

## “Finally! Thank You Lord!”

After several years of growth and more growth, many hours of praying, planning, gathering resources and then some more prayer, God brought us to the first week of May 2014. May 1 was our official groundbreaking date, followed by Groundbreaking Sunday on May 4. Since then, we have seen the first signs of construction. Finally! And, we thank God for where He has brought us, remembering –

*Unless the LORD builds the house,  
the builders labor in vain.  
Unless the LORD watches over the city,  
the guards stand watch in vain.  
(Psalm 127:1)*

Approximately ten months from now we will have a completed project, one that will line-up with our goal of no new long term debt. With \$3,029,099.48 in the bank, that looks doable. Again, Thank you Lord.



The next many months will be exciting as we enjoy the weekly progress of the new building. It will also be a busy time in preparation for a whole new chapter in our life together. One focus for our leadership will be the re-configuration of our present building. A task force, led by Mike Barnhart, has already started planning what will happen with existing space. Early

reports from Mike’s team are almost as exciting as the new addition. And, of course, there are many, many other things that we need to do as we get ready to move into a new beginning for Gateway.

But here is a big question. When should we stop growing and building? When should we stop trying to reach people for Christ and direct more energy to taking care of ourselves? When is it time to stop talking, thinking and caring about others and spend more time making sure our present people are happy, growing and prospering in the Lord? When will we reach the place where we can turn over all the evangelistic work to other churches? That day will come when we shed our purpose as a church on mission, when we say to the Lord, “We are ready to decline and decay and die.” Let’s never forget that our identity is a *missional church*. We exist to “connect people to Jesus Christ and to one another.” And that’s a mission that means we will always be young, vital, excited, blessed, promise-driven and growing.

In other words there is no “finally” – only “Thank You Lord!”

Praying with you,  
Pastor Ben



Above, Pastors Ben Borsay and Craig Cramer arrive in style to the groundbreaking ceremony. Bottom Photo L-R: Jack Berry, Midwest Builders; Jeff Shrader, Fifth Third Bank; Ben Borsay, Gateway Church; Ron Love, Gateway Church Building Campaign Co-Chair; Mitch Welty, Gateway Church Building Committee Chairperson.

## All The King's Daughters Enjoy the Spring Tea

The sparkles of tiaras, the giggles of little girls, and the smiles of women brightened Gateway's Worship Center on Saturday, May 3 as "All the King's Daughters" gathered. The transformation of the room to spring green and raspberry pink caused wide-eyes and great anticipation!

This "invest and invite" event was for girls and women of all ages. The Princess theme made way for the focus to be on The King! A child-friendly tea luncheon that served over 200 women and girls included: heart shaped cream cheese sandwiches, ham pinwheels, cucumber tea sandwiches, pizza baguettes, sausage wraps, cheese and grapes, veggies and dip, and Jello topped with a flower marshmallow. Tea, lemonade, and fruit tart dessert cookie and mini cupcake rounded out the menu.



All the food and decorations were crafted by an amazing committee headed by Heagan Sparling. While each princess enjoyed lunch they were also treated to "My Child, My Princess: A parable about the King" by Beth Moore and read by Tara McBride, followed by a devotional by Mackenzie Lyon, and entertainment by VIP (Voices in Perfection) from Findlay High School. A huge THANK YOU goes to the committee and the men of Gateway who served, as well as those who graciously made donations: Christian Book & Gift Findlay, The Gilded Chair, Drs. Yoder and Alammarr, The Sweet Retreat, and The Swan House.



### The Gateway App

If you haven't yet, download the Gateway App to your smartphone to access sermon audio and video along with quick access to the Bible. Click here to download the Gateway App: [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).

# Prayers for the DR Mission Trip

Forty-two youth and chaperones will be traveling to Barahona, Dominican Republic for two different weeks in June to work with the students of Ebenezer School. They will be doing different sports camps as an avenue for sharing the Gospel. They will be doing basketball, volleyball and

soccer camps to build relationships and develop skills. They will also be doing some painting, construction and then anything else that needs to be done. The team is very thankful for the opportunity to share Christ with the Dominicans and for the support that Gateway Church has already given them.



