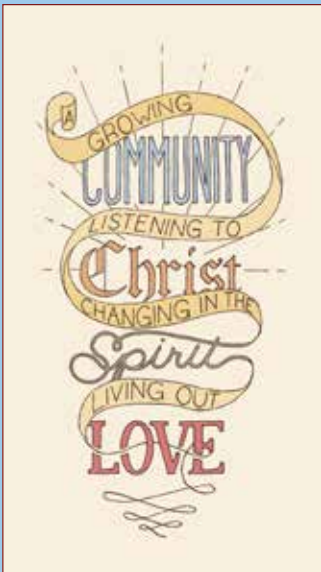


# Your NFC

a weekly newsletter for the  
people of the  
Newberg Friends Church  
community

October 14, 2016



## 🌍 Living Out Love Locally ▶ Globally

### Joining International Teams in Nicaragua for Two Years

by Andy Comfort



I was born and raised in Newberg. While attending Newberg High School, I began looking for a career that would be connected with algebra, which led me to business and finance. I felt the Lord leading me to find ways for missionaries to be financially independent. George Fox University (GFU) has a great business program, with strong ethics, so I applied, attended, then graduated from GFU this past April.

At GFU, I felt surrounded by familiar people, some Quaker scholars, I'd grown up knowing because of my connections at NFC and NWYM. During the spring term of my senior year, I attended the missions fair, where I met two International Teams (ITeams) representatives, Stephen and Natalie Goff. ITeams is an interdenominational nonprofit organization that strives to meet everyone's three basic needs: food, freedom, forgiveness. When I told Stephen I was a global business major, he got excited and started telling me about his and Natalie's call to serve the people of Masatepe, Nicaragua. I aligned with what they were telling me about the team leaders in Masatepe, who want as little dependence as possible and want to leave their operations in the hands of the Nicaraguans at some point in the future.

I felt the Lord calling me to be a part of this team and began the application process through ITeams. I have been accepted as a part of their organization and have already attended their orientation. I have made a two-year commitment to ITeams. Beginning October 21, I will spend a week in Masatepe, discerning if this is where the Lord is leading me. Unless I sense a different leading, I will return to Oregon to continue to seek support.

May I suggest a few ways you can support me? 1) I need to form a team to pray for the conversations I will have with potential donors who will fund my ministry's account and then will pray while I serve in Masatepe, Nicaragua. 2) I would like people to pray encouragement over me, to pray I will be comfortable with inviting donors to be a part of my team.

If you want to be a part of my prayer team please [email me](#). If you'd rather call, my number is 503-487-7158. And you could visit my [blogsite](#) to follow my journey with ITeams in Masatepe, Nicaragua. Feel free to contact me using any of the above methods. My current full-time job is finding and meeting with donors, so my days are open to schedule a meeting in person if you would like.



**Pastoral Team**

Michelle Akins  
children and family ministries

Steve Fawver  
spiritual health and care

Cindy Johnson  
seniors ministries

Gregg Koskela  
lead pastor

Eric Muhr  
youth ministries

Elizabeth Sherwood  
administration

Nolan Staples  
worship ministries

**Support Staff**

Kara Estep  
youth ministries coordinator

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bookkeeper/receptionist

Sherry Macy  
admin assist / communications

Arnie Mitchell  
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Please direct  
all publications items  
to Sherry Macy.

**READ AHEAD FOR SUNDAY**

**2 Corinthians 5:17-20**

**What's Ahead**

**SUNDAY**

**9am** | Sunday school for children and adults — for times and classroom information, find "Educational Opportunities" at each entrance, each "Info Center," at the welcome center, or ask a greeter to help you.

**9am** | worship gathering

**10-10:45am** | Community Time | in the social hall and library

**10:15-10:45am** | library staffed

**10:30am** | Agape Sunday school class

**10:45am** | worship gathering

**3pm** | Equipo meeting | North Valley Friends

**Monday, October 17**

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

**Wednesday, October 19**

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Middle School youth group | 6pm | Friends Center

Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit | 6:45-8:30pm | Barclay A/B

WBFpm | 7pm | Barclay C

High School youth group | 7:30pm | Friends Center

**Thursday, October 20**

Women's Bible Fellowship | 8:45am | social hall

K-2 Fun Night | 6-7:30pm | FC gym | dinner, games, and stories for children K through 2nd grade

**Friday, October 21**

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

**Saturday, October 22**

Men's prayer meeting | 8am | Friendsview Creekside, 2nd floor, TV room

Memorial service for Karen Bates-Smith | 10am | NFC sanctuary

**Sunday, October 23**

Read ahead: Luke 18:9-14

Focus on Bangladesh | Dan Cammack, director of EFM, will speak in the Agape Sunday school class | 10:30am | Barclay B

