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In Remembrance



We would like to take a moment to remember the members of our congregation that we have lost this year.

May God continue to be with the families of Sarah Burritt and Carl Kishundat. Also, with Carmen Hyman and Stephane Belanger as they mourn the losses in their families.



Pastor's Report

This year Christ has blessed Heart Lake Baptist Church and we have received great things. We all share in this blessing together and it so wonderful to see how Christ has worked in and through His people as we share in doing ministry together, in fellowship and in celebration. What a celebration it is to be able to worship together again in so many ways. Also, it has been amazing to see how Christ has brought us through these difficult years and given us a desire to keep pressing forward with new ministry opportunities.

One thing I am always amazed with and have been reminded of this year is that God's church has been **bought with the blood of Jesus**. "...Be shepherds of the church of God, **which He bought with his own blood**. (Acts 20:28)" When I stop and think of what this cost Jesus, I begin to realize the importance of it and the mission we are called to carry out. It is no wonder God is always faithful to His Church. I am also reminded that this Church, the family of God, is a blessing to each of us, we all receive and are blessed to be part of it. We are the Children of God together carrying out God's plans for Heart Lake. **What a privilege it is! What an honour!**

It is because of this cost I believe that God has amazing things in store for us in the coming year. I encourage us to continue to commit together in being the **people who willingly submit to Christ**. Let's commit in going where He calls us to go. Let's commit in seeking the lost, making disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and bringing glory to our most gracious and generous God. Let us commit to live out our Christian lives together here at Heart Lake Church doing great things for Christ and His Kingdom, living as people of faith and not fear!

If sometime this year we think that God has given more than we could fathom, may we remember the words given to us in 2 Corinthians:

¹¹You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. ¹²This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. ¹³Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, people will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. (2 Corinthians 9:11-13)

All that we have been given is ours for the sharing. We go to share the Good News of the One who has made us rich in every way, so that we may be generous with all that is given to us and so that all people may express thanksgiving to God. For it is when we give to others Christ is glorified and others give thanksgiving to God.

May the Lord bless us all as we do His work this year!

Pastor Wayne



Associate Pastor Report – Children and Family Ministry

What a year it has been! As things begin to normalise and I look back at all that the Lord has done during this past year, all I can do is rejoice. God continued to work in us and through us, even amid all the challenges this pandemic continued to bring. Amid all our shortcomings God is faithful in our lives.

I want to begin by thanking all the volunteers I had the privilege to work with. Thank you to each of you, we could not do the work of the Lord without you. Each week you dedicate your time to the Youth and Kids of Heart Lake Baptist Church. Even though at times we don't see it, we are making an impact in the lives of our children and youth. Thank you for your continued work and support

Kids Zone

After being closed for over a year due to Covid-19, our Kids Zone Ministry has reopened. We worked hard to keep the children as safe as we could during our Sunday program. We continually disinfect all surface areas, giving each child their own workstation (6 feet apart from others) and their own materials to work with that were not shared with others. At first, we only had a few kids in attendance, but as time went on, we began to see our Sunday Kids Zone attendance grow. We are now seeing attendance in numbers close to what we had before the pandemic. Each week the children are taught a Bible lesson, given a memory verse and they work on crafts that relate to the Bible lesson. This past year we added a new Check in system where parents register their kids each Sunday using an electronic device (iPad). We also added new volunteer Kids Zone T-shirts so that our Kids Zone volunteers are recognizable to the parents and children of our church as soon as they walk in through the doors.

Last Summer we hired 4 young people as HLBC employees. During their employment they led 6 weeks of in-person Vacation Bible Camp, led our Youth ministry activities and worked in our Food Bank all during all the pandemic restrictions.

We are excited about this coming year as we hold 6 more weeks of Bible Camp, look to grow our kids Zone ministry by adding new classes to our Sunday program and by holding new Kids Zone/Family events.

YOUTH

We have amazing young people in our church! A lot has happened throughout this year. We have continued to meet in person, re-designed the Youth Room, started a Youth (teenagers) Leadership Team, started a Youth Band, and changed the format of our Friday youth nights. It has been encouraging to see many of our young people serve in the various ministries of HLBC, they even lead in one of our Sunday worship services!

We are very excited for this upcoming year. Our desire is to have all the youth serve in the many areas of ministry at HLBC and to continue to develop them as the future leaders of HLBC.

Thank you for the privilege of serving alongside you all at Heart Lake Baptist Church, it's a true honour. If I could ask one thing, please continue to pray for all the children and youth in our church. Finally, thank you for the support and prayers for myself and my family. I am so excited to see all that the Lord will do this next year at Heart Lake Baptist Church.

Pastor Mario Cupeta



HLBC Council

Dear Heart Lake Family,

As I write this, I'm grateful. We are in a much better place than we were a year ago. The fall and winter have been difficult but with spring has come optimism that the worst of covid is behind us.

I want to thank Pastor Wayne, Pastor Mario, Melissa, and Adam for their leadership and service amidst ever changing circumstances this past year. Checking current health restrictions, adjusting protocols, changing to two services, covering for Pastor Wayne's time away has been challenging to say the least, but you have all done your part to ensure our congregation is supported and you've done it cheerfully.

A special thanks to the Kids Zone team for taking on extra responsibilities allowing Pastor Mario to lead our Sunday services when Pastor Wayne was away.

I also want to thank Bruce Dodds Hebron and Mark Watts for their contributions to council over the past years as they step away from council responsibilities.

A heartfelt thanks to all who serve at HLBC—no matter what role you play, you are using your gifts to support the body of Christ and I am grateful for your contributions and participation.

