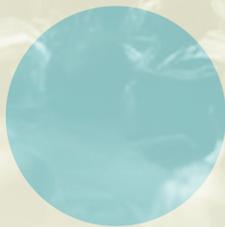
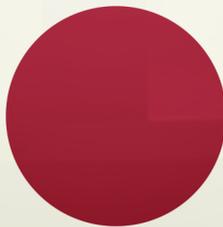


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ANNUAL REPORT



LIFEBRIDGE

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A LETTER FROM RICK

Dear LifeBridge Family,

It is impossible to drive a vehicle safely if you spend all your time looking in the rear view mirror; however, it is unsafe to navigate forward if you don't glance in the rear view mirror and see what's behind you! While my preference is to keep our eye on where we are going, it is helpful, useful, and gives us reason to celebrate when we look back to see where we have been. This annual report is an opportunity to reflect on the past year at LifeBridge.

As you read through this, recognize that you are being exposed to just a glimpse of the breadth and depth of the ministries, partnerships, and stories that are a part of this church. They are representative of the countless untold stories of people whose lives are impacted as they discover grace, grow in grace, and live gracefully in our community.

As I reflect on this past year, I am grateful for the opportunities God has given us to care about people, care about making a difference in our community, and care for each other. I am grateful for the challenge we have of getting better at the two things Jesus said mattered most: loving God and loving our neighbors. Mostly, I am grateful for you and your partnership in the things God has called us to.

Take a few minutes to glance in the proverbial mirror, and together, let's celebrate what has been done, as we continue to keep our focus on where God is leading and the untold stories of grace yet to be written.

I am honored to be doing this with you.

Grace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and a smaller "ick" following.

ENGAGEMENT & CONNECTION

When we study the early church in Acts and explore how the first believers worshiped together, it's clear that there was a place for everyone! At LifeBridge, we hope to create a clear pathway of belonging for anyone who comes through our doors. Over the past year, we have worked to develop some key ways for new people to connect and get involved with the life of the church.

The Connection was launched in 2015 out of a desire and dream to create a hospitable environment after worship services for new folks to learn more about LifeBridge and to meet various volunteers and staff. The comfortable space is set up in a way that is conducive to conversation, questions, and enjoying a good cup of coffee.

From the Connection, each family is then invited to a First Step experience. First Step consists of a simple lunch and conversation led by one of our senior pastors where we discuss how to further connect to LifeBridge. Each host at First Step invites attendees to join them in a small group for the next six weeks as they go through the Essentials curriculum.

Essentials is a six week video series created by various pastors and staff at LifeBridge. It takes some of the key questions of Christianity and explores them through the lens of our church.

Learn more about Community Life at lbcc.org/first-step.

THEY WERE PRAISING GOD AND ENJOYING THE GOODWILL OF ALL THE PEOPLE. EVERY DAY THE LORD WAS ADDING TO THEIR NUMBER THOSE WHO WERE BEING SAVED.

ACTS 2:46-47



THE CONNECTION

300

FAMILIES PASSED THROUGH THE CONNECTION SINCE IT LAUNCHED IN SEPTEMBER OF 2015.

430

CUPS OF COFFEE HAVE BEEN GIVEN AWAY.

FIRST STEP APRIL 3, 2016

OVER 100

PEOPLE ATTENDED OUR BRAND NEW FIRST STEP EVENT.

75%

OF FIRST STEP ATTENDEES TOOK A NEXT STEP AND JOINED A SMALL GROUP, DECIDED TO SERVE, OR BE BAPTIZED.

LIFEBRIDGE VISITORS

OVER 700

NEW PEOPLE VISITED LIFEBRIDGE OVER THE PAST YEAR.

ENGAGEMENT

TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO STAY AFTER SERVICES, MEET EACH OTHER, AND INTENTIONALLY CONNECT WITH THOSE AROUND US, WE LAUNCHED SEVERAL EFFORTS:

87

VOLUNTEERS HELPED SERVE 1,300 HOT CINNAMON ROLLS.

OVER 5,300

PEOPLE ATTENDED CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES WHILE NEARLY ONE CORD OF WOOD WAS BURNT AS THEY GATHERED AROUND TO STAY WARM BEFORE AND AFTER WORSHIP SERVICES. 12.5 GALLONS OF HOT CHOCOLATE AND APPLE CIDER WERE SERVED.



BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP



RENEWED LIFE KYLE PASWATERS

I was baptized on February 28, 2016, and truly began a renewed life. My story leading up to my baptism was a dark time in my life. I started spiraling downwards after being divorced and drinking heavily, involving myself with anyone who would give me the attention I was craving. I bounced from partner to partner hoping a new woman would fill the void I had inside of me. Instead, I ended up hurting them and moving on.

