



# Bellevue

## BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear Prayer Partner,

This is Joel Creekmore from Bellevue Baptist Church with our April 2019 update. The most exciting thing that has happened here was our missions conference held in March. I am thankful to report that our missions commitment went up from \$24,000 last year to \$28,000 this year. With that increase we were able to take on another missionary, for which we are grateful. It is so wonderful to be able to continue supporting our missionaries whom we love and to be able to partner with new ones. It is exciting to see God work in hearts and produce greater burdens to reach the world. Also, during our missions conference, we had our first ever special done by BBC members. My daughters, Anna and Abby sang a special and I couldn't be more pleased in their service to our Lord!

In April, we were able to give to missions in a different way. We helped church planter AJ Lutrick, our missionary to West Seattle, canvas for the Emerald City Baptist Church grand opening in May. We had a great turn out from Bellevue Baptist and it was a fun opportunity to get behind our missionary through direct service. West Seattle although only 30 minutes away is a world of difference from Bellevue and we are thankful for a good Independent Baptist Church there!

Over the last six months here at Bellevue Baptist we have seen visitors dramatically decrease. Although we have continued to be faithful door knocking, and our people have continued to invite friends, colleagues and family, we just haven't seen many new faces come through the door. Would you pray with us that God would allow us to reach people that need to hear whether that is at their door, in the grocery line, or those who walk into the church?

We continue to have the young Chinese couple come that I have asked you to pray for. The discipleship program is complete, and they have become regular Sunday morning attenders, but the young man is still lost. Please continue to pray specifically for his salvation.

Although attendance was slightly down, we had a wonderful Resurrection Sunday. We had a special from our Church Planting Intern, Nick Tallarita (our second home grown special), and four first time visitors were in attendance. Two of them were traveling from Texas, but two were local. They didn't give us their contact information, but we are praying that they will return and we will be able to minister to them.

Thank you for your prayers and your financial support. We are so thankful for your faithfulness and your partnership.

Thank you and God Bless.

In Christ,

Joel Creekmore