provide materials for VBS, she has set up a registry for the specific materials needed on Amazon and Facebook.

Regarding women's ministries, Pastor Rogers reported that Paulie Lewis has taken on the position of women's ministries president.

Pastor Rogers noted the church has reactivated the food pantry. She informed the church "food insecurity" in our local area is substantial and therefore an issue of concern for our church. She noted the government funding made available during the COVID pandemic to help with food insecurity ended in March 2023. Our food pantry is open four days per week the food pantry is part of our Helping Hands ministry. In addition to the food pantry, Helping Hands also funds the Laundry Love program. This program provides an opportunity for those in need of laundry services to have their laundry done at Helping Hand's expense one day each month at lwash, a local laundromat.

Youth Pastor's Report

Pastor Steve Smith presented his oral report beginning at 7:10 PM. His written report is included in the Annual Report document. He mentioned the possibility of his moving to a lead pastor's position in the near future. Currently, he plans to continue with his job as youth pastor. He thanked a number of people supporting him in the work of youth pastor. He also mentioned a number of activities in which the youth are involved including what he considers to be a successful program of encouraging the youth to get back to the basics of learning the fundamentals of the Christian faith. Fundamentals such as the books of the Bible and key Bible verses. He noted the youth have been very receptive to this program.

David Haugen motioned the reports of the pastors be accepted. Gregg Brand seconded the motion and it passed.

Ballot Approval and Concluding Remarks

Pastor Lewis noted the candidates for the various church offices were listed on the sample ballot presented in the Annual Report. He identified the board of tellers for the election as Paulie Lewis, Kittie Smith, and Cheryl Bockhahn. Pastor Lewis noted the election would occur as soon as the meeting ended. Official ballots—the only ballots used to elect the various candidates—were printed on white paper. Provision was made for non-members to cast unofficial votes on ballots printed on colored paper.

Gary Johnson moved the ballot as printed in the Annual Report be approved for the election of officers for 2023. Nancy Johnson seconded that motion. It passed.

Beth McCain moved the Annual Meeting to be adjourned. Roger Bockhahn seconded the motion. The motion was passed and the Annual Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. Pastor Lewis closed the meeting in prayer.

Annual Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year 2023

From: Sherry Brubaker, Treasurer, with cooperative help from David Haugen

To: Church Ministry Board, Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene

ENC: 1) FY 2023 Year End Budget Summary

2) Year-Over-Year Income & Expenses 2023 vs. 2022

3) FY 2023 Tithe Income by Month

4) FY Chart for Income

5) FY Chart for Expenses

6) FY 2023 Special Funds Account Breakdown

7) FY 2024 Approved Budget

8) FY 2023 Springer Property Financial Report

- 1) Please refer to the attached enclosures which make up this year's annual treasurer's report. Enclosure (1) is the Year-End Budget Summary report which lists total expenses per budgeted line item. Enclosure (2) is the year-over-year of income and expenses for 2022 and 2023. Enclosure (3) is the breakdown of our weekly tithe income by month. Enclosures (4) and (5) are charts for various items to review. Enclosure (6) is a listing of the Special Funds Account year-end balance breakdown by category. Enclosure (7) is the 2024 Annual Budget that has been approved by the Church Board. Enclosure (8) is the Financial Report for the Springer Property account.
- Total Tithe Income for the year was \$374,139.95. Other income includes Special Giving of \$23,408.40, \$5,023.67 from Contra Income, \$44,719.48 was Special Funds designated income.
- 3) General operating income fell short of our \$453,844.26 target by \$79,704.31 or 17.56% of our annual budget. Compared to 2022, our annual operating income increased by \$8,722.04, or 2.3%.
- 4) Total expenses for the year came to \$402,706.09. Our budgeted expenses were \$453,844.26. Compared to 2022, our average monthly expenditure decreased by \$4,261.60 or less than 1.13.
- 5) The general bank account ledger balance at the end of the fiscal year was \$24,054.75, compared to \$17,777.54 the previous year end a increase of \$6,277.21.
- The Special Funds account balance at the end of the fiscal year was \$179,939.35 compared to \$288,310.6 the previous year a decrease of \$108,421.25. The decrease is largely due to spending for various property improvements including the paving of the parking lot. The Board did approve a partial loan from Special Funds to pay for the parking lot rather than obtaining a commercial loan that required repayment with interest. We are repaying the loan and the Special Funds annual report does show the repaid funds as of the year-end.
- 7) The Springer Property account reflects the activity for the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Brubaker, Treasurer (by David Haugen)

Year-End Budget Summary Calendar Year 2023

CATEGORY	Year-End Actual	2023 Budget	Percent of Budget	
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Admin. Assistant Salary	\$30,235.30	\$28,368.26	106.58	
Advertising	\$1,547.96	\$6,500.00	23.81	
Audio/Visual	\$2,510.75	\$5,000.00	50.22	
Auto Reimbursement	\$215.50	\$5,000.00	4.31	
Bank Fees/Charges	\$2,585.89			
Campus / NYI Ministries	\$2,398.48	\$6,000.00	39.97	
Children's Ministries	\$6,231.87	\$6,000.00	103.86	
Conferences	\$133.24	\$8,300.00	1.61	
Copier Maintenance	(\$2,495.73)	\$6,000.00	-41.60	Footnote #5
Custodial Services	\$19,189.84	\$18,000.00	106.61	
District Assembly	\$3,734.74	\$3,000.00	124.49	
Education/Lib - Church	\$1,925.69	\$2,000.00	96.28	
Education/Lib - Pastor	\$890.41	\$1,000.00	89.04	
Fellowship Time	\$3,415.50	\$1,400.00	243.96	
Flowers/Hospitality	\$1,705.10	\$1,600.00	106.57	
Funeral Meals	\$908.95			
Gasoline/Fuel	\$4,200.81	\$2,500.00	168.03	
General Church Supplies	\$2,482.72	\$2,000.00	124.14	
Gifts	\$2,295.39	\$3,000.00	76.51	
Graduation Expenses	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00	
Insurance - Liability	\$11,603.88	\$12,000.00	96.70	
Insurance - Work. Comp	Included Above	\$2,500.00		
Janitorial Supplies	\$435.85	\$500.00	87.17	
Kitchen	\$1,801.34	\$3,000.00	60.04	
Men's Ministries	\$170.00	\$1,500.00	11.33	
Misc. Expenses	\$680.00	\$500.00	136.00	
Music	\$1,457.72	\$1,500.00	97.18	
Nursery Salaries	\$4,849.94	\$7,828.00	61.96	
Nursery Supplies	\$218.35	\$1,200.00	18.20	
Office Equipment	\$5,879.38	\$4,500.00	130.65	
Office Supplies	\$5,099.92	\$2,500.00	204.00	
Postage	\$107.95	\$800.00	13.49	
Special Events	\$92.84	\$1,000.00	9.28	
Sunday School	\$956.66	\$500.00	191.33	
Telephone/High Speed Internet	\$4,775.37	\$5,500.00	86.82	
Utilities	\$24,567.66	\$15,000.00	163.78	
Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,952.25	\$1,000.00	195.23	
Women's Ministries	\$466.31	\$3,850.00	12.11	
Worship and Arts	(\$157.00)	\$2,500.00	-6.28	
TOTAL OPERATING	\$149,070.83	\$173,846.26	85.75	