On August 31, 2014, I met my soul mate. For a brief period of time I felt complete, happy and satisfied with where I was in life. Not too long into the relationship, I spiraled back into my dark hole and ended up hurting this woman. It was at that moment I realized there is no person on this earth who can heal my pain, no one who can make me feel whole. I found Christ in that moment. Although it was my darkest moment, I felt like there was a power growing inside me, and I knew it was God showing me the way. I went to counseling and began working to improve myself. I started attending church every weekend, and my relationship with God began to grow. My partner stood by my side through this growth, and although there have been many tough days, I now know more than ever that she is the only one for me. I reached a point in my faith journey when I knew the next step was to wash away the broken man I was and begin again, living a life dedicated to Jesus. So I came to the decision to be baptized, and my relationship with God continues to grow!

BAPTISM

- 69 ADULTS, STUDENTS, AND CHILDREN WERE BAPTIZED
- THE CONNECTIONS TEAM HELD THREE COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED.

MEMBERSHIP

- 89 PEOPLE BECAME MEMBERS AND OFFICIAL MINISTRY PARTNERS AT LIFEBRIDGE THROUGH BAPTISM, STATEMENTS OF FAITH, OR THROUGH A MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER.

MEMBERS / ATTENDEES

- 5,249 MEMBERS/REGULAR ATTENDEES (EXCLUDING GUESTS; 3,931 ADULTS & 1,318 CHILDREN)
- 2,970 GUESTS (1,686 ADULTS; 1,284 CHILDREN)

THEREFORE GO AND MAKE
DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS,
BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF
THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF
THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND TEACHING THEM TO
OBEY EVERYTHING I HAVE COMMANDED
YOU. AND SURELY I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS,
TO THE VERY END OF THE AGE.

MATTHEW 28:19-20

VOLUNTEERS

LifeBridge would not be able to fulfill its mission without the faithfulness of the 1,000+ volunteers who give their time and talents each week. From our Guest Services team who creates a welcoming experience for both new visitors and regular attendees to the hundreds of volunteers who help make ministry happen both inside our building and out in our community, we are so thankful for the sacrifices made by our volunteers. Read about how volunteers are helping to change lives in the various ministry sections. To learn more about serving at LifeBridge, visit lbcc.org/serve.

OVERALL VOLUNTEERS

- **1,007 ADULTS** IN SERVING GROUPS AT OUR LONGMONT CAMPUS GUEST SERVICES AND PRAYER TEAM VOLUNTEERS
- **190 GUEST SERVICES VOLUNTEERS** SERVED AT 208 REGULAR WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES AND INVESTED OVER 7,000 HOURS.
- GREETERS WELCOMED OVER **94,500 PEOPLE**.
- THE TRAFFIC TEAM DIRECTED **22,542 CARS** IN AND OUT OF OUR PARKING LOT.

AND I HAVE BEEN A CONSTANT EXAMPLE OF HOW YOU CAN HELP THOSE IN NEED BY WORKING HARD. YOU SHOULD REMEMBER THE WORDS OF THE LORD JESUS 'IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.'

ACTS 20:35

"I serve in hopes of being the hands and feet of Jesus... helping those who enter Lifebridge feel welcome, seen, cared about, accepted, connected and loved by God. I serve because I feel called to serve. I always seem to get more than I give...believing that God is teaching, strengthening and guiding me through service to Him and his children."

- **LORYNDA SAMPON, WELCOME TEAM**

NEIGHBORING LIFE

As a church, we are on a mission to get more and more people to say “Yes” to loving their neighbors and paying special attention to the people that God has placed right next to us in our neighborhoods. This goes far beyond a church program. It’s a way of life and God calls each of us to love our neighbors in relationship, stay connected, pray for them, have fun together and share our lives and faith

with them. Just take one step in love toward your neighbor in your own, unique way...and then another...and another. God has a way of blessing that kind of faithfulness.

To find out much more about The Neighboring Way of Life visit: lbcc.org/neighboring.



Even though I am free of the demands and expectations of everyone, I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach a wide range of people: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized—whoever. I didn’t take on their way of life. I kept my bearings in Christ—but I entered their world and tried to experience things from their point of view. I’ve become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a God-saved life. I did all this because of the Message.

I didn’t just want to talk about it; I wanted to be in on it!

