



# 2023

## MINISTRY IMPACT REPORT

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend  
the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our  
Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.



**Connect** TO CHRIST & ONE ANOTHER.

**Abide** IN CHRIST. **Extend** CHRIST.





From the beginning, we have joyfully declared that *we exist to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.* It would be impossible to tell the whole story, but the Lord has done so much through the years. We give God the glory for the great things He has done, and we continue to be excited about the days ahead!

May 26, **1991**

First PCPC Worship service

June 23, **1991**

Members vote on name  
Park Cities Presbyterian Church

June 24, **2018**

EXTEND Groundbreaking

March 29, **2021**

We move into our new  
building on Palm Sunday

September **2022**

EXTEND Capital Campaign  
fully funded

- Park Cities Presbyterian Church held its first Worship service 32 years ago at Highland Park High School, with about 1,500 worshipers in attendance.
- On June 23, 1991, members voted to name this local body of Christ, Park Cities Presbyterian Church. Our first senior pastor, Skip Ryan, was called by a unanimous congregational vote on December 22, 1991. He served until 2006.
- On May 11, 2008, Mark Davis was installed as our senior pastor.
- Through the generosity of the church family, PCPC has a new building to bless generations to come.



## 203 New Members

We welcomed 203 adult new members to the church and 38 communicants. We baptized 78 infants, 5 communicants, and 1 adult.

## 19 Parishes

In the 19 parishes that have launched, elders have gathered a parish team of deacons and laypeople, men and women, who feel called to connect and keep up with their PCPC neighbors in the area.

“Come and  
see what God  
has done!”

PSALM 66:5



## 1,824 Charter Members

Our first PCPC service had 1,500 worshipers. But did you know, PCPC had 1,824 charter members that first year from 1991-1992?

Scan the QR code to hear stories from some of these charter members. These interviews serve as a reminder of the faithfulness of the Lord in starting PCPC. Each of these played a very important role in forming the church starting with a deep calling to start a new church. From the first service at Highland Park High School to purchasing Highland Baptist Church where PCPC is now, the Lord's hand was clearly seen in every step. Listen to Nancy & David Burgher, Bill Eldridge, Harry Hargrave, Rick Laymon, Boots Nowlin, and Arthur Wood share what they remember of how PCPC was formed and ultimately how the Lord has led this church through the past 32 years.



[pcpc.org/history](https://pcpc.org/history)

# GLOBAL MISSIONS

## 177

In the last year the Global Committee and the Session have approved 3 new PCPC Home Church Missionaries and 2 new supported non-home church missionaries. PCPC also sent 177 people to go on 12 short-term mission trips. We pray for the Lord to raise up more workers from PCPC to go overseas!



PCPC successfully partnered with Crates for Ukraine to provide humanitarian aid for our brothers and sisters through Mission to the World and Team L'viv. 28 PCPC members travelled on 31 courier trips to Krakow, Poland, to deliver 208 crates in the summer of 2022. In the winter, 117 crates were packed and shipped to L'viv. PCPC raised over \$205,000 to fill those crates with much needed supplies.

## CARE & COUNSELING

"Care Groups" remains our central focus. We continue to offer DivorceCare twice a year, as well as groups for men who are struggling with some form of sexual brokenness (most frequently pornography), wives of men struggling with sexual brokenness, and women who have experienced any degree of sexual trauma. A fifth Care Group is not issue specific but is for women desiring to see healing in their lives. We are continuing to grow these groups and are developing additional leaders to help multiply our outreach. In the upcoming year we plan to offer GriefShare for those who are grieving. Read more at [pcpc.org/care](https://pcpc.org/care).



# CITY MISSIONS

Approximately 830 volunteers packed 10,000 Boxes of Blessing in December and distributed to over 45 churches and non-profits in the Dallas area.

Personally delivered over \$10,000 of supplies to teachers at North Dallas High School, one of the most under-resourced schools in DISD.

City Missions Expo in January let us see and hear what God is doing in the life of 23 City Missions Partner organizations.

10th Annual West Dallas Community School campus clean-up day.

Re-launched our Faith & Finance ministry, creating community with our 9 program participants.

We continue to have a team of part-time counselors who help meet the needs of individuals and couples within our church body. We are able to compensate those counselors through our Counseling Scholarship Fund, so that the counseling is provided free of charge to those who need it. On average we provide 60+ hours a week of free counseling for people who are struggling with relationships, depression, anxiety, addictions, and many other issues.