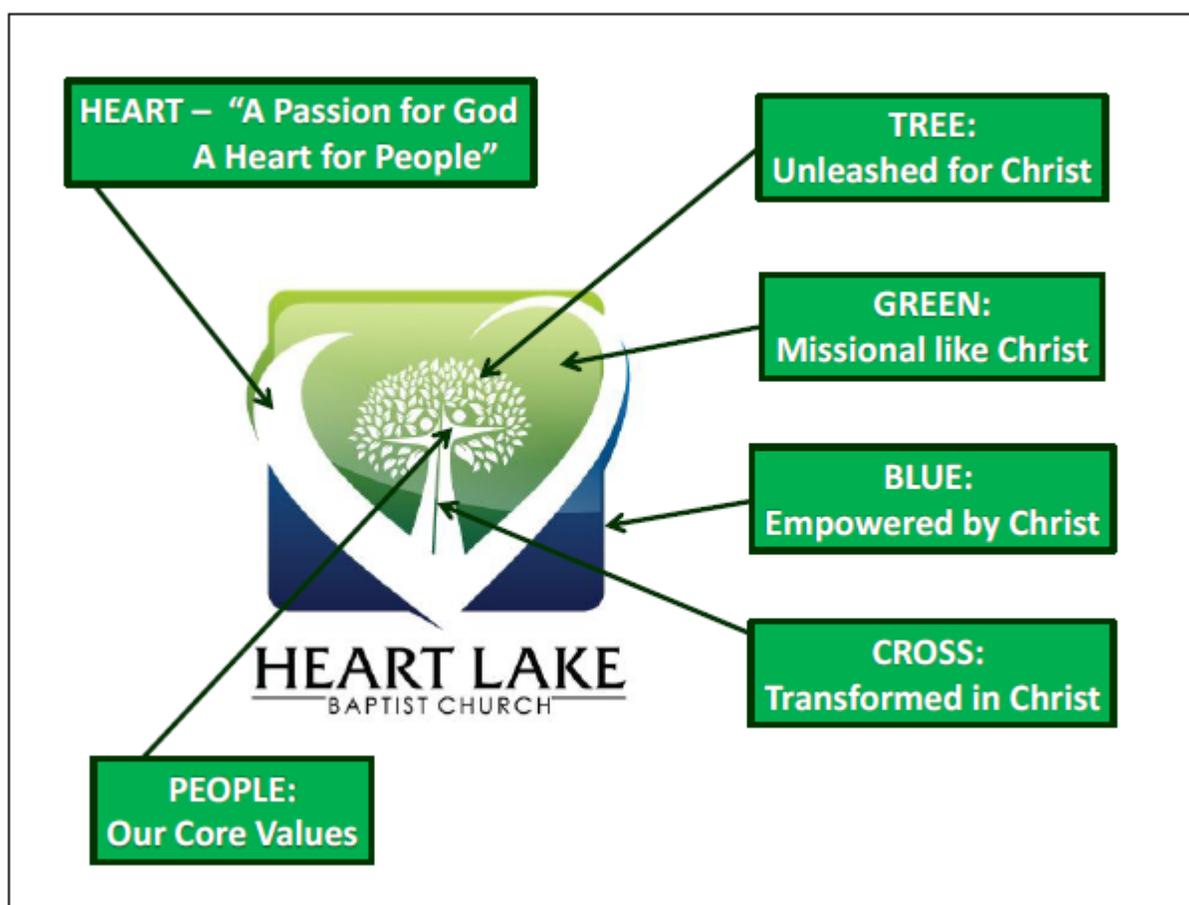
It's been a busy year at HLBC, some of the things we've done this year; Youth room renovations (Sept/Oct); Expanded Pastor Mario's role to include youth (Sept); Adam Watson started as part-time Worship Director (Oct); Added second service (Nov); New Members joined (Dec/Jan); Richard Langston's ordination (April); Purchased new desks for staff (April).

At our Council/Elders retreat in March we spent time seeking God's direction and timing for plans for the coming years. With our building aging we want to ensure it is maintained and updated to provide a supportive, welcoming space for current and expanded ministries. Of concern this past year has been our falling behind financially to what we need to meet our monthly expenses. Twice we've come to the congregation asking for funds to bridge the widening gap and the response has been encouraging, but we need to reach a point where our ongoing expenses are covered by tithes and offerings consistently. This will be a focus in the coming months. Meeting our budgeted expenses will allow us to respond as God brings new initiatives our way.

I'm confident God is fulfilling His plans for HLBC as we move forward in ministry to our community. Our responsibility is to seek His direction and be obedient to what He calls us to do as we continue to live out our mission statement - A Passion for God, A Heart for People.

May the coming year be one that sees us increasingly reaching out to our community in meaningful ways and inviting them to join us in experiencing life with Christ. There is nothing that will bring us greater joy!

Lois Hardy
Chair, HLBC Council



Elders Annual Report

Philippians 3:12-14

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

This past year has been a year of pressing on and looking forward to where the Lord is calling us as we continue to navigate through the pandemic and begin to move forward as things reopen. The ministry year 2021-2022 continues to see a lot of changes as we started with most ministries online and as restrictions began to lift, we started reopening ministries. As of July 2021, we returned to in-person Sunday services and being able to live stream due to new equipment and a new internet provider, a very exciting transition. We have been welcoming new people who have found our church through the services that were online.

In September, Betsy Callanan stepped down from the position as Worship Director after faithfully serving in this position for many years. We thank her for her faithful service and leading us in this ministry especially during the last two years of Covid. As a leadership the Elders knew that Betsy was looking at stepping down in the fall and we started praying for the Lord's direction and an open door to fill this position. The Lord's timing is perfect, and he led us to Adam Watson who checked off all the boxes we were looking for. Adam was hired as the new Music Director in September and has been a great addition to Heart Lake.

September also saw Pastor Mario assuming the role of Youth Pastor and continuing as Children/Family Pastor. It's exciting to see some of our youth take on roles as youth leaders and lead in other areas of ministry in our church.

