



To know Christ and to make HIM known.

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2016-2017
Sunday, May 28, 2017

Local Church Conference - May 28, 2017

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2018 Local Church Conference: Sunday May 27, 2018

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Interim Lead Pastor's Report
Reverend Mike Agrell
MRWC Local Church Conference
May 28th, 2017

I am so honoured and happy to continue serving at this wonderful church. You all have become like family to Kate, Julia, and I over the years. In the Bible we are told to love each other like family. Fellow Christians are like your spiritual brothers, sisters, parents, and even children. Jesus considered His disciples to be closer to Him than His literal family (Matthew 12). For Kate, Julia, and I each of you becomes more like family each day we serve at MRWC. I hope you feel the same about this fantastic group of people.

At MRWC we are a group of people doing our best to love God and love those around us. We do this through worship, applying God's Word to our lives, and deepening our relationship with Christ and each other.

This year you gave over \$19000 to missions! I celebrate what God is able to do with such giving hearts. There's a dozen missionaries and missions projects around the world who are directly blessed by this church out on a ridge, surrounded by fields and trees, here in New Brunswick, Canada. Way to go. Let's break \$20000 in our next church fiscal year!

In "7 Practices for Effective Ministry" Andy Stanley talks about making sure everyone in the church knows what a "win" looks like. Andy uses the analogy of scoreboards at sports events and challenges pastors to answer the question "where is your church's scoreboard?" Well it only took me 3 seconds to think of what our score board is. There's three of them currently in our church lobby. They are picture frames containing several dozen baptism photos of people who have declared their lives for Jesus through MRWC's recent ministry. 15 people were baptized in the past year alone.

July 4th will be the first official day of work for Pastor Ryan Genereaux at MRWC. He will be focusing on our Family Life Ministry. Ryan's objective will be to walk alongside families as they grow in their relationship with Christ and other Christians at MRWC.

Exciting days are ahead!

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Michael Agrell

Nursery Report for MRWC May 28, 2017

Praise God for a nursery! Our overall goal in serving is two fold:

1. To have happy, contented children.
2. To allow parents the opportunity to sit, undisturbed, in a church service, and absorb the gospel message presented through music, scripture and preaching.

We have three busy rooms each and every week. Two adults are caring for the babies, 2 capable teens are supervising toddlers and two more teens are working with the 4 and 5 year olds. That is 6 people every week giving of their time to the Lord.

The adults have been pretty consistent in their attendance but it is always a challenge to schedule teens who are involved in every sport imaginable! Although a schedule is made months in advance, time slots have to be switched up almost every week. We are saying good bye to a few of our workers this summer. Thank you Hannah Dore for your dedicated work with nursery children over the past two years and best of luck as you head off to Queens University in the fall. Laura Bell, you are graduating from High School and will be attending Eastern College in Fredericton. Being a Veterinary Assistant is a perfect career for you! You have faithfully served in our nursery program for the past four years. We thank you for your service to our children. Leah Pink, our prayers are with you as you take on a challenging role working with campers at Green Hill Lake during the summer months! Annie Liston, may you have another extraordinary year playing Volley Ball, Soccer and Basket Ball with the NHS teams. Kiana MacPhee may you dance your way into the hearts of many as you continue to train with the Bonnie Kilburn Dancers. I will miss these five girls and the faithful work they have done in our nursery! Some of them started working with me 5 years ago! Lindsay Graham has remained on the supply list and fills in when I need her most. Thanks Lindsay! And Nathan Moore...what would I do without him? He is in the nursery almost every week working with that bunch or "truck driving" boys and training some of the teen boys who are growing into the role of nursery worker. You are one of a kind Nate!

We deal with an average of 18 children in the nursery each week and 4 others who are "regular visitors". That is a lot of little people! Some may be crying, others need their diaper changed, one or two need a little love and some rocking, and a handful just miss their mommy or daddy. We have a motto in our group that "no child goes upstairs" unless we have tried every tool in the tool box to get them entertained and happy! I have revised junior nursery worker rules and regulations and have been reviewing them with the teens each week. Teens not abiding by those rules will be put on suspension for a month. After an interview process, the teen may be given the opportunity to try again in the nursery. We strive to keep our teens diligent, alert and interactive as they care for YOUR children. The adults on duty are required to deal with any issues that may arise.

We do ask that parents take their own children to the washroom prior to bringing them into the nursery. This prevents the busy nursery workers from leaving their duties.