Year-End Budget Summary Calendar Year 2023

CHURCH MINISTRY			
Continuing Education	\$218.34	\$3,500.00	6.24
General Assembly	\$8,199.76	\$2,000.00	409.99
Pastoral Hospitality	\$5,149.30	\$2,500.00	205.97
Misc. Allowances	\$784.74	\$1,000.00	78.47
Revival/Special Speakers	\$934.80	\$2,500.00	37.39
Staff Travel Expenses	\$4,033.96	\$3,000.00	134.47
Pastoral Staff Salaries	\$177,937.24	\$194,528.00	91.47
Community Outreach / GLU	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	100.00
TOTAL MINISTRY	\$198,258.14	\$210,028.00	94.40
PROPERTY EXPENSES			
Church Maintenance	\$14,004.41	\$18,000.00	77.80
Fees/Taxes	\$3,359.29	\$3,000.00	111.98
Landscaping	\$4,550.00	\$5,200.00	87.50
Scott St. Property	\$1,149.05	\$5,000.00	22.98
TOTAL PROPERTY	\$23,062.75	\$31,200.00	73.92
DISTRICT BUDGETS			
Education	\$9,860.51	\$11,600.00	85.00
Pensions	\$9,306.53	\$11,600.00	80.23
Unified	\$13,147.33	\$15,570.00	84.44
TOTAL BUDGETS	\$32,314.37	\$38,770.00	83.35
GRAND TOTAL	\$402,706.09	\$453,844.26	88.73

1) Budget requires an average minimum monthly income of \$38,237.00

- 2) Salary figures are gross salaries, plus explorer portion of tax liability. Consequently, these figures will not correlate with the figures shown in the Income and Expense Detail Reports which are reported on a cash flow basis.
- 3) Education, Pensions, and Unified Budgets are adjusted based on projected annual income.
- 4) To be within budget, percent of budget should be less than 100%.
- 5) Copier Mainetnance: Sunday School Dept. allocated \$5,000 to pay their share of copies. The spreadsheet shows the balance of their contribution.

Year-Over-Year Income & Expense Comparison 2023 vs. 2022

CATEGORY	2023 Income & Expense	2022 Income & Expense	Percent Change
Offering-Tithe Income Contra Income	\$374,139.95	\$365,417.91	102.39
Special Funds Giving	\$5,023.67	\$7,603.55	66.07
Total Income	\$44,719.48	\$325,257.70	13.75
rotal income	\$423,883.10	\$698,279.16	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Admin. Assistant Salary	\$30,235.30	\$25,351.58	119.26
Advertising	\$1,547.96	\$5,520.18	28.04
Audio/Visual	\$2,510.75	\$1,545.52	162.45
Auto Reimbursement	\$215.50	\$1,028.78	20.95
Bank Fees/Charges	\$2,585.89	\$3,511.16	73.65
Campus / NYI Ministries	\$2,398.48	\$568.24	422.09
Children's Ministries	\$6,231.87	\$5,944.64	104.83
Conferences(1)	\$133.24	\$486.86	27.37
Copier Maintenance	(\$2,495.73)	\$8,289.32	-30.11
Custodial Services	\$19,189.84	\$19,700.00	97.41
District Assembly	\$3,734.74	\$2,494.86	149.70
Education/Lib - Church	\$1,925.69	\$2,663.78	72.29
Education/Lib - Pastor	\$890.41	\$113.69	783.19
Fellowship Time	\$3,415.50	\$1,876.39	182.03
Flowers/Hospitality	\$1,705.10	\$1,102.66	154.64
Funeral Meals	\$908.95	\$907.87	100.12
Gasoline/Fuel	\$4,200.81	\$3,261.94	128.78
General Church Supplies	\$2,482.72	\$2,030.48	122.27
Gifts	\$2,295.39	\$2,846.66	80.63
Graduation Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Insurance - Liability	\$11,603.88	\$13,939.43	83.25
Insurance - Work, Comp	Included Above	Included Above	
Janitorial Supplies	\$435.85	\$535.76	81.35
Kitchen	\$1,801.34	\$1,971.78	91.36
Men's Ministries	\$170.00	\$713.71	23.82
Misc. Expenses	\$680.00	\$870.96	78.07
Music	\$1,457.72	\$1,240.76	117.49
Nursery Salaries	\$4,849.94	\$6,086.00	79.69
Nursery Supplies	\$218.35	\$340.25	64.17
Office Equipment	\$5,879.38	\$2,067.27	284.40
Office Supplies	\$5,099.92	\$3,341.88	152.61
Postage	\$107.95	\$695.35	15.52
Special Events	\$92.84	\$1,157.94	8.02
Sunday School	\$956.66	\$500.00	191.33
Telephone/High Speed Internet	\$4,775.37	\$3,202.75	149.10
Utilities	\$24,567.66	\$22,808.36	107.71
Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,952.25	\$380.82	512.64

