

# Wray Church of the Nazarene Annual Report

*05/10/2020*



Pastor Ben Beckner

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# Secretary Report

2020 Wray Church of the Nazarene Annual Meeting

The 2019 / 2020 Fiscal year for the church came with a lot of changes that will be discussed briefly. June 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> we had the privilege of having Reverend Norman Moore here to lead us in a Revival. This was a great time of fellowship for those who attended.

In September 2019, we found out that Pastor Don Smith and Sandy were being called to Missouri to start up a new Church and ministry. This brought on the process for the Board to call a new Pastor. The board worked with the District and had Terry Douglass fill in as an interim until a new Pastor was found. On November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019, the Church voted unanimously to call Pastor Ben Beckner and his family to Wray to be our new Pastor. DS Ralph had mentioned in the phone call that this was the first unanimous vote he has seen in quite some time. He commended the board for their work during this process.

September 8, 2019 the church participated in our annual "Faith in Action" Sunday. Several projects were done around the community and many members of the congregation made that happen. September 21, 2019 the Church hosted the Kendrick Brothers movie OVERCOMER. This was a great movie and we had 89 people attend on that evening. Chris and Kim Rose attended DCPI Training in Kansas City MO the last weekend of October. This training is to help them get familiar with the process of planting a new Church and what that entails.

October 31<sup>st</sup> was Hallelujah Night. It was a success; 223 people came through the door. \$132 in donations were given as well. This was a successful evening and could not have happened without the help of so many in the congregation.

In January of 2020, Curt and Jesse Lapp attended Ministry Candidate Weekend at Golden Bell. This was preparation for Curt's District License interview in March. In March 2020 Curt received his first District License that will be presented at District Assembly in June. Pastor Ben and Chris Rose had also been recommended for their renewal of their District Licenses and they were each approved for another year.

This past year was a year of change and the Board looks forward to what the Lord has in mind for us as we move forward with a new Pastor and a new plan.

Serving Him with You,

R. Curt Lapp  
Board Secretary

# Treasurer's Report

I want to say a big "Thank You" to all of you who generously gave from a grateful heart. In spite of what we have experienced the last couple of months or so...

- General Tithes for the year were up \$5,922 over last year.
- Total Expenses were down \$3,279 as compared to last year.
- Net Ordinary Income was up \$20,529 over last year.

Because of your generous giving we were able to give \$1,903 towards Christian education and \$4,390 to missions in the 2019-20 church year. Locally, we ministered to children and teens and continue to reach out through the food pantry.

As we look towards the 2020-21 church year, we can be sure that God will be faithful. He calls us to trust Him in the area of our finances, regardless of the circumstances we might find ourselves. We can count on Him.

I want to thank Pastor Ben for making the online giving possible. It provides a safe and secure place for people to give and we have a good number of people taking advantage of it. I also want to thank Janae for doing our bookkeeping. She plays a quiet, but invaluable role, in keeping an accurate record of the church's finances.

Duaine A. Dodsworth Church Treasurer

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Accrual Basis

**Wray Church of the Nazarene**  
**Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison**  
**As of April 30, 2020**

	Apr 30, 20	Apr 30, 19	\$ Change
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
<b>Checking/Savings</b>			
FPNB - Checking 3083	28,268.70	24,279.79	3,988.91
FPNB - Savings 7452	217,172.97	216,741.43	431.54
Wesleyan Investment Foundation	220,756.12	214,545.88	6,210.24
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	466,197.79	455,567.10	10,630.69
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	466,197.79	455,567.10	10,630.69
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>466,197.79</b>	<b>455,567.10</b>	<b>10,630.69</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>			
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Other Current Liabilities			
Payroll Liabilities	0.00	242.00	-242.00
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	0.00	242.00	-242.00
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	0.00	242.00	-242.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	0.00	242.00	-242.00
<b>Equity</b>			
<b>Restricted Net Assets</b>			
Revival	0.00	8,632.78	-8,632.78
Benevolence Fund	2,381.51	3,181.55	-800.04
Capital Expenditures	380,324.81	380,324.81	0.00
Emergency Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Restricted Net Assets</b>	432,706.32	442,139.14	-9,432.82
<b>Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	13,185.96	16,169.98	-2,984.02
<b>Net Income</b>	20,305.51	-2,984.02	23,289.53
<b>Total Equity</b>	466,197.79	455,325.10	10,872.69
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>466,197.79</b>	<b>455,567.10</b>	<b>10,630.69</b>