Our dream for the future is to raise up a group of Godly children who will happily step into leadership roles in our communities and churches. To God be the glory for the things he plans to do in the years ahead....submitted by Marilyn

MRWC Ridge Kids 2016 Year End Report

Again this past year the MRWC Ridge Kids Program has been thriving! Each week the Ridge Kids get to learn about God, all that He entails and wants for each of their lives through skits, games, crafts and even a little baking now and again 😊 We now have about 20 kids who now come on a regular bases and a ever growing crew of wonderful Ridge Kids leaders!

Some of the highlights over the past year would have been:

First, the ever growing number of our Ridge Kids being BAPTIZED!!!❤️ I know that **ALL** of our hearts smile when these little ones take a stand and proclaim their faith in front of the entire congregation. Like the old saying goes, "It takes a village to raise a child" and I believe that our MRWC family is doing a wonderful job at growing these young individuals!

Another exciting thing that occurred over the past year is that we reached our goal of "Fifty Friends of Ridge Kids" for the **2nd** time!!!🎉 Yup...you read read that right ;) This not only means that we have had 50 new kids over the past year come and experience our program on Sunday mornings yet again, but we have also had some that have become our new regulars attendees. This has been an amazing yet simple way that our Ridge Kids have been reaching out to our community throughout the year and they are doing a **AWESOME** job at it!👍

God has also continued to bless our Ridge Kids Program with some amazing leadership! A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to our committed Ridge Kids Leaders: Vesta McIntosh, Alaina MacPhee, Adele Christie, Arlene Dore, Starla Graham, Sheila Esrigar, Sharon Pickard, Tanisha Christie and Krista McIntosh. Thank you for all your hard work preparing lessons, gathering supplies and making the kids smile each week! We are also excited to welcome Tammy Graham as a new Ridge Kids Leader 😊 As well, we have been grateful for the added leadership responsibilities that Tanisha Christie has taken on over the past year. All of these individuals do such an amazing job each week growing these kids in their faith 🙏

From the smallest of moments, to new and exciting things, God has continued to provide and answer prayers for our Ridge Kids Program. We are super excited to welcome and work with our new Family Life Pastor, Ryan Genereaux over the next year! We still have many goals to meet, so we ask for your ongoing support and encouragement as we continue to grow and exemplify God's boundless love and grace to Ridge Kids each week.

Ridge Kids Director/Coordinator
Vanessa Bradley ❤️

Maple Ridge Wesleyan Church
Youth Ministry Report 2016-2017
Prepared by Justin McGuigan

This year's youth program was another successful year of laughter, games, food, the odd injury or two (nothing major) and plenty of real down-to-business talk about Jesus, and how he should be woven into our lives.

We kicked off the year back in September with a large number (twenty or so) coming out each week. The numbers trailed off just a bit once student sporting programs got into full swing, but numbers held strong around fifteen per week, all year long. Some may say this number is small, some may be impressed by the size! Regardless of your perspective of the numbers game, take heart that week after week, we talked about all manner of life's challenges. We discussed things like:

- Persecution of minorities
- What it's like to feel alone
- Learning to be sensitive towards others
- How to learn to talk to someone
- Learning how to be a friend
- Not being a bigot
- How to say no to sex
- How to handle failure
- How respect yourself and others
- Teen sex
- The different types of love (and the importance of keeping them in order!)

We had plenty of fun activities throughout the year, including bowling nights, christmas party, ice cream run.... There are others I'm sure, but at this juncture, my memory fails me.

Rally in the Valley was another HUGE success this year, with Maple Ridge sending twenty nine teens and adults. What a fantastic event! There are three more wonderful events planned to close out the year (campfire, movie night etc). Good times! Thank you to the volunteers for this!

Many thanks to Vesta MacIntosh, who faithfully showed up every week, with treats in her hands, and smiles on her face. Her encouragement, hard work, and quick words of encouragement, were gasoline on the fire of our group. She's awesome.

We are so excited to have Pastor Ryan on his way to Maple Ridge! He is going to inherit a true treasure. The wonderful members of this youth group are unlike most. They are some of the most considerate, well behaved, and astute groups of teens, that I've ever encountered. I will miss them.

Justin

Berean Ministry of the Maple Ridge Wesleyan Church – May 28, 2017

“Greatness in our churches is defined by how well we SERVE others.” Jim Cymballa

What an evolutionary process we have been going through! We have had to change our physical set up at the McGuires to accommodate up to 22 people and we have been reaching out to our communities in ways never thought of before. God is challenging us with topics to study that stretch us well beyond our boundaries and we are weekly praising God for the outpouring of His spirit during our prayer times. We are focused on the days ahead and what our Lord and Savior is going to do in and through each one of us!