Women's Ministries	\$466.31	\$137.95	338.03
Worship and Arts	\$157.00	\$2,160.74	7.27
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$149,384.83	\$151,396.32	98.67
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CHURCH MINISTRY			
Continuing Education	\$218.34	\$536.82	40.67
General Assembly	\$8,199.76	\$352.00	2329.48
Pastoral Hospitality	\$5,149.30	\$1,945.03	264.74
Misc. Allowances	\$784.74	\$541.31	144.97
Revival/Special Speakers	\$934.80	\$711.37	131.41
Staff Travel Expenses	\$4,033.96	\$1,102.75	365.81
Pastoral Staff Salaries	\$177,937.24	\$193,115.41	92.14
Community Outreach / GLU	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	100.00
TOTAL MINISTRY	\$198,258.14	\$199,304.69	99.47
PROPERTY EXPENSES			
Church Maintenance	\$14,004.41	\$51,077.09	27.42
Fees/Taxes	\$3,359.29	\$4,137.67	81.19
Landscaping	\$4,550.00	\$4,190.15	108.59
Scott St. Property	\$1,149.05	\$1,557.28	73.79
TOTAL PROPERTY	\$23,062.75	\$60,962.19	37.83
DISTRICT BUDGETS			
Education	\$9,860.51	\$10,395.40	94.85
Pensions	\$9,306.53	\$7,780.08	119.62
Unified	\$13,147.33	\$13,860.53	94.85
TOTAL BUDGETS	\$32,314.37	\$32,036.01	100.87
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GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	\$403,020.09	\$443,699.21	90.83

- 1) Offering or Tithe Income (2% higher in 2023) is the most important income as it is what pays our budget. Contra and Special Funds are "designated Funds" and cannot be used for expenses. In both years we used Special Funds to complete Building & Grounds Improvements.
- 2) Salary figures are gross salaries, plus explorer portion of tax liability. Consequently, these figures will not correlate with the figures shown in the Income and Expense Detail Reports which are reported on a cash flow basis.
- 3) Administrative Asst & Nursery Salaries increased due to mandatory minimum wages increases.
- 4) Utilities: we spent more on electricity in 2022 than 2023 (solar panels worked better) While we spent more in gas and water in 2023 than we did in 2022.
- 5) Expenses were 10% lower in 2023 than in 2022.

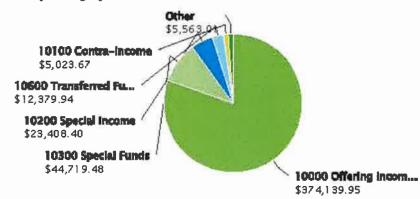
Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene Transaction Detail By Account January through December 2023

	FY 20	FY 2023 Tithe & Special Income by Month				
	Date	Memo	Amount			
	01/03/2023	Deposit	6,079.00			
	01/11/2023	Deposit	6,127.00			
	01/18/2023	Deposit	5,872.00			
	01/24/2023	Deposit	626.23			
	01/31/2023	Online Giving	7,095.23			
Jan 23			25,799.46			
	02/01/2023	Deposit	1,925.00			
	02/08/2023	Deposit	12,441.00			
	02/15/2023	Deposit	5,798.00			
	07/10/1906	Deposit	6,520.50			
	02/28/2023	Online Giving	6,306.17			
Feb 23			32,990.67			
	03/08/2023	Deposit	19,653.29			
	03/15/2023	Deposit	4,269.25			
	03/19/2023	Deposit	8,252.19			
	03/26/2023	Deposit	1,662.80			
	03/31/2023	Online Giving	6,435.72			
Mar 23			40,273.25			
	04/02/2023	Deposit	11,875.00			
	04/09/2023	Deposit	6,897.00			
	04/16/2023	Returned Check NSF	2,841.00			
	04/23/2023	Deposit	4,097.69			
	04/29/2022	Online Giving	5,630.96			
Apr 23			31,341.65			
	05/02/2023	Deposit	6,425.75			
	05/09/2023	Deposit	11,444.00			
	05/16/2023	Deposit	6,010.19			
	05/23/2023	Deposit	2,054.00			
	05/30/2023	Deposit	4,804.89			
	05/30/2023	Online Giving	4,059.66			
May 23			34,798.49			
	06/07/2023	Deposit	13,292.00			
	06/14/2023	Deposit	3,700.02			
	06/21/2023	Deposit	4,829.11			
	06/28/2023	Deposit	5,154.26			
	06/30/2023	Online Giving	4,960.98			
Jun 23			31,936.37			

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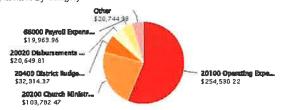
	Date	Memo	Amount
	07/05/5023	Deposit	12,240.50
	07/12/5023	Deposit	6,358.00
	07/19/5023	Deposit	4,038.74
	07/26/5023	Deposit	2,738.19
	07/31/2023	Online Giving	4,992.62
Jul 23			30,368.05
	08/06/2023	Deposit	4,544.00
	08/13/2023	Deposit	7,030.00
	08/20/2023	Deposit	5,484.19
	08/27/2023	Deposit	7,646.00
	08/31/2022	Deposit	4,698.22
Aug 23			29,402.41
	09/03/2023	Deposit	8,533.78
	09/10/2023	Deposit	5,640.00
	09/17/2023	Deposit	7,942.85
	09/24/2023	Deposit	4,002.07
	09/30/2022	Online Giving	2,066.11
Sep 23			28,184.81
	10/01/2023	Deposit	10,987.00
	10/08/2023	Deposit	3,682.00
	10/15/2023	Deposit	3,460.00
	10/22/2023	Deposit	5,029.50
	10/31/2022	Online Giving	4,405.53
Oct 23			27,564.03
	11/05/2023	Deposit	10,599.69
	11/12/2023	Deposit	2,408.00
	11/19/2023	Deposit	5,762.19
	11/26/2023	Deposit	4,939.00
	11/30/2022	Online Giving	5,923.79
Nov 23	11/00/2022	Offinite Offining	29,632.67
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	12/03/2023	Weekly Offering	9,746.00
	12/10/2023	Weekly Offering	8,178.00
	12/17/2023	Weekly Offering	5,342.00
	12/24/2023	Deposit	4,671.00
	12/31/2023	Online Giving	3,911.09
Dec 23			31,848.09
TOTAL			374,139.95

Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene Revenue By Category



%	Category	(\$)Amount
80.42%	10000 Offering Income	374,139.95
9.61%	10300 Special Funds	44,719.48
5.03%	10200 Special Income	23,408.40
2.66%	10600 Transferred Funds	12,379.94
1.08%	10100 Contra-Income	5,023.67
1.20%	Other	5,563.01
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Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene Expenditure By Category



