



Community Bible Church

Ministry Report & Forecast

2020 - 2022

The following CBC ministry report highlights key areas in our ministry together, that need to be accentuated in the year ahead. Also, this report will highlight how we as a church have been used of our Lord to impact one another, our local and regional community, and even the nations.

This report will also reflect the real challenges over the past 18 plus months that have seemingly affected the advancement of the kingdom as well as the tremendous opportunities that lie ahead for us as we collectively keep our eyes on Christ. Surely the Lord is pleased with the efficiency and boldness in which we have sought to expand His rule and reign in the world.

Preaching Ministry / Pastoral Leadership

For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction.

1 Thess. 1:4-5

Key Point #1 Prayer & “Lifestyle Fasting”

These next few months of 2021 and the entirety of 2022 we will be encouraging each worshipper at CBC, and those online, to make “lifestyle prayer & fasting” a part of each individual and family’s life. We live in a world that desperately wants each Christian to conform to worldly priorities. We are called to something far greater and far more fruitful. Some areas of darkness are only overcome by prayer and fasting. If now isn’t a time to do so, then there simply isn’t a time. The world is far too confused, and far too divided. God is not the author of confusion and a house divided cannot stand. Therefore, we will march ahead with intentionality towards a more effective level of prayer and fasting as the Lord leads each of us. A lifestyle, biblical approach

yields greater results. Get ready! At times we will certainly fast together as a spiritual family but in addition to such, each family needs a plan of their own.

And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

Mark 9:28-29

But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. Matt. 5:17

Key Point #2 Power, Presence & Healing

*Lord, I love the house where you live,
the place where your glory dwells. Ps. 26:8*

Our worship services and our messages going forward will accentuate an even greater sensitivity to the Presence of God. To develop this worthy discipline, we will need to practice patience, reverence and a deeper level of stillness, worship and understanding of the power and the presence of God and the fear of the Lord. You will be resourced from time to time with books, articles, assignments etc. to help you privately enjoy an even more experiential understanding of the presence of God and the power therein. We will also develop the same experience in a corporate setting. Periodically, we will have entire Sunday services devoted to this topic including actual exercises toward this end. Expect more frequently scheduled Nights of Praise/Prayer & Worship as we learn to wait on the Lord and soak in His presence.

Practicing the Presence of God is part of a believer's maturation / sanctification process. At times, the Bible says that the power of God was present to heal the sick. We will be looking for and expecting by faith, continued healings in people's bodies, relationships, and households as we remove footholds and overcome strongholds. Biblical, Christ-centered, word-based ministries such as ours will enjoy the ministry of healing as a confirmation to believers and not-yet-believers that the Lord is a God of freedom, liberty and healing.

And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judaea, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them. Luke 5:17

Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it. Mark 16:20

Key Point #3 Intentionality / Structured Discipleship

This winter, CBC will be preparing teachers and facilitators to launch a 4 step, highly intentional discipleship ministry whereby each of the four areas of emphasis is launched through an intensive retreat off this mountain. Much of our corporate emphasis will be placed on the importance of engaging in a personal discipleship initiative as a means to discipling another. Our discipleship initiative will be a great way to further equip believers while also revealing a key place of service for many.

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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." Matt. 28:18-20

CBC Church Ministries

And 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 – and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Heb.10:24-25

Additional Staffing

Our church is functioning at present without two key staff positions. We will be even more effective in our collective ministry together as we see the Lord send us a Worship Leader/Shepherd or a new paradigm for implementation with our current worship team. In addition to this need, we are now looking for a potential Family Pastor who will help shepherd our families as they navigate the challenges of raising children in this current culture. Let's fast and pray for the clear and obvious meeting of these two important needs.

The following are updates on key areas of ministry at CBC and "looks" forward to new and exciting possibilities.

