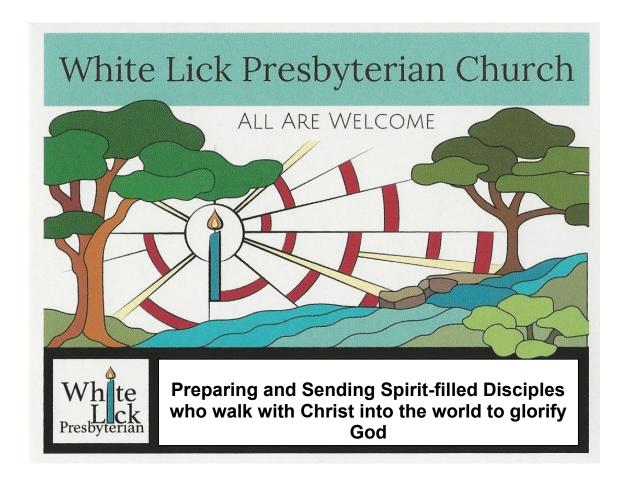
# 2018 Annual Report

# White Lick Presbyterian Church



You go nowhere by accident. Wherever you go, God is sending you. Wherever you are, God has put you there. God has a purpose in your being there. Christ who indwells you has something He wants to do through you, where you are. Believe this and go in His Spirit's grace and love and power.

**Halverson Benediction** 

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# Annual Congregational Meeting Annual Corporation Meeting White Lick Presbyterian Church February 3, 2019

Welcome and Opening Prayer Moderator: Rev. Daren Hofmann

Attendance: Call for a quorum Clerk of Session: Ginny Sheets

#### **Meetings of the Congregation**

Purpose of the Congregational meeting

The session shall call an annual meeting of the congregation each year to receive reports of the past year's activities and for the transaction of any business to include but not limited to:

- a) Receive annual reports from the church's ministries (information only)
- b) Receive financial report for the preceding year (information only)
- c) Receive budget for the current year (information only)
- d) Grant permission for the corporation to sell cemetery plots during the ensuring year; and,
- e) Review and approval of the terms of call for the pastor.

#### Purpose of the Corporation meeting

The White Lick Presbyterian Church corporation shall be maintained under the laws of the State of Indiana, to receive, hold, and transfer property and to facilitate the management of its temporal affairs on behalf of the congregation.

The Board of Directors, including its officers for the corporation shall be active ruling elders serving on session. The session shall elect officers for the corporation prior to the annual meeting of the congregation. The clerk of session shall serve as secretary for the corporation.

Board of Directors for 2019 as elected by the session on January 15, 2019 include: Erik Johnson, President Diane Buxton, Vice President Annetta Davis Mary Mitchell Virginia Sheets, Secretary

#### 2018 Annual Report

Moderator Daren Hofmann

Moderator: Rev. Daren Hofmann

Copies of the annual report are available at the meeting and will be sent electronically to members and friends who have email addresses registered with the church office. Hard copies will be available at the church and mailed upon request.

#### Annual meeting agenda continued

#### 2018 Financial Report

Treasurer Ron Hoke

#### 2019 Annual Budget

Budget summaries are included in this document of pages 5-6. The session has the responsibility for review of the financial status of the church and the approval of the annual budget. Details of final income and expenditures and the entire annual budget are available for review. Treasurer Ron Hoke shall make the presentation on behalf of the Finance Team.

#### Pastor's Terms of Call

Treasurer Ron Hoke

On behalf of the Finance Team, the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2019 can be found on page 6. The congregation will be asked to approve these terms of call.

#### **Recess the Congregational Meeting**

Moderator Daren Hofmann

#### **Convene the Business Meeting of the Corporation**

President Erik Johnson

The congregational meeting is recessed to conduct the business meeting of the corporation as follows:

<u>Sale of cemetery plots:</u> The congregation of White Lick Presbyterian Church grants permission to sell cemetery plots at White Lick Cemetery for the year 2019. Approval will enable the Building and Grounds Team acting under the authority of the session to sell cemetery plots without calling a special meeting during the year. Notification of any sale shall be recorded with the Board of Directors of White Lick Presbyterian Church as well as Whitewater Valley Presbytery.