	90	Category	(2)MIIIOUIIL	
	56 31% 20100 O	perating Expense	254,530.22	
	22.96% 20200 C	hurch Ministry	103,782 47	
	7 15% 20400 D	istrict Budgets	32,314 37	
	4.57% 20020 D	isbursements to Other Accts	20,649.81	Title of the manager is the few medium
	4.42% 66000 Pa	ayroll Expenses	19,963.9 <u>6</u>	This payroll expense is the tax portion.
	4.59% Other		20,744.98	The balance of the payroll is in Church Ministry.
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Special Funds Account Breakdown Annua	al Report - 2023		In Itial Parking Lot Loa
Restoration Projects 2021 (stucco, parking lot, door)	Balance above zero = partial payback	\$9,192.00	\$82,237.00
Cerro Coso Scholarship Fund		\$395.81	
Children's Choir		\$77.00	
Children's Ministries (combined with Children's Fund	raiser 6-2023)	\$21,489.30	
Evangelist/Children's Pastor Fund		\$1,128.00	
General Assembly		\$5,039.00	
Interest Accumulation		\$1,369.00	
Mark Loewen Scholarship Fund		\$17,092.15	
Memorial Funds	:		
Bob Bloudek Memorial (moved to playground eq	uipment)	\$0.00	
Bob Francis Memorial	Balance above zero = partial payback	\$150.00	\$26,385.00
Darylene Johnson (focus on Children's Programs)		\$2,297.00	
Devon Carter-Dilliar Memorial (new Aug 2022)	Zero balance = no payback yet	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Doug Ernest Memorial		\$50.00	
Edgar McCain Memorial Fund (moved to playgrou	und equipment)	\$0.00	
Emily Bockhahn Memorial (moved to playgroun	d equipment)	\$0.00	
Erica Ruth Memorial		\$0.00	\$15,626.00
John Dollman Memorial		\$250.00	
Katie Bell Memorial Fund		\$0.00	\$1,125.00
Mary Lee Sizemore Memorial		\$0.00	\$610,00
Ray Connally Memorial		\$0.00	\$60.00
Russell Bushnell Memorial		\$0.00	\$500,00
Sanford Smith Memorial Fund		\$0.00	\$325.00
Wayne Thun Memorial Fund		\$0.00	\$11,424.00
Men's Ministries		\$2,336.03	
Mission Project		\$495.00	
Music / Worship Tean		\$4,154.34	
Music/Worship Salary Fund		\$20,100.00	
Nursery Fund		\$250.00	
Piano Replacement Fund		\$298.24	
Playground Equipment		\$7,055.00	
Sanctuary Projection System		\$505.00	
Audio Visual - Sound System		\$1,822.15	
Special Project - Goss		\$0.00	\$4,514.00
Special Project – Fielder / Sizemore		\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Summer Camp Scholarships		\$1,290.68	
Sun Valley Mission Trip		\$86.31	
Vacation Bible School		\$28.34	
Van Fund		\$150.00	\$2,250.00
Pastor/Staff Acquisition Fund		\$82,839.00	\$0.00
Total Balance	*	\$179,939.35	\$147,256.00

(Note: Discretionary Funds highlighted in blue) (Special Note:Loan Repayment for Restoration to be reduced by \$8,850.00 Concrete Work on 9-5-2

2024 Year Budget

CATEGORY	YTD Actual	2024 Budget	% of Budget	
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Admin. Assistant Salary		\$26,500.00	0.00	
Advertising		\$5,000.00	0.00	
Audio/Visual		\$5,000.00	0.00	
Auto Reimbursement		\$5,000.00	0.00	
Bank Fees		\$3,000.00	0.00	
Campus / NYI Ministries		\$1,000.00	0.00	
Children's Ministries		\$6,000.00	0.00	
Conferences		\$1,000.00	0.00	
Copier Maintenance		\$6,000.00	0.00	
Custodial Services		\$22,000.00	0.00	
District Assembly		\$3,000.00	0.00	
Education/Lib - Church		\$2,000.00	0.00	
Education/Lib - Pastor		\$1,000.00	0.00	
Fellowship Time		\$1,400.00	0.00	
Flowers/Hospitality		\$1,600.00	0.00	
Funeral Meals		\$1,000.00	0.00	
Gasoline/Fuel		\$2,500.00	0.00	
General Church Supplies		\$2,000.00	0.00	
Gifts		\$3,000.00	0.00	
Graduation Expenses		\$500.00	0.00	
Insurance - Liability		\$12,000.00	0.00	
Insurance - Work. Comp		\$2,500.00	0.00	
Janitorial Supplies		\$500.00	0.00	
Kitchen		\$2,500.00	0.00	
Men's Ministries		\$1,500.00	0.00	
Misc. Expenses		\$500.00	0.00	
Music		\$1,500.00	0.00	
Music/Worship Salary		\$0.00		May continue when income increases
Nursery Salaries		\$7,828.00	0.00	
Nursery Supplies		\$1,200.00	0.00	
Office Equipment		\$4,500.00	0.00	
Office Supplies		\$2,500.00	0.00	
Postage		\$800.00	0.00	
Special Events		\$1,000.00	0.00	
Sunday School		\$500.00	0.00	
Telephone		\$3,600.00	0.00	
Utilities		\$15,000.00	0.00	
Vehicle Maintenance		\$1,000.00	0.00	
Women's Ministries		\$3,850.00	0.00	
Prime Timers		\$100.00	0.00	
Worship and Arts		\$2,500.00	0.00	
TOTAL OPERATING		\$163,878.00	0.00	

YTD Budget Summary Calendar Year 2023

CHURCH MINISTRY			
Continuing Education		\$3,500.00	0.00
General Assembly		\$2,817.00	0.00
Pastoral Hospitality		\$2,500.00	0.00
Misc. Allowances		\$1,000.00	0.00
Revival/Special Speakers		\$2,500.00	0.00
Staff Travel Expenses		\$3,000.00	0.00
Pastoral Staff Salaries		\$199,470.00	0.00
Community Outreach / GLU		\$1,000.00	0.00
TOTAL MINISTRY		\$215,787.00	0.00
PROPERTY EXPENSES			
Church Maintenance		\$18,000.00	0.00
Fees/Taxes		\$6,000.00	0.00
Landscaping		\$5,200.00	0.00
Scott St. Property		\$5,000.00	0.00
TOTAL PROPERTY		\$34,200.00	0.00
DISTRICT BUDGETS			
Education (2.25%)		\$11,600.00	0.00
Pensions (2.25%)		\$11,600.00	0.00
Unified (3.0%)		\$15,570.00	0.00
TOTAL BUDGETS		\$38,770.00	0.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$0.00	\$452,635.00	0.00

Church of the Nazarene Springer Property and Expansion Account

Purpose: Create account to hold separate funds from the General Account for the purpose of accepting funds to purchase and service the **Springer Property**.