# PCPC KIDS

## PRESCHOOL KIDS CHAPEL

We completed a study of Acts & the Epistles in Kids Chapel this year, incorporating a model of worship that teaches our preschoolers our adult order of worship using the ACTS acrostic. We open with Adoration, singing our hymn of the month and songs about the GREATNESS of God, and reciting Psalm 100 and Psalm 1 for our Call to Worship. Confession takes shape as we recite our Bible verse of the month and sing Psalm 51:1-2, confessing our need for forgiveness to the LORD and celebrating the GOODNESS of His salvation. Thanksgiving follows, during which we sing the Doxology and give an offering, encouraging the students with the truth that their most beautiful offering is coming to worship the LORD each week with their family. We then close in Supplication, learning about a portion of God's Word. Our aim is that they recognize the elements of our adult worship and prepare for the day they attend with their families.

## FIRST FRIDAY & BEFRIEND

This ministry outreach to families who have a child with a disability launched in 2021. We provide a respite for parents the first Friday of each month by hosting their child(ren) with a disability and each sibling in a fun evening filled with special activities and programming while the parents enjoy time away.

In fall of 2022, we included a new opportunity for a dinner for 8 for our adults with disability for two hours along with First Friday. This enables our adults with disability to build friendships and work on social skills while their caregivers enjoy a night out. We call this gathering beFriend.



# 840 at 2023 VBS

VBS was a huge success! With the help of 317 adult and youth volunteers, PCPC was able to take 523 kids to the Sonshine Beach! Children learned how Jesus is the only "anchor for the soul, firm and secure" from Hebrews 6:19. Jesus our anchor saves us from the storm of sin, keeps us steady in this life, and calls us to tell others about Him! We celebrated with a service project to supply books and supplies to a 3rd grade classroom at West Dallas Community School, a private Christian education for Pre-K through 8th grade students, helping them gain a love and understanding for all that is good, true, and excellent.

## PARENT-EQUIPPING EVENT

In April, Sparrow House Counselors equipped our Children's Ministry parents with sage wisdom regarding setting boundaries in our families. Having boundaries in place early sets the tone for expectations of obedience and making good choices as our children get older and gain independence.

## 200 volunteers

### NURSERY

200+ volunteers faithfully serve as HIS hands and feet to our little ones sharing HIS love and HIS truth from God's Word every week!

### ELEMENTARY

In October, we celebrated our newest readers by gifting them their very first bibles. Our second graders and their families enjoyed breakfast together before they heard a short message from Pastor Pete, received their Bibles, and were prayed over by their parents.

### FAMILY ADVENT SERVICE

Families began the Advent season with an interactive worship service in the Sanctuary, including costumes and an angel choir, participating in the Christmas story and singing favorite Christmas hymns. A fellowship dinner was enjoyed afterwards by all.



# PCPC YOUTH

258 students

## HIGH SCHOOL

We took 258 students and 72 leaders on the Florida Trip, and we had between 60-80 at The Gathering each month for worship, fellowship, and Bible study.

O PRAISE THE NAME OF THE LORD OUR GOD  
O PRAISE HIS NAME FOREVERMORE

139 served at PCPC VBS

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

We had 139 students serve at Vacation Bible School, and we took 100 students to Fall Retreat.





# 24+4 extended Christ in Senegal



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# MARRIAGE MINISTRY

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We celebrate that 269 couples have participated in UNION, 75 couples have gone through Prepare-Enrich, 281 couples have participated in re|engage. We wrapped up 6 Foundation Groups and started 3 new groups. And in partnership with Young Adults and Connections Ministries, we have provided opportunities for 20-25 couples to gather for community, teaching, prayer, praise, and worship. 35 families attended Family Camp in Colorado.

In partnership with the PCPC Women's Ministry, we were thrilled to host Jay and Katherine Wolf. Approximately 400 attended Thursday night to hear about growing your marriage through suffering. On Friday morning, 240 women came for coffee and a light breakfast to hear Katherine speak. We laughed and we cried and we left feeling so encouraged!



# PCPC WOMEN

820+ participants

UPCOMING  
OPPORTUNITIES

SEMI-SILENT  
RETREAT  
MARCH 1-2

THE BRIDGE  
MARCH 5

EQUIPPING  
RETREAT  
APRIL 12-13

Last year, Women's Bible studies had 820 women participating in 9 classes. It is so exciting to see the 11 teachers, and 90 small group leaders make these studies happen. We also hosted over 200 women at The Bridge: What's Her Story? in which women share their testimony of God's work in their lives.

We held 3 prayer events, each had 100+ women in attendance. We saw over 100 women at each gathering of The Bridge as women listened to the testimony of God in the speaker's life. 135 women attended our women's retreat at Camp Alasso with Courtney Garrett as our speaker.