Children's Ministry (grades 1-5)

*All your children will be taught by the Lord,
and great will be their peace.*

Isa. 53:14

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Despite the challenges of this past year, our Children's Ministry remained steadfast and has recently begun to flourish once again. New families are adding to Children's Church on Sundays, with the current theme of "Custom Creations," celebrating the uniqueness of every child in Christ and their individual talents, gifts and abilities to make a difference in this world.

This coming year we are excited to offer "away camp" at Camp Ridge Haven in Brevard from June 13-17. Vacation Bible School will also be offered from August 3-7. Families are encouraged to participate in once-a-month Family Nights featuring events both on and off-campus for the whole family. We have a great group of volunteers who assist with every event and age group, but we can always use more! Please let us know if you would like to join the Children's Ministry Team, either as a participating family or as a volunteer.

Youth Ministry

And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man. Luke 2:52

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We work closely with all three of the local schools – Highlands School, Blue Ridge Early College, and Summit Charter School along with the students of home school families on the plateau. The goal is to meet students where they are and to initiate and encourage a personal, life-long relationship with Christ. We continue to provide our local teens a place to grow spiritually during the school day, through Fellowship of Christian Athletes gatherings at our local schools. We also provide financial support for fulltime FCA ministers.

Life is challenging for our middle and high school students, and we are very purposeful about our gatherings and intentional about our interactions. We seek to introduce our students to faith and hope in Christ and then nurture them as believers

into disciples who choose to follow Him. We also like to laugh and play together with some outdoor adventure thrown in for fun. We gather every Sunday after church from 12:30-2:30. Many of our group are also involved in the Music Academy, learning to worship as members of our own worship band.

This fall we will be attending the Whisper Mountain Fall Outreach Camp in Robbinsville, NC from November 5-7, and in the winter, we'll be headed to Gatlinburg for the Xtreme Winter Conference from December 30 - Jan 1. Let us know if you would like to register for either of these events, and come join the fun, learning and growing together!

Care Ministry

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6:2

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Our Care ministry responds to local families and individuals who are in need due to illness, economic challenges, and other short-term hardships. Volunteers share gifts of food, compassion, love and other resources in a variety of ways to help meet the needs of others. The church remains instrumental in providing benevolent financial care to individuals and families dealing with financial insecurities. If you would like to volunteer in this ministry, please contact us.

Our *S.H.A.L.O.M.* ministers (Sharing Hope and Love on the Mountain) are trained to walk beside those dealing with a personal/family crisis. Men and women alike have been encouraged through many trials. This continues to be a great source of strength and hope for hurting people.

CBC now has her first group of trained "*Healing Ministers*". After 13 weeks of study and collaboration, these compassionate prayer warriors are equipped to support those who are dealing with sickness while ministering the healing touch of Christ by faith. Additional workshops will soon be offered for those wanting to also explore the ministry of healing.

The CBC Care Ministry also provided spiritual, emotional and tangible resources to and through the following ministries:

- Kaylee's Closet (a foster care ministry in Macon County)
- Highlands Emergency Fund
- Fishes & Loaves in Cashiers (providing food boxes to those in Jackson County)
- Samaritan's Purse and CBC's Angel Tree campaign (Annual Christmas-gift campaign for children)

Assimilating a Harvest

The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of a single pearl. The great street of the city was of gold, as pure as transparent glass. Rev. 21:21

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Community Bible Church, like the city of Jerusalem, has many gates or entry points. People may first interface with our church through varying gates such as: our Creation Music Academy, a Bible study, a hiking trip, a women's retreat, an online search/worship service or by personal invitation. Regardless of how others come our way, we have a plan to further welcome them back. Existing worshippers at CBC are also encouraged to take an additional step, toward making friends, discipleship, service, leadership and membership. Regardless of a particular "gate of entry" we are in need of hospitable people who enjoy greeting, befriending and networking people toward a slightly greater devotedness to Christ and His church. Perhaps you would like to explore the possibilities available for you to serve in this highly personalized process?

