



Dear Friend,

December 2017

Serving at Portland Fellowship creates a constant reminder that this is God's ministry, and that my job is to fully rely on His provision and perfect timing. In the beginning of the year, when we were in need of office support, Heidi stepped up and took on the role of Hope Group Facilitator. What a blessing she has been! Then, just in time for our busy fall season, Leah joined us and served as our Ministry Assistant. Staffing wasn't the only unexpected work of God this year, though. When we launched the Upper Room Community (URC) this fall, we had three participants, but had been praying for four. Wouldn't you know it, less than a week after we started, a Taking Back Ground alumnus called us with an eagerness to be a part of the URC!

This past year, we had amazing opportunities to share God's design for sexuality and His power to transform lives. Patrick shared with leaders at a youth camp, I had the privilege of speaking to a network of home churches in California, Leah hosted a booth and shared with many at an apologetics conference and our Board Chair, KathyGrace, had her story shared through an amazing documentary at the annual Restored Hope Conference. Other opportunities included sharing at the National Religious Broadcast Conference in Florida, speaking at Multnomah University and Portland Bible College, and one of my favorites, sharing on the Georgene Rice Show on the radio.

While God is the One who calls us, it's not just us in leadership who respond—you have responded as well! Your gifts and prayers play a vital part in the life-changing ministry Jesus continues to do through Portland Fellowship. Our prayer is that the Lord would bless, encourage and inspire you as you partner with us. We are so grateful for your support. If you would like to give a year-end gift and haven't yet, below is an easy way to do so. We look forward to your friendship and partnership in 2018.

On behalf of the staff, our volunteers and the Board of Directors, we at Portland Fellowship pray the Lord's grace and peace over you and your family this Christmas and New Year.

Serving Him,

Jason Thompson
Executive Director

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