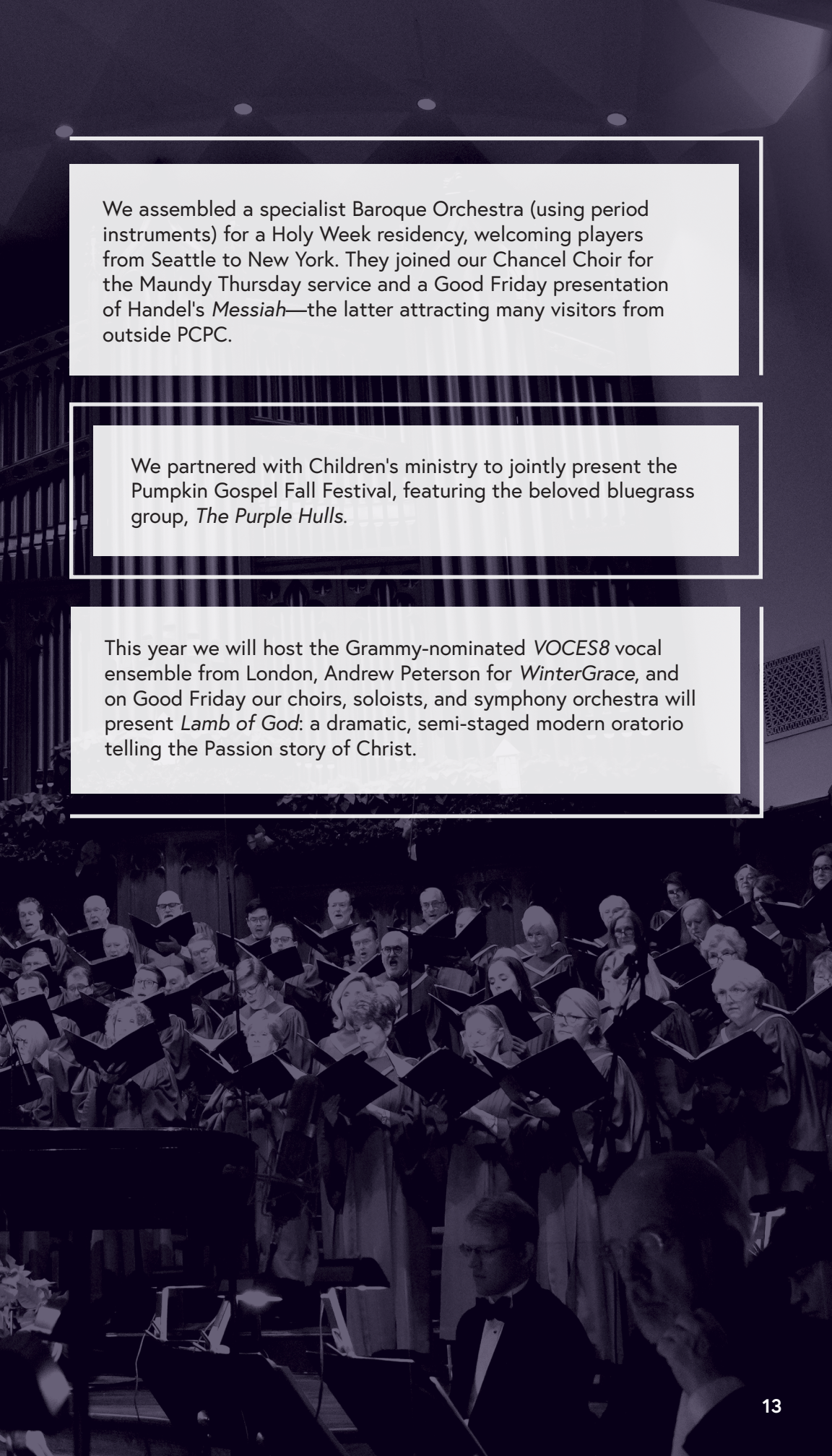
# MUSIC & ARTS

Music and Arts opened the year with a full slate of children and youth choir singers. Over 100 cherubic voices filled our rehearsal halls with singing, so much so that we had to divide our Carol Choir (Kindergarten-1st grade) into two sections! Our Musikgarten preparatory classes (birth to age 4) were filled to capacity.

The Performing Arts welcomed *DSO-on-the-Go*, featuring members of the *Dallas Symphony* in concert, the internationally renowned British choir *Tenebrae* from London, and the well-known recording artist Fernando Ortega for our *WinterGrace* conference.







We assembled a specialist Baroque Orchestra (using period instruments) for a Holy Week residency, welcoming players from Seattle to New York. They joined our Chancel Choir for the Maundy Thursday service and a Good Friday presentation of Handel's *Messiah*—the latter attracting many visitors from outside PCPC.

We partnered with Children's ministry to jointly present the Pumpkin Gospel Fall Festival, featuring the beloved bluegrass group, *The Purple Hulls*.

This year we will host the Grammy-nominated *VOCES8* vocal ensemble from London, Andrew Peterson for *WinterGrace*, and on Good Friday our choirs, soloists, and symphony orchestra will present *Lamb of God: a dramatic, semi-staged modern oratorio* telling the Passion story of Christ.

