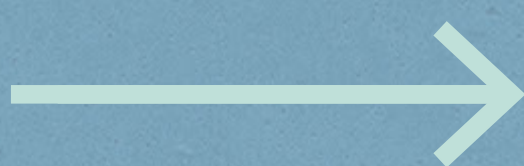


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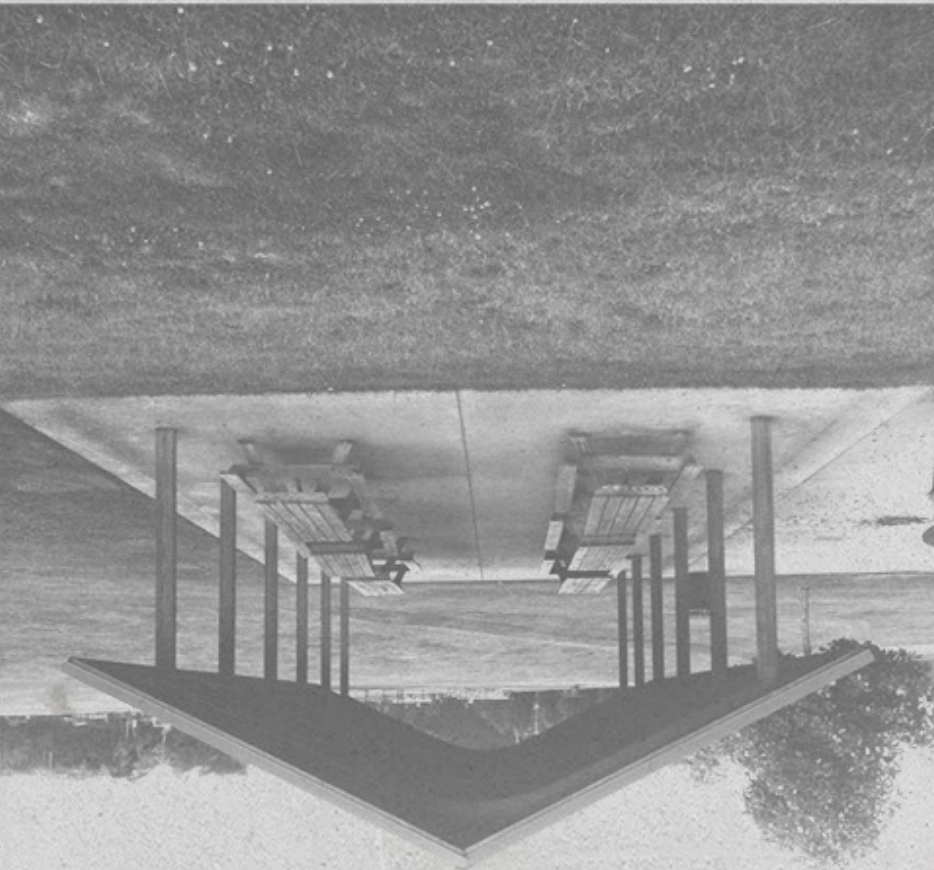
ETHOS CHURCH - NASHVILLE

2020

THE UNSTOPPABLE MISSION OF GOD IN
AN UNFORGETTABLE YEAR.



grace! how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I
that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re-lieved; How
dan-gers, toils and snares, I have al - read - y come; 'Tis
een there ten thousand years, Bright shin-ing as the sun, We've



ETHOS CHURCH

ETHOS CHURCH - NASHVILLE

WHAT WILL YOU REMEMBER ABOUT THIS YEAR?

What are the stories that you will tell as you think back on this year five, ten, even twenty years from now?

My guess is that individually, we've had a plethora of different experiences and memories that were made. Some of them are joyful ones that we never want to forget, while others are ones that we hope to never think about again.

But what about us as a church family? What is the story that we will tell? What will we remember?

I love the last chapter in the book of Acts. The setting is at the end of Paul's life. For the last two years of his life, he was living under house arrest in Rome. The freedom he had always enjoyed of going wherever he wanted was taken from him. His strategy of going to new cities, sharing Jesus, and visiting the churches he had planted was no longer an option.