Small Groups @ CBC

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42-47

What an amazing year our CBC Small Groups are having! You are doing a great job inviting new folks into your groups, doing life together, getting excited about Jesus and creating intentional relational environments. We have over 10 groups operating from all over the plateau and expanding into more neighborhoods in 2022. CBC Small Groups provide opportunities to grow in relationship with God, with one another, and to positively influence our neighborhoods. By "doing life together" we strengthen, encourage, celebrate, and comfort one another following the example of Acts 2:42: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." With hundreds of congregants that visit us each week and

100+ online viewers, we are forging ahead with new initiatives such as Bridge Groups, Training and Teaching in Discipleship and multiple volunteer opportunities.

If you have a heart to serve His kingdom, we have many joyful opportunities as a Small Group facilitator, Sunday Service Usher, Assimilation Administrator and more!

Media Ministry

The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it. Ps. 68:11

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The Media Department of Community Bible Church has had a highly successful past 12 months. Our largest successes have proven to be the CBC Mobile app, and the volunteer/discipleship tracts in the department.

The CBC App is a sharing platform used to watch live and archived messages, listen to podcasts, provide missions updates, donate to CBC, and much more. During 2020, due to the effectiveness of the app, CBC had the best year of giving that it has ever received, even in the middle of a pandemic. There has been a lot of growth in the last 12 months on our digital platform.

In September 2020, CBC had 3,195 mobile app downloads, and was launched 30,192 times since its release on all platforms. Looking at where the app platform is now, it's easy to see how well the app has served the members of CBC, the community, and followers of Christ around the globe in 26 nations. As of September 2021, the CBC Mobile App has been downloaded a total of 7,335 times and was launched 54,991 times. Our goal for the end of 2021 is to have the app download number eclipse 9,000 downloads. You understand better than anyone what a powerful resource it is for the Kingdom of God, so here's how you can help Community Bible Church reach that goal.

- Share the App with Family/Friends/Anyone who could benefit from such a resource
- Keep listening-new content comes out on the App every week without fail, so make sure to stay up to date and tune in.

On another note, the volunteer and discipleship tracts within the media department have been a hugely positive subject. The team has taken on several young

adults and youth members, and given them media and technology training, education, resources, and most important; intentional discipleship. That is our biggest goal with the media department, to share the word of God with all those around us.
The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that publish it. Ps. 68:11

Church Planting & Church Growth

And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.
Matt. 16:18-20

It is on the heart of God that strong Christ-centered, word-based churches be resourced in every way to be successful "fishers of men". CBC takes seriously the mandate to plant and nurture churches both locally, regionally and globally. Here is an overview of the thousands of people who have been touched through CBC's church plants and partnerships. Our current criteria for engaging in global ministry partnerships centers on three key points.

1. When it comes to partnerships (local, regional or global), we only partner with indigenous ministries reaching their own people group.
 - a. Planting or building churches
 - b. Our global partners are often persecuted
 - c. Most all our partners are reaching the next generation
2. We support these ministries financially, relationally through ongoing consultation and prayer
3. CBC defines a "partnership" as collaborating and consulting with a ministry currently impacting a people group, with a vision that is worthy of funding with at least \$100,000.00.
4. All local, regional and international partners are funded through our designated offerings to the *Passion Fund* at CBC.

The Bridge Church

Pastor Josh Hyde

For those new to CBC, nearly 8 years ago, we secured a location to plant the Point Coffee House and a food Market for those challenged financially. The intent of this strategic move was to build relationships with local ministry leaders, the local Cullowhee community, the student body and faculty of Western Carolina University and Southwest Community College. The spiritual climate of the areas at the time was poor, even bleak. Our networking and serving of the local community afforded us a role in helping a new start up now known as the Bridge Church under the leadership of Pastor Josh Hyde. Through the years, CBC providing significant funding for church and staff development. Our CBC congregation, pre-covid, joined together with nearly 750 collegiate worshippers for a combined "Vision Rally" service at Bardo performing Arts Center. Today the church has secured her own land off campus on which to build a sanctuary/facility of their own. With help from CBC in the year ahead, this ministry will continue to take the school for Christ.