In October, we were excited to go back to having Small Groups in-person and online as we started the church wide study of 1 Peter where we unpacked the importance of our witness in this world. Pastor Wayne also spoke on 1 Peter on Sunday mornings to give us a deeper understanding of this book.

October also saw the return to the in-person Kids Zone, so very exciting to have our kids back learning and worshiping in their own setting. We are thankful for Pastor Mario's leadership and for all those who faithfully volunteer in this important ministry.

December, saw the beginning of the celebration of our Saviour's birth with advent and the excitement of being back in person for our Christmas Eve service.

As happens each year there were some changes to our Elders Board. In December we said goodbye to Bruce Dodds-Hebron as he faithfully completed his 3-year term as an

Elder. We certainly value his service. We are thankful to God for adding Mark Eggengoor to the team for a 3-year term and for Louise Lougheed continuing for a 2nd 3-year term. Eddy Nganji, Suzanne Killah, June Blahut, and Ada Agi remain on the board.

In January, Pastor Wayne introduced the sermon series that we have been progressing through over several weeks, which is part of our Vision, Empowered by Christ.

In March, the leadership were excited to have our first in person Elder/Council Retreat in two years. During this time, we worshiped and prayed together, discussed, and evaluated as a church where we can improve and looked forward to where we felt the Lord was calling us in accordance with our Vision and Missions Statement. As I write this we continue to discern where the Lord is leading us and have started to communicate pressing forward to the congregation.

For me personally, one of my most exciting events in the life of our church occurred in April when we had our first celebration of baptism in 3 years. In part because baptisms are exciting, but mostly because there is no prouder moment than to watch your child make a public declaration of faith in front of his church family. We look forward to more baptisms soon as people have recently taken part in Baptism and Membership classes. God is Good!

While this past year has seen many exciting things, we have also had some losses just like any other family goes through, whether that was death, people moving away or a diagnosis of an illness. We were saddened to have Pastor Wayne step away to take treatment to deal with cancer the last few months, but we are reminded that the Lord is sovereign and in control. We are looking forward to Pastor Wayne's return as our faithful leader and have been praying for his complete healing. We also thank Pastor Mario who has stepped in and taken on the role as head pastor the last few months along with his other responsibilities. We also thank Adam and Melissa and others who have stepped up to take on extra responsibilities. God is faithful!

Most importantly, we thank the Lord for continuing to lead, guide and provide as we move forward through the pandemic and how he wants us to be as the church. We are very thankful to the Lord for his continued provision of the ministries that began in 2020, being the Food Pantry and Heartbeat Bikes and how we have been about to reach our community. We continue to trust the Lord with our time, talents, and treasures according to his will and for his glory.

In His service,
Louise Lougheed

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight.

Family Life Ministry

God is good all the time! After 2 years of not celebrating as a church family and not be able to serve on Sundays, I am happy to be serving the congregation once again.

During this time, I have been serving the community through the Food Pantry. I collect supplies from Regeneration and purchase the produce on a weekly basis. I also deliver food to some of our clients who are unable to come in person.

We started Café Connect again on Mother's Day and continue to offer it following both services on Sundays. Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped with the Anniversary Sunday BBQ.

Submitted by: Hannah Jaikumar

Membership

Breakdown of the Church Membership	
Number of Active Members	156
Number of People Baptized	1
Number of New Members	9
Number of Non-residents	10

It has been a pleasure to serve in the capacity of the HLBC Clerk for the past year.

If you have any questions, please email me at clerk@hlbchurch.com

Submitted by Nancy Knecht

CAP Job Club

Due to COVID-19, this ministry was not active.

Greeting Team

Due to COVID-19, we haven't had a greeting team. We want to thank those who have stepped in to help with this ministry as our in-person services returned.

Lighthouse Library

The Lighthouse Library continues to welcome attendees of HLBC through our doors. Currently we are open Sundays after 2nd worship service and occasionally before service. After being closed since March 2020, we reopened in Sept 2021 following covid protocols. Our library collection includes children's and youth books, adult books both fiction and non-fiction, audio books, and children's & adult DVDs.

We keep our collection relevant by purchasing new titles throughout the year. Within the Christian fiction genre, readers can find mysteries, romance, family sagas and action. In non-fiction, we have biographies, Christian living, parenting (from toddlers to teens), money, prayer, relationships and more. We also try to stock some of the books that are mentioned in the pastor's sermons so do consider asking us if one of the books mentioned is of interest to you. Children's DVDS and best-selling fiction authors also remain popular.

To continue to provide a relevant service to the attendees of HLBC, we strive to provide a variety of items. It is essential to our long-term success that users return the items they have borrowed. We appreciate your diligence in this! In our system, patrons have been set up in groups by family, and borrowing limits are in place (i.e., only 1 DVD per family, and a maximum of 5 items). When any items are overdue, you are not able to borrow further items until the ones you have out are returned

Most importantly, thank you to our committed & passionate volunteers – Marion Burritt, Shannon Stocks and Monica Stocks. These dear people are the backbone of this ministry, and we would not have the privilege of this ministry without their hard work and great attitudes!

From the bibliophiles on our side of the desk, to the bibliophiles on the other side of the desk, thank you for your support as we continue to minister to you by providing resources to illuminate your path.

Respectfully,

Sheila Howlett-Soltysiak
Library Coordinator

Girl's Club

The Girl's Club unfortunately did not meet due to ever changing rules with COVID-19. We look forward to staring back up in the fall 2022-2023 to be back together in-person.

Sister in Christ,
Dede Atuahene

Young at Heart Report

I am speaking on behalf of the seniors. It was a quite two years. The pandemic kept us all in a low profile. We have begun again with a big bang.

