

Coordinator of Volunteers Annual Report

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Activities

I spend much of my time planning various events, generally with the assistance of a resource team. This past year I focused on the planning of a Pastor/Spouse Retreat in November and a pastor meeting in January. In addition to coordinating the logistics for Cluster Meetings, I was kept busy planning for the missional event featuring Meghan Good and Marvin Lorenzana along with planning the Annual Conference Assembly. I also met regularly with the Leadership Team, the Ministry Development Team, the Gifts Discernment Team, the Missional Planning Team and the Gathered Planning Team.

Affirmations

It is always energizing to see participation at Ohio Conference activities. During the previous twelve months, more than 500 people attended these events. There was representation from approximately 75 percent of our churches in at least one event during the previous year.

It is always inspiring to see how everyone's unique gifts work together. As I interact with many different people, I often see someone becoming very energized when they are asked to serve in a capacity fitting for their passion. The fruit of using their gift and passion then becomes visible to all. It is a joy to see people excited to participate and share their gifts with others.

Concerns

When working in the capacity of Coordinator of Volunteers, the influence of our busy culture is often prevalent. Whether it is lack of participation at certain events or the sometimes arduous task of filling positions, the lack of time felt by many is at times obvious. This translates into some difficulty in being able to meet certain needs and fill positions in Ohio Conference.

Actions

As this next year begins, I would enjoy hearing from you concerning your interests and passions and how you may be interested in becoming more involved in Ohio Conference. I encourage you to become involved in the church in whatever way fits your gifts. May we each be willing to use our unique gifts to be the hands and feet of God as we work together as His people.