Our investment in the next generation coming out of Cullowhee doesn't stop there. We also provide financial support for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at WCU as well as a very effective residency/discipleship ministry that has been birthed out of the Bridge Church. A new opportunity exists through the Bridge as well; some graduates of WCU and members of the Bridge are now going into full time ministry. This all started with a little coffee-house on Little Savannah Road years ago because our congregation understands the need to reach younger people.

- **Needs going forward:** A lot of prayer and an understanding of the short- and long-term goals of The Bridge Church. Perhaps, funding for a sensible construction strategy as the Lord leads us.

CBC Sky Valley

Pastor Steve Kerhoulas

Nearly five years ago, fifty or so members of CBC in Highlands made their way to the Sky Valley, Georgia area to discover the need for a vibrant church in the Sky Valley area. After a season of prayer and a series of meetings, this humble group began to meet in the clubhouse of the Sky Valley CC. Once settled and growing, this Sunday morning worship service moved only yards away to the old ski lodge at Sky Valley. After the donation of the use of the building in exchange for some clean up and remodeling, the congregation was on her way.

We are pleased that Pastor Steve Kerhoulas and his wife Candie have since been brought on to lead this congregation through its next season of development. Three acres of land has been donated to this congregation just down the mountain from the Highlands Aerial Park and 2 additional acres have been purchased as a future site of

the CBC Sky Valley Church. The land has been cleared, excavated and the road and parking work has been completed. This congregation will impact the surrounding areas of Scaly, Scaly, Dillard, Mountain City, Clayton, Otto and perhaps people in Franklin.

- **Needs going forward:** Once a finalized plan comes into being this congregation will need some help financially once they establish a final development plan and they reach their own giving capacity to the building campaign. Much prayer is needed now for a wisdom and a specific strategy and timeline for a building launch and ministry short- and long-term goals.

La Primera Iglesia Bautista Del Amor, Glenville, NC

Pastor Felix Villareal

Only a few years ago, Pastor Felix's congregation was meeting in an inadequate rented space, shared with another ministry in Glenville, NC. With no means of financially affording an alternative, the Lord brought our two congregations together. After having started a construction project, the congregation lacked the funding to complete the construction. After a review of their biblical ministry focus, CBC was blessed to provide funding for the completion of the church building under construction. On Christmas Eve the La Primera Iglesia Bautista Del Amor (First Baptist Church of Love) had the blessing of Worshipping the Incarnate Christ to full capacity. The church has thrived ever since as they reach our Hispanic community with the gospel of Christ.

- **Needs going forward:** Prayer and encouragement as we remain open to hearing of the next season of ministry for this vibrant church.

Novodaya Church, Katmandu, Nepal



All of Nepal has been severely challenged by Covid lock down restrictions throughout the nation on more than two occasions. Despite this severe hindrance God saw fit to provide thriving pre-Covid congregation with the needed funds to build a church on recently acquired land. Now being out from under exorbitant rent responsibilities and the irritation of contentious neighbors the Church at Navodaya can freely worship, hold training conferences and minister to the Hindu population that God has called them to reach. This is yet again, another opportunity for CBC to impact the nations. The 150 believers in Novodaya may only have met a couple of people from CBC but for eternity they will be grateful for the manner in which God helped us to help one another.

- Needs going forward: The liberty of a permanently lifted Covid lock down and the continued freedom to worship Christ and reach the lost.

Eglise Conexion Vie, Melun, France



Pastor Jean Majdling

France is a culturally resistant people group, steeped in religiosity without a relationship with the One True God. The recent burning of Notre Dame is a symbol of the state of the church in France. The need for vibrant churches is quite high. The need for vibrant churches reaching young professionals is even higher. France needs a move of God that sparks the younger generation to a fervent heat for the heart of God.

In the midst of this season of arid spirituality, CBC's partner church was in need of innovation and help. CBC was there to assist. After three visits and training sessions with this church, our leadership is quite aware of the potential of this congregation. Pre-Covid indications reflect great success in reaching and discipling young professionals with the gospel.

