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FROM PASTOR BRAD

My dear church family.

Could we have experienced anything more challenging, more difficult and more trying than everything we have walked through in 2020?

A global pandemic has wreaked havoc on our lives, our families, our communities and our church. It is utterly impossible to understate the impact that COVID-19 has had on literally every single area of our lives.

But in stark contrast to the chaos and the pain of the pandemic was the faithfulness and love of God. Through every single thing this crazy year has thrown at us, God continued to show Himself faithful.

Above all else, what this year has taught me is my utter reliance and dependence on God in my life. Had I not had the firm foundation of Jesus Christ to stand there is no telling how far I may have fallen. Had our church not been carried by Jesus Christ it's impossible to say where we would be.

Friends, 2020 taught us that the only sure thing – the ONLY SURE THING – in life is the love of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

Although 2020 will undoubtedly be defined by the pandemic there was also so many other things that took place as well.

We continued, as a church, to be a blessing through Baby Bottle Fundraisers, Food Drives, Shoe boxes and our benevolence fund we were able to bless our community and the world around us generously.

Because we were required to meet only online, we have also found that we have been found by and had more new people joining in our services this year than any other. This isn't to say that church@home online services have been ideal, but there is always a bright side. I remember saying toward the tail end of 2019 that we would be needing to look at how to add a second service, I never dreamed it would like this!

And, on top of everything else, 2020 was also the year where we announced the next season of ministry for the church in Airdrie. We decided that it was time to move away from one church with two campuses (in Airdrie and Calgary), to being our own congregation again, as Hillside Church.

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It was a decision filled with pretty well all of the emotions as we respond to seasons ending – Cornerstone Church, Pastor Barry as the lead pastor, and on – and all that goes along with these, and new seasons beginning – new name, new lead pastor, paying off the mortgage on our building, and on – and all that goes along with these.

We are so grateful for our time as Cornerstone Church and, most certainly, for Pastor Barry's love, care and leadership of our church. No matter how much time passes, and how many things may change over the years, Pastor Barry will always carry a very special place in our church.

As we now walk down the road of 2021, looking toward the day when things being to return back to normal, that one thing still remains constant – God is good all the time, and all the time, God is good. We serve a good God. And as long as we hold close to Him we will be able to withstand all that this world can throw at us.

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

John 16.33

With so much love and gratitude for each and every one of you,

Pastor Brad

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FROM PASTOR MATT

Family,

I wanted to first express how grateful I am to have each of you to do life with. I know life has looked different this past year but the ability to reach out through digital means has been a blessing to help with getting through all of it.

This past year has been a year of stretching and growing and learning, again, how to hold things with an open hand and allow Jesus to work without me getting in the way.

There have been significant trials for us to work through as a church and as people, finding our way through what has been a very trying time. I will always be grateful for the support that we received through the loss of our baby and the celebration for the new life that is coming.

This year I have had to learn how to reach out and ask for help and at the same time be able to give help, there were many long conversations and longer prayers that fuelled the journey through the year.

God's grace and faithfulness have shone through many people and situations whether hard or joyous and without Jesus this year would have been a lot bleaker.

The support that Brad and I received in regards to the transition to Hillside Church has been invaluable to us and we are so grateful for all the encouragement and support we have received.

Undoubtedly, 2021 will hold challenges of its own but as we move forward, we do it together with Christ. We can cling to Jesus' promise in Matthew 28:20 when He told the disciples that, "I am with you always, to the end of the age."

In love and gratefulness,

Pastor Matt.

HILLSIDE CHURCH COUNCIL RATIFICATIONS

Maria Kiebel



Maria Keibel considers herself a kitchen table bible scholar – she has never attended bible collage but is wholeheartedly committed to studying the word of God and has spent much time at her table with her bible. She is committed to intercessory prayer and in addition to being a part of the Hillside prayer group, she is part of an early morning group that meets Monday to Friday to pray. Her desire for Hillside Church is that it would be a place where God’s name is praised, God’s word is taught and God’s love is experienced through the fellowship of His people.

Maria Keibel has lived in Airdrie for 19 years and has worshipped at Hillside Church (Cornerstone) for about 12 years. She is shy but passionate; wife of Greg and mother of 2 adult children. She has worked for Samaritan’s Purse in the finance department for the past 10 years as a financial accountant. She has business administration diploma from NAIT.

Olakunle Olatunji



Ola was born four and half decades ago in Lagos, Nigeria. He has been married to his wife Yinka for close to one and half decades. His academic background is Chemical Engineering. Before coming to Canada he lived, studied and worked in Germany. He can speak read and write three languages fluently; Yoruba, English and German. His hobbies are tennis, soccer, reading, hiking and travelling.

Ola was born again in 1998. He was baptized in the Holy Spirit and began speaking in tongues in 1992. He has been a part of the Foursquare Gospel Church family starting in Nigeria in August 1993. He was baptized in water in October of 2104.

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Barb Tatlock



Barb and her husband Garry have attended the Foursquare churches in the Calgary area for a very long time. From the Garden, to Cornerstone, to Hillside, Barb has been through it all. And over that time, she has served in many different ways and has been a part of many different ministry opportunities. Barb has also served many terms on church council in the past. Most recently she served a 6-year term ending in April of 2019. Now, after two years away, after much prayer and deliberation, she is ready to go again!

Barb brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to church council. She has a strong prophetic voice and a gift of discernment coupled with a deep love for the Lord, for His people and for His church.

Barb owns and operates Living Springs Massage with over 25 years of experience in the field.

FINANCIAL UPDATE



2021 Update (as of March 31st)

Income

Budget
\$41,360.52
Actual
\$42,618.18
Difference
\$1,257.66

Expense

Budget
\$41,360.52
Actual
\$39,480.63
Difference
(\$1,879.89)

Balance

Actual Income
\$42,618.18
Actual Expense
\$39,480.63
Difference
\$3,137.55

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2021 Update (as of March 31st)

Account Balances

Chequing	\$4,505.48
Savings	\$9,887.14

Savings Account Details

Benevolence	\$1,016.13
Cornerstone Salary Offset	\$3,000.00
Hillside Missions	\$806.11
Hillside Transition	\$896.78
Kids Ministry	\$73.21
Multimedia	\$781.64
South Africa	\$1,705.15
Special Events	\$60.90
Youth Ministry	\$1,547.22