In March we had a guest speaker, Tom Hayes. An artist of high standard. He gave us a presentation on "Passion of Christ" in a slideshow. We were fascinated by the knowledge he portrayed about each painting. It was an inspiration we would never forget and got us thinking why and how?

April saw us through with a salad demo by our very own Gloria Berger. She gave us useful tips on how to make salads and notes on different salad greens that we can use in salads. Thank you, Gloria.

The month of May saw our first potluck lunch since the pandemic started. Our goal was to see what we as seniors can do for our church, in society, and otherwise. One is a student drive. We are hoping that our ladies and gents would come up with some ideas that we are putting forward.

Thank you for being patient and helping us through the pandemic. We owe it to each and everyone for putting us back on our feet.

Pastor Mario filled in for Pastor Wayne and did a great job. Thank you, Pastor Mario. We are looking forward to having Pastor Wayne back soon.

God bless everyone, have a wonderful year.

Roopa

Decorating Committee

This year it's been fun to work more closely with the worship and sound team to keep the sanctuary looking good for Sunday mornings and online, live services. We have a more modern streamline look and a few items in new places to accommodate videoing of the services. The wood walls and a variety of new lights gave a great rustic look to the Christmas decorating. Many thanks to the team who assisted with the Christmas decorating and take down. We were also able to use the wood wall to highlight a symbol for a sermon series. Thanks to Mark Watts for his assistance with that project. In addition, we've been keeping the lobby welcoming and meaningful for those utilizing the food pantry. A few items were purchased for Easter and for the lobby.

Submitted by: Annette Eggengoor

Attendance and Ushers

	ADULTS	CHILDREN
July	36	21
August	47	21
September	61	18
October	64	23
November	87	28
December	75	22
January	63	18
February	74	32
March	N/A	N/A
April	106	16
May	122	19
Total	735	218
Average	74	22

Average monthly attendance for 10 months = 96

Average monthly attendance as indicated above is for the physical/in church attendance for that period. This poor attendance as we all know is the result of COVID-19. However, there was an increase in numbers for April and May as shown in the above data. Things are slowly returning to normal. Special services were held on Good Friday and Christmas Eve. Both were well attended. There were also Baptismal Services for adults and Sharing of Testimonies during the ten-month period.

The Ushering Ministry was affected by the pandemic. Most of the older ushers are now participating in online services. During this period, we were able to recruit eight new ushers to the ministry. We would like to welcome the following ushers: Titi Orojijmi, Alison Lowe, William Lougheed, Jean Reid, Alora Kumar, Hope Yoshiki, Jordyn Aaron, and Alisha Aaron.

Ushering is a commitment for at least a year, once your name appears on the schedule you have made that commitment. We need approximately eight more ushers because of the two services and possibly a few 'stand-bys' to fill in for absentees.

As Ushers we remember Ephesians 2:10 which says "For we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus into good works which God had before ordained that we should walk in them "

Let us continue to serve God faithfully allowing his light to shine in and through us, bringing "Glory to his name".

Worship & Media Ministry

Praise the Lord.

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.*

Psalm 106

Since joining the Staff at Heart Lake Baptist Church in October of 2021, I have been blessed and encouraged to see the Lord working not only within the Worship and Media ministries, but also within our church. I have heard His people lift their voices to sing to Him and praise His name. I have seen them lift their hands in surrender to their faithful Father. My prayer since arriving at HLBC has been to witness God remove the things that hinder His children from engaging with Him during our time of musically worship, and I have already seen this happening. Praise God! and I pray that this continues to grow as we gather each week to sing to Him.

It would be remiss of me, if I didn't take the time to thank Betsy Callanan for her years of serving over this ministry, Maeva Killah and Rishona Seraphim for taking on that responsibility when the church was unable to meet in person, Jon and Melissa Burritt for leading the church when we were able to once again meet in-person and all of the other team members who have assisted these leaders to serve our church faithfully each Sunday. Thank you everyone for serving our God and our church.

This year we were able to expand upon our already great Worship team by adding six new team members through an audition Saturday in March. These new members have been a wonderful addition to our ministry. We hope to continue to grow the team as God stirs people's hearts to serve Him in this way.

We have also been able to start a time of Youth Worship during our weekly Youth gatherings. These young people have been a blessing to work with and are our future worship leaders in the making. They have already successfully led our church in Worship during our Youth Sunday Services in March and for a few other services after that. Don't be surprised to see more of them during our Sunday services in the coming year.

We have also seen our Media team develop the quality and care that goes into having a technically smooth service both in the building and for those watching online. With the addition of our new camera, we have been able to give an improved viewing experience for those watching our livestream. Our hope is to offer an online service that is as close to being in person as possible. I believe that we have made large strides in this direction over the past few months and are continually striving towards achieving this goal. Thank you, Media Team!

Over the next year we hope to continue to improve our equipment and abilities to better serve God and our fellow brothers and sisters here at Heart Lake Baptist Church.



We do not know what the Lord has in store for these ministries over the next year, but I am excited to be able to take that journey with such a great team.

Thank you to all of you who continually encourage us.

To the praise of His Glory,
Adam Watson

Alpha

Alpha is a ten-week course which allows participants the opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, non-threatening atmosphere over thought provoking weekly sessions.

Each week includes time for connection followed by a video on topics such as “Who is Jesus?”, “How Can I Have Faith?”, “What about the Bible?” After the video we have a time of discussion where no question is considered too simple or too hostile.

Due to the ongoing Covid pandemic and restrictions still in place we decided once again to offer our spring 2022 Alpha course using the online (Zoom) format. Only 2 guests attended the introduction “Is there more to Life than this?” and one of them decided she could not attend the course due to her schedule. We questioned whether we should continue with only one person, but we knew this person was a new Christian who did not have any previous background in the Christian faith and would benefit greatly by attending Alpha. So, we decided to continue online. Each week our guest shared what he was learning from the talks and was very enthusiastic about growing in his faith.