During Covid, very heavy Covid restrictions kept people off the streets and sidewalks in French communities. CBC consulted at length with Eglise Conexion Vie about the importance of online ministry. After providing this congregation with the technology to have an online ministry, the church responded well and salvaged many ministry opportunities. Going forward, this church will need our prayers and support to overcome the obstacles before them.

- **Needs going forward:** Prayer, consultation and financial support once a new rebound plan for ministry is completed.

Downfield Mains Church, Dundee, Scotland

Pastor Nathan McConnell



Like France, Scotland is also a culturally resistant people group. Church buildings are becoming bookstores or coffee houses as existing churches are either closing or even merging. The Church of Scotland is government led therefore the Bible and the gospel are welcomed in public schools but the church itself in Scotland is in need of maverick pastors. Leaders who break the existing mold for ministry.

CBC is privileged to support such a maverick in Nathan McConnell, the pastor at Downfield Mains Church, Nathan and his wife Courtney are making huge strides for the kingdom in Dundee, Scotland. CBC has provided consultation, key components of a sounds system for their worship team as well as the technology to provide online

services amid the Covid pandemic. CBC has also bolstered the Downfield Mains building fund as this congregation is completely enhancing their facilities as other churches are on the decline. The new facilities coupled with a fresh approach to ministry will set a new standard for churches throughout Scotland.

- **Needs going forward:** Prayer and a possible Short Term Missions Team to leave our “Highlands” to minister in their “Highlands”.

Ukraine International Partnerships:



Nick & Mai Mikhauluk

We have supported International Partnerships and its church planting ministry in Ukraine since we first met Nick and Maia Mikhauluk in 1998. Earlier, they had both been avowed atheists, and Maia was serving in the Youth Communist Party Leadership. Through a US missionary family in Kiev, Maia encountered Christ, and later led Nick to the Lord. Since establishing IP soon afterward, they have trained church planters and have established over 20 churches in 14 cities throughout Ukraine.

In addition to leading International Partnerships, Maia has experience as an instructor the Dr. John Haggai Ministries training facilities in Singapore and Maui, HI. She and her husband Nick know how to slowly bring atheists to Christ and plant churches in Eastern Europe. They have even been instrumental to ministering to the Ukrainian military at the Russian front as well as communities caught in crossfire. CBC is privileged to have invested in this ministry for years.

- **Needs going forward:** Pray for favor on this world class ministry

222 Ministries (Iran, Afghanistan)



And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. 2 Tim. 2:2

What is the Lord doing in this world today? In many respects, closed countries shut off from the gospel are opening. In recent years, people are fleeing to other areas who will inevitably encounter the living gospel. Also, persecuted churches in the world are flourishing under pressure. The church in Iran is the fastest growing church in the world.

CBC has intentionally forged a solid partnership with 222 Ministries in that their agenda, our agenda, and the Lord’s agenda match up. This vital ministry provides bible translation for people groups without scripture in Iran; assists Afghanis with safe passage out of their country; produces and broadcasts multiple prime-time satellite

television broadcasts into Iran and provides care for Iranian women subject to abuse in and out of Iran.

The following areas highlight our ongoing partnership for the glory of God. CBC has engaged in the following collaborative initiatives as a means of building the kingdom of God among all Persians in and out of Iran prior to a likely fall of its current regime. Together CBC has provided 222 Ministries, under the leadership of Lazarus Yegnazar with the following:

- Extensive consultation on ministry restructuring
- Funding for a Minister of Operations
- Teaching content filmed in Amsterdam for 35 satellite television shows
- Funding for broadcast equipment
- Training of Iranian leaders returning to Iran
- Consultation for Social Media platforms/marketing
- Live messages from CBC for the Persian Community Church around the world
- Funding for the underground church in Iran

Needs going forward: Likely need for additional funding for persecuted pastors, training and bible translation.

