



# WORD OF FAITH CHURCH

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May 17, 2017

Dear Madam Mayor Cecilia Valdez,

Greetings, from the Word of Faith Church, 2100 Broadway Avenue, San Pablo, CA. The Church has served from this location since April 1997. In lieu of this, the entire month of June 2017 has been designated for celebrating our 20th year anniversary. We have served and reached out to San Pablo and the Bay Area. We have assisted and presently assist missionaries financially, as well as visiting them and Ministering to them in person. WOFC has built Churches in at least one of these countries and are presently assisting financially in several orphanage organizations. (i.e. Ireland, Kenya, Guatemala, India, Philippines, Peru, Mexico, Haiti and Israel).

Below notes events of support WOFC has given to the local San Pablo Community, the Bay Area and Internationally over the past 20 years:

- WOFC's Annual Vacation Bible School has provide for eleven years, free breakfast and lunch for kids from the entire Contra Costa County, free pick-up and drop-off, career and college development, arts and crafts and various outdoor and sports recreation, with drop off being 8:00 a.m. and pick at 3:00 p.m.
- Hosted a Spanish speaking Prayer Group.
- Ministered to San Pablo Trailer Parks by giving money, food, job counseling, loving the kids! Hired teens during Summer Months.
- WOFC provides Spanish speaking translation for all Sunday, Wednesday and Friday Services.
- Stepping Stone "Recovery Group".
- The Hospital Ministry conducts monthly visits to the San Pablo Healthcare and Wellness Center.
- Prison Ministry visits began with San Francisco 1984, Martinez Juvenile Detention Centers, at present we visit in Fairfield JD monthly.
- Community Events (i.e. October "Harvest" Festivals, Block parties, Take Back the Night, International Day Celebrations, Community Car Shows, Back to School Supply Giveaways).
- Participated with booths at a number of Kaiser Youth and Wellness Fairs and Festivals
- Marched in the San Pablo City 2010 "Never Again March".
- City of San Pablo 2009 Creekside Cleanup, organized and volunteers supplied by Word of Faith Church.
- Supports the Bay Area Rescue Mission financially and with volunteers who cooked meals, passed out Christmas gifts, and presently conduct monthly Church Services at their Chapel.
- Serves the San Pablo Police Department, active member of the Clergy Community Coalition.
- Serves as a Chaplin for the Richmond Police Department.
- Going door to door, sharing our faith in Jesus Christ and meeting the needs of homes in our immediate area.

- Street Outreach, Extreme Evangelism Ministry meets the many needs of the homeless and those living in especially harsh conditions. This ministry goes into the night, speaking with prostitutes, drug users and pimps about Jesus.
- The WOFC College and Career Ministry visited Contra Costa College monthly to assist students with their needs.
- Regular participation in City of San Pablo Prayer Events, etc. when invited.
- Participation in Community Youth Softball Leagues.
- Positive and supportive relationships established with San Pablo City Council members and previous Mayors. We love our Council.
- We have been extremely generous supporters and financial contributors to Girls Inc.
- Free math and science tutoring.
- Free career and college counseling and development

All of the events and programs sponsored by the WOFC have been funded entirely by the Word of Faith Church. Our desire is to continue making a positive impact on San Pablo, which is a priority of our Church.

We believe our presence has added to the warmth and prosperity of the Community. In the last 20 years, we have witnessed a decrease of crime, great growth in the development of the existing businesses and an even greater increase of growth in new businesses. We believe that our presence and prayers, coupled with the tremendous work of the San Pablo Council and the San Pablo Police Department, has caused a productive growth spurt in the Community. We truly appreciate your support and kindness to our cause.

In conclusion, Madame Mayor we humbly request, at your convenience, a letter of Acknowledgement/Appreciation or anything acknowledging our participation in this awesome City. This presentation will be displayed in an exhibition, at our Church the entire month of June. We desire to honor our great City and we also take this opportunity to extend an invitation to you and any Council Members or employees of the City of San Pablo, to this event. This token of appreciation from the City of San Pablo will encourage the members of Word of Faith to continue their excellent service to the Community.

We ask the Letter of Acknowledgement/Appreciation etc...be presented by you, of course (taking into consideration your time) or one of the previous Mayors, we have so proudly worked with over the years, Councilman Rich Kinney and/or Councilman Paul Morris, who both have been Servants and are very encouraging to us being a multicultural Church.

Madame Mayor, thank you in advance for any consideration concerning this matter and being a tremendous Council Woman, in whom we are truly proud of. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Deatta Parham, Korede Adeniji or Kayli Kinghorne at (510) 234-4388 in response to this letter or for any additional information.

Sincerely,



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