1 CORINTHIANS 9:19-23 THE MESSAGE (MSG)

THE NEIGHBORING EXPERIENCE

This past year we were able to produce and publish *The Neighboring Experience*, a pocket-guide of how to love our neighbors well. It is full of ideas, tips, and encouragement. The Neighboring Experience is also available in ebook form for FREE at: lbcc.org/neighboringexperience. (Password: experienceit!)

THE NEIGHBORHOOD COLLECTIVE

LBCC had the privilege this year of leading and hosting a national conference of almost 200 leaders and practitioners who are championing neighboring in their churches and cities. Participants were able to learn from the leading voices in the movement and to share their lessons and insights.

2,500 PEOPLE REACHED THROUGH NEIGHBORING SERIES

22 NEIGHBORING GROUPS

524 PEOPLE HAVE SAID “YES” TO NEIGHBORING

COMMUNITY LIFE

At some point, every organization should ask themselves the question, “What are we in the business of?” At LifeBridge, we want to lead people in a growing relationship with Jesus. That means leading individuals to more deeply engage with the mission of Jesus by Loving God, Loving Each Other, and Loving Your Neighbor. The best way to accomplish this mission is with others in community.

We want to create a culture where people who are new to church or faith can feel like they belong. This first allows us to invite people into a journey of faith, and welcome people to come as they are. We encourage members to pursue growth in the 5 Community Life Values:

- Authentic Relationships
- Opening Scripture
- Serving Together
- Joining Others in a Purposeful Journey
- Developing Leaders

**LAUNCHED A
6-PART VIDEO
CURRICULUM
SERIES,
“ESSENTIALS”**

**50 PEOPLE
ATTENDED A
COMMUNITY
LIFE LEADER
GATHERING**

**LAUNCHED 10
ESSENTIALS
GROUPS
THROUGH FIRST
STEP (100 IN
ATTENDANCE)**

**STARTED
COACHING
STRUCTURE
WITH NEW
ESSENTIALS
GROUP**

*A NEW COMMANDMENT I GIVE TO YOU, THAT YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER;
JUST AS I HAVE LOVED YOU, YOU ALSO ARE TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER.
JOHN 13:34*



GLOBAL OUTREACH ECUADOR

- SHORT TERM TRIPS: **1**
 - TRAVELERS: **25**
 - TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN SPONSORED THROUGH LIFEBRIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH: **250**
 - CHURCH PLANTS / CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS: **2**, LIMONES / TAMBILLO ECUADOR
 - HOSTED THE COMPASSION EXPERIENCE: **5,041** PARTICIPANTS, **232** CHILDREN SPONSORED

CHILDREN ARE
A GIFT FROM THE
LORD; THEY ARE A
REWARD FROM HIM.
PSALM 127:3

During the past year, we continued our partnership in Ecuador with Stadia and Compassion International. This time, our partnership is focused in Tambillo, Ecuador. Compassion reached into the lives of these children, to rescue them from extreme poverty, and into a life filled with the love of Christ.

In September 2015, LifeBridge hosted “The Compassion Experience.” In the span of 20 minutes, participants traveled with a child from hardship to hope. And in the midst of hope, they saw that child’s story transformed through the support of Compassion and the child’s life-giving relationship with a sponsor.

“Diego (a Compassion Facilitator) told us at our first briefing that we wouldn’t be the same after this trip; that we might look the same on the outside but we’d be forever changed on the inside. WOW—was he correct! Once I looked into the eyes of poverty, touched his face, held his hand, laughed with him, wiped away our shared tears, kissed his cheek, shared a meal, prayed over his heart and soul, and knew his name—I am forever changed. Diego was spot on!”

TRIP PARTICIPANT



GLOBAL OUTREACH DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

2

SHORT TERM TRIPS

21

TRAVELERS

167

MEDICAL
PATIENTS SERVED

180

KIDS SERVED
IN SPORTS CAMP

After a massive earthquake hit the island of Hispaniola several years ago, LifeBridge began searching for a strategic partner working in this area that aligned with the heartbeat of our community. After talking with many organizations, we were led to a brand new partnership with GO Ministries, who has been working through local churches to redeem, renew, and restore brokenness across this beautiful island for 25 years. Eduard Gabriel, a gifted national pastor, and the Iglesia Cristiana de Central in Santiago de los Caballeros, Dominican Republic are our contacts.

Our teams have worked alongside local ministry leaders to provide medical clinics, sports camps, VBS outreach programs, construction work, feedings at nutritional centers and times of shared worship. God has been moving in the lives of those who live in these communities and those who travel from LifeBridge to serve.