**Plan Ahead**

October 24 | Margaret Fell WMF | 7pm | Spaulding Oaks Community Center | featuring Karen Swenson, teacher in Budapest

October 27 | 3:4-5 Fun Night | 6-8pm | dinner, games, and a mission presentation for children in 3rd-5th grade

October 29 | all-church work morning and lunch | 8:30-11:30am

November 2 | Red Cross Blood Drive | 9am to 4pm | social hall

November 20 | Combined Thanksgiving Service at Bauman Auditorium

November 24-25 | NFC office closed for Thanksgiving holiday

**NFC's Calendar on the Web!**



### Bring food items to church on Sunday, October 23

*Foods FISH Needs Most*

- canned foods • dry staples
  - chili beans
- pork & beans • oatmeal
  - corn • cereal
- green beans • flour • tuna
  - soup • cooking oil
  - packaged food
  - fruit • tomatoes
- macaroni & cheese
- peanut butter • refried beans

### Heaven's Gain

**Karen Bates-Smith** died on Sunday, October 9, 2016, at age 64. Her husband, **Phil Smith**, has recently served as our presiding clerk. A memorial service will be held at Newberg Friends Church on Saturday, October 22, at 10 a.m.



## NFC ALL-CHURCH WORK MORNING

**Saturday, October 29**

**8:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Stay for lunch!**

**ALL COMERS!**

#### Some tasks to accomplish:

- **clean kitchen • weed flower beds**
- **grounds work at the cemetery**
- **rake leaves (bring a rake!)**
- **stack wood • clean classrooms**

### Bible Foundation's Annual October Bible Drive

Bibles freely go to many places, including hospitals, nursing homes, rescue missions, homeless shelters, street ministries, remote villages around the world, and more.

Gather up the Bibles you're no longer using and drop them in the basket marked "Bibles" in the ramp entrance by the library.

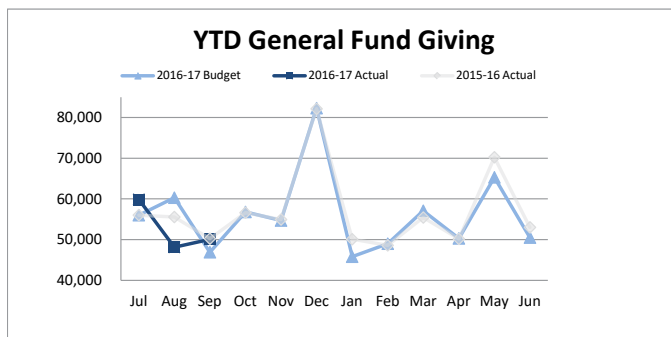
**For details, visit the Bible Foundation website.**



### Focus on Bangladesh October 23

Dan Cammack, director of Evangelical Friends Mission, will share briefly at the beginning of each service and more thoroughly in the Agape Sunday school class at 10:30 in Barclay B. **All are welcome!**

# Financial Recap for September 2016



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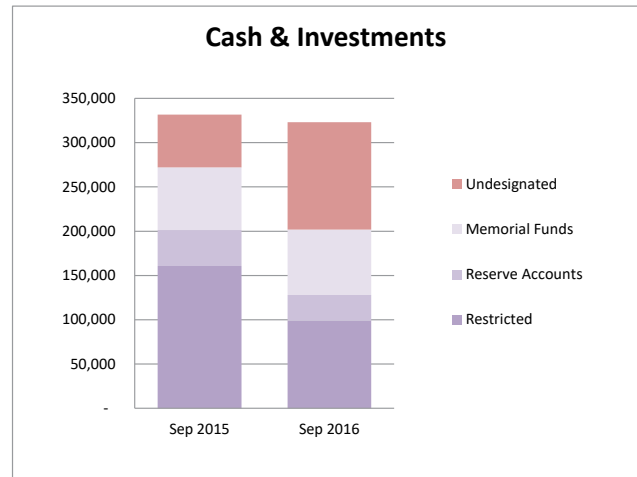
Actual vs. Budget  
 Current vs Prior Yr

**YTD Donor Restricted and Memorial Funds**

	Beginning	Income	Expense	Balance
Global Outreach	(360)	4,700	4,075	265
Outside Ministries	4,728	3,052	3,052	4,728
Compassionate Care	12,108	6,215	2,396	15,927
NFC Ministries	10,331	778	3,164	7,945
Scholarships	6,722	810	4,331	3,201
Facilities	138	-	108	30
Other Funds	105,441	1,378	7,839	98,980
Memorial Funds	73,000	653	-	73,653
<b>Totals</b>	<b>212,108</b>	<b>17,586</b>	<b>24,965</b>	<b>204,729</b>

