

December 16, 2012



RECENT ADDITIONS

Added through baptism unless otherwise noted.

6/27 Alma Martinez
6/27 Tiffany Burton
6/30 Roberto Gamez
7/5 Jessica Sosa
7/8 Mari Pili Zepeda
7/8 Brenda Avila
7/15 Patty Camancho (*restoration*)
7/18 Anita Simmons
7/18 Tiyana Carthan
7/22 David Martinez
7/22 Hector Estrada
7/25 Yoann Bakala
7/29 Lorena Arcos
8/14 Celia Wills
8/23 Brandon Traylor
8/31 Begina Armstrong (*placed membership*)
9/2 Maria Mauricio
9/5 Janette Alvarez
9/17 Fabian Chagolla
9/23 Roy Sanders
9/22 Constantina Mora
9/23 Sausha Cutler
9/26 Vero Magdaleno
10/2 Britney Martin
10/4 Glenn Kramer
10/7 Griselda Hernandez
10/14 Jeremy Mack
10/17 Joselyn Mora
10/20 Gideon Redic
10/28 Melania Garcia
10/30 Brandon McKinney
11/4 Ciera Marcano
11/6 Britany Holmes
11/12 Mafe Nino
11/14 Adriana Maria
11/26 Elizabeth Vargas
11/26 lescha Clegg
12/2 Kate Glaso
12/2 Scott Kirkland
12/9 Akinwande Oyebanjo
12/12 Helena Zhang

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Chicago International
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Welcome, We are glad you are here!

The Spanish service is on the 1st floor, today and every Sunday. Kids 6 months to 8th grade are welcome in Kids Kingdom classes during service. Ask a greeter for info.

The Lord has done great things for us!

"When the Lord brought back the captives to Zion, we were like men who dreamed. Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things among them.' The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy." - Psalm 126:1-3

When we read Psalm 126 we have a sense of how Gods people felt coming out of captivity. There was a sense of hope, and a sense of wonder of all that God has done and will do. There was an incredible joy and zeal to be a part of Gods plan! This is for us, the Chicago International Christian Church, a reality! As we look back on 2012 we are amazed and humbled by all that God has done through us and for us. So far for this year we have seen 75 additions (64 baptisms, 6 place membership, 5 restorations).

We began in January with our winter workshop to prepare our hearts for the year to come which was led powerfully by Mike and Brittany Underhill. The next



R to L: Mike & Brittany Underhill, Roger & Kama Parlour, and Jay & Barb Shelbrack

few months were filled with fun as we had our Super bowl parties, Valentines parties, New Members Dinner, and various campus devotionals. Then the



Theresa Broom Preaches at Women's Day

women had been inspired with powerful preaching by our very own "Mother in the Faith" Theresa Broom from Orange County, California, as she inspired all at the Women's day. In April and May we had a congregational Easter service, campus Sunday service, the Light/ Smith wedding, parenting workshop, and finally our Latin festival.

June was a time of mixed emotions as we sent off 13 disciples along with Mike and Brittany Underhill to plant the San Francisco



Bay Mission Team, Tina Nwachukwu to the Paris mission team, Roger, Kama, Jana, and Kevin on the Boston Mission Team, and finally Pat Boei and Sparkle Leonard to L.A. where they got married in August.

It was a challenging time of transition but it worked out smoothly as all were prepared to take on the great tasks that were laid before us. At this time Barb and I took over the leadership of the church and were humbled by God's belief in us to lead such an amazing group of disciples. God also encouraged us greatly with Dustin and Amanda Miller and Maiya Eubank coming from Portland to work full time for the church as the campus leaders. Their presence was felt immediately as they hit the ground running and didn't miss a beat. We are truly grateful for all they have done and know that God will continually work miracles through their lives. We were also blessed at this time by having Sabrina Kramer start also as a full time intern working the west campus ministries. It was amazing to see Sabrina's father Glenn become a disciple in October and gave us great hope that all our families can be united in Christ.

We continued our fun with the Men's retreat, the "Day of Mercy", and our record setting attendance of 334 at our 6th Anniversary service in July!

August was amazing as 84 disciples went to the Global Leadership

Conference in Los Angeles. The conference ended with the official send off of the Boston, Mexico City, Paris, Orlando and San Francisco mission teams. Love was in the air in September with the wedding of Anthony and Maria Franklin



Day of Mercy (June 16th, 2012)



Visiting Preachers (Left: Joel & Courtney Parlour, Right: Matt and Helen Sullivan)



Campus Retreat at Six Flags

and then was followed by another record setting attendance of 338 at our campus Sunday led powerfully by Dustin and Amanda Miller. October was amazing as we had Matt and Helen Sullivan of

Orlando came to direct our "Marrieds retreat" and then Joel and Courtney Parlour came to lead our hearts in our campus/singles retreat at 6 flags theme park entitled "The Lord of Hosts".

November began with a lot of fun with our congregational costume party and ended with our "Turkey Bowl" with the downtown once again winning the highly coveted "Diotrephe Trophy" -because they love to be first (3 John :9).

By His miracles, God has humbled us in many ways this year as we see him working immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine (Ephesians 3:20). One way is in the area of special contribution. In April we set a goal of \$74,000 to be raised and instead we raised over \$102,000. In November, to help the recent mission teams we called for another \$21,000 to be raised and instead we raised over \$31,000. A lot of funds were raised by the disciples efforts through tagging and in 12 different Saturdays we were able to raise over \$39,000! To God be the glory.

Also **with the sacrifice** of the Dawsons and the Chiappettas and their willingness to move we were able to begin the North and South Regions of the church. Nick Economo and Christine Feldmann also took on the administrative aspects of the church and we are eternally grateful. Other ministries that began this year were the Mature Singles lead by Tom Sperling and Christine Feldmann, Singles and Young

Professionals lead by Teddy Gebre and Mahogany Coleman, the Teens lead by Anthony and Maria Franklin, and the Pre-teens lead by Oscar and Laura Gutierrez.

Finally to close out we are **amazed by all the growth** in the congregation not only in size but by character as many have taken on the role of leadership to make Gods church awesome. Since the sending out of the mission teams this summer we have added 41 disciples to our number (39 baptisms, 1 place membership, 1 restoration). We've seen the Spanish Ministry nearly double in size this past year.



Entire Latino Ministry

Surely God has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy! Our mouths are filled with laughter and our tongues with songs of joy. We also are like men who dreamed. Some dreams we have for 2013 is to put on 3 interns and to have Jacque Economo work as an administrative assistant for the church.

Barb and I would like to thank you personally for all your hard work and sacrifice. We are truly honored to be a part of this great work. And to God be all the glory.

Happy Holidays!

Jay and Barb Shelbrack