GO Medical reflects the love of Jesus Christ to the Dominican and Haitian people by bringing physical help through medicine and health education. They also work with the government clinic personnel in and around the island.

GO Sports Outreach mentors youth by creating a platform for Christian men and women to disciple youth as they live life alongside of them, inviting them into Kingdom work.

"I didn't really know what to expect when I went on the mission trip to the Dominican Republic. I had gone on mission trips before, but never one like this. We were going to be putting on a basketball/volleyball camp for impoverished kids in Santiago. These were kids who lived in a trash dump in the middle of the city, and saw things that no kid should have to see at their age.

GO Ministries and Central Church have equipped and empowered local leaders to make a difference in the community of Santiago. The people leading this camp were retired professional Dominican basketball players who have given their lives to Jesus and want to influence kids for His kingdom. They are invested in more than just teaching a kid how to shoot a basketball. They led, and we simply provided the manpower to corral 60+ kids. It was a blessing to be a small part of what is God is doing in the Dominican Republic!"

TRIP PARTICIPANT



"...GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH
THE GOOD NEWS TO EVERYONE."

MARK 16: 15

GLOBAL OUTREACH GO-SERVE VOLUNTEERS

DURING THE GO-SERVE PROJECTS IN THE SUMMER, HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEERS HELPED WITH SEVERAL PROJECTS FROM YARD WORK TO WORKING IN THE SCHOOLS. SEVERAL GROUPS OF VOLUNTEERS ALSO ASSISTED INDIVIDUALS WITH CLEANUP AFTER THE BERTHOUD TORNADOS.

*Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile.
Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.*
Jeremiah 29:7



GO-SERVE PROJECTS CULTIVATE A SERVICE-FOCUSED CHURCH BY PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE COMMUNITY.

LOCAL OUTREACH

For the last six years, Lifebridge has had the privilege of partnering with the St. Vrain school district through the Kids Hope USA mentoring program. We have 70 people of all ages spending one hour a week in four local schools with kids that are referred into the program as 'high risk' students. The teachers report that because of the bond with their mentors, the children's grades have improved, their social interactions are better, and their overall attitude toward school and learning is just better.

As our partnership with the schools has matured, they now feel comfortable reaching out to the church for things that reach far beyond the 'one hour a week' mentoring model. This is a great way to serve our community AND God!

After a fellow 4th grade student died in a tragic car accident, one student in particular had an extremely difficult time getting over the death of her friend, and was impacted emotionally and academically. The school counselor who had been meeting with her to help her through this hard time emailed us with a request. It seems that in talking to her, he found out that this young lady was a huge lover of gymnastics, but that her family didn't have the money to enroll her in real classes. They asked if we could help, so we used Kids Hope funds to pay for gymnastic classes for her. Now, "she has a new found confidence that is not only seen on the mat, but within our classroom as well...[and] she knows that someone cared enough to make sure that she could get the gymnastic training that she so loves. "

85 Children are mentored through Kids Hope at four elementary schools. A fifth school opens this fall.

We partnered with Habitat for Humanity to fund and build a home for the Vasquez family in Lyons.

We collected **\$3,634** for LifeChoices Baby Bottle Campaign.

13,273 lbs. of food was collected during our Food Drive.

During the Christmas Season we:

- Collected **263** Samaritan Shoes Boxes.
- Distributed **515** winter coats during the coat drive.
- Provided dinner and Christmas gift cards for Mtn. States Children and House Parents.
- **73** moms and their children received gifts through Gifts for Single Moms.
- Distributed **1,600** toys during Kindness for Kids and **169** Kindness for Seniors gifts were distributed.

STUDENTS

LIFEBRIDGE STUDENTS IS DESIGNED ESPECIALLY FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. OUR HEART IS TO CREATE ENVIRONMENTS WHERE STUDENTS CAN CONNECT WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER. OUR GOAL IS TO MEET THEM WHERE THEY ARE AND PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO INTERSECT THEIR LIVES THROUGH WORSHIP, STUDY, & FUN!

- Supported 7 FCAs (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) in the Longmont area, 3 of which were launched this year
- Influenced almost 6,000 students through teaching Life Choices' abstinence curriculum in our public schools for the 2nd year in a row.
- Baptized 19 students
- Reached hundreds of students weekly through small and large group gatherings.
- Served local and global community by working alongside several organizations such as Food Bank of the Rockies, World Vision, Life Choices, HOPE Homeless Outreach, Camp Bahamas and Go-Serve

About a year and a half ago I met a young lady at one of our student services. I could tell the only reason she was there was because her mom made her go. I introduced myself to her and her parents and tried to make her feel welcome. I pulled out every trick I knew and when I said goodbye to her at the end of service, I thought to myself that would be the last time I ever see her. To my amazement, not only did she return but she also signed up to go serve people with us in the Bahamas for the last 2 trips, got involved in our small groups, has gone on retreats and camps and has become a part of our family. I've seen this girl overcome some incredible challenges in her personal life, including having to move away for a little while, and she has handled the situation with grace and is growing in faith daily. A few months ago, we had the privilege to baptize her. It's been incredible to watch her grow from perceived outsider to the realization that she is a part of our family and that God is using her story to impact others in the same way.