Beginning Balance January 1, 2023	\$14,081.16
Additions:	
Deposits	\$0.00
Interest Accumulation	\$5.58
Subtractions:	
Property Taxes	-\$1,746.57
Year End Balance December 31, 2023	\$12.340.17



To The Ridgecrest Church of The Nazarene and Leadership, I greet you in the Strong Name of Jesus Christ our Lord & Savior!

I want to express once again how thankful and grateful I am for all of your love and support for me and my family. We often talk about Church Family and the dynamics of it all and I can truly say that you have become more our Family than any group of people we have had the privilege of being with. I want to thank you for your generous support for me in my family over this past year as we watched my Dad, Mentor, Prayer Partner, and one of my closest friends off to his eternal home. I am so thankful for your prayer and support during this time. Please know that Paula and I love and appreciate you all so much.

This past year has been one of the busiest since I arrived in Ridgecrest that took us to several parts of the country. General assembly was certainly a highlight of the year and an incredible experience. While getting to connect with old friends and families, being in an auditorium with thousands of people of like faith and worshiping our God with voices raised was an incredible experience. Watching as God worked through electing two new general superintendents, Dr. T Scott Daniels and Dr. Christian D. Sarmiento, as well as processing through many of the coming issues not just within our nation, but within our world. I was so thankful to see how our leadership within the General Church has remained steadfast and determined to see the values that we hold, not just as Nazarenes, but as people of God who hold secure to our core beliefs. Our district assembly was equally encouraging as we elected a new district superintendent, Mark Lehman. I believe Mark will bring great and refreshing leadership to our district with the hopes of bringing our district together more than ever before. Mark has become a friend to me as well as many pastors on the district and I look forward to working with him in the years to come.

We also finally completed phase 3 of 3 of our Restoration Project by putting in a brandnew parking lot. Most, if not all of us know this has been many years in coming. I want to thank you all for your continued generosity in making this happen. As you know, we borrowed the funds from ourselves to make this happen (Special Funds Account) and still have a ways to go in paying this back but we are well ahead of our projected time of repayment. Thank You All for your faithfulness and generosity.

For us as a church, watching as our congregation has changed and grown in so many different ways has been refreshing, especially to see many new faces that have stepped in the doors of this church and have remained and have become part of this family.



This past year we welcomed five new Partners In Ministry (aka Membership). Though four of these five have attended the church for many years, I am thankful that they have made the decision to become Partners In Ministry and are making a vital difference in the life of the church. Though I would love to see more, we baptized five individuals this year and have seen, through the people of this church, others come to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

We have also had the inevitable experience of seeing a few of our dear friends and family graduate to eternity. Knowing that these have lived a life of faith in Jesus and now that their faith has become sight should be an encouragement to all of us. For these I am grateful to have known them:

Clint Boomer / Jerry Brooks / Irene Ekkens / Charles Griffin / Ed York / Jean York / Pat Salice / and my Dad, Orville Lewis.

For many of us, their lives and influence will forever be remembered.

We also said Farewell to Pastor Steve & Kitty Smith and their family as they answered a call to become the Lead Pastors to the Butler Church of The Nazarene in Butler, Pennsylvania (I told him all drains lead to the ocean). I am thankful to have had the privilege to work with Pastor Steve.

When Pastor Steve and his family left, we began the search for a new Youth Pastor. Though we suspended the search in November through the first of 2024 due to the holidays, we are still in search of our next Youth Pastor. I would ask for your continued prayer in this search.

Our family continues to work with Legacy Foster Care and have had the awesome privilege to have shared our home with a few amazing kids this past year. Though all but one left our home and went to either a new Forever Home or returned to their families, we still find ourselves blessed to have had a small part of their lives.

I am so thankful for this church and the ministries that are represented here. I'm thankful for all who take part in these ministries both in the inhouse ministries and those in our community. Thank You to everyone who have been willing to give of their Time, Talents, and Treasures to see these ministries happen. I want acknowledge all that have been so faithful in leadership on our Church Board and Staff:



Church Board:

Roy Randolph: Church Board Secretary

Gregg Brandt: Buildings & Grounds, Bible Study Leader, Hospitality, Counting

Carl Connally: Buildings & Grounds

Don Crouse: Counting, Buildings & Grounds, Bible Study Leader, Hospitality

Chad Honeywell: Audio Sound Tech Gary Johnson: Buildings & Grounds Krista Johnson: Children's Ministry

Nancy Johnson: Worship Team, Youth Leader

Denton Marrs: Buildings & Grounds Beth McCain: NMI Pres, Worship Team Anthony Rael: Buildings & Grounds

Finance:

Sherry Brubaker: Treasurer

David Haugen: Treasurer, Finance Team

Lorraine Randolph: Finance Team

Once again, I will take a moment to thank David Haugen and Sherry Brubaker for keeping our finances moving in the right direction. Most are not aware of the hours that are spent in keeping the books current and correct and these two have gone above and beyond. Words cannot express enough how grateful I am for their willingness to this task.

Staff:

Jane Hunsaker: Church Office Administrator

➤ What a crazy end of the year and even into this year she has had. In September, as most of you know, Jane experienced a stroke. She returned to her duties in the church office in a very short period of time and I cannot be thankful enough for the way God has healed her. She is truly amazing!

Stephanie Rogers: Children & Family Life Pastor

Though Stephanie has been around for several years, her determination to see our children's ministry succeed on many different levels should be encouraging for the future of our youth and church. Stephanie has also taken the lead with our



Family Life within the church. She also takes care of those who come in the office needing assistance with food, utilities, housing, and family needs. She has done an incredible job in helping so many families. We often wonder if what we do really makes a difference. Watching as we have seen three new families into the church and into faith through this ministry has very well been worth it.