YET PAUL DID NOT ALLOW THE RESTRICTIONS TO STOP HIM FROM ADVANCING THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

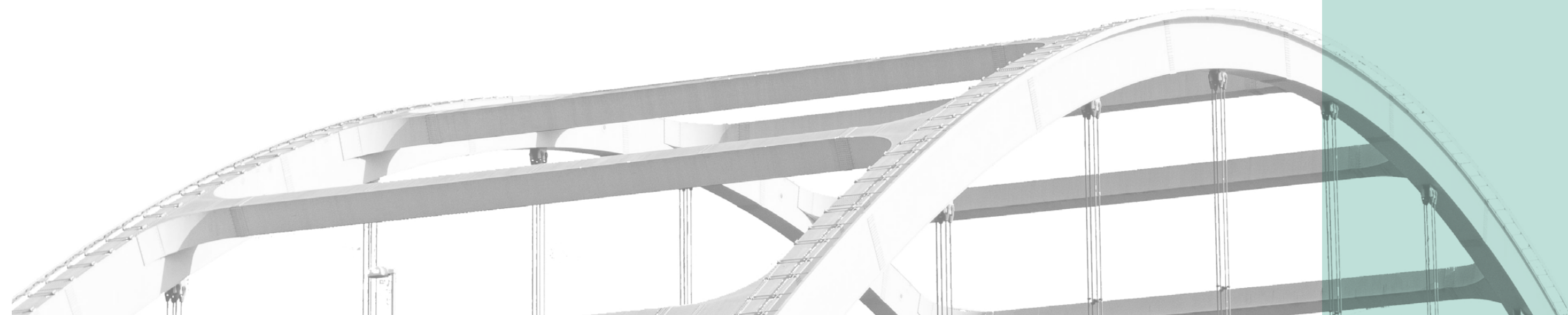
Acts 28:30 says, *For two whole years, Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him. He proclaimed the Kingdom of GOD and taught about the LORD Jesus Christ-with all boldness and without hindrance.*

I love that picture. Nothing was going to stop Paul from living out his calling and desire to make disciples. Even though many of his freedoms had been taken from him, he adapted, changed strategies and continued to give himself fully to helping people follow Jesus.

I love this because it's what I've seen GOD do in and through us this year. Despite all the obstacles we faced, this one truth surfaced: the mission of GOD continued to flow through us. Sure, it was a very different year than we were used to having. Many things that we enjoyed and that shaped us spiritually in the past, such as large Sunday morning gatherings, baptism night celebrations, family retreats, to name a few, weren't an option for us this year. And while we mourned the good things that we missed, we adapted, and found new ways to be GOD's people and to live into our mission of Loving GOD, Loving People and Awakening a Movement.

My hope is that as you read through this annual report, you are filled with a sense of gratitude and awe at what GOD has done and that you are moved to give your life more fully this next year to the unstoppable mission of GOD, no matter what comes our way.

BRANDON STEELE
PASTOR | ETHOS CHURCH



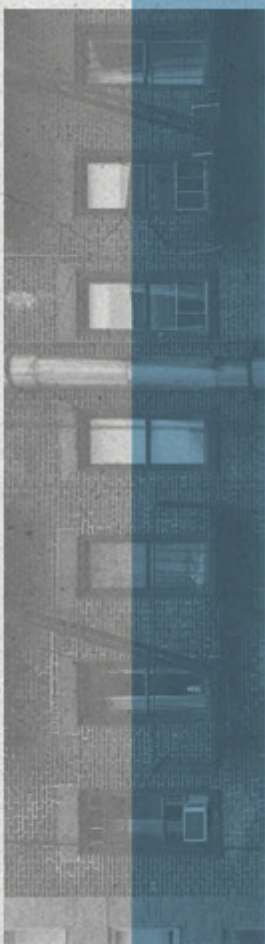
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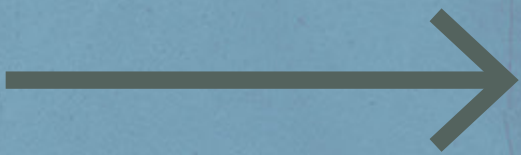
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AN ANYTHING BUT NORMAL
BEGINNING TO THE YEAR



FOR THE FOURTH YEAR IN A ROW, OUR CHURCH FAMILY BEGAN THE NEW YEAR BY ENTERING INTO A SEASON OF PRAYER AND FASTING.

Although this has become a familiar rhythm for our church family, what GOD did in our city was far from normal.