*FOR WE ARE HIS WORKMANSHIP, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS FOR GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED BEFOREHAND, THAT WE SHOULD WALK IN THEM.
EPHESIANS 2:10*



CHILDREN

Dale Hudson said, "When you reach a child you change a life, when you reach a parent you change an entire family." We are so thankful for the opportunity to minister to both. We look forward to what God will do this coming year!

400

PARTICIPATED IN MISSION POSSIBLE ELEMENTARY VBS

200

PARTICIPATED IN HOMETOWN NAZARETH EARLY CHILDHOOD VBS

22

KIDS WERE BAPTIZED

590

ENGAGED THIS EASTER FOR THE GREATEST STORY

200

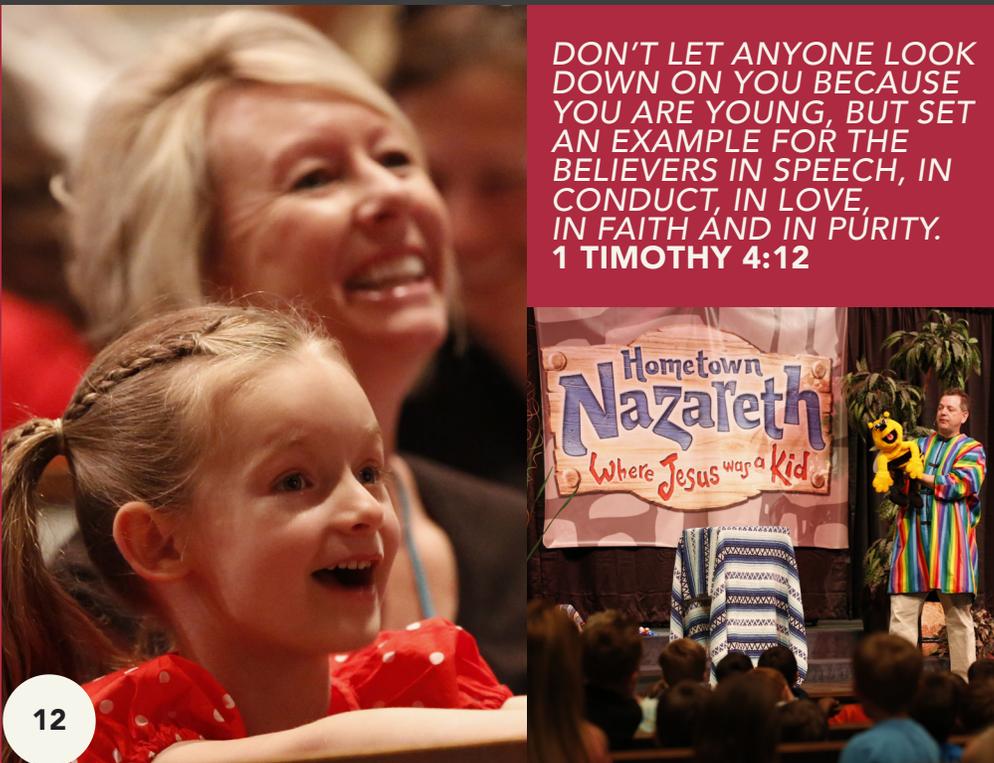
VOLUNTEERS CURRENTLY SERVING AND LOVING KIDS

KIDS

RAISED FUNDS TO BUILD A NEW PLAYGROUND LOCALLY FOR THE OUR CENTER & GLOBALLY FOR TAMBILLO IN ECUADOR

DON'T LET ANYONE LOOK DOWN ON YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE YOUNG, BUT SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE BELIEVERS IN SPEECH, IN CONDUCT, IN LOVE, IN FAITH AND IN PURITY. 1 TIMOTHY 4:12

This year, there were more kids in the hospitals with serious illnesses and conditions than we can remember. Through these difficult times, many kids, families, our staff, and volunteers were able to see and experience the awesome power of prayer, the body of Christ care for each other, the healing power of God and his incredible faithfulness, even when things don't turn out the way we hope.