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One of the greatest challenges in church ministries is Youth/Teens. I am so thankful for Pat Rogers who has taken the lead role with our teens since Pastor Steve left. Along with Roger Bockhahn, Carla Connally, and Nancy Johnson, they are doing a great work with our teens. Youth and Children's ministries would be impossible without all the amazing volunteers that help to make it happen

Nursery

Vickie Gluckman: Nursery Attendant Naomi Bickle: Nursery Attendant

Kristen Hunsaker: Nursery Autumn Johnson: Nursery Tiesha Barnett: Nursery

Landscape (Lawn Care)

Anthony Rael: Landscape & Lawncare

Volunteers

➤ I would also thank all who have worked for many years as Sunday School Teachers and Helpers, Bible Study Leaders, and for those who have served working with our teens. Our youth are so vital to the future of the church, and I am so very grateful for your willingness to help in training up our children and teens in the way they should go.



Children's Sunday School & Children's Church

Shirley Crouse
Lorraine Randolph
Krista Johnson
Mike Norris
Dani Jo Huddleston
Debbie Yuenger
Julie Marshall

Youth Group & Sunday School

Pat Rogers Roger Bockhahn Nancy Johnson Carla Connally

- Much of this would not be possible without the willingness of Roger Bockhahn, who faithfully drives our church van and transports many of our kids and teens to church Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights, and special events. You are a treasured blessing.
 - I would also thank all who have spent many hours and days making our worship music experience exciting, worshipful, and inspiring.
 - You have to know that we truly do have some very talented musicians and singers:

Beth Walsten: Piano Michael Walsten: Drums Mark Hammon: Bass

Cheryl Bockhahn: Vocals Natalie Grubbs: Vocals Nancy Johnson: Vocals Beth McCain: Vocals

Jennifer Hammon: Vocals, Drums

Caitlyn Hayman: Vocals Laura Osbourne: Vocals



but it takes more than just musical talent to make this happen:

- Our Sound Techs: Chad Honeywell, Matt Johnson, Don Bickel
- Video Techs: Tom McCain, Korey Englert
- Video Presentation (Proclaim- Words On Screen) Sherry Brubaker,
 Beth McCain, Nancy Botelho, Rhys Stallcup, Joel Hammon
- It is truly a blessing to have so many willing to use their gifts, talents, and abilities to lead God's people in lifting our voices in music and worship and to provide the ability for those who can't be here to watch online.

Thank you ALL so much.

I want to thank you, this amazing church family, for all the support you have given to this church and its ministries. There is so much more that we need to accomplish in the coming years and knowing God is faithful, He will see us into the next generations of church attenders, leaders, pastors, missionaries, volunteers, and most of all, Lovers of God.

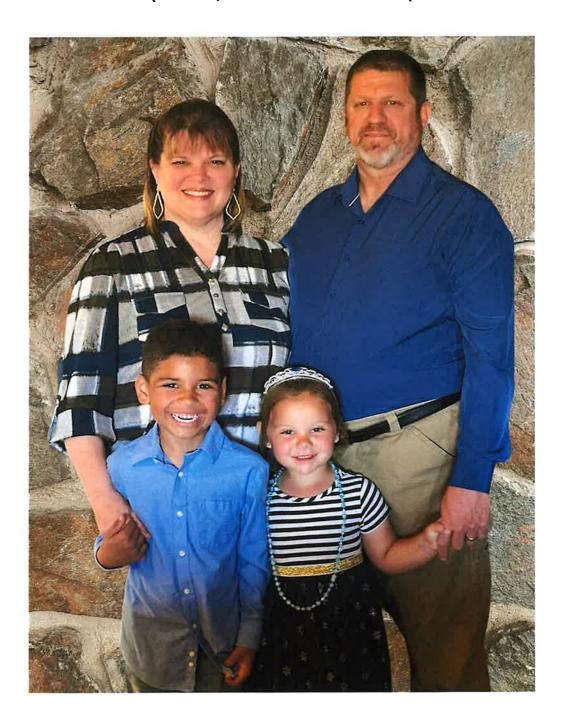
In conclusion, I continue to pray that we will grow closer as a Family of Believers that have a desire to see the family grow and to see lives transformed by what they experience here. I pray that we will allow God to lead us into ministries to our community that will change lives for all eternity.

In His Watchful Loving Care, Grace, and Mercy,

Pastor Ken Lewis

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Pastor Ken Lewis (Paula, Dessi & Jerimiah)



Pastor Stephanie Rogers Children & Family Pastor (Pat, Calie & Aedan)



Office Manager/Secretary Jane Hunsaker



ADDITIONAL STAFF



Vickie Gluckman Nursery Attendant



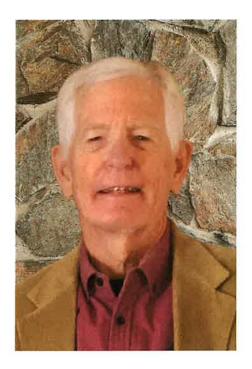
Naomi Bickel Nursery Attendant



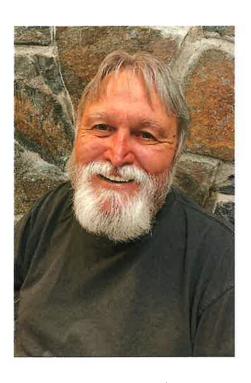
Anthony Rael Landscape & Lawncare

OUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP

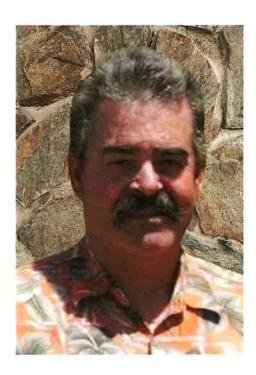
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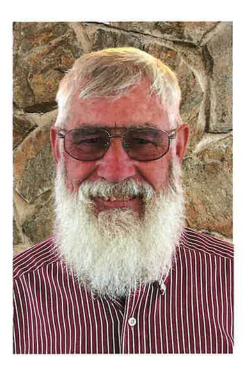
Roy Randolph Church Board Secretary



Gregg Brandt Church Board Member



Carl Connally
Church Board Member



Don Crouse Church Board Member

CHURCH LEADERSHIP (continued)



Chad Honeywell Church Board Member



Gary Johnson Church Board Member



Krista Johnson Church Board Member



Nancy Johnson Church Board Member

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

(continued)



Denton Marrs Church Board Member



Anthony Rael
Church Board Member



Beth McCain NMI President

CHURCH LEADERSHIP (continued)



Sherry Brubaker Treasurer



David Haugen Finance Committee



Children and Family Pastor Report for the Year 2023

Greetings in Christ Jesus,

The year of 2023 was a more than blessed year of Lord as always, and I appreciate the opportunity to look back and remember how He was moving among His church here in Ridgecrest.