AT RYMAN AUDITORIUM, WITH DELEGATES FROM **OVER 500 CHURCHES**, WE HAD A NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND PRAYER TO KICK-OFF THE SEASON OF PRAYER AND FASTING.



24 HOUR PRAYER VIGILS WERE HELD AT **18 DIFFERENT CHURCHES** THROUGHOUT NASHVILLE EVERY DAY OF THE MONTH.



760 OTHER CHURCHES REPRESENTING **40,000+ PEOPLE** PARTICIPATED IN THE CITY WIDE MONTH OF PRAYER AND FASTING.



16 PEOPLE WERE BAPTIZED AT OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION AS WE ENDED THE FAST.



1,000+ CHURCHES ACROSS THE STATE OF TENNESSEE PARTICIPATED IN AWAKEN, WITH NEARLY **100,000 PEOPLE** PARTICIPATING.



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THE 2020 AWAKEN SEASON WAS THE CHERRY ON TOP OF A PERIOD OF EXTREME SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND RECONNECTION FOR ME.



I was in a place where I felt stripped down and finally completely dependent on God. I decided to get baptized as a symbol of my reconnection and deeper commitment to God in all aspects of my life moving forward. I'm grateful for everything that was revealed to me during Awaken 2020. I hope that more people get the opportunity to grow spirituality or have the chance to come to know God through Awaken 2021.

PAYTON BONER

Looking back on Baptism night, I see God's hand in baptizing my friend, Payton, who is now my roommate. Baptizing a dear friend reminded me of our call to discipleship and simply doing life together. I am grateful God gives us opportunities like these.

ALLY LAWHON

YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

On March 2 & 3, a category 4 tornado cut through Nashville and several surrounding cities, destroying many homes and businesses, leaving so many devastated.

Working with other churches, groups were quickly formed and sent out to serve those impacted by the tornado.

THE GOODNESS OF GOD'S PEOPLE WAS ON DISPLAY AS YOU GAVE BOTH TIME AND MONEY TO HELP THOSE IN NEED.



\$32,528.65

was given to help those impacted by the tornado.

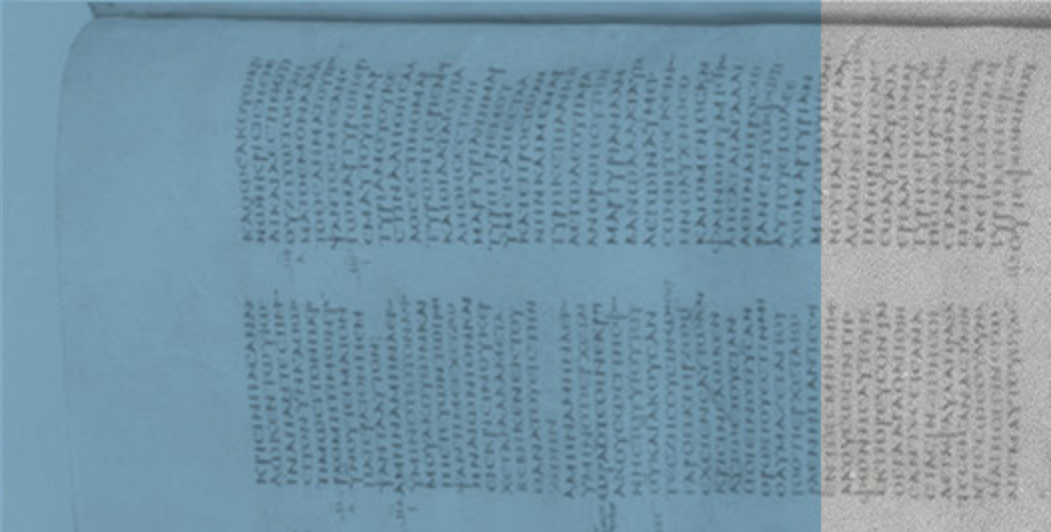


30 BOXES

of Tornado relief supplies were collected and donated to the Martha O’Bryan Center to help serve those impacted.



AN ADAPTABLE CHURCH



SUNDAY LIVESTREAM

Starting on Sunday, March 15, we launched the Ethos Livestream on YouTube. It was created to give our church family a central place to connect with the LORD, other Ethos family members and anyone else that was interested in learning about Jesus. Through the pre-worship conversation time, worship, teaching, communion and Livechat, we made the most of the moment we were in by encouraging everyone to not simply watch, but to participate.