WOMEN

Women crave authentic relationships. Our groups, events, and programs are designed to maximize building deeper friendships. Our new WOVEN events brought together over 250 women from all decades and realms of life. Ongoing group opportunities bring together

dozens of women for weekly study and encouragement. Women connect to serve both in the church family and out in the community. The Women's Habitat for Humanity team will soon take their turn building a new home for a family.



EVENT
PARTICIPANTS
300+

STUDY
PARTICIPANTS
185

LEADERS
50

VOLUNTEERS
100

*"I felt the love of God through these women."
- 14-year-old WOVEN attendee*

*"I loved meeting the young women and feeling
that I had something from my faith
journey that they wanted to hear about."
- 86-year-old WOVEN attendee*

WOMEN WHO HAD BEEN HEALED WERE WITH HIM,
AND WERE CONTRIBUTING FROM THEIR OWN RESOURCES.
LUKE 8:2-3

SINGLE MOMS

The Single Moms' Group and The Pearl Group programs facilitate spiritual growth, create hope, and provide stability to single moms and their children through the continuous partnership of volunteers, donors, and staff working together as a team.

165 SINGLE MOMS

were members of the programs.

100 SINGLE MOMS & 125 KIDS

were served weekly through one of the programs.

AN AVERAGE OF 85 WOMEN

met on Wednesday nights (63 single moms and 22 mentors).

10 SINGLE MOMS

in college or higher education were supported financially.

"I was afraid to attend church on Sunday, because I was afraid I would stand out. But, I love it; everyone is so real!"

- Single Mom

"Thank you so much for supporting my daughter and grand kids. I wish there was a program like this when I was a single mom raising my kids."

- Mother of a Single Mom

"You know, I used to not pray at all. But, now I find myself praying and talking to God all day and everywhere I go. What is happening to me?!"

- Single Mom

"I am receiving so much more from being with my moms than I am giving. God is using this to help me, to change me."

- Single Mom Mentor

"Christ has set us free to live a free life. So take your stand! Never again let anyone put a harness of slavery on you."

Galatians 5:1 The Message

LIFESPORTS: SOFTBALL

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Colossians 3:17

SOFTBALL IS WHERE LIFEBRIDGE TEAMS AND OTHER AREA CHURCHES AND TEAMS PLAY, PRAY, AND SAY. LEAGUE HAPPENS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LONGMONT RECREATION SERVICES AND LONGMONT UMPIRES.

11 MEN'S TEAMS IN 2 LEAGUES

**154 WEEKLY PARTICIPANTS
& THEIR FAMILIES**

“My work week is tough. But I always look forward to Friday night softball and being among friends. We laugh together and care for each other. It’s a place for me to land at the end of a tough week, where I am among friends and realize I don’t face the world alone.” - **Player Quote**

“Under the pressure of competition, who I really am on the inside tends to come out, whether I want it to or not. I am in a process of letting my faith show instead of my emotions, as I work toward caring more for my teammates and opponents than winning.” - **Player Quote**

165 WOMEN'S & CO-ED TEAMS IN 56 LEAGUES IN WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER 1, SUMMER 2, & FALL SEASONS

1,155 WEEKLY PARTICIPANTS

VOLLEYBALL IS A PLACE WHERE PEOPLE OF LIFEBRIDGE AND AREA ADULT PLAYERS INTERSECT IN A SPIRIT OF COMPETITION, CAMARADERIE, AND CARE.

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds. Can such a faith save him? James 2:14

LIFESPORTS: VOLLEYBALL

ANCHOR

**ANCHOR IS AN AUTHENTIC
COMMUNITY OF YOUNG ADULTS
DISCOVERING HOW TO LIVE LIFE
WITH JESUS AS AN ANCHOR IN A
CONSTANTLY CHANGING CULTURE.**

**60+ YOUNG ADULTS PARTICIPATING
IN FIVE 2:46 COMMUNITIES**

**3 NEW 2:46 COMMUNITIES
LAUNCHED THIS YEAR**

**8 HOSTS OPENED UP THEIR HOMES
VARIOUS MONTHS FOR TITUS 2 NIGHT**

**50 THANKSGIVING MEALS PACKAGED
FOR SINGLE MOMS / PEARL GROUP**

*And day by day, attending the temple together and
breaking bread in their homes, they received their food
with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having
favor with all the people. Acts 2:46*

50 & BETTER

LifeBridge 50 & Better lived out Psalm 92 this past year in fruitful second-half living through the following service opportunities:

TOUCHING LIVES MINISTRY

Reaching out to 11 Retirement Centers & Assisted Living facilities.

