

2020 Year In Review

As we draw near the close of 2020 we have been blessed with a community of men reaching out for support, and to support each other. This year was filled with uncertainty and that uncertainty is no stranger to our men who have lost a child. Looking at the year in the rear-view mirror, we can see that the mission of The Bereaved Dads Network to offer support in a group setting, speaker series events, and one-to-one connections has reached thirty-three (33) dads during the last12-months. Here's a quick recap....

January

The year began with in person support group meetings, twice per month, which ranged in attendance from 4 – 10 dads who have experienced child loss. These support groups are the ministry's core mission!

May

With warmer weather the group was able to meet safely outdoors during what was our Summer Picnic Series, a support group meeting with grilled food and fellowship at Hager Park in Jenison.

February

Dan Seabourn, from Winning at Home, lead our 1st Speaker Series of the year and his connection with the men was powerful. 22 men attended.

September

The world allowed us to meet in person once again. As we celebrated this return to connection, we also had our 2nd Speaker Series event lead by Mr. Kelly Farley, author of "Bereaved Dads, to the brink and back". 20 men attended.

December

One last virtual meeting on Surviving
The Holidays will end our year for
2020. We walked alongside over
35 men in person this year and
reached over 652 unique
visitors via the Bereaved
Dad's Network website.

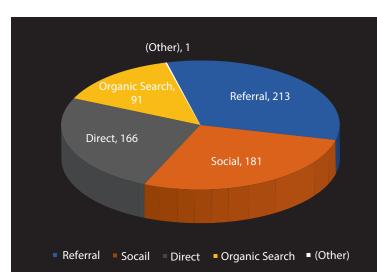
March

In the beginning of March, we mailed out over 150 introduction packets to area church leaders. A few weeks later our year shifted to a virtual format in the face of COVID and we continued these virtually meetings through to May

November

Due to a reoccurance in COVID outbreaks, we returned to virtual meetings and had our 3rd Speaker Series lead by Mr. Clifford Denay Jr. author of the book "Mourning Men". 18 men attended even a few from Detroit & Chicago

2020 Website Traffic





The Bereaved Dad's Network is an independent support group that depends on community outreach to connect with dads in need. Our website and socail media platforms have reached over 1,000 dads during the last calendar year. Here is a look at how people found the website.



Mail Introduction Packet

The Bereaved Dad's Network was able, through the gifts of our supporters, to mail an introduction packet to Holland & Zeeland church leaders in March. This packet informed the leaders of the hope and network of healing this group can offer and provided a few copies of our annual calendar.



Thank You

A huge THANK YOU goes out as we end the year, we want to thank the men who have had the courage to participate and be open in supporting others who walk this difficult road of child loss.

As we look ahead to the next year, 2021, we ask for your kindness, encouragement and your consideration of a financial gift in support of this ministry and its mission to help grieving dads to not feel alone.