About halfway through the course, we decided to invite our guest and our helper (Amanda) to join us for dinner at our house and to have Alpha in person again. We are so glad we made this change as the time spent sharing life over meals plus the in-person dimension made for a much more rewarding experience for all concerned.

Our guest thanked us each week for offering him the Alpha experience and we are so glad we did.

We hope our next Alpha will be an in-person experience God willing. Whether in person or online we continue to encourage our church family to keep Alpha in your prayers and be open to inviting your family, friends, and work colleagues to a future Alpha course.

Our sincere thanks to Amanda Hollis for helping us once again.

Submitted By: Dave & Lois Hardy

Women's Ministry Report

During this ministry year, our programme has continued to be affected by the Covid 19 health restrictions. Despite that, we have managed to organize an event each month. These have included as many face-to-face meetings as possible and several online meetings.

Some of the highlights were an outdoor celebration at the end of our bible study of the book of Esther, an afternoon of bocce ball, horseshoes, ladder ball and making Ice cream floats, an October hike around the lake at Heart Lake Conservation area, a card making workshop, an interesting "Health and Wellness" talk from Lindsay Branton of "TrainmeFit" and online chats and games.

It has been very helpful to have had our events promoted through our Heart Lake Happenings and a big thank you is extended to Melissa Burritt, Pastor Wayne, and Pastor Mario for assisting us with that.

This ministry is open to faith sisters of all ages and friends are always welcome to attend.

As restrictions are lifted, we are looking forward to more times of being together for fellowship, learning, prayer, and service.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Parker

Men in Action

Due to COVID-19, this ministry was not active.

Property

This past year we were able to have a large section of the roof replaced. We have many exciting plans for the year ahead.

Thank you to Ron Farrell for keeping our lawn looking great. Thank you also to Stepping Stones for their work with our landscaping.

Life Groups Ministry Report

In the Fall of 2021, members of the congregation were invited to take part in a church-wide study on the book of 1 Peter. A series of sermons was preached for five Sundays, and options were offered to join a group on zoom, meet face to face at the church, or to get together with a few close friends or family members to participate in the study. Online groups made it possible for our Heart Lake missionaries Barb and Gerry to join in from Guatemala and some new people to the congregation had an opportunity to meet and get connected with a small group within our community.

While this was helpful, it did not provide an ongoing opportunity for people to be part of a small, tightly knit group within the congregation. As this ministry year winds down, a new vision for Life Groups is being cast. Hopefully, by Fall, the pandemic restrictions will have lessened and there will be more opportunities for us all gather face-to-face. More people will be attending worship and looking forward to connecting or reconnecting with our church family. Some people will be returning to us after an absence of about two and a half years. Others will have been getting to know us through our services online and will be looking forward to meeting us in person.

It is our desire to see as many people as possible experience community and be discipled within a Life Group setting at HLBC. The groups might be generational or multi-generational, built on similar interests or based on the neighbourhoods where our members live and work. They will meet weekly or bi-weekly in a variety of settings to worship, study together, enjoy social times, pray, and serve together.

Currently, we are approaching potential leaders and planning training for them so that we will be ready to begin forming groups by the end of September. Members of the congregation will be invited to join a Life Group of up to ten or twelve people and to stay with the same people for the entire year, where possible. This will provide an opportunity to form deeper connections, and to give and receive support and encouragement within a supportive group of Christ followers.

Looking forward to sharing more as the plan unfolds.

Debbie Parker -Life Group Ministry

Food Pantry

Our cup overflows rings true all of the time at the food pantry. We witness God miraculously replenishing our supplies on a regular basis. Being part of this Ministry is an honour and is also very humbling. It is an honour to serve God's precious children who are in need as well as humbling that people choose to come to our church for help and humbling that the Ministry has been so blessed and supported.

It is also so heartwarming to see the number of volunteers who faithfully devote their time and talents to the many jobs required to keep the pantry running so smoothly including: shopping for dairy and produce; packing the dairy, produce, and non-perishable bags; sorting and storing donations; setting up for Thursday nights; breaking up boxes, taking out garage; repacking larger items into smaller portions; greeting guests; praying for their needs and supporting them with their concerns; serving groceries; cleaning up; cutting up egg cartons and on and on. Each task is done with love and in obedience to God's direction to: "So give freely to needy people. Let your heart be tender toward them. Then the Lord your God will bless you in all your work. He will bless you in everything you do. There will always be poor people in the land. So I'm commanding you to give freely to those who are poor and needy in your land. Open your hands to them."
Deuteronomy 15:10-11

We celebrated our two-year anniversary in April. From July 2021 to May 2022, we served 195 different families and a total of 5,952 individual servings. This year we focused on establishing relationships with our guests, building trust, and supporting not just their need for food but spiritual and emotional needs as well.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your unwavering commitment to and support of this Ministry. May you be blessed.

In Christ,

Jennifer for the team

Heartbeat Bikes

Thank you all at Heart Lake for your continued support. Heartbeat Bikes has had a highly successful year. We had quite a few bikes donated to us by people from the church and people in the community. We are also part of a bicycle recycling program with the City of Brampton now and can pick up bikes from their recycle centers when they have quite a few there. We are always looking for more donations and volunteers who have a passion for bikes and serving youth. We have changed our hours this year so that we are open more often. We are also offering workshops on some Saturdays so people can learn how to fix their bikes themselves.

Another encouragement is that through the church's involvement with Heartbeat Bikes, we now have one of our crew members volunteering at the food pantry and being exposed even more to the love of Christ through their work.