HANDYMAN MINISTRY

Caring for LifeBridge widows, widowers, and elderly couples with fix-up/repair project.

HIS HANDS MINISTRY

Sewing comfort items for cancer patients and assisted living centers.

DORCAS PIECE MAKERS

Makes baby quilts for LifeChoices Pregnancy Center, and lap robes for several assisted living centers.

SPECIAL TRIPS SCHEDULED

throughout this past year provided opportunities for fun traveling with a kingdom purpose: Alaska Cruise, Skiing, Biking, Denver Stock Show, 2 camping trips, Seniors Conference in Branson and a day-trip to Celestial Seasonings.



The 50 & Better Ministry is designed to engage and mobilize older adults to live vibrantly and intentionally for the glory of God.

The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green.

Psalm 92:12-14

PRAYER TEAM

Paul said, “In everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your request be known to God.” (Philippians 4:6)

Goals:

- Involve the congregation in prayer
- Communicate prayer needs to the congregation
- Publish the Prayer Bridge (one weekly article on prayer)
- Schedule classes on prayer through the year
- Publicize National Day of Prayer to LBCC

To Pray That They:

- Be filled with the knowledge of His will (Col. 1:9)
- Walk in a manner worthy of the Lord (Col. 1:10)
- Bear fruit in every good work (Col. 1:10)
- Increase in the knowledge of God (Col. 1:10)
- Joyously give thanks to the Father (Col. 1:11-12)

*WE HAVE NOT CEASED TO PRAY FOR YOU AND TO ASK THAT YOU MAY BE FILLED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF HIS WILL IN ALL SPIRITUAL WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING, SO THAT YOU WILL WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY OF THE LORD, TO PLEASE HIM IN ALL RESPECTS, BEARING FRUIT IN EVERY GOOD WORK AND INCREASING IN KNOWLEDGE OF GOD; STRENGTHENED WITH ALL HIS GLORIOUS MIGHT, FOR THE ATTAINING OF ALL STEADFASTNESS AND PATIENCE; JOYOUSLY GIVING THANKS TO THE FATHER, WHO HAS QUALIFIED US TO SHARE IN THE INHERITANCE OF THE SAINTS IN LIGHT. **COLOSSIANS 1:9-12***

394 PRAYER REQUESTS RECEIVED & PRAYED OVER

WHO TO PRAY FOR:

- LifeBridge Church
- Our campuses: Johnstown, Longmont, Puente deVida
- Elders and Leadership
- Staff
- Volunteers
- Partnerships (at risk children, community resources)
- Ministries (children, students, adults)
- Those on the Mission Field
- Neighborhoods: Pray for your neighbors and that we will be a church of good neighbors
- Military: Pray for our armed forces serving around the world. Pray specifically for those in our LifeBridge family we know are serving
- Nation/Communities: Pray for our nation and its leaders and for the communities we live in
- And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for the entire Lord's people. **Ephesians 6:18**

CARE & CONCERN

THE CARE & CONCERN MINISTRY

PROVIDES ENCOURAGEMENT,
MOTIVATION AND DIRECTION
TO PEOPLE IN NEED. WHEN WE
CARE FOR OUR PEOPLE, JESUS
SAYS THAT WE CARE FOR HIM
(MATT. 25:40). AS WE MEET THE
NEEDS OF OUR PEOPLE, WE ARE
SAYING "YES" TO LOVING GOD.
AS WE ENGAGE PEOPLE TO SERVE
WITHIN THE CARE MINISTRY
WE ARE ENABLING PEOPLE TO
SAY "YES" TO LOVING THEIR
NEIGHBOR AND EACH OTHER.

100

VOLUNTEERS

775

SHUT-INS SERVED COMMUNION

1,453

PHONE CALLS MADE,
CARDS SENT, OR VISITS MADE

23

FUNERALS CONDUCTED

110

RECEIVED COUNSELING

AGAIN JESUS SAID, "SIMON SON OF JOHN,
DO YOU LOVE ME?" HE ANSWERED,
"YES, LORD, YOU KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU."

JESUS SAID, "TAKE CARE
OF MY SHEEP."
JOHN 21:16

PUENTE DE VIDA

The goal of Puente de Vida is to be a presence in the Longmont Latino Community, supporting the community leaders in strengthening our neighborhoods, while building additional leaders at the Puente de Vida (PV) campus. Puente de Vida has been serving the Latino community since December 2012, not only through worship on Sunday mornings, but also during Grow, which is scheduled on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

We continue to work with several of our families that were affected by the floods in 2013. Puente de Vida was instrumental in assisting through translation between the families, FEMA, and the Red Cross. Connections were made which have resulted in several success stories.