Marina Hull has provided us with a summary of what the group has been doing with YOUR money over the past year. God continues to provide the funding to move ahead each and every week and we thank you for your support. I am thankful for Marina and Betty who keep track of all the money that goes in and out of our fund. They have God given talents for keeping us organized and accountable!

We have \$321.30 on hand in my “potato bucket” from selling potatoes and squash. (This is in addition to what Marina had listed). Many thanks to Dave for constantly handling those potatoes! He packs them on his truck when we buy them, unloads them into our basement, lugs them to the buyers and even delivers them around the community. Weldon has certainly passed on the servant’s heart!

The following topics have been studied throughout the year.

1. Killing It – How to rid ourselves of pride.
2. Losing Your Religion – How the message of Christ is the only requirement for “Religion.”
3. The Time of Your Life – Making the most of the time we have on this earth.
4. Starting Over – How to break the cycle of mistakes and failing attempts.
 - All four studies listed above are designed by Andy Stanley
5. “War Room”, the big screen movie, was watched and discussed.
6. Heaven – what the bible tells us about it.
7. One Minute After You Die – transitioning from life on earth to what God has waiting for us.
8. The story of Joni Erickson Tada – We ALL have to make choices
9. Agents of the Apocalypse – a study of the end times
10. A study of life – Max Lucado
11. Answering Jihad – a study of Muslims and Muhammad.
12. On occasion we chew on the pastor’s sermons, (positively!)
13. 40 Days of Love – Rick Warren (Just beginning to learn to love.)

The Bereans are called on regularly to pick up projects of Love. We planned, set up and provided food for a baby shower, 2 funerals and a birthday party.

I am uncertain about what our “next step” will be with this group BUT I do know that God holds the plan. We will listen and wait.

We read in Hebrews the words we need to hear as we press on. “Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward Love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing BUT encouraging one another ...”

Submitted by Marilyn

Director of Worship Music: Annual Report for the year 2016-2017

It was an honour to be asked to take on this new position at MRWC. I have a passion for the people of this church, but even more than that, seeing new faces each week, and making a connection with them in a way that helps them to see Jesus more clearly is at the core of what the music is all about for me. Music invokes a feeling, and as much as we don't want one's relationship with Jesus to be based on feelings, it definitely plays a large role in planting the seeds and cultivating the growth - we are humans, and we feel deeply.

The purpose of this ministry is to lead the worship team in such a way that the mission and vision of our church is clear in what we sing, play and say each and every week. The team will be supported in spiritual as well as technical growth, and much of this happens on days other than Sundays.

Much of our team has worked closely together for several years, and new members are filtering in. Over the last year, we have had a new bassist, new vocalists and new co-leaders step up to fill spots. We have more personnel available to run media and have several sound techs on point to run our ever-changing mixes from week to week. We are thankful for each one!

We have had many huge Sundays and successes that involved communions, baptisms, guest speakers, and just good old regular Sunday services. Our team has learned to be flexible and listen to each other and our church. Listening to the congregation learn a new song and sing out over the band has been fuel to keep us going from week to week. Thank you to the members of our church who encourage and uplift us each week in prayer.

Over the next year, I am hopeful to meet with our team leaders for supper sessions to plan and talk of next steps. I plan to initiate some team-building activities that will solidify the bonds that have grown over our years of working together. We are a close group, and it has begun to show in the quality of music we are able to produce.

We have had several "house practices" in our living room - singing and having our acoustic guitars and cajon. There will be many more of these in the future.

Our task is large. We take it seriously. It can be stressful, but each week, we clearly see how much God is in control of what happens on that stage at the front of our church. He takes our offering of praise and blesses us. Thanks, team, for all you do! I truly enjoy working with you each and every week. God has great things in store for each of you.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah McGuigan

Maple Ridge Wesleyan Church
Tech Crew Report 2016-2017
Prepared by Justin McGuigan

This fiscal year saw another wonderful group of volunteers who were ready and willing to step up to the plate to keep our lights on, our speakers jumping, and our projector flashing! So many folks gave up so much of their time to help with this vital program at the church, and we are so thankful!

