



Citywide Prayer Movement Kansas City

Connecting in Friendship
Uniting in Prayer
Partnering in Mission



For to us a child is born, To us a Son is given, And the government shall be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Christmas 2016

To Our Dear Friends and Partners,

Twelve years ago I can remember telling Barb that I sensed God calling me to take a Leap of Faith and to become a “friend to the city” and invite leaders to deeper prayer and unprecedented unity in mission. WOW! This January 2017 I will begin my 12th year as the full-time Executive Director of CPM and my 32nd year as pastor. I feel like I am living a dream from God as I witness ongoing citywide unity and growth of prayer locally and globally. We have also witnessed some wonderful steps forward in the KC movement of Racial Healing! Thank YOU, Lord! Barb and I and our team are so encouraged to continue pressing on for even Greater Things! We are grateful for you as we reflect with deep affection on the gift of your friendship. May the LORD richly bless you and your family with His PRESENCE this Christmas and New Year!

With the Affections of Christ,
Pastor Gary and Barbara Schmitz



60+ KC Pastors Stand TOGETHER for Racial Healing

BRINGING LEADERS TOGETHER IN GOD’S PRESENCE

- ♦ **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER:** We hosted 6 NDP events and several citywide gatherings for fervent prayer and worship.
- ♦ **VILLAGE FIRE PASTOR GATHERINGS:** This past year we began our 12th VF. God is doing a wonderful work deepening friendships, releasing faith-filled prayer and collaborating TOGETHER in mission in regions across the city!
- ♦ **REVIVING A CULTURE OF PRAYER** in churches and ministries! We serve and envision several congregations and ministries in the city.



Left to right: Village Fire Leaders Gathering, Shawnee Village Fire Catalyst Teams, Prayer Summit 2016 Prayer for KC Region

SERVING A CONVERGENCE OF PRAYER AND MISSIONS

- ♦ **CARING FOR KIDS:** Ms. Nancy Mitchell serves as our full-time Executive Director of CFK. I now function as Board Chair and Founder. CFK now serves in 114 schools and has engaged 174 churches, 115 businesses, and 957 volunteer mentors!
- ♦ **ELEVATE KC Coalition:** I continue to serve on the executive team addressing injustices of Fatherlessness, Education, Human Trafficking, and Racial Healing.
- ♦ **SEEK GOD FOR THE CITY:** We mobilized 6200 people to pray 40 days from Lent to Palm Sunday, involving 51 churches using the **Seek God** prayer guide!
- ♦ **WE CONTINUE TO SERVE** local mayors, Health Departments, and Fire and Police Departments by simply asking, "How can we help?" and being faithful to BE the answer.

WORKING WITH LEADERS OF INFLUENCE

- ♦ I have been invited to share the unique Kingdom Values we steward here in KC at several national gatherings of city transformation leaders at Movement Day NYC; City Advance Portland, OR; etc. Helping leaders of influence increase kingdom impact and build a healthy body of Christ is rewarding.



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*Thank you for your friendship, prayers
and financial support.*

*Pastor Gary & Barb, Luke, Tiffany and
TWIN grandsons David and Josiah!!!*

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