One of the families we worked with is getting a new mobile home. Through our relationship, they have come to know Christ and to know that God provides. A second family was affected by the floods in the Lyons area. When we first connected with them, they were devastated. During the last three years we have been able to minister to them, encourage them, and connect them to community organizations including Habitat for Humanity. Their home is now being built in Longmont.



AN AVERAGE OF

130

ATTENDED THE 11AM WORSHIP SERVICE EACH WEEK.

333

ATTENDED EASTER IN 2016.

AND THIS IS THE WAY TO HAVE ETERNAL LIFE—TO KNOW YOU, THE ONLY TRUE GOD, AND JESUS CHRIST, THE ONE YOU SENT TO EARTH.

JOHN 17:3

AN AVERAGE OF

35

ATTENDED VIDA KIDS AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EACH WEEK.

30

PEOPLE IN VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP POSITIONS, WITH 30 MORE PEOPLE BEING TRAINED ALONGSIDE THE CURRENT VOLUNTEERS

JOHNSTOWN & MILLIKEN

The vision of the Johnstown/Milliken campus is to grow a family of Christ-followers who are rooted in Scripture, and who are growing, sharing, and living out our faith in our homes, relationships, and our community. We are accomplishing this through greater focus on connectedness in groups, greater access to (and emphasis on) Biblical teaching, and greater investment in relational connections with our community.

Through consistent involvement in the community by so many members of our church family we have built a reputation for being willing, available, and accessible when needs arise. During this past year we received invitations for engagement from both Johnstown and Milliken town governments, schools in our community at all levels (elementary, middle, and high school), and other churches and civic organizations.

AN AVERAGE OF

185

PEOPLE ATTENDED SUNDAY PROGRAMMING EACH WEEK.

AN AVERAGE OF

45

KIDS ATTENDED SUNDAY PROGRAMMING EACH WEEK.

AN AVERAGE OF

90

STUDENTS ATTENDED YOUTH GROUP EACH WEEK.

NEARLY

200

PEOPLE ARE SERVING OUR CHURCH / COMMUNITY AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH.

*The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.
Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.*

LUKE 10:2

CURRENT ELDERS



**BLAKE
ISOM**



**BRUCE
FARWELL**



**CLAIR
VOLK**



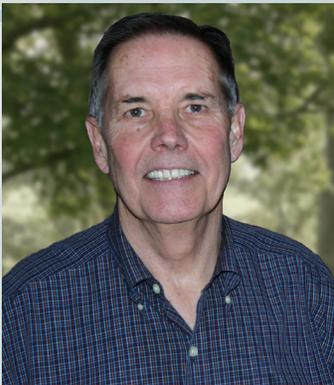
**DON
HOOD**



**GORDON
HAMPTON**



**JAMES
HERBERT**



**JIM
NELSON**



**MIKE
MATTHEWS**



**SCOTT
OWEN**

ELDERS FOR RE-ELECTION 3 YEAR TERM



**MARK
BROTHERS**

Mark Brothers has been married to his wife, Angela, for 23 years. They live in Longmont with their three children ages 19, 15, and 13. Mark has attended LifeBridge for 19 Years and has been involved in Men of Action, Father/Daughter, Decision Room, Snow Response, Young Adults, Worship, and teaching Adult Ed.

Gayle Zonnefeld and wife Sharon, have been members of LifeBridge since 2001. They have been married for 50 years, and have one son, Brian; a daughter-in-law, Jill; and four grandsons. Gayle is retired from a career in economic development and job creation in emerging countries, and still provides mentoring in that arena. The Zonnefeld's live near Berthoud. In the past, Gayle has served several years as elder including five years as chairman. He is also involved with men's breakfast, small groups, LBCC mission trips, ushering, special events, and the neighboring initiative.



**GAYLE
ZONNEFELD**

ELDERS ROTATING OFF



**RICH
KINZLE**

We would like to extend a special thank you to Rich Kinzle for his service as an Elder of LifeBridge during the past 3 years.

A woman with long blonde hair is shown in profile, looking down at her smartphone. She is wearing a dark sleeveless top. The background is a blurred cafe or office environment with shelves and a coffee cup on a table. The entire image has a blue tint.

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WITH US**

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DREW DEPLER
GLOBAL OUTREACH
PASTOR



**FABIAN
VASQUEZ**
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LUKE PINDER
STUDENT PASTOR



MICHAEL BERRY
YOUNG ADULTS PASTOR



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