**General Fund Year-to-Date**

	Actual	Budget	Ahead/ (Behind)
Income	172,102	179,202	(7,100)
Expense	(174,033)	(191,099)	17,066
<b>Net</b>	<b>(1,931)</b>	<b>(11,897)</b>	<b>9,966</b>



*A complete financial report can be found on the bulletin board in the library.*

**The elders of Newberg Friends Church** wish to express our appreciation for Gregg Koskela's ministry among us and look forward to his continued role as lead pastor until June 30, 2017. These next months will be busy ones at Newberg Friends as the pastoral team continues to minister with the congregation and as they support the ministries of Newberg Friends throughout the community and around the world. The elders express our support of Gregg's discernment of release from his role of lead pastor at Newberg Friends Church. Our love and support does not lessen the pain and loss, but we are confident that Gregg is following God's leading in his life.

The elders would ask you to pray for Gregg and his family in this transition over the next months. Your prayers are also requested by the elders as we explore next steps. We want to work within God's time frame as we prayerfully explore God's direction.

—Beth LaForce, clerk of the elders



**Men's Group Startup**

(later in October)

Come join others as we use the book *Fathered by God* (John Eldredge) as a basis for conversation, sharing, prayer, and spiritual growth.

Contact [Kevin Fish](#) (or 503-550-7993) if interested.

# Need Sheet

## Needed:

- Country Faith Christian Academy is in need of a locking, fire-proof file cabinet to house more student files. Email [office@countryfaithchristianacademy.org](mailto:office@countryfaithchristianacademy.org).
- There is a need for someone to minister to women at Yamhill County Corrections Facility. Forty or more women need the comfort of Christ in their lives. If you feel ready to share the kingdom of Christ, please contact YCCF in McMinnville at 503-434-7507 to volunteer.
- Looking for an affordable one- or two-bedroom apartment. I currently work in Tualatin, so an apartment no farther than Newberg would be preferred. I am looking to move at the end of this month. Call Chris Stanfield at 503-758-8022.
- We need someone to help out on our property for a few weeks because of my recent injuries. Moving and stacking wood, getting things ready to sell at a garage sale, cleaning the shop and so on. Can pay \$12.50 per hour for 5 to 10 hours a week. Call John 503-515-5672.
- At Community Home Builders in McMinnville, our mission is to help low-income families become home owners. As part of the final touches of getting families into their home we need 5-10 volunteers to help with landscaping on October 29. Contact Carolyn Ewing, resource development coordinator, at 503-434-5265 or [carolyne@communityhomebuilders.org](mailto:carolyne@communityhomebuilders.org). We also need long-term volunteers. To learn more, check our website at [www.communityhomebuilders.org](http://www.communityhomebuilders.org).

## Available:

- Free for the taking—approximately 20 feet of funky antique fence with gate. Has plenty of life left in it. Call Mauri for a picture or to claim it at 503-538-4647.
- Just think of what you could do with 30 pounds of assorted nails! You supply the ideas; we'll supply the nails. Call Mauri at 503-538-4647.
- For rent: one-bedroom, one-bath, upstairs, loft apartment in barn on farm, located about half-way between Dundee and Lafayette. Potential gardening opportunities available. Approximately 850 sq feet. Open, spacious, light, floor plan. Shared laundry facilities included. Tenant responsible for water, electricity, propane, and recycle. No pets and no smoking. Cleaning dep: \$250. monthly rent \$550. Available now. Call Craig at 503-250-0068.

## For Sale:

- Homegrown, hormone-free grass-fed (grain-finished) beef for sale. \$3.25/lb on hanging weight, plus cutting and wrapping. Purchase by the half or quarter beef. Butchering first part of October. Call Jacqui at 503-519-6673.
- HP Photosmart 6510 color/ b-w printer in very good condition. Manual and download disc included. It works great, but I could not get it to scan back to my computer so I bought a new one. Make me a reasonable offer. Call Gary Brown at 503-538-8885 or 503-260-3954.

To place a one-time free ad— • e-mail: [sherry@newbergfriends.org](mailto:sherry@newbergfriends.org)

• mail: NFC, P.O. Box 487, attn. Sherry

• bring a written ad to the NFC office at 600 E. 3rd Street

deadline: October 26 • no phone-in ads; please resubmit repeated ads  
online at [newbergfriends.org/resources/need-sheet/](http://newbergfriends.org/resources/need-sheet/)