Local & Regional Outreach

*“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Luke 4:18-19*

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Teen Challenge is a one year, full-time, residency program that is used of God to lead men to Christ and free them from substance abuse/addiction. Under the leadership of Mike Barres, the Teen Challenge of the Smokies location in Franklin, NC ministers to 18-20 men at a time who are set free from alcohol and drug addiction while disciplined in the word of God. The men utilize an on-site wood working shop and a newly completed auto repair facility. Occasionally, the Teen Challenge men will lead CBC in worship on a Sunday morning and they will also attend CBC.

CBC enjoys a close working relationship with Mike and Teen Challenge as it is one of the finest, most biblical programs of its kind in our area. CBC currently provides monthly support and Chapel services for the men.

- **Needs going forward:** Prayer for the spouses and children of the men in recovery who have ongoing needs in their husband's/father's one year absence.

Life Challenge

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Established in response to substance addiction and related abuse, Life Challenge is a year-long, residential rehabilitation program for women based in Sylva, NC. We have supported the ladies of Life Challenge for over three years with special event coordination, sponsorship, Bible Studies, crafts and cooking lessons. The ladies often attend our worship services and graduates have also participated in our various ministries. Please contact us if you would like to learn more about ministry opportunities.

- **Needs going forward:** Even greater awareness of this ministry in western North Carolina and additional participants in this worthy ministry.

The Father's House

Contact: Thomas Bates (thomas@cbchighlands.com).

In response to the difficult realities often associated with substance abuse and related economic challenges in Franklin, NC, The Father's House was established as a residential ministry/refuge, sharing God's love and The Good News of Christ with those in need. Over the past three years, CBC has assisted with meals, clothing, and other resources. If you would like to volunteer or participate in any way with TFH, please contact us.

- **Needs going forward:** Prayer for continued awareness in our region of this ministry and referrals of those in need of help

Creation Music & Arts

*Sing to him a new song;
play skillfully, and shout for joy. Ps. 33:3*

Creation Music and Arts has opened our doors to many families from the surrounding communities. We are now offering voice and instrumental training to over 30 students for our local community and an additional 30 ballet students. We plan to develop stronger ties and forge ahead with connection opportunities. With many entry points into our Church, such as the Children's Program, Youth Program, Missions and Outreach, Creation, Worship and more, we look ahead to a favorable abundance of encouraging opportunities for many to serve. In the year ahead expect to hear about the progress made in our teen worship band who hopes to finish their first "album". Music recitals will also be provided by are ever-developing academy students.

- **Needs going forward:** Additional teachers/mentors and students as the program continues to flourish. Favor with our local communities.

Global Partnerships

He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Mark 16:15

Music City

Hephzibah Worship Band

One of the most innovative outreaches in the CBC portfolio is that of Music City in Katmandu, Nepal. In partnership with Hephzibah, the most popular worship band in Nepal, CBC was a significant funder in the building of Music City.

In Nepal there is no shortage of young people who love listening to and playing good music. Music City is a facility to attend concerts, receive musical instruction and utilize a state-of-the-art sound studio. This enterprise also acquires and sells sound equipment and instruments to businesses and churches throughout SE Asia.

Pre-Covid numbers revealed the extremely high potential that Music City has to impact thousands of Nepalese young people with the gospel. Initial events accounted for over 5000 young people in their teens and twenties attending at Music City for concerts, instruction and recording. Post-Covid potential and expectations are high. Music City's business model forecasts financial sufficiency for Music City and additional funding for other ministries reaching children with the gospel in country.

At present, there is a mass secularization of Hinduism among the younger generation. Young people are questioning their parents' traditional faith. Additionally, there is a strong migration to major cities for greater financial opportunities. Between the secularization of traditional faiths in Asia and the movement to bigger cities, Christianity is flourishing among ministries willing to meet people where they are while demonstrating the relevancy of the love of Christ in the gospel.

- **Needs going forward:** Huge need for the lifting of heavy Covid lock downs and only to see the return of thousands of young people to Music City looking to explore their passion and encounter our Living Lord.