# PCPC BOOKSTORE & LIBRARIES



We are thrilled guests are driving in from all over to visit the PCPC Bookstore, Adult and Children's Libraries.



## TUESDAY MORNING MEN

Over 200 men registered for each of our fall, spring, and early summer Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Studies. We studied *Prayers of the Bible, Genesis: Adam to Abraham, and 6 Men*. We will study *1 John* during the fall semester.

## SUNDAY MORNING COMMUNITIES

450-500 are connecting to one another and abiding in Christ each week through our SMCs which reflect the unique character of what its members share in common, even as it extends an invitation to all—young and old, single and married, with children and without.

## THIRDTHIRD & SENIOR ADULTS

ThirdThird Ministry offered Grandparenting luncheons, and our Senior Adults enjoyed a book review luncheon with Nella Phillips, the yearly Valentine lunch, annual trips to the Dallas Arboretum and the Texas State Fair, and a wonderful Bible study on the letter to the Corinthian church.



# YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adults Ministry took a group to Nagoya, Japan, to serve the Rayl and Martin families. The group organized and ran VBS for the team's children. We had our 4th annual summer book study that took 12 host families and 120 participants through the book *You're Only Human* by Kelly Kapic. Throughout the year, we also collaborated with the Marriage Ministry by providing dinner gatherings for young married couples with the purpose of facilitating their connection to others and abiding with Christ. These gatherings served over 50 couples that were hungry for community.



*"When I moved to Dallas, one of my first priorities was to find a church with Christ-centered community. As Anne Clark, my then-girlfriend, now-wife, and I were still dating while living in different states, the body of PCPC took me under their wing and made me feel right at home. I was quickly introduced to the Young Adult Ministry which provided the exact community I had been longing to find and a space for me to grow in grace and truth.*

*Through small groups, book studies, and activities outside of the church, I was able to be challenged and foster godly friendships that I still have two years later. The guys in my small group were able to walk with me through the ups and downs of wedding planning and to help prepare me to be a husband.*

*Now married, and by God's grace, the people of PCPC welcomed Anne Clark with open arms just as they did with me. We are so thankful for the Bible studies, summer book studies, and the foundation groups that are starting in the fall. These groups of people have been instrumental during our first year of marriage. We rest knowing that God's sovereign hand led us to this wonderful church and what a blessing it has been to worship with this body of believers!" - Gene Wood*

# UPCOMING AT PCPC

PCPC.ORG/EVENTS

## DEEP LIGHT PODCAST

Deep Light is a space for community, healing, hope, and education around topics of rescue and growth. This fall, our Deep Light series will focus on "limitations." Limitations can be emotional, physical, mental, vocational, or relational. We all have them, and rather than seeing them as a fault, they should lead us to greater dependence on the Lord.

Search "Deep Light Podcast" on your favorite podcasting platform or visit [pcpc.org/deep-light](https://pcpc.org/deep-light) to listen to episodes from Seasons 1-3.

## WINTERGRACE 2024 [pcpc.org/wintergrace](https://pcpc.org/wintergrace)

Please be sure to save the date for our annual WinterGrace event the weekend of **February 3-4, 2024**. WinterGrace is an on-campus retreat for our whole congregation to be refreshed in God's grace through fellowship, learning, music, and worship. This year our theme will be, "God's Grace in Our Suffering," and we are excited that singer-songwriter and author Andrew Peterson will be with us for the weekend. Andrew's music and books can be found at [andrew-peterson.com](https://andrew-peterson.com). Kevin DeYoung will be our guest preacher. Kevin is the senior pastor at Christ Covenant Church (PCA) in Matthews, North Carolina and associate professor of systematic theology at Reformed Theological Seminary (Charlotte). Kevin's work can be found on [clearlyreformed.org](https://clearlyreformed.org).



Andrew Peterson



Kevin DeYoung



# PRAY. GIVE. GO. [pcpc.org/praygivego](https://pcpc.org/praygivego)

## NOVEMBER 5, 2023

This November, the Missions Department will host a Global Missions Expo to highlight PCPC's short-term mission trips and missionaries. Come by the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 a.m. service to hear stories from previous trip participants as well as learn more about mission trip opportunities in 2024!



# HOLY WEEK

## MARCH 24-31, 2024

Our rhythm of rest and worship during Holy Week helps clear away the debris of distraction and helps remind us how central and significant the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are. The drama of Holy Week is the center of Scripture, of history, and – because of our sin and our union with Jesus Christ – the center of our lives as Christians.

Mark your calendars as we will gather each day at PCPC March 24-31, so together our hearts and minds can focus on our Lord and Savior Jesus.