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05/06/20  
Accrual Basis

**Wray Church of the Nazarene**  
**Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison**  
**May 2019 through April 2020**

	May '19 - Apr 20	May '18 - Apr 19	\$ Change
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
<b>General Tithes</b>	94,449.51	88,526.71	5,922.80
<b>Compassionate Ministries</b>	11,447.00	1,716.35	9,730.65
<b>Sunday School</b>	2,913.24	2,224.95	688.29
<b>NYI Youth Ministries</b>	2,831.42	3,069.00	-237.58
<b>Children's Ministries</b>	1,346.01	200.00	1,146.01
<b>Revival Income</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	112,987.18	95,737.01	17,250.17
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Budgets</b>	10,993.68	12,633.90	-1,640.22
<b>Operating</b>	27,402.88	24,205.08	3,197.80
<b>Personnel Expenses</b>	43,851.41	29,362.82	14,488.59
<b>Leadership Expenses</b>	1,198.27	819.28	378.99
<b>Facilities Expense</b>	1,997.46	3,627.04	-1,629.58
<b>Compassionate Ministries Exp</b>	2,693.58	3,860.28	-1,166.70
<b>Small Groups Exp</b>	0.00	338.30	-338.30
<b>Sunday School Exp</b>	2,780.68	2,469.78	310.90
<b>Corporate Worship Exp</b>	2,808.55	2,630.85	177.70
<b>NYI Youth Ministries Exp</b>	2,200.00	2,555.74	-355.74
<b>Children's Ministries Exp</b>	2,002.75	1,691.55	311.20
<b>Adult Ministries</b>	446.55	0.00	446.55
<b>Hispanic Ministries</b>	1,383.24	1,773.26	-390.02
<b>Other Fund</b>	0.00	250.00	-250.00
<b>Revival Expense</b>	0.00	16,820.12	-16,820.12
<b>Total Expense</b>	99,759.05	103,038.00	-3,278.95
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	13,228.13	-7,300.99	20,529.12
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Other Income</b>			
<b>In/Out Transfer</b>	475.00	-1,138.00	1,613.00
<b>Interest Earned</b>	6,653.19	5,454.97	1,198.22
<b>Total Other Income</b>	7,128.19	4,316.97	2,811.22
<b>Net Other Income</b>	7,128.19	4,316.97	2,811.22
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>20,356.32</b>	<b>-2,984.02</b>	<b>23,340.34</b>

# Corporate Worship Report



## CORPORATE WORSHIP

2019 /2020  
Year

### I. Mission

As Corporate Worship, our mission and hope is in creating the best encounter and outreach for people currently in our church and in creating future growth as a church.

### II. Ways we have worked in fulfilling our mission

- a) Creating services that better our focus and spiritual connection with God.
- b) Attendance Tracker incorporated to see how our numbers as a church are holding up and trying to find reasons for loss and gain in our services.
- c) Outreach through several community events such as Wray Daze, Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and Faith in Action.
- d) Involving our children and youth in services in skits and scripture readings, as well as show through specials what they have been learning in our Sunday School classes, for example, our memory verse videos.
- e) Finding a happy medium between traditional hymn and contemporary music to engage our church in worship in unity.
- f) Restructuring of our services so we have the feeling of not losing our focus on what the message of the service was about.
- g) We have had a new experience in live streaming to create an additional way to outreach, not just to our own congregations, but to our community and surrounding communities. We have been averaging anywhere from 15 to 25 live feeds, which does not exactly show accuracy in how many have seen the feeds. It has been new for all of us and we pray we can all be together again soon!
- h) Invitations to our community for our Christmas and Thanksgiving services and dinners provided by our own members and church family.

### III. How do we plan to continue to work on fulfilling our mission?

- a) Continue to find a way to create a worship experience that coincides with the message given and a better flow that fits our congregation.
- b) Continue to involve our children and youth in our services.
- c) Find new ways to outreach to our community in different events our church does and different events the community puts on.

### IV. Upcoming Events

- a) Teacher Appreciation (TBA)
- b) Faith In Action (Tentatively September 13<sup>th</sup>)
- c) Back to Church Sunday (September 20<sup>th</sup>)

### V. Closing

We would love to get you input. Please speak with me or a member of the Corporate Worship Team. Members include Rebecka Garcia, Kimberly Rose, Wanda Dodsworth and Pastor Ben Beckner.