The Livestream team consisted of Matt van den Meiracker, Cole Williams, Will Shinnick, the pastoral team and a host of volunteer camera operators.

70,600 VIEWS

3,400 SUBSCRIBERS ACROSS YOUTUBE AND PODCAST

THE MONTH OF MARCH USHERED IN A SEASON THAT NONE OF US COULD HAVE PREDICTED AT THE ONSET OF 2020.

By GOD’s grace, adjustments to how we functioned as a church family had to be quickly made. While there are many things that could be said about our church family and how we walked through 2020, two words in particular rise to the top: Adaptable & Generous.



AT HOME GATHERINGS

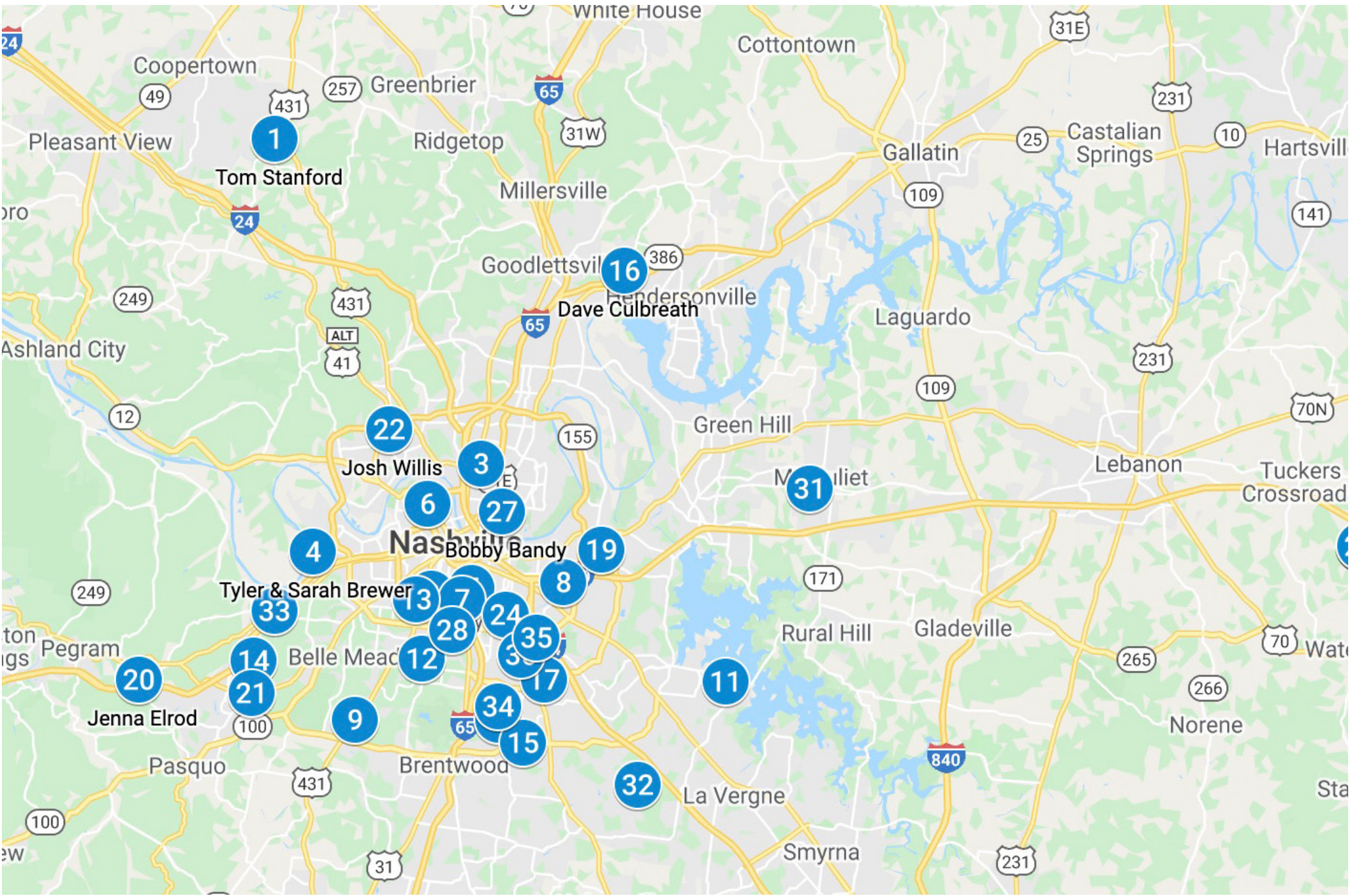
We transitioned from gathering with many other people in large public venues on Sundays to gathering in smaller groups with roommates, family and neighbors in living rooms, parks and on back porches all over the city.

