

Ministers Council of the Greater Bay Area - Annual Report for 2015  
By Allison Tanner, MCGBA President

## **2015 Executive Committee**

President = Allison Tanner (2015)  
Secretary = Tracy Freeman (2015)  
Treasurer = Michelle Holmes (2016)  
Local Chapter Rep = Doug Davidson (2018)  
At Large, Communications = Larry Jay (2015)  
At Large, Vice President = Karen Yee (2016)  
At Large = Barbara Jim-George (2016)  
At Large = Laurel Balyeat Morrison (2015)  
ABSW Seminary Rep = Sydney Webster (2015)

\*Note that we added an additional At Large position for 2015 since we had more people willing to serve than positions available.

## **2015 Events**

January 12-13 – Annual Retreat

Surprised by Joy; with Rev. John Polite  
Retreat Committee: Larry, Laurel, Chuck

April 10 – Spring Gathering

Celebrating Resurrection  
Panel Discussion on where we find resurrection in our various ministries  
Four ministerial leaders shared and then communal discussion

Aug 15 – Summer BBQ (for MCGBA folks and their families)

Food, fellowship and a fun game of Family Feud

October 19 – ABSW Chapel Service

## **2015 Report**

At the beginning of 2015, our biggest goal for the year was “to continue to grow our council through a focus on membership invitations and providing meaningful gatherings for our members.” In looking back over the year, we made great strides in both these areas.

Above is a listing of events we provided. They provided opportunities to retreat, relax, connect and celebrate the various ways God is at work in us, through us, and all around us. They also serve as a template for Ministers Council events throughout the year. We no longer host a Fall Gathering so that our various members can participate in their own regional ABC gatherings. We continue to encourage attendance in the three regions that our members are a part of: Evergreen Baptist Association, ABC of the Central Pacific Coast and Growing Healthy Churches.

In 2015, our membership rose to over 40 members.

I am proud of the ways we provided opportunities to connect with one another across regional affiliations, across generational contexts and across ministry settings. I look forward to the ways we will continue to support one another and share in ministry in the year ahead.

Our 2016 slate of officers, voted in at the 2016 retreat, are as follows:

**President = Karen Yee (2017)**

**Secretary = Barbara Jim-George (2017)**

**Treasurer = Michelle Holmes (2016)**

**Local Chapter Rep = Larry Jay (2018)**

**At Large, Communiations = Doug Davidson (2016)**

**At Large = Paul Keener (2017)**

**At Large = Laurel Balyeat-Morrison (2016)**

**ABSW Seminary Rep - vacancy**

Blessings on your ongoing ministries,  
Allison Tanner