# Adult Ministries Report 2020

2020 Annual Meeting

This year has not been a very organized year for Adult Ministries. I had big plans for the year that would celebrate Anniversaries and marriages. These are very important factors as we move forward and grow this Church. It is important to following close to the Lord and having daily time with him and studying scripture.

There were some things that we did this year that have continued throughout the year and continue now. We have a couple small groups meeting weekly hosted by Chris rose and Janae Dodsworth. I want to personally thank them for moving forward with these groups and remaining consistent. I have taken over the Senior Adult Sunday school class and this has been a blessing for me. We have had fun and I hope they are learning as much from me as I am from them.

This next year a plan is being put in place to make Adult Ministries more active and more goal oriented to create leaders and nurture those relationships. I will be asking for volunteers to head up certain areas and possibly leading a small group if you feel that is something you are being led to do. I look forward to this next year and look forward to serving with Pastor Ben and you all as well.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. Curt Lapp  
Adult Ministries Champion

# Sunday School Report

I am thankful for the strong Sunday School program we have at our church. It is strong because of each teacher that faithfully prepares and prays for their students each week. It is strong because of each student who faithfully attends and participates each week. It is strong because we have church leadership who believe in Sunday School and support it.

I want to recognize each of our teachers and say, "You are awesome!"

Nursery – Zach Chapman and Breann Chapman

3 yrs-K – Kim Rose

1st-3<sup>rd</sup> – Chris and Becka Garcia

4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> – Chris Rose

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> – Wanda Dodsworth

Curt Lapp and Duaine Dodsworth teach the adult classes

Mid-year we began using Answers in Genesis material in most of our children's classes and teen class. It is a chronological study of Scripture that also involves the faith application to daily life. The students learn why they believe what they believe.

Duaine A. Dodsworth  
Sunday School

# Wray NYI Annual Report:

2019-2020 has been another busy and blessed year for Wray NYI. Along with meetings for youth group every Wednesday evening throughout the school year there were several different events and fundraisers that our youth participated in.

In the fall during football season we held our annual youth outreach program known as Fifth Quarter. This included providing a meal as well as a devotional speaker after each home football game. It was a privilege for us to be able to serve a meal and spend time in fellowship with the youth of our community.

October was also the month that we held our annual Chili-Cook Off and Baked Goods Auction. This is always an evening that we enjoy having and being able to not only raise money for the youth, but a great time of fellowship for our church body and gathering the parents together as well. The fundraiser is held to help raise money specifically for the Colorado NYI District event Powersurge. This year we had 15 youth and four sponsors who attended the three day event at YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park. It is a youth revival event that is always enjoyed and allows our youth time to get further in touch with God and a time for them to get away from the regular busyness of the world.

We also held Thanksgiving dinner for the youth and their parents in November during Thanksgiving Break. This was another great time of fellowship and a chance for parents, leaders, and youth to enjoy each other's company in fellowship.

For Christmas Eve Service, our Youth Group told the Christmas Story from a Narrative Perspective that was completely Biblical Based. Those in attendance were treated with youth members narrating the story as well as several of them acting out the roles of the Christmas Story.

February was a time that our youth group held the Fourth Annual Sweetheart Dinner. In the past there was live entertainment that was enjoyed by those who attended, but this year we had music playing in the background while attendees enjoyed the Italian dinner provided and prepared by the youth group. Those in attendance also enjoyed playing a few games that were Valentine's Day related. The group also put on a silent auction during the dinner to help raise some more funds for future events.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the annual district event of the Main Event in Greeley, CO was canceled for this year. Therefore, our youth group was unable to participate in this popular district event.

Currently our youth group has been meeting Wednesday evenings through the Zoom app. Those in attendance have enjoyed playing games, enjoying lessons, and times of fellowship during the meetings. We plan to continue to meet through Zoom meetings until the sanctions related to the pandemic have subsided.

Plans for the near future:

On May 23 we have been asked to provide a meal for an auction that will help us raise money for future district events and other expenses for our youth group. There is also the District Event of Golden Bell Camp that is planned for June 26-29 in Golden Bell. We are also looking into having a Youth Camping trip take place in the month of August to enjoy before the beginning of the school year.

We look forward to what God has in store for our future and the vision that we have for our youth. Please continue to pray for our youth, our leaders, our church, our community, and our world.

It has been a privilege and a blessing to be able to continue to lead the youth for another year and look forward to what God has in store for us.