This year saw a few purchases by way of equipment, and could be classified as maintenance and replacement rather than upgrades. We grabbed a fist full of cables to help tame the rats nest of cables on the stage, and to quiet down some old ones with some performance issues. We also stepped out and picked up two amplifiers to replace an older four-channel model that first saw one channel fail, then two, then provide unreliable service at all. All said and done, we got through the year with somewhere around \$1200 in equipment costs, which is great! Note that none of the equipment replaced this year, was part of the system upgrade a few years ago. This was all older equipment that was salvaged from the last system. All vital organs of the sound system are now replaced.

As we look ahead to 2017-2018, we have our sights set on flying a couple of lights up to the ceiling, to help brighten up those smiling faced on the stage, which have a bad habit of growing rather dark on bright days, in contrast to that bright wall up front. This will be a small project, with an expected cost of well less than \$1000. We also hope to have the audio from our Sunday morning messages, posted online again soon. Maybe, just maybe, we will even consider video at some point in the not so distant future. But, no promises there. Much of our progress for development, is based solely on the contribution of our volunteers. This brings me to a perfect point to thank the crew that we have, but also to reinforce that we always are looking for help in this department. Don't know the first thing about a sound board? That's ok! Don't know a thing about video? That's fine too. The positions come with all of the training you'll need. We just love to see new faces in the booth! Speak to Justin sometime to learn more.

Justin

May 8, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the under-signed, have examined the financial records of

MAPLE RIDGE WESLEYAN CHURCH

for the fiscal period ending **APRIL 30, 2017.**

We find the church financial records to be well maintained,
with information kept current and orderly.

In our opinion, good accounting practices are being followed.

Respectfully submitted,



Gloria Dixon



Dot MacElwain

Signed at Temperance Vale, NB, on the date noted above.

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* (Church Treasurer Bonnie Wallace has the original signed letter.)

Maple Ridge Wesleyan Church				
Financial Report				
Year Ending - April 30,2017				
				Comparison
I N C O M E	2017	2016	2015	2014
General	\$ 169,469.55	\$ 150,765.64	\$ 164,408.13	\$ 161,446.00
Building	\$ 3,846.00	\$ 4,907.00	\$ 4,425.00	\$ 12,111.65
Missions	\$ 19,161.00	\$ 15,829.00	\$ 15,375.75	\$ 16,258.10
Youth	\$ 250.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 578.00	
RVCA	\$ 2,366.50	\$ 1,942.00	\$ 2,482.50	
Benevolent	\$ 1,042.20	\$ 2,195.00	\$ 3,170.00	
Bereans	\$ 2,578.00	\$ 2,190.00	\$ 820.00	
Interest	\$ 6.21	\$ 2.52	\$ 3.09	
Church rental	\$ 50.00		\$ 120.00	
Miscellaneous	\$ 50.00		\$ 200.00	
	Revenue 2017	Revenue 2016	Revenue 2015	Revenue 2014
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 198,819.46	\$ 179,650.06	\$ 198,156.47	\$ 195,304.06
Total Income- 2016-2017	\$ 198,819.46	Exp 2016	Exp 2015	Exp 2014
Less Expenses 2016-2017	-\$ 200,600.90	\$183,493.47	\$ 193,906.25	\$ 175,461.85
NET LOSS - APRIL 2017	\$ 1,781.44			
Bank Balance at	Bank 2017	Bank 2016	Bank Apr 2015	Bank Apr 2014
General Chequing Account	\$ 15,875.34	\$ 7,045.24	\$ 14,353.04	\$ 12,290.52
Building - Saving Account	\$ 2,797.63	\$ 13,926.67	\$ 8,917.15	\$ 4,489.06
Total	\$ 18,672.97	\$ 20,971.91	\$ 23,270.19	\$ 16,779.58

