

May 2019

### **--A Day to Remember--**

Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> came and went ... but it won't be forgotten any time soon! 117 people filled our sanctuary and our fellowship hall to celebrate God's call and God's many blessings in and through our church over the last sixty years! Many folks who gathered expressed their deep appreciation as the fellowship meal concluded. The next day, Monday morning, the calls, emails and texts began pouring in. By the end of the week the cards and letters were delivered. It continued all through the month of April ... folks sharing compliments and giving donations to bless our mission and ministry.

Enjoy the joyful expressions below:

"What great fun! It was like coming home, but more."

"I will hang the plaque of appreciation by the desk in our den, so we can see it often."

"Everything was so carefully thought out ... it was perfect!"

"The food was outstanding."

"It is clear that a lot of people were very generous with their time."

"There's nothing like coming home to "MY" church."

"We have watched the Power Point presentation of the "Pictures through the Years" several times. What a special gift! We smiled, and laughed, and wept...all the way through."

"Everything looked so good: the grounds outside; the outside of the Church just glowed; the floors downstairs were shining; the bathrooms were so clean; worship was thoughtfully designed and uplifting...giving glory to God where it's due..."

"It was clear you all had worked so hard to get ready. Thank you."

Your very generous donations came in to underwrite the expenses for our celebration and far exceeded the need. Over \$2000.00 will be used toward the cost of replacing the pew cushions in the sanctuary! Still others continued to ask what additional mission and ministries need support. As a result, some have given toward our upcoming Rise Against Hunger event (May 4); others have given toward the Utila mission trip (June 10-18) to build a computer lab and provide some desk-top computers; some asked if they could give to help replace the carpet throughout the church; some have asked if they can give to support the

Backpack feeding ministry...

Folks were blessed during our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. That's abundantly clear. And when we're blessed, we want to bless others! It's a God-thing.

For God's Glory & Our Joy!

~**Pastor Todd**