Receive the 2018 annual financial statement as recorded in the Annual Report.

Receive the 2019 annual budget.

Adjourn the Corporation Meeting.

#### **Reconvening the Annual Congregational Meeting**

Moderator Daren Hofmann

Adjourn the Annual Meeting with prayer.

# Financial Report December 31, 2018

# 2019 Budget

#### INCOME:

Pledges	\$129,304
Non-pledged	22,593
Loose/plate offering	2,200
Per Capita share	2,200
Flowers (lily & poinsettia)	400
Kitchen Fund	700
Study books & materials	100
Youth Group	1,500
Stewardship envelopes	150
Miscellaneous	63

TOTAL INCOME \$159,210

#### **EXPENSES**:

Pastoral staff	\$ 73,527
Clerical support	4,244
Professional contracted staff	8,400
Employer TAX	325
Administrative	3,600
Buildings and Grounds	58,341
Worship	1,350
Education	1,700
Outreach	6,073
Hospitality/Deacons/Session	1,650

TOTAL EXPENSE \$159,210

# **Pastor's Terms of Call**

	2019	2018	2017	2016
Salary	13,757	13,734	11,552	11,412.50
Housing	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Effective Salary (presbytery minimum = 48,757)	48,757	48,734	46,552	46412.50
Self Employment Tax (presbytery = 7.65%)	3,730	3,728	3,562	3,551
Pension & Insurance (presbytery = 37%)	18,040	18,032	16,992	16,941
Professional Expenses reimbursement	500	1,000	500	800
Mileage reimbursement @ 54.5 cents	500	1,000	100	2,800
Continuing education	2,000	2,000	2,000	6,300
Medical reimbursement	0	500	0	500
403 B Match	0	1,000	0	1,000

Sabbatical Coverage	0	0	0	0
Total Pastor Expense	73,527	75,994	69,706	78,304.50

4 weeks annual paid vacation, including four Sundays 2 weeks annual paid professional development leave, including two Sundays

# **Message from Pastor Daren**



#### 2018 White Lick Church Officers

Minister of Word and Sacrament: Rev. Dr. Daren Hofmann

Clerk of Session: Virginia Sheets

Treasurer: Ron Hoke

**Deacons** 

Class of 2018 Sara Edwards (second term)

Jeannine Fancher (second térm)

Mary Ann Hoke (first term) Diana Temple (first term)

Class of 2019 Mary Eversman (first term)

Evelyn McKee (first term) Ron Hoke (first term)

Class of 2020 Linda Pyles (first term)

**Elders** 

Class of 2018 Maureen Boulanger (first term)

Mike Cooper (one year term)

Lynn Turner

Class of 2019 Mary Mitchell (second term)

Erik Johnson (first term)

Class of 2020 Diane Buxton (second term)

Virginia Sheets (first term)

#### **Corporation Officers**

<u>President:</u> Erik Johnson <u>Vice President:</u> Diane Buxton <u>Secretary:</u> Virginia Sheets Members: Session Elders

#### **Nominating Committee - 2018**

Erik Johnson, Moderator Mary Eversman, (deacons) Carol Johnson (PW) Ginny Sheets (member-at-large) Judi Starks (inactive ruling elder)

**2018 Membership Report** prepared by Virginia Sheets, Clerk of Session

Active Membership as of 12/31/2016 Active Membership as of 12/31/2017 Active Membership as of 12/31/2018	104 93 87
Gains:	0
No membership or confirmation classes were held. No membership transfers received.	
Losses:	6
<b>Deaths:</b> 01-Wayne Sheets, November 6, 2018 02-Linda Pyles, November 30, 2018	
Removed from the rolls: 03-Williams, Ted (moved to Ft. Wayne) 04-Williams, Joanne (moved to Ft. Wayne) 05-DiBenedetto, Chris (by request) 06-DiBenedetto, Kelly (by request)	
Members transferred:	
Active Membership as of 12/21/2018	87





# Mary Ann and Ron Hoke Easter cross

Mary Mitchell and Pastor Daren Holy Humor Sunday

### **Session Report**



prepared by Virginia Sheets, Clerk of Session



Session ruling elders are generally viewed as the *administrative* leaders of the church. Sure, elders meet the third Tuesday of the month to discuss the business of the church; review our financial status; and oversee the functioning of the various groups whose work is reflected in this annual report.

