

State of the Church

Netherwood Park – Church of Christ

August 14, 2013

Netherwood Park Church Of Christ Continues Its Commitment To . . .

- ◆ Faithfulness – pursuing Biblical Truths
- ◆ Stability – congregational peace & unity
- ◆ Fiscal responsibility – financial soundness
- ◆ Sense of Family – caring for one another
- ◆ Diversity – respecting/using our talents, skills, knowledge, passions
- ◆ Being active – desire, initiative, dedication
- ◆ Missions – spreading the Gospel
- ◆ Vision – having a plan/goals for future

We Still Face Challenges . . .

- ◆ Families and marriages under stress
 - financial pressures
 - relationship issues
- ◆ Personal struggles with worldliness
- ◆ Meeting needs of newcomers
 - reaching out to visitors
 - building relationships
- ◆ Motivating all to serve (involvement)
- ◆ Fostering individual spiritual growth

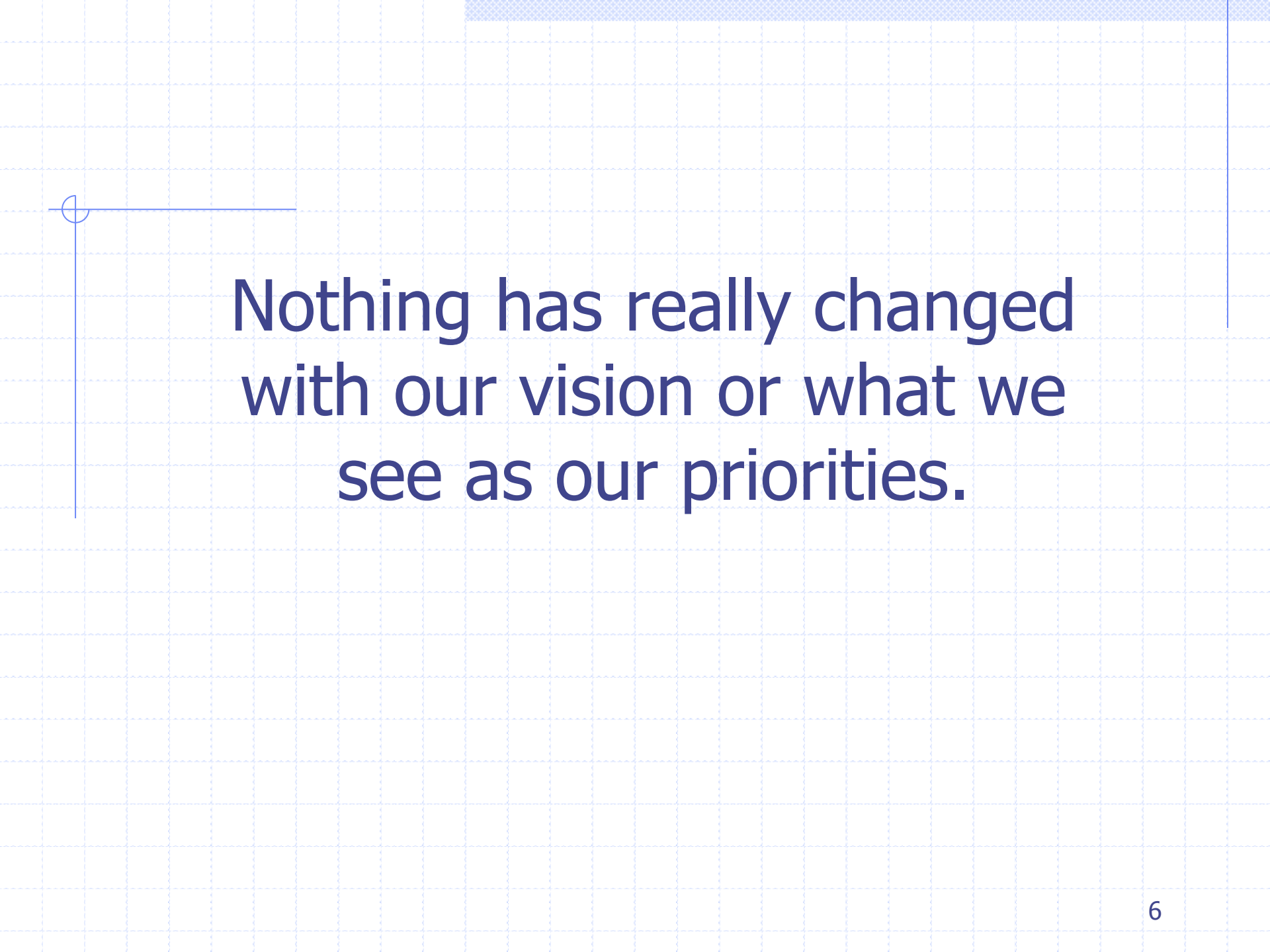
. . . But, We Have A Shared Vision

“To make, foster and grow
Disciples of Jesus Christ”