Serving Him along with you,  
Wray NYI Youth Leader Christopher A. Rose

# Children's Ministry Report

Children's Ministry [Quizzing] had 8 kids make it to districts and competed online. Those results have not yet been posted. Thank you to Kim and Chris G. for teaching and loving all the kids in Quizzing. We brought back Hallelujah Night in 2019. We got feedback from the church board and made the booths to have more purpose. We hope to continue it again this year. We are currently still planning to have VBS.

Thanks!

[Karla Barcelona]

# Facilities Annual Report

This past year has seen many changes and new experiences. Our church building has seen a few changes itself as we continue to keep it up and mold it into a place that draws people to it. One update that was just recently completed was the nursery carpet was replaced through a donation. Wanda also painted her Sunday school room. Thank you Wanda. I also would like to thank those that helped to paint some of the children's Sunday school rooms during Faith in Action last year. I am always amazed at how a fresh coat of paint will dress things up. Those are the items that we did this last year help move toward my vision of creating a building that is attractive and draws people to it.

I would also like to thank Sandy Smith for cleaning the church from April to September and Nelson and Ana from September to present. The church yard was mowed on a volunteer basis this past year. I would like to thank Justin, Jaden, Larry, and Pastor Don for helping with that. I apologize if I have forgotten someone. I would also like to thank Ray for all the work that he does behind the scenes in helping keep the yard sprinklers going and maintaining the building. It is a large task to keep the building going and it can not be done without the help of volunteers. Thank you to all that have served.

[Cody Dodsworth]

# Pastor's Report

Dear Wray Church of the Nazarene,

This time of year, when we hold our annual meeting is an opportunity to reflect on all of the things that have happened over the course of the last year. It is a time to celebrate God's faithfulness and provision, a time to reflect on accomplishments, and set goals going into our new year together. This is a time when we celebrate the life of the church together!

This year, this meeting is a bit different. While we are still remembering and celebrating all of these things, it is more difficult to do this online, through a camera and computer screens. It is difficult to be separated from one another. It is difficult to miss out on the sweet fellowship and worship together. It is difficult to miss our classes and bible studies in person. It is difficult to miss out on all of those potlucks! (although my waistline is a bit better for it!) It is difficult because this is not the way it is supposed to be. We were created with a desire to fellowship and to be in fellowship. As I have talked with you all, the sentiment is the same, We miss gathering and being together in person. We have some catching up to do when we can gather safely and celebrate together. I can not wait to gather again - it will be a great celebration and sweet fellowship!

I am privileged to bring to you my first annual report as your new pastor, but I never imagined it would be like this! I never thought I would have 5 short Sundays with you in person before we had to suspend in-person services. I was just beginning to feel confident in knowing names and faces and I am afraid I will have to start all over again when we meet in person again! It has been a strange and frankly a difficult time to try and get to know all of you and our new community due to all of the restrictions. I have enjoyed speaking with many of you by phone and over social media. I have tried to connect in some way with as many of you as possible. I look forward so much to gathering again soon!

I have been encouraged in this time in the way many of you have reached out to one another and to our community. This is part of being the church to those around us outside of the walls of our building. This is fantastic! Keep it up and do it more! It is a testament to the Gospel of Jesus! You are modeling the love of Christ to each other and our community. That is a great thing and it is a great thing that has come out of a bad situation.

You all have welcomed me and my family into your church family so warmly. Our time has been cut short but we look forward to knowing you and you getting to know us. We will have fully moved at the end of this month and look forward to being here completely. We settling into our house and are loving our new home in this new community.

I am also excited for our days ahead. I am excited to discover with you the purpose and plans God has for our church. Over the last couple weeks, I found old annual reports, board meeting minutes, building plans and ideas. At one time this church had some big dreams and plans. There seemed to be an excitement of where you were going and what you had set out to accomplish. I want to remind you that God has not forgotten about what He wants to accomplish through you all and through the ministry of this church. God still has big things in store and I believe it is time to start seeking the Lord earnestly together in discovering his perfect plans, his great purposes and his big dreams for our church. Will you join with me in seeking the Lord again in this? Can we be praying together in this season? Can we be looking with anticipation for God's leading? Can we be willing to be uncomfortable? Can we be willing to be shaped by the Father? Can we be willing to go where He leads? Are we willing to listen?

Serving Him with you,

Pastor Ben Beckner