

# The Vine Institute

## Annual Report FY 2016

At *The Vine Institute* we pray that God will be glorified in and through His intercultural church. We serve in the Body of Christ in Northern Utah by connecting ministry leader, and churches across cultures to strengthen God's people and more fully reveal God's kingdom. Our vision, passion, and capacity to serve Christian churches and leaders along the Wasatch Front and the throughout the Intermountain West continues to grow. **Partners like you are the heart and hands of this mission**, providing relationships and resources

needed to care for God's people and advance God's kingdom.

This year *The Vine Institute's* ministry continued to expand in face of the growing diversity of God's people in our community. Our Annual Report shares some of the highlights of Fiscal Year 2016, including an overview of our finances. We are honored to have you as one of our faithful partners, working together to cultivate a healthy, intercultural Body of Christ and see God's kingdom without borders grow. **Thank you!!**

Our vision has expanded to the Intermountain West! Why? Two reasons:

1. God opened our eyes to the reality that if this region were a nation—from Idaho & western Montana in the north to Arizona & New Mexico in the south with Salt Lake at the center—it would be #4 on the list of nations resettling the most refugees annually, right after USA, AUS, CAN!! As many refugees are people of Christian faith and even more immigrants are Christians, God is transforming the church in this region to serve his purposes.
2. This year three calls for our help with leadership development came from outside Utah:
  - *Tongan-American Free Wesleyan* district of churches in the western US
  - 21 Christian Reformed churches on the Navajo reservation
  - Mission serving Spanish-speaking church leaders in the Phoenix area

*The Vine Institute* is called to serve God's diverse church as it brings the blessings of God's kingdom to its global neighbors, people from across the globe now living locally.

## The Vine Events and Services

Certificate in Christian Leadership courses - in English & Spanish

Creating Safe Churches workshop

Christian Prison Ministry Training

Engaging Muslims and Islam seminar

Global Day of Prayer worship on Pentecost Sunday

Multicultural Ministry Leaders monthly breakfast - Ogden

Multicultural Ministry Leaders monthly luncheon - Salt Lake

## THANK YOU!

We are grateful for the financial and in-kind support we received this year from individuals and families, churches and organizations. Your generosity makes equipping leaders and supporting churches possible!

**The Adventure-Draper**  
**Because He First Loved Us**  
**Bethel Christian Reformed Church**  
**Calvary Baptist Church**  
**Central Church of the Nazarene**  
**Centre for Evangelism & World Mission**  
**Christ for the Nations Church**  
**The Church at Liberty Park**  
**Classis Yellowstone**  
**Community Christian Reformed Church**  
**Comunidad Cristiana**  
**Discovery Christian Community**  
**Evangelical Free Church of SLC**  
**The Fellowship-Sandy**  
**First Baptist Church, Ogden**  
**First Congregational Church**  
**First Fruits Fund**  
**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
**Gospel Grace**  
**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Impact Multicultural Ministries**  
**India Prayer Fellowship of SLC**  
**Japanese Christian Church of SLC**  
**K2 the Church**  
**Kingdom Glory Church**  
**Korean Presbyterian Church of Utah**  
**Life in Christ CRC**  
**Miracle Rock Urdu Ministry**  
**Missio Dei**  
**St Francis of Assisi Christian Church**  
**Salt Lake Mass Choir**  
**Sandy Ridge Community Church**  
**South Mountain Community Church**  
**Tongan-American Free Wesleyan Church**  
**Wasatch Presbyterian Church**  
**& many individual and family partners like YOU!**

## 2016 Ministry Highlights

### January

First Christian Prison Ministry Training served over 50 participants.

### March

Classis Red Mesa, a group of churches on the Navajo reservation, began exploring our help to train their leaders.

### April

Engaging Muslims and Islam seminar served over 50 participants.

### June

Felipe Sauvalle joined staff as Spanish-speaking, Latino member.

In 2016 The Vine Institute collaborated with and served more than 250 leaders from over 50 churches and 30 ethnicities. We love this beautifully diverse Body of Christ!

### Board of Directors

Mark DiMeglio	Naveen Pammi
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## Story of Impact

Bori Ly is a second generation Cambodian refugee pursuing The Vine Institute's Certificate in Christian Leadership program. He is preparing for pastoral ministry among the people of Community (formerly, Cambodian) Christian Reformed Church. This started with a vision given to the first and current pastor of the church, Chenggly (Charlie) Phim. Several year ago, he realized that the next generation of the congregation are young adults like Bori who are bi-cultural—just as, if not more, at home in English and American culture as in Khmer and Cambodian culture. Charlie prayed for God to provide for this transition in the church so that the younger generations would not leave Christ behind as they became more distant from the heritage of their first generation refugee parents.

In the 1980s, post-Vietnam war, hundreds of Cambodian refugees were sponsored for resettlement in the Salt Lake area by a Christian Reformed Church congregation. Through the loving care of those Dutch and Indonesian immigrant Christians, God drew some of the Cambodians to faith in Christ. Charlie emerged as a leader of this group and trained to serve God and his people at what later became The Vine Institute. Ever since, Charlie has had a heart for his people, looking ahead to the next challenge in their life of faith and seeking God's way forward to serve the Lord together. He realized that God was calling him and the church

to prepare for a leadership transition to the next generation.

But the new leader would need to have his eyes fixed on Jesus and be trained to faithfully serve God's people. So Charlie turned to a group of Christian Reformed churches which had been their friends over the years for help to make this possible. A six year transition plan was agreed upon: the congregation identified Bori as the future pastor; he would prepare for this ministry by taking The Vine Institute courses; the group of churches would provide some funding and accountability to make this possible. Bori expects to graduate next spring and his course projects already are making a difference—young adults who had drifted away are being drawn back to the church and being equipped for works of service in the community. God is good, all the time, through all generations.

### The Vine Staff

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### Financial Statement

Year ending June 30, 2016

Expenses = \$139,133

Program Services	\$91,831
General & Administration	\$44,618
Development	2,684

Income = \$90,582

Program Income	\$14,404
Donations	\$75,930
Other Income	\$248

Account Balance = \$80,582.24

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