- ◆ Where a true disciple:
 - Loves the Lord – commitment
 - Learns from the Lord – studies
 - Follows the examples of the Lord – pattern
 - Serves the Lord – good works
- ◆ We want each member to be a true disciple of Jesus Christ

How Shall We Accomplish This?

- ◆ By setting examples and raising expectation in 7 key areas:
 - daily personal prayer life
 - daily personal Bible study
 - attending congregational worship every week
 - attending Bible class every Sunday
 - fellowshiping brethren (e.g., small groups)
 - involvement in a personal ministry of service
 - mentoring and being mentored for growth



**Nothing has really changed
with our vision or what we
see as our priorities.**

Results of the Past Year

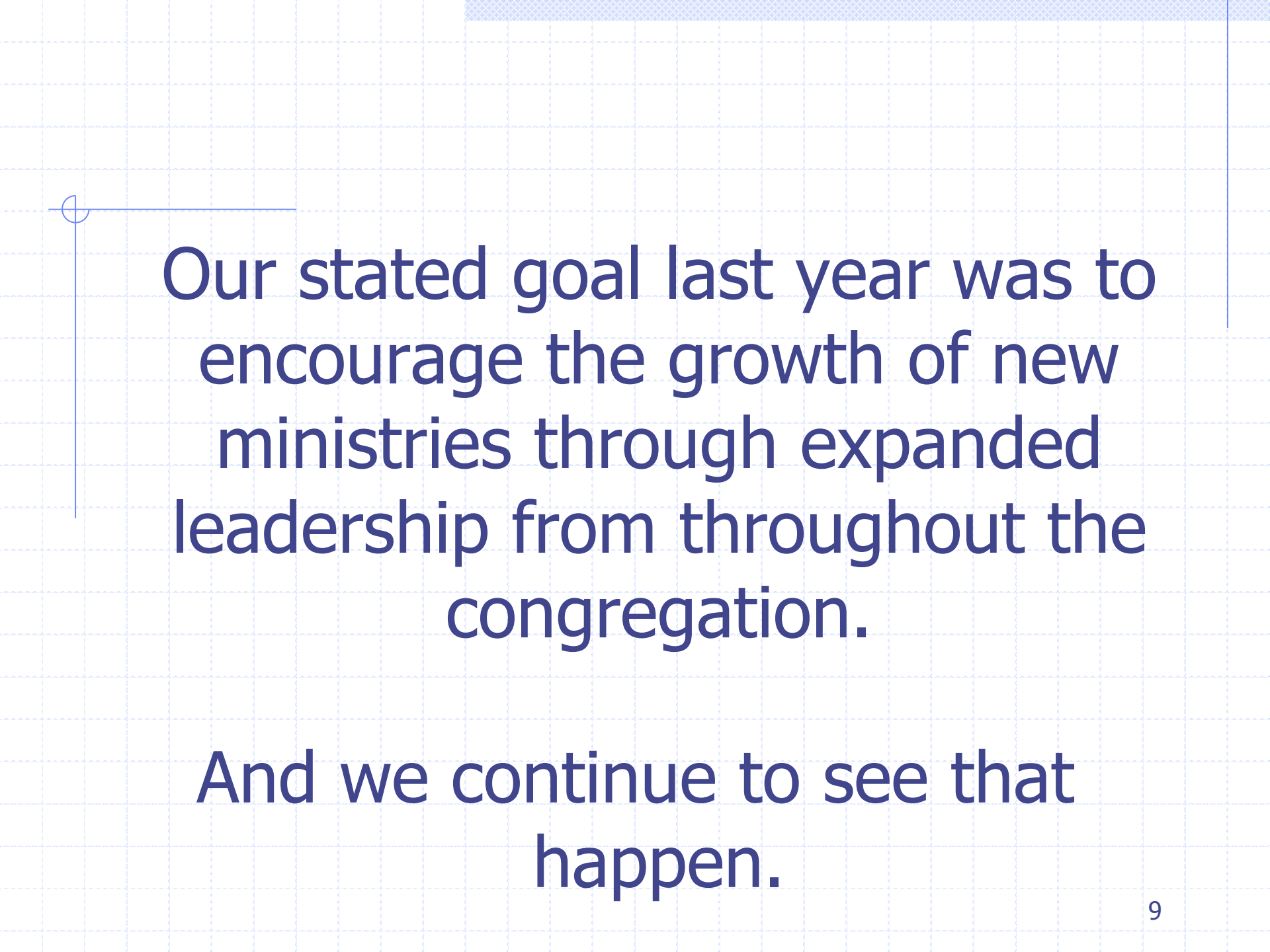
◆ Accomplishments

- Move to two services
- Minister transition plans
- Works committee – identifying leaders
- New deacons
- Singles ministry
- Men's ministry

Results of the Past Year

◆ Accomplishments (cont.)

- Ladies retreat
- Support of Wayne and Mary Sharp
- New website and formation of team for content maintenance
- Two seminars for the building up of families and marriages



Our stated goal last year was to encourage the growth of new ministries through expanded leadership from throughout the congregation.

And we continue to see that happen.

New and Transitioning Ministries

- ◆ Mentoring
- ◆ Pre-School Education Renovation
- ◆ Worship Development
- ◆ Awareness about seven key activities (from 20/20 vision)
- ◆ Measure and Report Progress on Various Activities and Ministries

This has been a year of laying
the foundation.

- establishing leaders
- establishing ministries
- preparing for growth

Congregational Statistics

- ◆ For the 1st six months of the calendar year
 - Sunday AM Worship down 3% (primarily in summer)
 - Sunday Class down 5%
 - Contribution up 1%



To keep from stagnating ,
we need new leaders to emerge.

2012 New Ministries Or Areas Needing Additional Leadership

◆ Inreach

- Pre-school education renovation ✓
- Support for parents
- Mentoring program ✓
- 21st century communication tools ✓
- Awareness about seven key activities (from 20/20 vision) ✓