For over a decade, our church has put on VBS (Vacation Bible School) helping hundreds of kids and families to grow into Christ each year. "Stellar" VBS taught us how to shine Jesus' light into our community and those near to us. In 2023, we greeted 137 visitors on any given day, including volunteers (approximately 43 people dedicated their time and talents to our local kids). For our annual VBS mission project, the children with their families raised \$802.54 for our local Laundry Love effort. On Thursday night of VBS, July 13th, twelve or more children accepted Jesus into their heart and life through VBS.

Additionally, we have witnessed God in our children's lives through the ministries in which we participated this year, such as Granite Ridge Kid's Summer camp, where more than 20 children have declared Jesus is their Lord and Savior. We also celebrated 9 baptisms of children and adults together.

Fundraiser Highlight: Our NT Fireworks Booth Raised \$7,562.32 for Youth and Children's Ministries

As we followed God into places He guided us this year, one of my favorite memories in addition to the dedication of each life to Christ and each baptism, was Easter Sunday where approximately 20 children were able to "Walk Through the Tomb" of Jesus, as has been a tradition of the last few years. Our children were able to hear, touch, taste, smell see and learn about some of the unique elements which tell about Jesus' journey to toward Jerusalem and finally His resurrection. They experienced the Last Supper as they ate the unleavened bread, saw the coins paid by Judas in the Garden of Gethsemane, experienced the many oils and spices of His burial and got to see His tomb where He did not lay. Then walked into bright, actual light where a beautiful garden lay (recreated of course) as they were reminded of the joy of their own new life as they walked free out of the tomb and into the presence of His eternal life. They liked to go through the tomb several times as excitement of the experience of Jesus' story became real for them. They would retell the story of Jesus as they encouraged their family and friends to come see and walk the likeness of the path the Lord took more than 2,000 years ago. The excitement for Him is still alive just as much today as it was for His friends too who saw he had died and rose again, just as He had said He would. More than a story, "Walk Through the Tomb" represents our true story with God, the One who loves us even into death - a truth which becomes meaningful and unforgettable.

In moments of ministry, we watch our children come closer to Him as He draws them lovingly near to Him. One day, they will decide to come near to Him on their own with their whole heart as they see He has always been with them. I enjoy watching this special friendship with Jesus and our children grow and flourish, day by day as they learn to walk in faith with Him, becoming stronger every day because of His presence in their lives.

I am thankful for our Children's Ministries faithful staff who gently and patiently help with this walk: Shirley Crouse, Lorraine Randolph, Krista Johnson, Julie Marshall, Naomi Bickel and Vickie Gluckman in addition to the numerous church family members who come together alongside us to help raise up our children in the way and in the love of the Lord throughout the year.

Joy in Jesus, Stephanie Rogers - Pastor of Children and Families

Attendance and Sunday School Treasurer's Report for 2023

Sunday morning worship attendance averaged 111 in 2023. That is an average of 6 more than 2022. Sunday School attendance averaged 56, which is down 4 from 2022.

Giving to support Sunday School and the child sponsorship:

- 1. For curriculum and supplies \$3,240.29 was given in offerings.
- 2. For the child sponsorship programs \$1,807.50 was given.
- 3. Donations for VBS totaled \$804.35*.
- 4. We received 14 cents in bank interest.

The following was paid out of the Sunday School Account:

Native American Christian Academy	\$1,545.00
Child Sponsorship (Bangladesh)	\$360.00
Haiti Child Development Program	\$300.00
The Foundry Publishing	\$1,361.81
Group Publishing	\$770.71
Sunday School Supplies/Materials	\$1,659.20
Bank Charges (new checks)	\$67.73
Coping Sunday School Lessons	\$5,000.00**

At the start of the year the Sunday School account balance was \$10,237.79 and the account balance at the end of the year was \$5,026.14

NOTES:

*The donations for VBS was transferred to Children's Ministries in March of 2024.

**Children's Sunday School curriculum from Group has been purchased electronically for about two years. We must print the lessons in house, hence the transfer from the Sunday School account to the general church account to help support the copy machine.

In His service;

Don



January 01, 2023 - December 31, 2023

"Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Romans 12:13. (NASB)

The Helping Hands ministry received \$12,426.03 from our church family in 2022, as compared with \$10,561.52 in 2022. We blessed needy people with \$13,729.90, which was about \$1,300 greater than our income. Here is an overview of our accounts.

2023 Helping Hands Start-of-Year Accounts	Cash Balance	Bank Account Balance	Total Assets
Helping Hands sub-account	\$0.00	\$8,723.30	
Laundry Love sub-account	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$867.47	
ACCOUNT BALANCE 12/31/2022	\$0.00	\$9,590.77	\$9,590.77
INCOME 2023			
2023 Income - Helping Hands	\$3,225.00	\$4,092.47	
2023 Income - Laundry Love	\$3,785.73	\$7,878.20	
2023 Income - Holiday Baskets	\$5,415.30	\$13,293.50	
Total 2023 Income	\$12,426.03	\$22,016.80	
EXPENSES - 2023			
Utilities, Housing, Groceries, Medical	\$4,087.62	\$27,929.18	
Holiday Baskets	\$7,524.55	\$10,404.63	
Laundry Love	\$2,050.00	\$8,354.63	
Miscellaneous Expenses (Checks)	<u>\$67.73</u>	\$8,286.90	
Total 2023 Expenses	\$13,729.90	\$8,286.90	
2023 Helping Hands End-of-Year Accounts	Cash Balance	Union Bank Account Balance	Total Assets
Helping Hands sub-account	\$0.00	\$5,683.70	
Laundry Love sub-account	\$0.00	\$2,603.70	
ACCOUNT BALANCE 12/31/2022	\$0.00	\$8,286.90	\$8,286,90

HH HIGHLIGHTS!