Some of the DR Mission Trip Youth

## Youth Attending:

Jeb Bishop  
Lindsey Bishop  
Jake Bixler  
Lizzie Bookmyer  
Graham Copus  
Hunter Copus  
Grace Dickmann  
McKenna DiRe  
Trevor Distel  
Sarah Frendo

Shelby George  
Rachel George  
Monica Gupta  
Derek Gupta  
Mitch Hann  
Michaela Long  
Erin Long  
Gabby Lyon  
Mackenzie Lyon  
Sam McGhee  
Caitlen Patrick

Griffin Rath  
Owen Rath  
Lydia Reineke  
Kaitlin Reineke  
Joshua Seitz  
Lisa Simmons  
Colton Smith  
Logan Thomas  
Kayla Trevino  
Laura Wilson  
Jeremy Wilson

## Meet our Missionaries

### Lyn Loewen / Youth For Christ Van Buren Campus Life – Findlay, OH

YFC reaches young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to prayer and the Word of God, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement.

Lyn has been with YFC since 1987. His personal mission statement is 'to use the gifts and talents that the Lord has given him to share Jesus Christ with others by any and all possible means.' Lyn also has a life verse: Philippians 1:6 "He who began a good work within you will carry it on to completion until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ." He enjoys spending time with high school and junior high students at Van Buren and being involved in their various activities. Lyn is married to his best friend Lori.



### Terry & Pattie Jones Impact Asia Ministries

Impact Asia Ministries is the missionary outreach of Brother Terry and his faithful wife, Pattie. They lived in India and Sri Lanka a total of over nine years. Their two sons, Nathan and Timothy, were both born in Sri Lanka.



Terry first served two years in Northeast India with Operation Mobilization from 1968-1970. He was the only American on a team of seven Indian brothers. They preached in the open air and sold Gospel packets and Bibles. In those days, there were few churches in North India.

These close friendships laid the foundation for Impact Asia Ministries. I AM is a "Barnabas" or Encourager ministry that has helped raise millions of dollars for national workers and projects mostly in India and Sri Lanka. Terry teaches in Bible Colleges and training centers in South Asia with the goal of raising up men and women of God who truly reflect the character of Jesus Christ. Hundreds of churches have been planted through these servants of God.

### Chris & Debbie Gibson EPC's World Outreach Budapest, Hungary

Pastoral care is a natural fit for Chris & Debbie as they readily come alongside everyone they meet, bringing a cup of cool water for the soul. They have not retired from the pastorate but—after many fruitful years in pastoral ministry—are finally living their original vision



and calling: to join and encourage Christian leaders involved in cross-cultural ministry through soul care. Chris has both a master's degree in divinity and counseling, years of extensive experience on a church staff, and served as senior pastor for 10 years. Based in Budapest, Hungary, the Gibson's minister to missionaries and pastors living and working in Central and Eastern Europe.

