

2021 Adult & Children's Education/Event Director Annual Report

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It has been a busy and productive year for me serving as the Adult & Children Education/Event Director for Community Bible Church. The following is an overview of the 2021 year.

Adult Sunday school classes have continued the quarter system that started in 2018. We have 4-5 Adult classes offered every quarter. Each quarter is 13 weeks long. We have new teachers every quarter, providing a resting period for our teachers. This system has increased our attendance in Adult Sunday school. I continue to work with our Sunday school teachers, providing support and ordering materials.

Children's Sunday school, ages 3 yrs. old-5th grade are continuing The Gospel Project through Lifeway. I order curriculum and prepare it for the Sunday school teacher's quarterly.

Our Jr. High Sunday school is studying Genesis, and our High School class is using The Gospel Project & Road Trip to Truth.

Throughout the week we have 4-5 Bible studies offered for men, women, and young adults. I help the leaders find curriculum, review, and order the studies.

In November, I found 10 families, to light the candles and do the scripture reading for Advent. I also planned and organized the AWANA Thanksgiving Feast. This year we packaged "To- Go" containers for the kids to eat in their classrooms. I also helped plan and attended the Youth Turkey Bowl.

In December, I helped plan and organize our Unashamed Youth Progressive Meal and Christmas Party. Due to Covid, we hosted it at the church, and had the host families come to the church to serve food. I also planned the High School Semester Test Lunches, and Goodie Bags.

In January, I helped with the logistics of the Men's Mexico trip. I prepared the Bible Studies, sent, and collected paperwork, helped coordinate crafts and ordered backpacks and school supplies for the children at Amigo Fiel.

In March I started to coordinate the yardwork projects. I organize the daily raking projects, make the reminder calls, planned daily routes, and maintained the daily communications with the missionaries. I also coordinated the Chili Feed for our Mexico Missionaries again this year. We had a record setting year for attendance and donations.

In April I continued work on the Mexico Mission Trip. I have been working with the Mexico Mission team for 9 years and I continue to serve as support staff and logistics for the Mexico Mission trips in February, and June. I send communications to the missionaries, handle the paperwork, help with travel arrangements, and organize the Bible studies for these trips.

In May, I planned the High School Semester Test Lunches, and Goodie Bags. I also coordinated Senior Recognition Day and lunch for the 16 graduating seniors in 2021. We had an evening for the parents and members of the congregation to come to the church and make Prayer Blankets for our seniors. I set up the Senior Display Tables, and I helped coordinate the service recognizing the seniors. We had a lunch following the service, and I helped coordinate the 11th grade families that prepared and served the meal.

In June I helped coordinate VBS with our director Katelyn Todd. My role in VBS this year, as is every year, was to lead/assist from the background. We have weekly meetings, order all the supplies, decorate, organize registrations, and actively participate in all the events during VBS week. On Friday, June 11th I was blessed with the opportunity to serve with 28 other missionaries in Juarez, Mexico.

In August, I helped run the background checks on every adult volunteering with our children and youth. I contact new volunteers and walk them through the background check process. I work on the background checks weekly. I also prepared all the classrooms to start a new year of Sunday school for both adults and children. I cleaned all the tables and chairs and restocked the rooms with supplies.

In September I helped with the Missions Conference. I decorated tables, coordinated the meals, and coordinated set-up and clean-up. I also took on more of a leadership roll in AWANA. I work closely with the Commander making sure things run smoothly on Wednesday nights, recruiting volunteers, and help coordinate the AWANA calendar.

In October I coordinated Mission Impossible which was held on October 31st at the Oahe Downstream Area.

I continue to meet with the Board of Elders as needed and give them updates on Education, Youth, and Events.

I have been serving as a Youth Leader/ Co-Director for our Junior /Senior High Youth. With this position I have coordinated Semester Test Treat Bags, Quarantine Bags, Semester Test Lunches, Senior Recognition Day. I have helped coordinate events such as: Nerf War, Lock In's, Mission Impossible, 5th Quarter Events, Board Game Night, Turkey Bowl, and the Progressive Dinner. I also take an active role during the Sunday Evening Youth Group, Prayer Breakfast, and the High School Study Group.

I feel very blessed that I can share the gifts that the Lord has given me and work for His Kingdom and His Glory as I serve in my position at Community Bible Church.