[pcpc.org/holyweek](https://pcpc.org/holyweek)



Dear PCPC family,

Thank you for giving to Park Cities Presbyterian Church (PCPC). Gifts like yours help PCPC fulfill our mission to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

Each year, we provide this Ministry Impact Report to celebrate all God has done and is doing in the life of PCPC. On behalf of the PCPC Finance Committee, I would like to thank you for your generosity and am glad to report that we met budget by giving \$15,357,358 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. The Finance Committee is greatly encouraged by God's continued provision to allow PCPC to fulfill His mission.

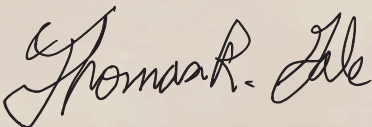
While it is important that we meet our financial targets each year, we do not want to do that without also growing in our faith as it relates to money and giving. With that in mind, the Session developed the Principles of Stewardship ([pcpc.org/stewardship](http://pcpc.org/stewardship)), which is one of our 6 Essential Paths of discipleship. Our growth in giving is directly tied to growth in our faith. As stewards who are to be held accountable, we must prayerfully seek to exercise our stewardship in a manner that is consistent with and obedient to God's Word.

#### PCPC's Principles of Stewardship:

1. God is sovereign and we recognize Him as exercising divine ownership over all things.
2. By His indwelling Spirit, Christ enables us to follow Him in being a servant to all.
3. God is concerned with the heart of the giver as opposed to the amount of the gift.
4. Gifts are given to the Lord Himself even though they are for the benefit of other people.
5. God richly provides us with everything to enjoy.
6. We are called to give regularly from our first fruits as this discipline gives us an opportunity to be consistently drawn to Christ.
7. Giving should be done prayerfully.
8. Tithing has been a great blessing to many Christians.
9. Scripture supports giving in three areas: to the local Church, to the poor, and to extending the Kingdom of God in the Church and the world.
10. When we share with the poor, we are sharing with Jesus Himself.
11. We are responsible to use our gifts and abilities to Extend the Kingdom.

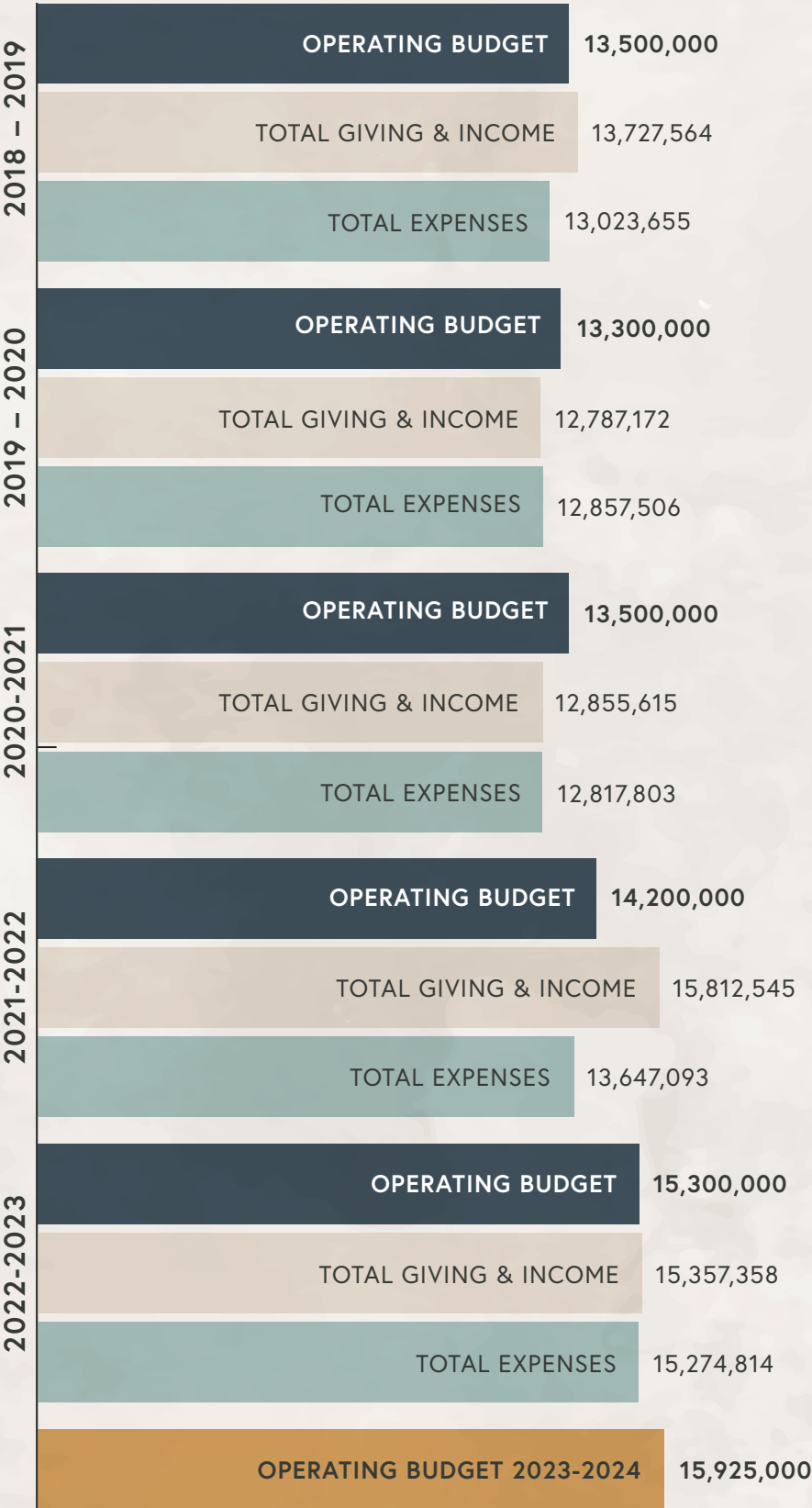
As we look forward to next year, the Session has approved a budget of \$15,925,000, an increase of 4% over the previous year's budget. The Session has prioritized merit increases for the staff along with increases in operational expenses (security, building insurance, and janitorial). We have also created a Governance Committee to address and implement best practices and risk management across the church.