- The Laundry Love Team continued to help needy people wash & dry their laundry the last Monday of each
 month. (See the NMI report for details.) Lynn Gallagher heads up this ministry, with helpers Rob Gallagher,
 Janet Campbell, Karla Pierce, Barbara Porter & Roy and Lorraine Randolph. Thank you for your support!
- We were able to increase the number of holiday baskets we gave out this year. Special thanks to Pastor Stephanie for her guidance and to Lynn and Rob Gallagher for helping with assembly and distribution.
 In addition to 30 baskets, we helped 5 church widows with grocery cards for the holidays.

Thank you, everyone who prayed, funded and otherwise encouraged Helping Hands in 2023!

2023 Crisis Prayer Chain Report

Thank you for your continuing support and use of your crisis prayer chain. So many have seen answers to prayer and great needs supplied, as a result. This past year, over 200 (exact numbers unknown) persons requested our help from the Lord or posted praise reports of answers given. God remains faithful to us and for us!

It is best when needing to submit a prayer request, to use the church's website, www.rcnazarene.org. Just fill out the form and send it. It goes directly to the Director who will pass on this request to the 2 email groups for prayer. Three persons are also called at home to also pray. Requests are handled in a timely fashion except during late evening or nighttime hours.

If you wish to participate in this exciting ministry and agree to pray when contacted by email or phone, let the Director know by request form (on the website), a personal call, or mention it in person.

Thank you once again for supporting this important ministry. Continue to report updates on prayer requests so we can see how the Lord is working in a given situation. This is always so encouraging. May God get the glory for His working in and through the prayers of His people. Ephesians 6:18 reminds us to be "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." May this be true of our body of believers.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Boomer, Crisis Prayer Chain Director



Nazarene Missions International Report 2023

2023 was a great year. **Nazarene Mission International (NMI) Council** for the Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene continues to be graciously blessed by a congregation that has a heart for missions. We have met every goal set before us this year. Thank you for your efforts.

Faith Promise weekend was held February 17 – 19. Larry & Phyllis West, retired missionaries from the Asia Pacific Region were here to share with us.

The theme was: "Beyond Ourselves" Scripture: Revelation 7:9a

- . Faith Promise Weekend events:
 - 1. Friday Night Potluck @ 6 pm
 - Saturday meals served to both the men and the ladies
 - 3. Sunday morning-met elementary children at 9:30am
 - 4. Sunday morning worship service @ 10:30

World Evangelism Fund: This fund allows your personal gifts to reach around the world to change lives and transform hearts in Jesus' name ... making Christlike disciples in the nations. The main donations for this were collected at Easter. \$245 was sent from our congregation.

Alabaster: These funds were collected throughout the year and sent to Kansas City to help build churches, hospitals, and homes for staff around the world. \$5867.43 was donated to this worthy fund.

Missionaries:

Links Missionaries: We had new LINKS Missionaries this year. Mark & Jazz Eugenio. They were here June 18th for a visit after General Assembly to speak in the service.

World Mission Broadcast was the focus of giving in June. World Mission Broadcast enables the gospel of Jesus Christ to go where the missionary cannot go in more than 34 languages and in more than 72 countries worldwide.

Samaritan's Purse: 62 boxes were sent for Operation Christmas Child from our church. So, we met our goal set last year of 50-75. 498 were given from the Valley all

together and the whole territory that we are a part of sent 3,868 boxes. Children around the world benefitted from your giving! Thank you!

The Jesus Film Project: This mission is supported through our missionaries Rusty and Diane Robbins. Make sure to check out their post card in the fellowship hall.

Local Missions:

School Pal Paks were donated to foster families throughout the valley.

Work and Witness: Though we are supporting the Pregnancy Care Center locally, we were looking to go to France for the next major trip. This unfortunately has been cancelled at this point from their end. We are looking for other possibilities and praying that God will guide us to the needs of His people.

Food Pantry: We have reopened our food pantry recently. Food insecurity continues to be a real problem in many areas including Ridgecrest. Usable food items have been donated from congregation members and we are continuing to accept more donations. A new refrigerator was purchased and is very helpful. There were more Thanksgiving/Christmas baskets - we disbursed 26 boxes in November and 30 in December.

Pregnancy Care Center: We are now donating to them on a regular basis; \$100 per month.

Laundry Love: This group of dedicated people, go to I-Wash on the last Monday of each month from 7-10 am and provide funds and detergent for people in need to wash their clothing. This is our seventh full year running this program and we have been very successful. Many relationships are being built with these clients and they are excited to introduce our volunteers as "Good People." See the Helping Hands report for more information.

It has been a privilege to serve as your NMI president for the last part of the 2023 year. God has called and blessed me while I have been president. I have been honored to lead such a dedicated team of people that serve Christ as their Savior in everything they do. It is also a pleasure to serve such a giving group of people as are found here at the Ridgecrest Church of the Nazarene. The election will determine if God's desire is for me to continue on this path or follow another. Thank you for your support as I have worked guiding NMI.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth McCain

NMI President, RCNAZ

2024 NOMINEES

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Gina Johnson Church Board Nominee

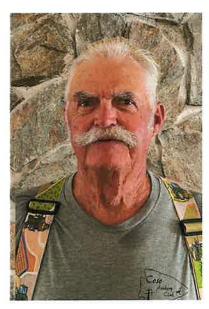


Laura Osborne Church Board Nominee



Laurie Piatt
Church Board Nominee

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Dick Ply Church Board Nominee



Pat Rogers
Church Board Nominee

NMI PRESIDENT NOMINEES



Cheryl Bockhahn NMI President Nominee



Beth McCain NMI President Nominee

2024 DISCTRICT ASSEMBLY DELEGATE NOMINEES



Cheryl Bockhahn District Assembly Delegate Nominee



Roger Bockhahn
District Assembly Delegate
Nominee



Chad Honeywell
District Assembly Delegate
Nominee



Kristen Honeywell
District Assembly Delegate
Nominee

2024 ALTERNATE DISCTRICT ASSEMBLY DELEGATE NOMINEE



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Church Board Nominations Vote For 3 Gina Johnson Laura Osborne Laurie Piatt Pat Rogerswatermark Pat Rogers Dick Ply **Nazarene Missions International (NMI) Nominations** Vote For 1 Cheryl Bockhahn Beth McCain **District Assembly Delegate Nominations** Vote For 4 Cheryl Bockhahn _ Roger Bockhahn Janet Campbell Chad Honeywell Kristen Honeywell **Alternate District Assembly Delegate Nominations** Krista Johnson ___Yes ___No