However, ruling elders serve a more important function which is often overlooked. So named as "ruling", elders are not elected to "lord it over" the congregation; but instead to "measure" its fidelity to the Word of God,

and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life. (Book of Order G-2.0301) In essence, ruling elders are charged with leading in a manner that the congregation "may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. (Colossians 1:10". That charge is more difficult than reviewing budgets and finding volunteers to mow grass. "Spiritual wisdom" is a whole lot more than worship, prayer, and Bible study but instead encompasses all aspects of a healthy congregation: fellowship, hospitality, mission, outreach, discipleship.

In 2018, Whitewater Valley Presbytery began a multi-year initiative to explore at its quarterly meetings the elements that increase congregational vitality. Session elders who attended these meetings as commissioners for White Lick have participated in these discussions and incorporated their learnings into the study of servant leadership as a spiritual discipline at the monthly session meetings. Using scripture and works of contemporary writers, Pastor Daren has guided these discussions on the Life Cycle of Congregations; understanding and using spiritual gifts; living into our church's vision as Spirit-filled disciples; understanding our history and traditions yet recognizing the need for change (in essence: "What to keep and what to let go"); transitioning from "volunteer" to "servanthood". All discussions are directed at strengthening the leadership of the elders who in turn are charged with leading the congregation.

This exploration of servant leadership will continue and be expanded to other members of the congregation during 2019 as we become involved in another step of the presbytery's Vital Congregations initiative—New Beginnings. As you are invited to

participate in the New Beginnings work, consider how you can increase your *spiritual wisdom* using your spiritual gifts to build up the body of Christ here at White Lick. As disciples of Jesus, we are all servant leaders charged to serve NOT be served.

#### **Board of Deacons**



prepared by Sara Edwards, Moderator

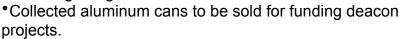
The office of deacon is one of sympathy, witness and service after the example of Jesus Christ. The deacons of White Lick Church are called on to serve the needs of the congregation by ministering to the elderly, those who are ill or having surgery, and those in distress.

<u>2018 Deacons:</u> Sara Edwards (Moderator), Mary Ann Hoke, Jeannine Fancher, Mary Eversman, Diana Temple, Evie McKee, Ron Hoke, Linda Pyles

#### In 2018, the Board of Deacons:

- Prepared and served communion for second service.
- Delivered food and meals to shut-ins.
- Maintained their assigned Community Care Groups by phone calls, visits and greeting cards.
- Maintained the Urgent Prayer Chain, by calling for specific prayers.
- Provided funeral lunches as needed.
- Donated \$25, in memory of each person who passed away this year.
- Participated in Sunday fellowship lunches, as scheduled.

 Provided and delivered Mothers' Day bags of personal items, to the mothers at Sheltering Wings.



- •Organized and presented several no-charge programs for the congregation, as listed here:
- March 3 GAME NIGHT. Refreshments and door prizes.
- August 18 WOMEN'S RETREAT. Half-day program by Rev. Melissa Bauzo, & refreshments.
- September 15 MUSIC CONCERT. Return of MISSION quartet.
- October 27 FALL MASQUERADE PARTY. Games & refreshments.



Eversman and Evelyn McKee (pictured at the Masquerade Party)

Deacons meetings for 2019 will remain on Wednesdays, but change from 7:00 to 6:00.

### **Buildings and Grounds Ministry Team**

prepared by Ginny Sheets, B&G team member



The Buildings and Grounds Ministry Team suffered two major losses in the deaths of Wayne Sheets and Linda Pyles. Linda had worked hard in restoring the headstones at the cemetery in 2017 and had done much of the mowing until mid summer. Wayne also was a regular on the mower and took charge of surveying the cemetery plots and maintaining the cemetery records.

Special thanks to Eric Brooks who took over the mowing duties. Eric stepped in when desperately needed and kept our grounds looking clean and well maintained.

Jeanette Blackstone, Jackie Rosales, and Sara Edwards took the lead in keeping our flower beds weeded. With the help of Kent Rumbaugh, the Easter lilies were transplanted and added to our cluster from previous years in the south bed.

