



2019 ANNUAL REPORT



A NOTE TO OUR FRIENDS

Dear friends, partners, and generous supporters of The Banquet Network,

Wonder, growth, uncertainty, discovery, faithfulness. These are some of the words that come to mind as I look back over 2019, our first full year as an organization.

This year, we developed our **IMP: Individualized Ministry Program**, a tool that provides a framework for the path that we walk with churches to express their unique mission for disability ministry, discover the opportunities for including and empowering people within their church and community, and make a tangible plan for utilizing the assets God has placed within their congregation to meet the needs of people with disabilities. We were so grateful to work intimately with a dozen churches to complete IMPs and are overjoyed to see more and more beautiful incarnations of the banquet parable.

We were also so honored to get to share our passion at conferences and events. Every time I speak, I'm astounded by how many people are desperate for Christ's body to take up the Luke 14 mandate, and encouraged that God has placed so many treasures of skills and energy within the church to do just that. I am just honored to be part of fanning that flame.

There were many times this year when I felt discouraged or overwhelmed, but God continued to remind me -- through phone calls from strangers, encouraging interactions with church leaders, faithful prayers, and astounding generosity from kind humans like you -- that he has placed The Banquet Network -- and each individual who has offered advice, time, diligence, and resources -- here -- for a unfading reason. Thank you for journeying with us this year; We are eager to see how God continues to grow us in 2020!

Amberle Brown
Executive Director



2019 HIGHLIGHTS

over

175

individuals

INSPIRED

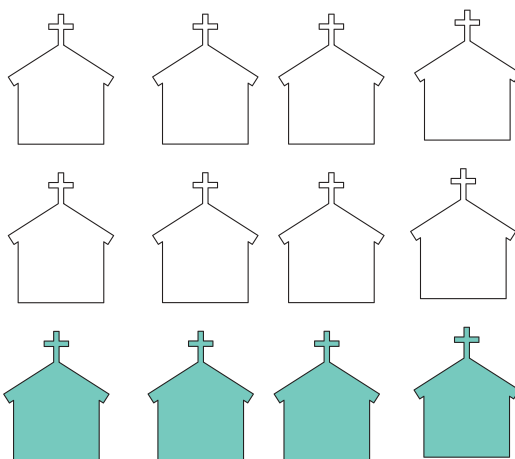
through conferences and events

12

churches

EQUIPPED

through small group
and one-on-one
coaching



4

churches

RESOURCED

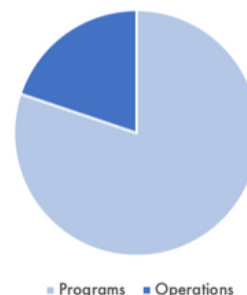
through small
grants to start or
strengthen a
disability ministry

Thanks to your extreme generosity and our instrumental partnership with the BCMD, we received donations of \$48,768.00 this year and were able to invest \$39,010 into our mission of "inspiring, equipping, and resourcing churches to reach, serve, and include people with disabilities"

2019 INCOME SOURCES



2019 EXPENSES





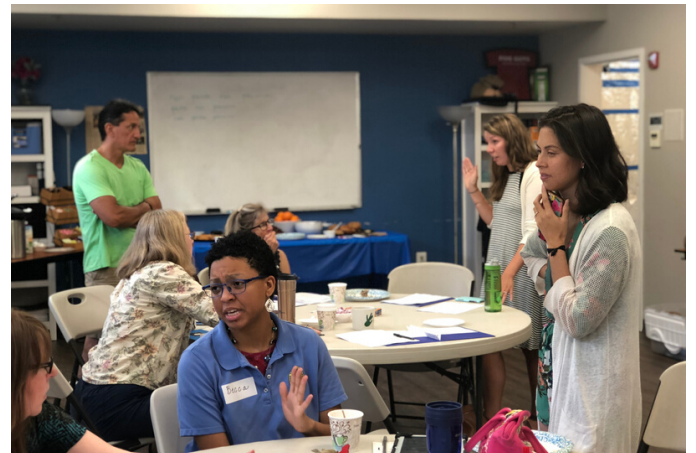
EVENT REVIEWS



/ We hosted Q Commons, an event to inspire communities to build a better future /



/ This was our third year participating in the BCMD Special Needs Conference /



/ We had two cohorts this year to train small groups of churches on starting disability ministry /

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We also worked with Colonial Baptist Church to start the first ever Good News Club at a Special Needs School! We're excited to watch this progress in 2020

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