- Measure and report progress on various activities and ministries ✓

2012 New Ministries Or Areas Needing Additional Leadership

◆ Outreach

- Outreach Sundays
- Personal evangelism training
- New initiatives for outreach

◆ Upreach

- Train those who serve in congregational worship ✓

Budget – Sources Of Income

- ◆ Your generous giving – \$13,270/week avg
- ◆ Changes in income for this coming year
 - 53 Sundays last year; 52 Sundays this year
 - Annual parking lease revenue \$22,766 last year; \$5,000 this year
 - This means \$31,000 must be made up over the year in increased weekly giving to break even

2013 / 2014 Budget

- ◆ Proposed Budget FY 2014 – \$14,100/week
 - 0.67% decrease over prior year annual budget
 - 3.47% increase over prior year weekly budgeted contribution

Budget – Where The Money Goes

	FY 12-13		FY 13-14	
Salaries	309,367	41.4%	297,159	40.0%
Facilities	104,320	14.0%	110,300	14.9%
Missions	179,319	24.0%	184,101	24.8%
Benevolence	62,500	8.4%	62,400	8.4%
In-Reach	37,500	5.0%	38,775	5.2%
Out-Reach	9,150	1.2%	9,300	1.3%
Education	20,525	2.7%	12,950	1.7%
General	25,050	3.4%	27,715	3.7%
Total	747,731	100.0%	742,700	100.0%

Budget – Expenses & Things To Note

◆ Areas of Increases

- Utilities
- Men's and Singles' Ministries
- Nursery Attendants

◆ Areas of Decrease

- Ladies Retreat
- Staffing for Growth

Want To Know More?

- ◆ This eldership is committed to transparency in the handling of money.
- ◆ The detailed budget is always posted.
 - Including salary information
- ◆ Presentation will be posted on Netherwood's website
- ◆ We are always available to answer any questions you may have.



Can We Still Grow?

Budget – Where We Would Like to Grow

◆ Missions

- Already identified new Thailand work

◆ Local Outreach Efforts

- Needs to be identified and developed

◆ Staffing for Growth

- Growth first?

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◆ Inreach

- Support for parents

We Believe We Have Removed The Visible Barriers to Growth

- ◆ We have addressed the physical limitations.
- ◆ Members are growing into new areas of leadership and service.
- ◆ A foundation has been laid
- ◆ We cannot allow things to stagnate



**Now is the Time to Reach Outside
Our Walls**