Heartbeat Bikes is a part of Youth Unlimited and partnered with you here at Heart Lake Baptist Church. We are a registered charity and social enterprise that believes in providing rebuilt, reliable, freshly serviced bikes to people in both our church and our community. Bikes will be restored and repaired at various price points to ensure that everyone can purchase or repair their bikes at our community shop located right here in the parking lot of our church. This will provide employment and on the job training for youth. It is our plan as this venture continues to grow and develop with safe riders training, and increased community involvement to encourage more riders.

Heartbeat Bikes is a social venture that will assist youth to overcome employment barriers through intentional life skills development, on-the-job training, and paid employment in a bike repair store setting. Volunteers and mentors will support and motivate the youth through coaching, training, conflict resolution and advocacy. The goal of the bike shop is to help the youth find a permanent, meaningful job at wages that not only allow them to sustain themselves but also give them a chance to advance in their new career path.

As we build relationships with the youth, we will engage them in the five areas of transformation: Renewed Character, growing in virtue; Healthy Relationships, seeking reconciliation and vibrant community; Rooted Identity, engaging life with Jesus; Joyful Service, putting others first; and Clear Purpose, discovering and utilizing their gifts and abilities. We believe spiritual guidance alongside practical support can encourage youth to persevere as they take steps to transition into adulthood. It will help them to not just survive but to flourish.

Mark Eggengoor & Amanda Hollis

PILAS Student Ministry - Gerry and Barb Normand

We'd like to start by expressing our sincere gratitude and appreciation for the members of HLBC and their continued dedication to support us, the PILAS ministry, and its many programs. We couldn't do this work without those of you who regular donate towards the ministry and pray for us daily. There is so much we could share about how God is moving in this place, but we will keep this report to only 2 pages. If at any time you'd like to talk more, we are always available. We are often sending short 1 minute video updates, and a 3-5 minute summary video once a month to help you feel involved in the work and celebrate with us!

If you would like to be included in any update or join our prayer groups, please let us know. Send an email to gerry.normand@gmail.com.

We love and appreciate our HLBC family.

Sincerely, Gerry and Barb Normand

CLUB CONEXIÓN (Youth Group)

We switched to a tutoring focus for 2021 due to COVID restrictions. With the small groups, we were able to identify 2 new scholarship recipients for the 2022 school year.

We relaunched youth group in March 2022 in four villages: Las Flores, El Chipotón, El Tunino and a new location (Los Planes). Los Planes was as a result from our recent exposure to the community during the COVID grocery distribution.

Total weekly attendance for all locations is an average of 100 students.

David is our coordinator and is doing great. He is a natural at reaching the kids through energetic and interactive lessons. We have just finished an 8-week study on the Easter story and will be moving on to parables in June.

SCHOLARSHIP / LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

We celebrated two high school grads in November 2021 – Julissa & Jenifer. Both are currently working in pharmacies and hope to continue their studies in university in 2023. The fall 2021 RIDE FOR REFUGE was our best ever. We are so grateful to God and the participants who raised all the funds needed to support our 2022 students: eight in middle school and two in high school.

The students have been in a hybrid education model for the past year and are hoping to return to in-person studies fulltime for the back half of the 2022 school year.

Bible studies have been deep as we study the book of Romans with our new teacher/mentor – Darlyn. She’s been a great addition to the PILAS family as she built up trust with the students very quickly.

PILAS LEARNING AND FUN CLUB

Sandra is our new coordinator to lead the PILAS CLUB out of our Sumpango location. We have known her since our El Yalu days and are excited that she decided to join our leadership team.

She leads three staff, Lisbeth (2nd year teacher) and Karla and Faby (1st year teachers). Faby is a psychologist who has been an incredibly important addition as we try to help students and parents with their emotional and psychological well-being.

Parents and students alike have expressed the importance of community, educational support, and spiritual guidance as the team of teachers loves and leads up to 150 students from grades 3-6 students for 1.5 hours each week.

We are amazed at the many improvements the students are showing in academics, self esteem, spiritual disciplines, and socialization. They are learning and applying how to pray for each other, listening to Bibles stories and memorizing Bible verses.

PILAS BOARD GAME CLUB

We launched Sunday morning board game days to help kids in middle school stay connected to PILAS or meet new friends in a less formal environment.

Through this new community, we are seeking opportunities to pray for each other and possibly launch an ALPHA course with them in the future.

We don’t often see the same kids coming each time, so it’s difficult to keep momentum, however kids are starting to share more, and we have begun prayer time with them.

ALPHA SUMPANGO

ALPHA Sumpango remains on hold. We hope to relaunch when God provides a clear green light. Our reach may be expanded due to the new relationships developed through FUN CLUB. ALPHA is something to continue to pray for as we desire to host it again.

VISITORS

In May 2022, we were excited to host our first post COVID visitors: a six-person young adult team from Compass Community Church (Orangeville). There is keen interest being shown for 2023 visitors and teams and we hope to confirm spots ASAP to begin planning.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Praise God, we entered the 2022 calendar year in good shape financially thanks to the RIDE. Some reliable donors have joined our financial support team, and this has been a tremendous blessing. The annual rummage sale has been officially cancelled as we hope to replace this event with a regular December fundraiser. God has already provided a main contact to lead this initiative forward.



Financial Report

This year has been one where we had needed to continue to adapt and learn more direct ways to speak to meeting our operational budget. Overall, we have done well and there have been many who have been very generous including donations to the Food Pantry. On behalf of the Finance Committee, I want to express our gratitude to each one of you who have sacrificed to meet the ministry needs. We also want to express our gratitude for the support from our government in providing assistance to businesses and non-profit organizations.

As we gradually move to a post pandemic world and move away from government support, it is important to say two things. First, we need to address our budget shortfall in order to meet our operational and ministry requirements. Second, **the good news is**, we have capacity to do so within our congregation.