Ginny Sheets resealed the deck at the outdoor worship center after it had been power washed by Dave and Shirley Halterman. Special thanks to David Erhart, Ginny's nephew, who blew the leaves out of the cemetery in late November. Outdoor workdays in the Spring and the Fall have been essential to keeping our grounds attractive to those who view our church in the wildwood as a peaceful sanctuary.

Our budget allowed us to hire the Sisters of Shine to clean our church facility replacing our volunteer Gleam Team. Dave Halterman and Dave Fancher remain our "go to guys" when a repair is needed or service required. Tom Jackson makes daily visits to empty the trash, pick up mail, and just ensure everything is "decent and in order" as a good Presbyterian church should be.

Thanks to everyone who has pulled a weed or picked up a piece of litter; participated in a workday; or sent the church a donation in memory of Wayne and Linda's contributions to Buildings and Grounds. All is appreciated.

# **Christian Education and Discipleship**







Leadership: Mary Mitchell, Lynn Turner, Ginny Sheets, Sarah Hofmann

#### Children and youth:

Sunday school for elementary ages is held nearly every Sunday during 10:30 worship, taught by Sarah Hofmann.

An Easter egg hunt was held on Sun. April 1st.

Montreat: The annual Pancake Supper and Game Show night are both fundraisers that support White Lick youth attendance at Montreat youth conference. In 2018 Lynn Turner and Becca Turner attended Week 3 of Montreat Youth conference. Mary Mitchell served as a small group leader the same week. Lynn, Becca and Mary all led worship on youth Sunday July 22nd.

Christmas Pageant on Dec 9th and a ginger bread house decorating evening on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> were highlights of the Advent season for youth and their families.

#### Adults:

Mary Mitchell led a Wednesday evening Bible study Wisdom of the Old Testament. Videos and discussion questions were posted on the group Facebook page.

Monday afternoon Bible study group led by Daren Hofmann meets at Crestwood Village.

#### Family:

White Lick Presbyterian participated in several community events this year. Several families participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Brownsburg. Several folks also participated in National Night Out in Avon on Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>. We also participated in Trail and Treat at Williams Park in Brownsburg the Saturday before Halloween.



### **Hospitality**

Prepared Sara Edwards, Team Leader

**MISSION:** To serve God by encouraging our faith community and welcoming everyone with love, friendship and care. This includes working with other teams to create a welcoming atmosphere in and around the Church.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Sara Edwards, Jeannine Fancher and others who pitch in to help with food and cleanup.

**FOCUS:** Our main responsibility revolves around the Fellowship Lunches, which are provided to the congregation on most Sundays, after 10:30 service. We schedule them with the various mission teams who take turns preparing and serving the meals. We assist those teams who need help. The Hospitality team is scheduled to provide lunch about six times a year.

We keep the kitchen stocked with paper goods, beverages and condiments, for use by anyone in the Church.

- The first Sunday of each month is Pitch-In, where everyone brings a dish to share. On those days, we make drinks, facilitate the food line and do the cleanup.
- We also try to greet visitors and encourage all to join us for lunch (as we hope everyone else does too.)
- We make an effort to decorate the Welcome Center and Wildwood Café as seasons change, as well as participate in Hanging of the Greens.
- We are available to help facilitate picnics, dinners and other projects, as needed.





#### **Mission and Outreach Team**

#### prepared by Lynn Turner

Members: Diane Buxton, Gerald George, Terry George, Dave Halterman, Shirley Halterman, Lynn Turner.

#### Accomplishments for 2018:

- 1) Purchased gas cards for anyone in need.
- 2) Mission Team donated funds for school supplies for Avon schools.
- 3) Purchased gift cards from Kroger for (3) families from Avon Intermediate East for Christmas.
- 4) Members of the Mission Team and the congregation donated food items for the three Avon Int. East families and donated toys and clothes for these families through the Giving Tree
- 5) Supported the Cornerstone Food Pantry collecting donations the second Sunday of each month (January- September).
- 6) Participated with Indy Love Train donating clothing items.
- 7) Participated with serving lunch at Good News Mission.
- 8) Donated to Sheltering Wings with \$250 for items needed.
- 9) Donated \$250 to PAL.
- 10) Donated funds to Get Real.
- 11) Third Annual Day of Caring was held Sunday, September 16.