While there was sadness over not getting to be together like we were accustomed to, there was also an excitement that came as we stepped into new opportunities to live out our mission.



MORE THAN 40

At Home Gatherings were launched all across the city and beyond in order for people to gather for prayer, communion, and worship each week around the Ethos Church livestream.



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2020 WAS AN INCREDIBLE YEAR OF GROWTH IN ALL RESPECTS BUT ESPECIALLY IN COMMUNITY.

I bought a house in The Nations neighborhood back in 2019 and started hosting a ton of events. When the lockdown happened in March/April, people really needed Christ-centered community, so I saw it as an opportunity to host an Ethos service in my house every Sunday.

Very soon, we had a group of 20-30 people who consistently showed up to the events we were hosting on the weekends (porch hangs, bonfire nights, worship nights, Sunday service).

Through doing life and community together, I saw many of my good friends deepen their walk with Christ in 2020. These included two of my roommates. One was in a season of spiritual doubt when he first moved into the house and the other had not been to church in over 10 years.

Both became more serious about pursuing their faith in 2020 and joined the house church / Bible studies I was a part of. One went out and bought a Bible for himself and started reading it every day! The other told me that he really wants to get baptized at an Ethos baptism gathering once everything opens back up!

DAWEI LI



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EASTER SUNDAY ACTUALLY TURNED INTO A VERY SPECIAL DAY.

Typically my family in Smyrna gets together but since we had to quarantine we invited the next door neighbor and a friend from Spain over to celebrate.

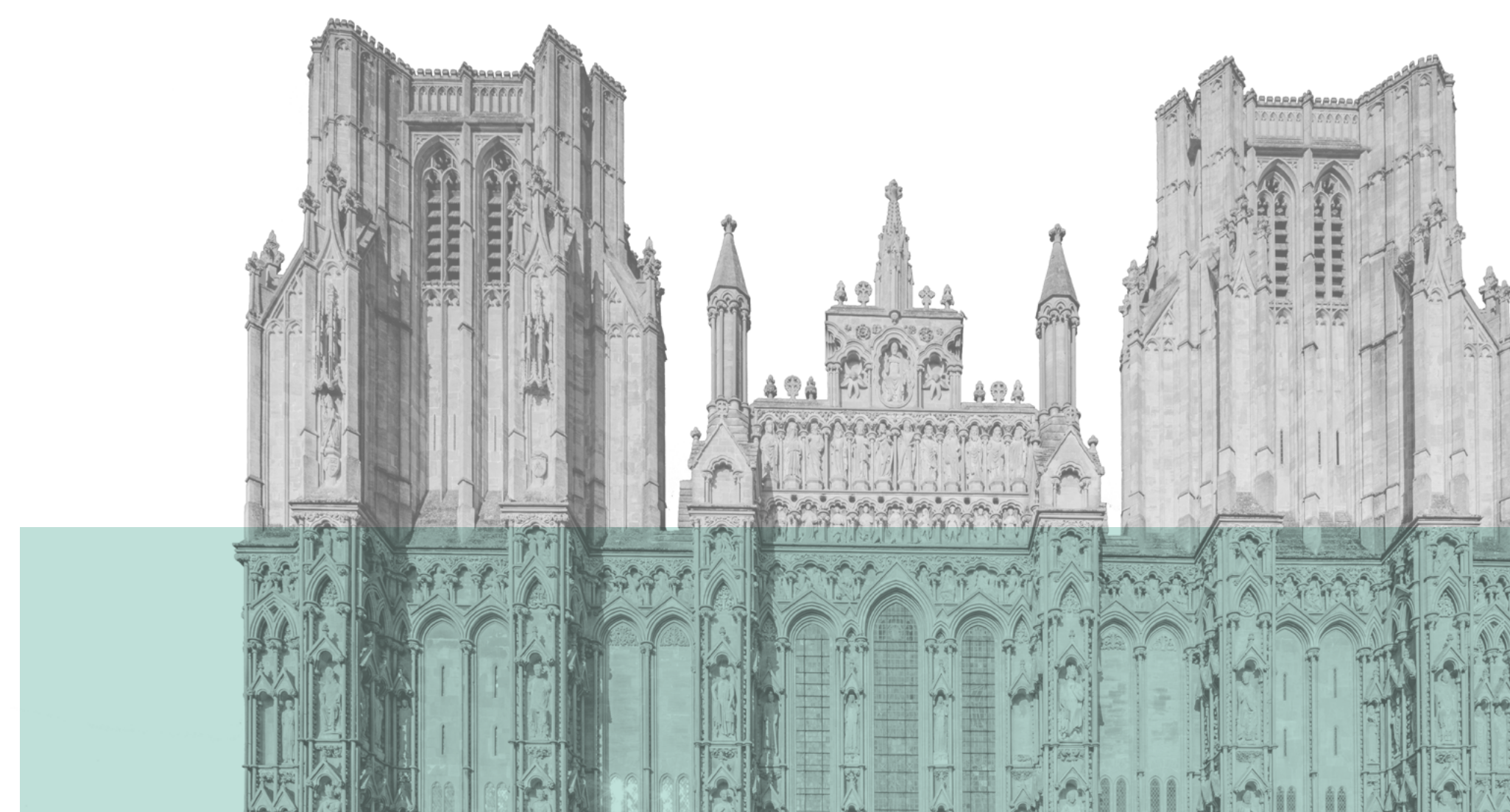
The next door neighbor dressed up in a really nice top and slacks because “that’s what his mom made him do when he was forced to go to church” and the guy from Spain kept commenting how much more loving our pastors are.