This past year has caused us to reflect and focus more on what God is doing in the midst of all that has happened. Included in that is speaking to the issue of how finances intersect with vision and ministry as we want to inspire those who call Heart Lake their home church to invest here and be part of what God is calling us to do as a community of believers.

At our April fundraiser to address the YTD budget shortfall, I mentioned a little about the perspective that Jesus had concerning the Widow and her seemingly insignificant donation of two copper coins, equivalent to about a penny. Here is the passage of scripture below.

Mar 12:42-44: 42then a poor widow came along and dropped in two little copper coins, worth about a penny. 43He called his disciples together and said to them, "I tell you that this poor widow put more in the offering box than all the others. 44For the others put in what they had to spare of their riches; but she, poor as she is, put in all she had—she gave all she had to live on."

Henry Nouwen, one of my favourite authors puts it this way; *"Even a seemingly small act of generosity can grow into something far beyond what we could ever ask or imagine (see Ephesians 3:20) – the creation of a community of love in this world, and beyond this world, because wherever love grows, it is stronger than death (1 Cor. 13:8)*

In some ways the story of the Widow and her two coins is also our story. It is a question of where she placed her trust and where she found her security. Even more important it is where she found her source of love and her identity. Jesus was not concerned about her money; he saw that her heart.

This can also be our story; we just need to make space for Him, and He will make things clear for us.

God is good and He will take your generosity of spirit and use your tithes and offering to multiply it and grow His Kingdom. You in turn will come to truly know the love that God has for you. It will transform your spirit to one of generosity and gratitude, but most important it will fill you with His love.

Sincerely,

Ron Gumbley
Deacon of Finance



Balance Sheet

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		Current Year	Previous Year
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ASSETS	1000		
CURRENT ASSETS	1050		
TD CHEQUING-OPERATING ACT	1100	\$25,690.09	\$44,434.51
TANGERINE SAVINGS ACCOUNT	1105	24,153.34	24,028.54
RSTRCTD-Capt Projects	1105-100	5,855.36	40,791.97
RSTRCTD-CEBA Loan Rpymt	1105-200	32,000.00	20,000.00
Subtotal Tangerine Savings Account	1105	62,008.70	84,820.51
HST 5%	1112	137.56	140.46
HST 13%	1113	5,855.60	5,319.29
BENEVOLENT FUND	1300	11,061.88	10,303.87
Subtotal Current Assets	1050	104,753.83	145,018.64
FIXED ASSETS	1500		
BUILDING	1650	2,334,506.04	2,314,450.06
ACCUM. DEP'N - BUILDING	1699	-1,559,971.06	-1,493,621.49
Subtotal Building	1650	774,534.98	820,828.57
COMPUTERS	1750	19,719.42	18,264.28
ACCUM. DEP'N. - COMPUTERS	1799	-16,301.53	-14,052.40
Subtotal Computers	1750	3,417.89	4,211.88
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	1850	87,481.79	70,269.50
ACCUM. DEP'N. - FURN/EQUI	1899	-33,255.87	-21,400.80
Subtotal Furniture & Fixtures	1850	54,225.92	48,868.70
Subtotal Fixed Assets	1500	832,178.79	873,909.15
TOTAL ASSETS		\$936,932.62	\$1,018,927.79



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LIABILITIES	2000		
CURRENT LIABILITIES	2100		
OPTIONAL BENEFIT DEDN	2450	\$21.22	\$59.58
SUPERANNUM PAYABLE	2500	4,110.06	2,314.64
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	2550		
DEFERRED RENTAL INCOME	2562	0.00	1,820.00
Subtotal Current Liabilities	2100	4,131.28	4,194.22
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	2600		
MORTGAGES & LOANS	2610		
CBOQ-YORKMINSTER MORTGAGE	2660	48,259.43	51,766.89
CBOQ MORTGAGE	2661	381,530.80	409,319.02
LOANS	2665		
LOANS	2665-700	40,000.00	40,000.00
Subtotal Long-term Liabilities	2600	469,790.23	501,085.91
TOTAL LIABILITIES		473,921.51	505,280.13
FUND BALANCE/EQUITY	3000		
EQUITY	3001	\$433,017.72	\$448,827.15
Equity Reserve	3001-800	29,993.39	64,820.51
TOTAL EQUITY		463,011.11	513,647.66
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$936,932.62	\$1,018,927.79



