

Hey Fellowship!

This past quarter has been full of exciting moments and celebrations here, but it's also been one of change.

As I look back on the last quarter of the year, I am encouraged by what I've seen God doing. At the same time, I'm realistic to the season that He has us in as a church.

Over the past quarter, we were able to:

- hit a new high for Easter attendance.
- baptize two men from unchurched backgrounds.
- see a 13% increase in first-time visitors from the same quarter last year.
- continued to see strong numbers in our online following.
- brought on three new missionaries, one being from our own congregation.
- began a new prayer team.
- had a strong showing for summer community groups, an entirely new concept.
- heard stories of how God is changing lives and bringing hope to people of all stories and backgrounds.

When you look at the numbers, you'll also see several areas where we have room for growth. For example, we've seen an exactly similar weekly average attendance year-over-year. This is in part thanks to two main factors: people are attending less frequently (something common with people new to church), and also there have been some changes in the faces of those attending services regularly.

While turnover is really hard, and something I know we feel personally as leaders, it's encouraging to see new people connecting not only with Fellowship but with God.

As anticipated, we've also seen a slight decrease in yearly giving; we ended the year around \$20,000 below our annual budget. As we've done historically, we underspent our budget which helped with the gap. While it's exciting to be approaching a mortgage payoff in around 9 months, it still won't be enough to cover the gap. Would you pray about even making a small gift to help cover this gap?

As God continues to open doors at local elementary schools and even with our city officials, would you join us in praying for a revival in our county? We know that in our own strength we can do nothing; but through God's power we can see an entire community be changed.

I am truly humbled and honored to serve as your pastor and would like you to personally know how grateful I am for the partnership we have together in ministry.

The best is yet to come!  
Pastor Robert

# Q4 REPORT

april 1, 2019 - june 30, 2019

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BAPTISMS

145

average weekly sunday attendance

0% change from Q4 2018

average weekly online attendance

29

38

first-time guests

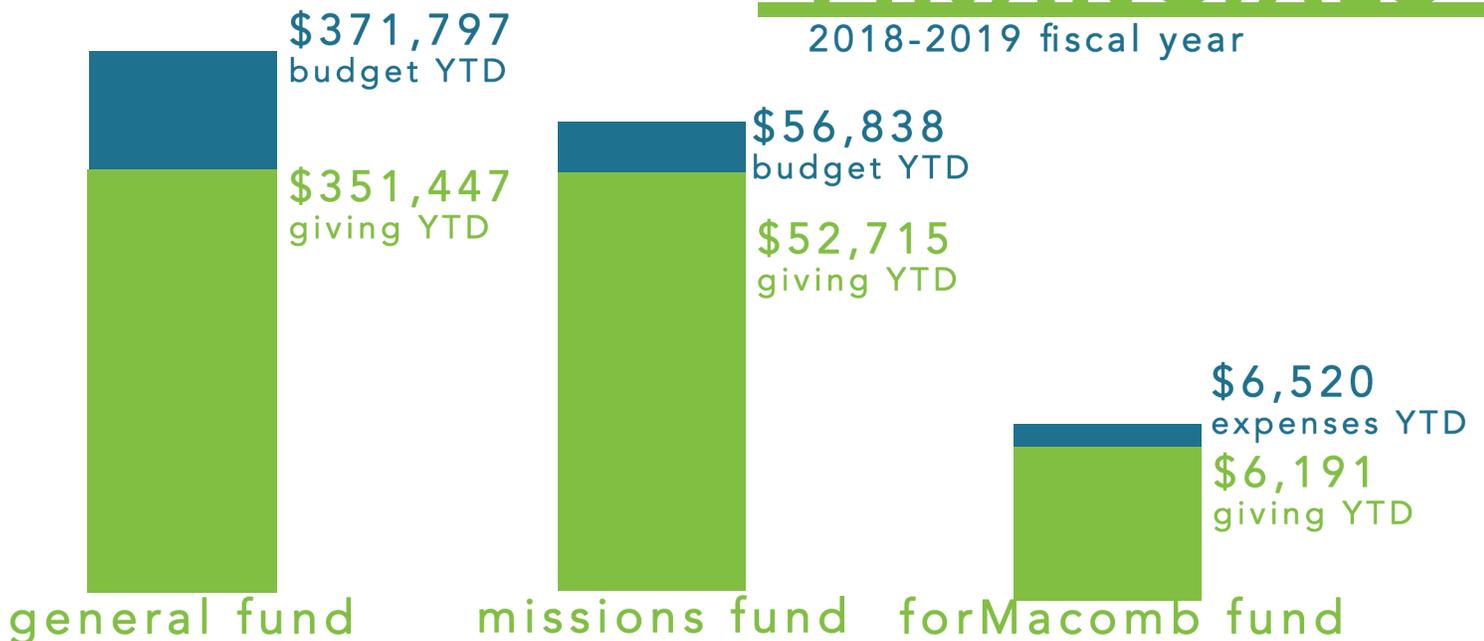
13% increase from Q4 2018

community group participants

52

## FINANCIALS

2018-2019 fiscal year



# forTHEWORLD

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visit from  
david & tirzah pichotta // june 23

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**missionaries supported** through letters, prayer, and finances

**new missionaries** brought on in may

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please visit the missions table to receive the latest updates, prayer requests, and more.

# forMACOMB

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**homes of residents** here in Sterling Heights were given a spring clean

we had 14 people from our community run/walk a 5k to support **families against narcotics**

14

250

dollars given to **Macomb Foster Closet** along with many donated clothe items.

be on the lookout for a lot more opportunities coming this fall to show the people of Macomb County that we are FOR them.

# WHAT'S COMING?

\* fall community group sign-ups will be available starting in september

**AUGUST 16-17 // 9a**

middle/high school summer serve event

**AUGUST 18 // 11:45a**

sunday funday. celebrate, connect, get involved.

**AUGUST 25 // 12p**

brazil mission trip informational meeting

**SEPTEMBER 9 // 6:30p**

fall divorce care & grief share groups begin

**SEPTEMBER 28 // 7p**

comedy night #forMacomb

*all proceeds go toward supporting our school lunch programs*

**OCTOBER 1**

fall community groups begin

**OCTOBER 4 // 5p**

#forMacomb opportunity, wilde elementary cookout