He grew up in a very strict church where his mom still attends and said that it was very hard for him to desire a relationship with Jesus because he felt like the priests never smiled or cared that he was there.

He made the comment that “the pastors are real people” and that made me really appreciate our church and how well we love others and how humble our leadership is.

I looked over at one point at the end of the sermon and he was on his phone looking up the prayer gathering virtual times. It made me happy to see that the small act of inviting people over (and of course providing a large Easter brunch) could spark joy in someone’s life.

JENNA WATSON



ETHOS KIDS AT HOME

Each week, the Ethos Kids team collected and created resources that equipped parents to disciple their kids at home on Sundays during the Livestream, and all throughout the week.



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Worshipping at home this year has been HARD. Without leaving the house to “go to church” it was easier to do nothing most weeks. But we found early on, that without school, without church, we were FULLY in charge of both the spiritual and academic learning that our children would receive.

So we spread it out. We incorporated devotions into our morning rhythm each morning, to make sure that we were in the Bible, talking about God, and praying with our children daily. This “normalizes” the behavior of worship, and makes talking about Jesus (and even singing worship songs) that much easier.

We still don’t catch every Sunday, and sometimes we watch the livestream in the morning, and sometimes at night. But we always pause a lot, to talk about the words in the songs, or what the pastor is meaning in his message. They’re not catching everything, but small important truths are filtering their way in. Slowly but surely.

MICHAEL & CARLY CONRAD



PRAYER GATHERING

We moved from meeting in-person in the One venue at the Cannery to meeting on zoom for seven months. In September we were able to start gathering at the Ethos office for an in person gathering, while still allowing Zoom for those unable to attend. **Jana Ogg & Cory and Jennifer Barnett** led us each week in praying for our church, city, nation and the nations.

“

Following Awaken last year and the 24/7 prayer room, there was a renewed vision and zeal for corporate prayer. While the COVID restrictions brought potential to see this quenched, we saw a core group of the Ethos family grow in unity and perseverance in prayer through the Zoom prayer gatherings during the time when we could not meet together in person.

There was a unity in the spirit during many of our zoom prayer gatherings that equaled in person gatherings and

was a real witness to God’s pleasure in our commitment to continue to grow in corporate prayer even if it was done virtually.

We are still reaping the fruit from that time now as we meet together in person and we sense God has a great call on our Ethos family in the realm of corporate intercessory prayer for the church, the city, the nation and the nations.