#### Projects planned for 2019:

- 1) Continue serving at the Good News Mission.
- 2) Continue contributing clothes and supplies to Indy Love Train.
- 3) Helping with Sheltering Wings.
- 4) Continue with gas cards.
- 5) Helping families in need during Christmas or any other time throughout the year.
- 6) Help with heat/light bills for those in need.
- 7) Assist PAL group with \$250.00 to help with refreshments and supplies.
- 8) Continue to help Avon Schools at Thanksgiving & Christmas with food & gift donations.
- 9) Continue assistance with Get Real.
- 10) Continue with the Day of Caring.

#### A closer look at White Lick Presbyterian Mission Ministries-

#### **Good News Mission**



Good News Mission located in Indianapolis serves over 1,000 men who come to the mission every year in search of food and shelter. Good News provides clothing, medical care, educational or vocational training assistance and counseling as needed.

White Lick Presbyterian volunteers serve at Good News Mission approximately once a month including serving a meal, cleaning-up after the meal and sharing the gospel. There are

three volunteers who served at Good News Mission in 2018- Robby & Lynn Turner and Pastor Daren. There is a need for 4 additional White Lick volunteers to serve a few months of the year, to maintain a personal relationship with Good News Mission, in addition to the financial relationship that White Lick has through donations of non-perishable food items, clothing, and monetary donations. Contact Lynn Turner for additional information.



#### **Indy Love Train**

An outreach that started 8 years ago downtown Indy. We serve to feed and clothe our brothers and sisters of the homeless/poor community. White Lick has been a part of Indy Love Train all 8 years. Location is Unity church on Delaware St, Indy. Many donations have come from our congregation including Clothing (weather appropriate), hygiene items, blankets, sleeping bags, canned food etc. are always needed. A meal is cooked and served by the volunteers every month. Volunteers consists of all denominations who have a heart to serve the least of God's children. What can happen when volunteering:

Be the hands and feet of Christ and receive more than you give- Indy love Train also has a Facebook page, just type, Indy Love Train, on Search.

#### 2018 Day of Caring



On September 16 (8:30-noon), our church participated in the third annual "Day of Caring" along with other churches in our Presbytery. The White Lick community gathered for worship at 8:30 and spent the rest of the morning in service. A total of 96, gallon sized Blessing bags stuffed with food, clothing, and hygiene products were given to members to carry in their cars for the homeless and sent to Good

News Mission. Cookies were baked for First Responders. Two homebound church families, Fischers and Thompsons were visited. Two assisted living facilities were visited. Some volunteers worked on projects around the church facility.

#### Avon Intermediate School East P.R.I.D.E

The Mission team collected food for our outreach to Avon Intermediate –



East school families. The food was used to help families stretch meals over the Christmas Break. Non-perishable items were collected.



A special "Thank You" for all who helped with our Mission ministry this year.



# PAL (Parents of Addicted Loved Ones)

prepared by Facilitators Jeanette Krohne and Diane Buxton

MISSION: PAL provides hope, through education and support, to parents of addicted loved ones.

Last year we couldn't believe we were going on five years of facilitating a PAL group here at White Lick. We just passed six years this past October.

In 2017 we lost 72,000 beautiful souls to the opioid epidemic alone. That does not include alcohol and other drugs. Consequently, a lot of growth not only nationally but here in Indiana continues to happen. Nationally we now have 132 meetings in 33 states versus last year 53 meetings and 23 states. Here in Indiana there are 13 meetings versus last year 6 meetings.

#### PAL at White Lick

With God's help we continue to give hope to 10-30 members every Thursday night We have spoken at churches, organizations in Hendricks county and surrounding counties. White Lick facilitators:

- Mentor new facilitators
- Attend events such as presbytery meeting and National Night Out with a PAL table to educate.
- Continue to see and hear the hope in our Pal's.
- Take phone calls for those that need support.
- Serve on other boards and task forces dedicated to overcoming the current drug crisis in our communities, counties, state, and country.
- Were published in two articles in national magazines: *Presbyterian Outlook* and *Money Magazine*.

