

Dear Reader,

As we finish another year, it amazes me to see what God has done. Specifically in the past two years, much has happened in and through GCPP. We are a small church in the hands of the Great Almighty. In our church family, we have grown knowing that **we are diverse and that diversity brings opportunities to grow stronger and be united**. At the same time, it brings challenges as we stretch ourselves to uncomfortable situations for the sake of inclusion and equality in areas of race, culture, language, education, economics, and age. My heart is filled with assured hope of what He will do during the next season in our unique and powerful church.

At GCPP, we support and engage with the community in the following key areas: **mental health services, teen mothers mentoring, supporting immigrants, and education/school achievement**. We are initiating big and small things in our community like our new communal garden and children's summer camps. This year, a mural was begun at the church. It is an image of a migratory bird and a symbol of our faith.

Looking ahead, we pray that the people in our church might continue to serve each other with their gifts. This past year, four people graduated from the first level of theology studies. We have encouraged new teachers, band leaders, and servant volunteers to give their talents to grow the church. Everyone is a unique piece in God's master artwork. Together, we make the church alive and whole.

Prayers for a New Year:

- **Greater love for our neighbors to bring hope and a better future to our city.**
- **Expansion of our youth arts program. This Summer, we pray that we can offer art and sports camps in the community.**
- **Growth in numbers at our small church. Our challenges are many because we are a diverse and inclusive family.**
- **Deep relationship between our youth and God. Specifically, we pray for the youth enrolled at CanZion Institute which teaches music through a Christian perspective.**

Do you feel called to support us financially in these goals? See info on giving to GCPP at gcbpatterson.com/giving.

We cannot wait to see what God will do next year and we welcome you to join us in our ministry.



Sincerely,
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