Additional Global Outreach

- Here's Life Africa (Multi-national, leadership training & church multiplication)
- Tokyo, Japan (Roger & Abi Lowther using classical music in a thriving Tokyo church to earn the trust of the Japanese seeker)
- S.E. Asia Dr. John Fain (Key leader, mentor of many ministers SE Asia)
- Central Asia - Mitchell's - (Serving In- Country Refugees)
- Madison Cothran (Manchester England-ministering to refugees)
- Ashley and Percy Thaba (Extremely popular multi-national television show highlighting healthy Christian marriage in the wake horrific Gender based violence in the homes of African nations)
- City on a Hill- Coalition of Local churches on the plateau to reach the families in the community
- City Takers - led by Scott Free, is a movement of radical love in action raising up urban missionaries with attention to the poor and marginalized and the desire that all experience Jesus in the metro Atlanta area.

Pregnancy Care Center, Cullowhee, NC

*Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,
for the rights of all who are destitute. Prov. 31:8*

The leadership at CBC immediately recognizing the need to re-open a closed Pregnancy Center directly across the street from Western Carolina University. The economy in 2009-10 wasn't optimal for sustaining this ministry and the proper way to raise funds had yet to be understood. To re-open, we as a church made significant emotional, spiritual and financial investments to resurrect this ministry that was

interacting with as many as 300 young women/students each year. Nurses from CBC and other volunteers acted and moved the ministry forward. Ultra-sound equipment was acquired and great momentum was achieved.

Many pregnant girls were seriously contemplating abortion as their only option. Today, the names of many children are called during roll at grade school classrooms in Jackson County and beyond that otherwise would never have been mentioned. The Pregnancy Center re-opened in a trailer only to later purchase a new ministry home off campus for continued accessibility. The Pregnancy Center has since acquired a mobile unit and for ladies to receive medical care, encouragement and wise counsel. CBC is currently assessing the ongoing needs of this ministry to ascertain present and future needs.

New Opportunities on the Horizon

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jer. 29:11

Discovery Phase for Teen/Family Counseling Center on the Plateau

The leadership at CBC has assembled a task force to explore the possibility of funding an initiative that provides a counseling center for families and teens in our area. This task force, made up of school administrators, teachers, parents, law enforcement and clergy, is working through a discovery phase with a foundation to ultimately fund a counseling center whereby teens and families can come and to have their spiritual, mental, emotional and relational needs addressed.

This endeavor is born out of the reality that our communities are not without drug abuse, family toxicity, depression, suicidal ideation, and at times severe learning disorders.

Needs going forward: An abundance of prayer and funding to secure fulltime employees that can take a discovery phase into a fundable activation phase.

Service Opportunities

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thess. 1:2-3

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph. 2:10

Short Term Mission Trips

Guest Services Welcome Care, Guest follow-up

Healing Ministers (Healing workshop completion)

Shalom Ministers

Teachers/Facilitators

Small Group Leaders

Small Group Hosts/Hostesses

Guest Services (Sunday Morning Greeters, Ushers, Visitor Follow Up)

Media (Sunday morning techs, sound camera, filming, editing)

Deacon/Deaconesses

Personal Evangelism teams

Creation Music Academy (Teacher (voice/instrumental) Host/Greeter

Photographer

Office Volunteer

Creative Arts Ministry (Set design, actors)

Prayer Team (Intercessors)

Children's Ministry (Teachers, VBS, Summer Camp)

Worship - Sunday vocals, Easter/Christmas

...and more!

Conclusion

This report doesn't fully address the influence that the Lord has allowed us to witness in ministries here and around the world. We can be certain that He is the Missionary and we His representatives. How wonderful that our "mountain church" has been afforded such a blessing to even participate in what the Spirit of God is doing here and around the world. As we approach the close of 2021, perhaps resources will be brought into God's local storehouse via the *Passion Fund* so that even more "wise

yet aggressive” strides can be made to demolish strongholds and reach the lost with the marvelous gospel of Christ. Well done CBC!

For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more. Luke 12:48