As moderator of the Finance Committee, I would like to thank you again for your continued generosity.



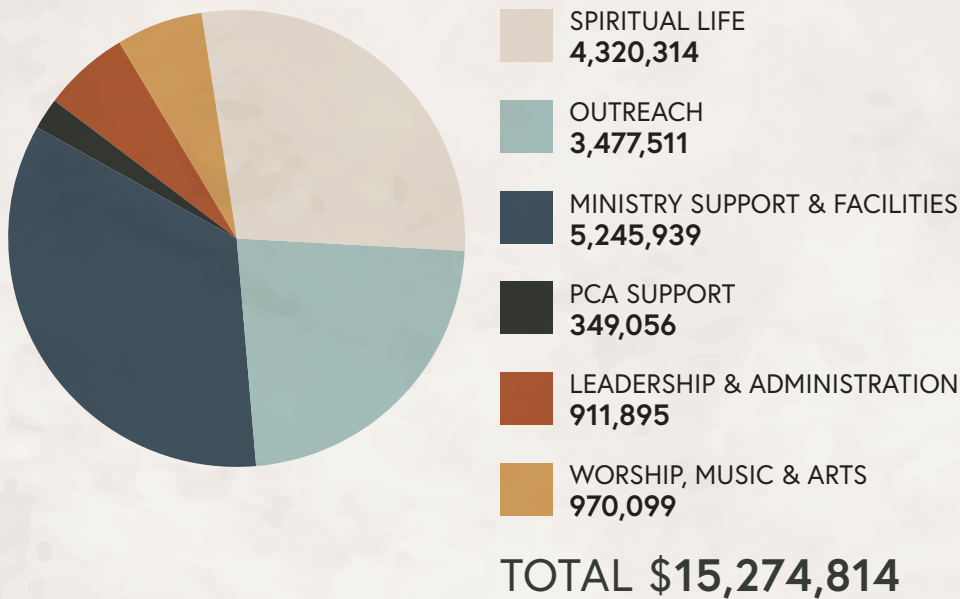
Tom Gale  
PCPC Finance Committee Moderator

# INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

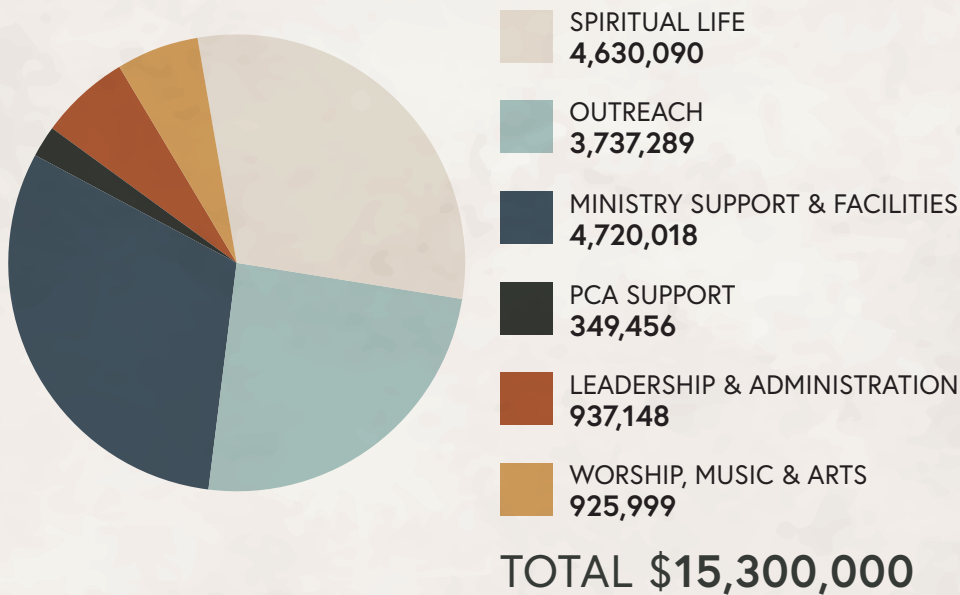




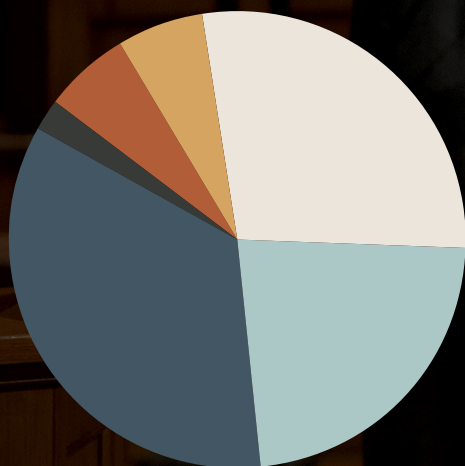
# 2022-2023 OPERATING EXPENSES



# 2022-2023 OPERATING BUDGET



## 2023-2024 OPERATING BUDGET



SPIRITUAL LIFE  
4,467,098

OUTREACH  
3,660,224

MINISTRY SUPPORT & FACILITIES  
5,516,002

PCA SUPPORT  
349,156

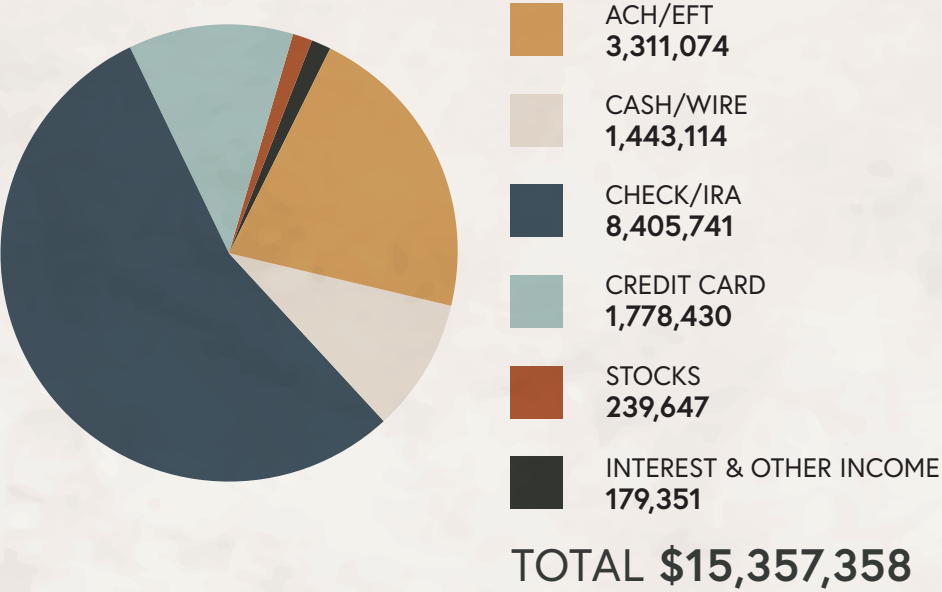
LEADERSHIP & ADMINISTRATION  
953,995

WORSHIP, MUSIC & ARTS  
978,526

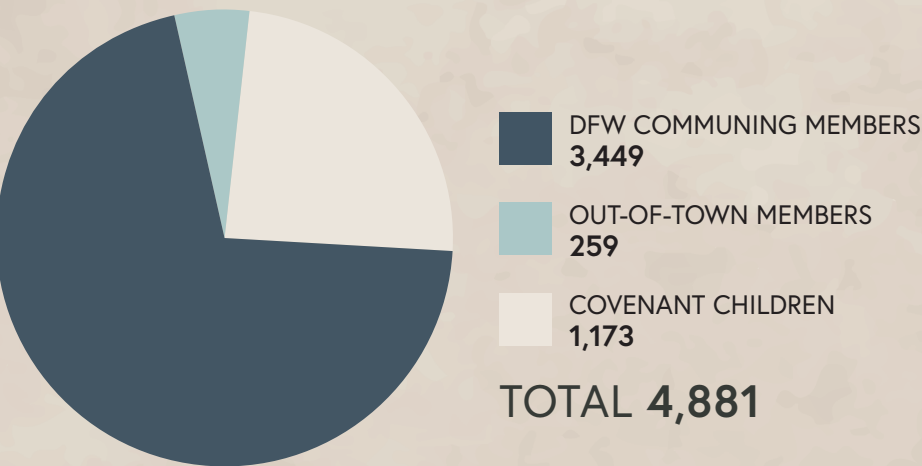
**TOTAL \$15,925,000**



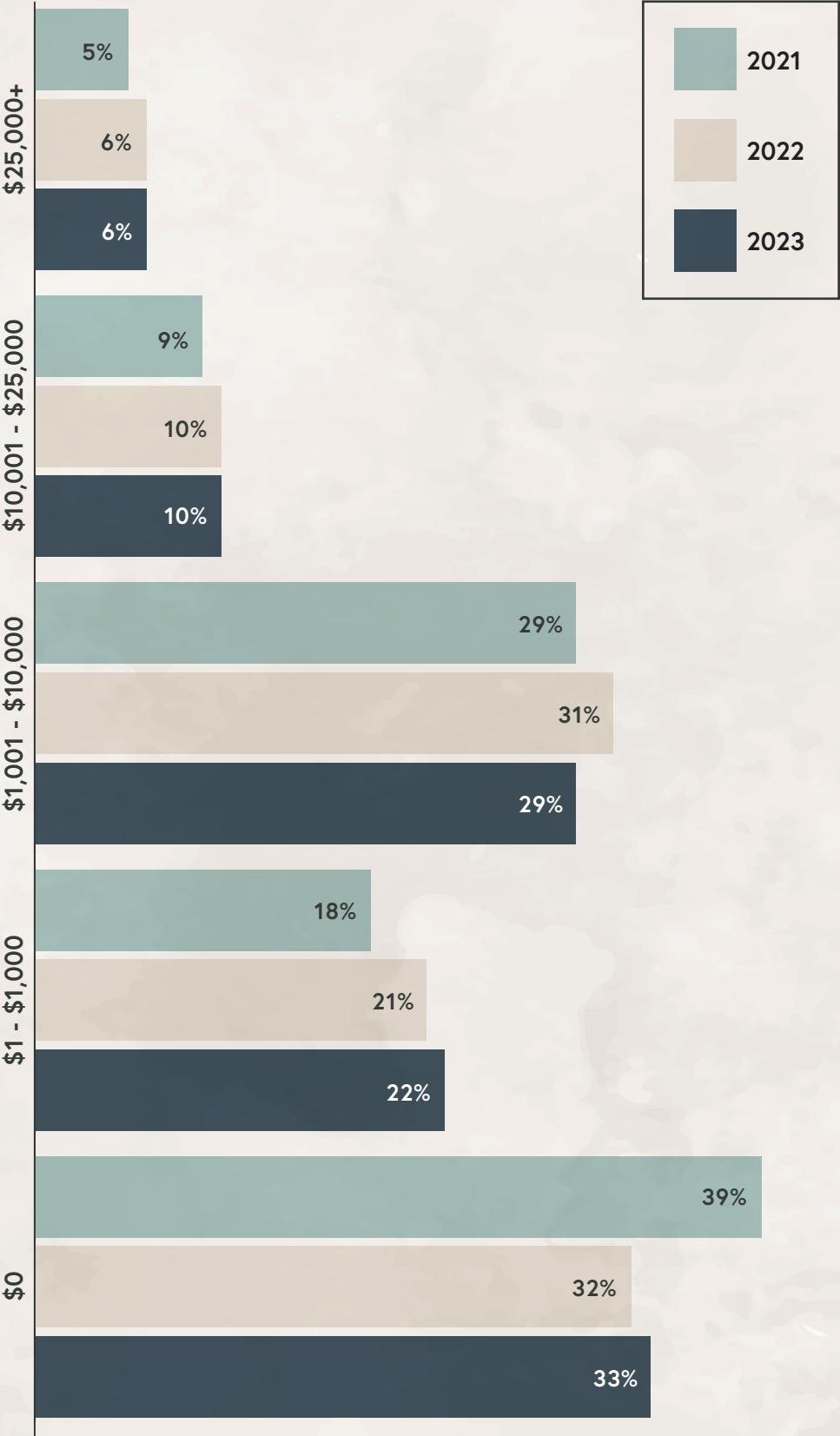
# 2022-2023 GIVING BY TYPE



# 2023 PCPC MEMBERSHIP



# 2022-2023 GIVING BY HOUSEHOLD







TO ALL WHO ARE SPIRITUALLY WEARY AND SEEK **rest**;  
TO ALL WHO MOURN AND LONG FOR **comfort**; TO  
ALL WHO STRUGGLE AND DESIRE **victory**; TO ALL  
WHO SIN AND **need a Savior**; TO ALL WHO ARE  
STRANGERS AND WANT **fellowship**; TO ALL WHO  
HUNGER AND THIRST AFTER **righteousness**; AND  
**to all who will come**, THIS CHURCH OPENS  
WIDE HER DOORS AND **offers welcome** IN  
**the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.**





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