Please pray for those that suffer from this disease and their families. We are humbled that God is using us and thankful we lived it so we can help others. We are thankful for Pastor Daren and our White Lick Family that continues to support us. We are thankful for PW and the generous gift to help start a new PAL meeting in Indiana.

### White Lick Presbyterian Women (PW)



2018 Officers:

Mary Ann Hoke, Moderator Sara Edwards, Secretary Lynn Turner, Treasurer

Everything we do as an organization and as a community is guided by our purpose, and that includes ministry, resources and relationships.

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:

- to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
- to support the mission of the church worldwide,
- to work for justice and peace, and
- to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

All women are invited to participate in White Lick Presbyterian Women. We meet the third Monday of the month, at 7:00 pm, at the Church. Usually we gather at 5:15 pm at Charbono's restaurant, in Avon, for fellowship and a meal before our meetings.

#### 2018 Activities and Projects:

- Made a craft card project (mini picture) from fabric materials led by Mary Ann Hoke;
- Jeannette Krohne and Diane Buxton presented information on the PAL group;
- Collected and delivered Mother's Day gifts to the women of Sheltering Wings;
- Sponsored a Spring Banquet with entertainment from the Tri West Middle School Choir;
- Organized the annual Dessert Fest /Bake Sale;
- Organized the annual Chili Supper/Bake Sale;
- Assembled and delivered 17 Christmas Cheer Baskets:
- Prepared and served quarterly Fellowship Lunches;
- Amy Chambliss gave a demonstration on how to make a flower arrangement.

#### 2018 PW Donations:

Get Real Ministries (\$600) Good News Mission (\$400) Sheltering Wings (\$400) Montreat Youth Trip (\$500) Get Real Mission Trip (\$500) PAL Donation (\$200) Pittsboro Church Food Pantry (\$200) Tri West Choir (\$100) Least Coin Offering (\$85.55)



# Worship



prepared by Amy Chambliss, Lead team member

Team: Pastor Daren Hofmann, Mary Mitchell, Diane Buxton

1 Chronicles 29: Ascribe to the Lord the glory and honor due his name; Bring an offering of thanksgiving, and come before Him; Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.



2 0 1 8 Worship Highlights: The 8:30 order of worship w a s changed to



accommodate a smaller group of people. It is a

- service of ritual, common liturgy, and a more contemplative service.
- The Easter Sunrise, and 10:30 Easter services as planned and implemented were meaningful and well attended.
- Summer/early fall service's were planned and implemented for the first Sunday of June, July, August, September, October at 10:30 only.
- Pentecost Sunday May 20 Mary Mitchell decorated the sanctuary for a service of celebration.
- July 22 was Youth/ Montreat Sunday. Mary Mitchell presented the sermon. Mary, Lynn Turner, and the youth led the service. The theme for Montreat was "Lift Every Voice"
- July 29 services were led by Amy Chambliss. Amy presented the sermon, which
  was a sensory sermon on her interpretation of Psalm 139. The congregation was
  asked to close their eyes and use their remaining senses to experience God
  through the words of the sermon, and imagination.
- October 7 -World Communion Sunday. The theme was Global Christianity as we are connected through the body of Christ. The Communion table was draped with colorful fabrics, and Mary Mitchell provided breads from around the world.
- October 14, 21, 28 the theme for the worship series was falling in love with Jesus again, and renewing our faith in him. The first sermon was on faith; the second on hope; and, the third on love.
- Mary Mitchell set up a table in the Welcome Center with strips of fabric, and permanent markers. On November 4th and November 11th, the congregation was asked to write what they are thankful for on a strip of fabric. Mary took the strips of fabric and sewed them into a beautiful tapestry and placed it on the Communion table for Stewardship Sunday on November 18th.
- Longest Night Service was planned and took place on Sunday December 16th at 6pm. The service focused on people dealing with loss, grief, or loneliness during the holiday season. Mary Mitchell, and Amy Chambliss presented original poems, during the service.

I want to thank each member of the Worship Team for their creativity, imagination, and dedication in honoring our God, and Lord Jesus. I truly appreciate the love they each have for our Lord, and our loving church family. I look forward to the blessings and ideas God will give the Worship Team during 2019.