Maple Ridge Wesleyan Church		Expenses Year Ending April 30, 2017		
Advertising & Promotions		\$	44.16	
Bank Charges		\$	62.67	
Benevolent		\$	1,431.14	
Benevolent Grocery		\$	200.00	
Bereans		\$	2,578.00	
Books-Pastoral Resource		\$	245.39	
Building Projects		\$	14,606.02	
CCLI - copyright		\$	458.00	
Cleaning supplies		\$	168.47	
Contents/equip		\$	987.49	
Décor-rooms-occs		\$	98.59	
Donations		\$	265.00	
Gifts/Appreciation		\$	1,402.30	
Honorarium		\$	300.00	
Hydro - church		\$	5,541.21	
Hydro - gym		\$	300.61	
Instruments		\$	220.00	
Insurance - property		\$	3,120.00	
Janitorial		\$	6,470.00	
Kingswood University		\$	500.00	
Kitchen Supplies		\$	699.66	
Lawn Mowing		\$	2,050.00	
Leadership Dvlp		\$	243.07	
Lift-wheelchair		\$	665.00	
Media		\$	670.33	
Missions-Gen		\$	16,399.89	
Missions-Burkino Faso		\$	2,841.11	
Meals-Guests		\$	232.10	
Office Supplies		\$	572.81	
Outreach		\$	366.67	
Pastoral Expense		\$	104,977.19	
Photocopier		\$	812.22	
Programs		\$	1,048.07	
RVCA		\$	2,366.50	
Repair & Maintenance		\$	3,309.22	
Snow Removal		\$	1,890.00	
Sound system		\$	191.70	
Summer Camp		\$	1,497.70	
Telephone - church		\$	2,796.63	
Travel		\$	589.41	
USF		\$	15,288.00	
Student Ministries		\$	2,094.57	
TOTAL ALL EXPENSES		\$	200,600.90	

Church Officers List
Maple Ridge Wesleyan Church
Church Year 2017-2018

The Mission of MRWC: "Know Christ and to make Him known"
The Vision of MRWC: "To become a church unchurched people want to attend"

Local Board of Administration (w/several positions pending election):

Secretary:

- Justin McGuigan
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Treasurer:

- Bonnie Wallace
-

Treasurer's assistant:

- Barry Elsliger

LBA Members at Large:

- Brent McIntosh
- Marley Dempsey
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Trustees: (elected to a 3 year term)

- Michael Liston
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- Carla Reid (1 year)
- Vanessa Bradley (2 year)

Delegate to District Conference: (elect 2 + 1 to serve as alternate)

- Geoff Staples
- Sarah McGuigan
- Sadie Welford (alternate)
-

Nominating Committee:

- Marina Hull
- Betty Cookson
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OFFICES:

- Social Committee:
- Sheila Elsliger

Decorating Committee:

- Vanessa Bradley (Chair)
- Marcy Blaney
- Lisa and Madi Currie
- Carla McGaghey
- Kate Agrell

Ridge Kids Directors:

- Vanessa Bradley
- Vesta McIntosh

Nursery Director:

- David and Marilyn Moore

Head Usher:

- Shawn Reid/Ed Wallace

Auditing Committee:

- Gloria Dixon
- Dorothy MacElwain

Communion Preparation:

- Anna McGuigan

Church Custodian:

- Ernestine Hawkes

Lawn Mowing:

- Ian Wallace

Snow Plowing:

- Ron Blaney

Worship Music Director

- Sarah

Music (Coordinate leading/Specials)

- Una
- Sarah

Song Leaders:

- Bonnie
- Ryan
- Sarah
- Michael L
- Natalie
- Josh L

Media Operator:

- Matthew Bell
- Maggie Reid
- Keaton MacPhee
- Carla Reid

Sound Personnel:

- Justin McGuigan (Chair)
- Joshua Bradley
- Alton Bradley
- Bryce McIntosh
- Tracy Dempsey

Church Handyman

- Iain Welford

Our responsibility is to create an environment of Ministry Excellence that people are comfortable inviting others to.

**Proposed Budget - Maple Ridge Wesleyan
May 1, 2017 - April 30, 2018**

Bank Charges	65.00
Benevolent	500.00
Benevolent - Grocery	250.00
Bereans	2300.00
Book Allowance	250.00
Building /Property Projects	20000.00
CCLI - Copyright	500.00
Cleaning Supplies	300.00
Contents - equipment	1000.00
Decoration	750.00
Donations	300.00
Gifts/Appreciation	650.00
Honorarium	500.00
Hydro - Church	5000.00
Hydro - gym	400.00
Instruments	1300.00
Insurance - property	3300.00
Janitorial	6520.00
Kingswood	500.00
Kitchen Supplies	650.00
Lawn Mowing	2100.00
Leadership	1500.00
Lift (wheelchair)	765.00
Missions	18000.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Office Supplies	2500.00
Outreach	400.00
Pastoral Salary & Benefits	92739.00
P Nick 10 wks/P Mike 52 wks/P Ryan 44 wks	
Photocopier	1000.00
Meals	150.00
Media	750.00
Programs	1800.00
Repair & Maintenance	2000.00
Snow Removal	2000.00
Sound System	1600.00
Student Ministries	3250.00
Summer Camp	1600.00
Telephone- Church	2750.00
Tithe envelopes	250.00
United Stewardship Fund	18000.00
TOTAL	198689.00