Income and Expense Statement

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		Current Period	Year to Date	Year to Date Budget	YTD Budget Difference	Annual Budget
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REVENUE	4000					
GENERAL	4050					
LOOSE OFFERING	4100	\$333.00	\$1,857.30	\$6,250.00	-\$4,392.70	\$7,500.00
REGULAR OFFERING	4200	43,748.61	327,679.11	360,027.00	-32,347.89	432,032.39
CEWS Subsidy	4355	0.00	5,831.93	3,750.00	2,081.93	4,500.00
CRHP Subsidy	4356	0.00	335.27	0.00	335.27	0.00
RENTAL INCOME	4500	0.00	2,270.00	8,333.30	-6,063.30	10,000.00
INTEREST	4550-101	0.00	115.10	83.30	31.80	100.00
Subtotal General	4050	44,081.61	338,088.71	378,443.60	-40,354.89	454,132.39
OTHER REVENUE	4555					
Grants	4570	0.00	20,874.00	0.00	20,874.00	0.00
Missional Generosity CBOQ	4572	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
BENEVOLENT OFFERING	4700	2,219.91	20,297.00	0.00	20,297.00	0.00
Subtotal Other Revenue	4555	2,219.91	42,171.00	0.00	42,171.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME		46,301.52	380,259.71	378,443.60	1,816.11	454,132.39
EXPENSES	5000					
EMPLOYEES	5050					
SALARY	5100	\$16,429.86	\$191,850.09	\$177,770.13	-\$14,079.96	\$213,324.14
BENEFITS	5115					
PENSION	5120	842.75	9,219.71	8,914.90	-304.81	10,697.83
CPP EXPENSE	5130	867.43	7,543.00	6,987.50	-555.50	8,385.04
EI EXPENSE	5140	363.41	3,287.87	3,276.10	-11.77	3,931.39
BASIC BENEFITS	5150	1,715.93	14,431.13	17,625.00	3,193.87	21,150.00
EXPENSE ACCOUNT	5160	0.00	478.40	1,825.50	1,347.10	2,190.60
CELL PHONE	5162	153.84	1,692.24	1,666.60	-25.64	2,000.00
BOOK ALLOWANCE	5170	0.00	1,893.59	0.00	-1,893.59	0.00
CONTINUING EDUCATION	5180	0.00	2,288.66	4,375.00	2,086.34	5,250.00
TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	5190	39.15	1,257.80	1,833.20	575.40	2,200.00
PASTOR/SPOUSE CONFERENCE	5250	0.00	0.00	1,333.30	1,333.30	1,600.00
Subtotal Benefits	5115	3,982.51	42,092.40	47,837.10	5,744.70	57,404.86
Subtotal Employees	5050	20,412.37	233,942.49	225,607.23	-8,335.26	270,729.00
PREMISES	5300					
BUILD. & PROPERTY MAINTNC	5310	363.79	13,928.71	10,000.00	-3,928.71	12,000.00
INSURANCE	5320	0.00	10,489.41	8,552.50	-1,936.91	10,263.00
JANITORIAL SERVICES	5330	1,122.56	12,220.41	10,416.70	-1,803.71	12,500.00
MORTGAGE INTEREST	5350	1,582.22	16,255.08	16,149.80	-105.28	19,379.78
UTILITIES	5370	952.18	10,121.87	12,083.30	1,961.43	14,500.00
Subtotal Premises	5300	4,020.75	63,015.48	57,202.30	-5,813.18	68,642.78
OTHER PROGRAMS	5400					
ADVERTISING	5410	22.36	286.21	333.30	47.09	400.00
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	5420	0.00	275.50	291.70	16.20	350.00
EFT Service Charges	5420-100	0.00	212.55	208.30	-4.25	250.00
Tithe.ly Service Charges	5420-200	290.58	2,469.46	2,500.00	30.54	3,000.00
CBOQ CONVENTION SUPPORT	5430	0.00	2,000.00	4,583.30	2,583.30	5,500.00
CBOQ Grant Disbursed	5435	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	-1,000.00	0.00
BENEVOLENT DISBURSED	5440	0.00	14,422.65	0.00	-14,422.65	0.00



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FAMILY MINISTRIES	5500-105	0.00	82.00	779.20	697.20	935.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL	5500-110	0.00	1,126.82	2,666.70	1,539.88	3,200.00
GIRL'S CLUB	5500-130	0.00	0.00	125.00	125.00	150.00
BIBLE CAMP	5500-150	0.00	462.11	583.30	121.19	700.00
SMALL GROUP MINISTRY/PATH	5500-165	0.00	201.47	833.30	631.83	1,000.00
WOMEN'S MINISTRY	5500-170	0.00	0.00	83.30	83.30	100.00
ADULT EDUCATION	5500-180	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	300.00
SENIORS PROGRAM	5500-185	30.00	49.56	83.30	33.74	100.00
COUNCIL INITIATIVES	5610	0.00	75.19	833.30	758.11	1,000.00
DECORATING	5618	0.00	532.27	541.70	9.43	650.00
FAMILY LIFE	5625	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
FLOWERS & GIFTS	5630	0.00	525.67	1,000.00	474.33	1,200.00
GUEST SPEAKERS	5640	400.00	800.00	250.00	-550.00	300.00
HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE	5650	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	600.00
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT	5660	0.00	0.00	333.30	333.30	400.00
LIBRARY	5670	0.00	220.35	208.30	-12.05	250.00
SOUTH ASIAN WELCOME CENT.	5715	0.00	750.00	1,250.00	500.00	1,500.00
EFC	5735	0.00	750.00	625.00	-125.00	750.00
REGENERATION	5743	0.00	500.00	833.30	333.30	1,000.00
RISING ANGELS	5743-100	0.00	4,892.89	3,333.30	-1,559.59	4,000.00
PILAS Program	5744	375.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	0.00	4,500.00
B & G MINISTRY	5747	541.67	5,416.70	5,416.70	0.00	6,500.00
MUSIC	5800	0.00	592.93	666.70	73.77	800.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	5810	420.51	2,957.79	2,750.00	-207.79	3,300.00
ALPHA	5815-005	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	600.00
CAP	5815-020	28.00	1,378.00	1,500.00	122.00	1,800.00
PHOTOCOPIER	5830	0.00	2,921.57	4,000.00	1,078.43	4,800.00
PROTECTION POLICY EXP	5832	0.00	1,327.74	916.70	-411.04	1,100.00
LICENSES/SUPPORT	5835	14.16	4,485.91	5,416.70	930.79	6,500.00
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	5850	302.35	3,038.82	3,083.30	44.48	3,700.00
TORONTO ASSOCIATION	5870	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	600.00
PROFESSIONAL FEES	5880	0.00	238.57	6,833.30	6,594.73	8,200.00
YOUTH GROUPS	5900	0.00	2,722.54	5,833.30	3,110.76	7,000.00
Subtotal Other Programs	5400	2,424.63	60,465.27	65,195.60	4,730.33	78,235.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		26,857.75	357,423.24	348,005.13	-9,418.11	417,606.78
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES		\$19,443.77	\$22,836.47	\$30,438.47	-\$7,602.00	\$36,525.61