## \$5,700 Donated

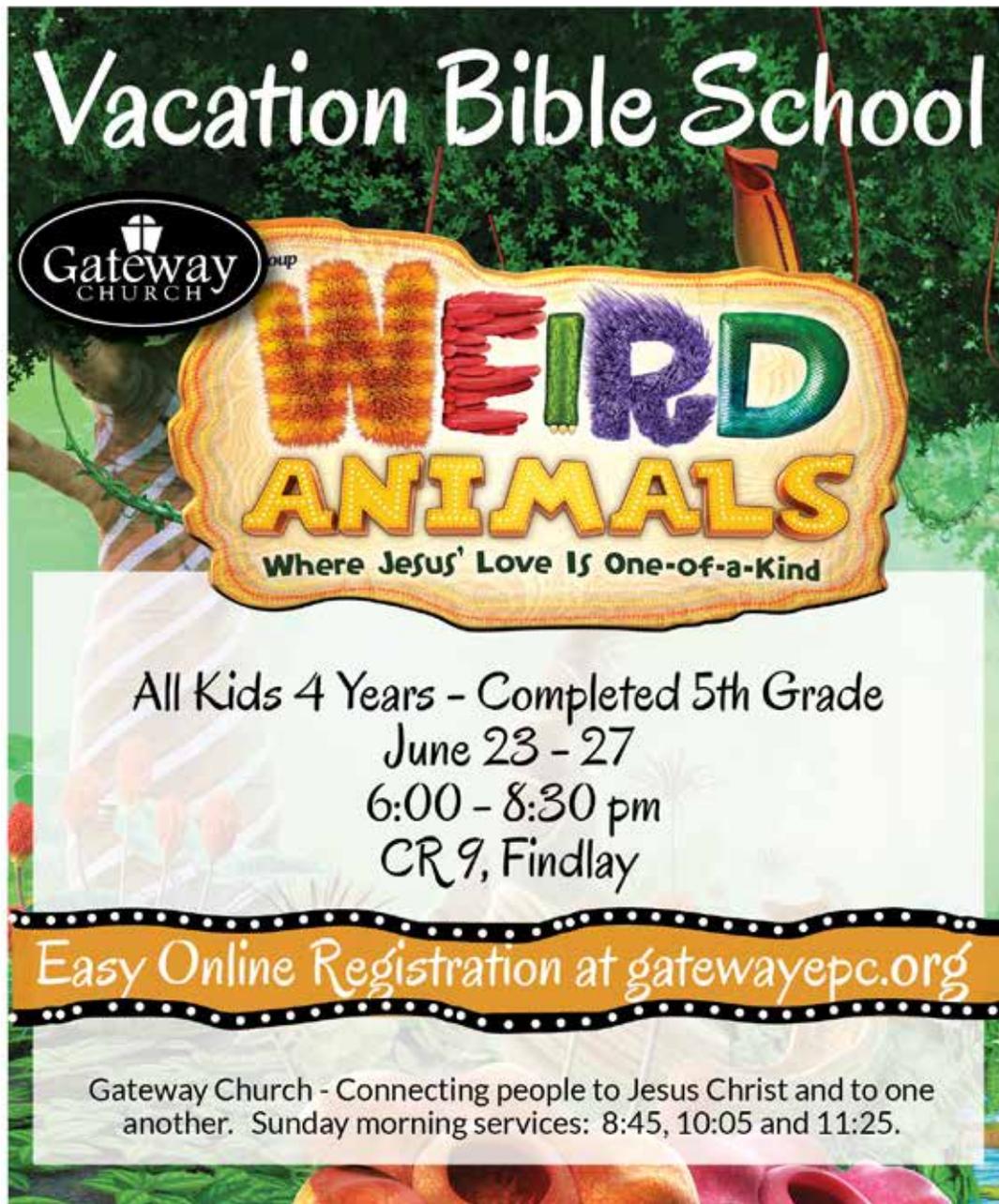
Every year, the Gateway family collects money in baby bottles to donate to the Women's Resource Center of Hancock County. This year, Gateway collected approximately \$5,700 which was \$1,500 higher than last year's donation. Thank you to all who participated!



## Infant Dedication Photos

Congratulations to our infants dedicated in May. 1-Evelynn Ruth Hricko, 2-Landry Moore Harringer, 3-Tenley Grace Glaser, 4-Halle Grace Akers, 5-Weston James Kempf, 6-Averie Briella Marquart, 7-Sawyer David Sparling, 8-Ruby Bess Peterson, 9-Sophia Valentina Gons, 10-Gavin Lucas Lehman, 11-Logan McConnahea, 12-Alexa Ruth Tan, 13-Bristol Elaine Brunswick, 14-Lucas Gene Nungester, 15-Brogan De McBride





# Vacation Bible School

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## WEIRD ANIMALS

Where Jesus' Love Is One-of-a-Kind

All Kids 4 Years - Completed 5th Grade  
June 23 - 27  
6:00 - 8:30 pm  
CR 9, Findlay

Easy Online Registration at [gatewayepc.org](http://gatewayepc.org)

Gateway Church - Connecting people to Jesus Christ and to one another. Sunday morning services: 8:45, 10:05 and 11:25.

More than 250 volunteers needed. Everyone has a skill we can use!  
You don't need to be a "long-time Gateway attendee/member" to help.  
Donations needed. Check the lobby for a list of items.  
New Easy Online Registration.  
T-Shirts & Music CD's Available for Purchase.  
Ask & Invite. Your children can bring their friends!