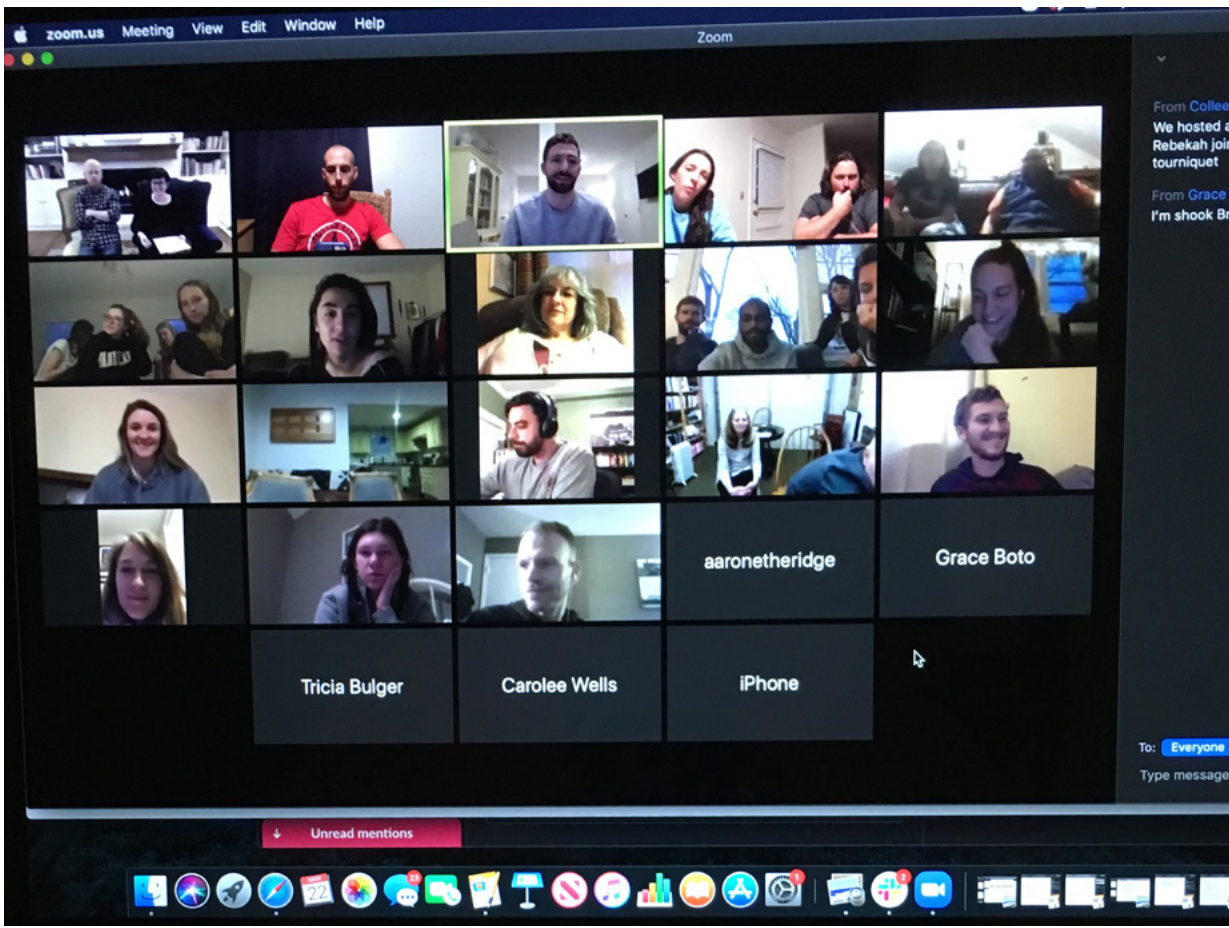
CORY & JENNIFER BARNETT





PRAYER GATHERING

Chris and Kendra Connors began leading worship as volunteers during the Zoom phase of Prayer Gathering. After months of volunteering, they joined the Ethos Team as part-time worship leaders for Prayer Gathering.



ETHOS DRIVE THRU

The Elders & staff wanted to create a space for people in our church family to come and connect, as well as receive prayer and encouragement. After months of being scattered, we had our first in person event in August as our church family drove through the Cannery parking lot to connect with others.

We also collected school supplies for the teachers and students of Tusculum Elementary.



TRUNK OR TREAT

The Ethos Kids Team led our first Trunk-or-Treat Drive Thru in October. This provided our church family, as well as our city, a safe and fun way to dress up and enjoy seeing one another.

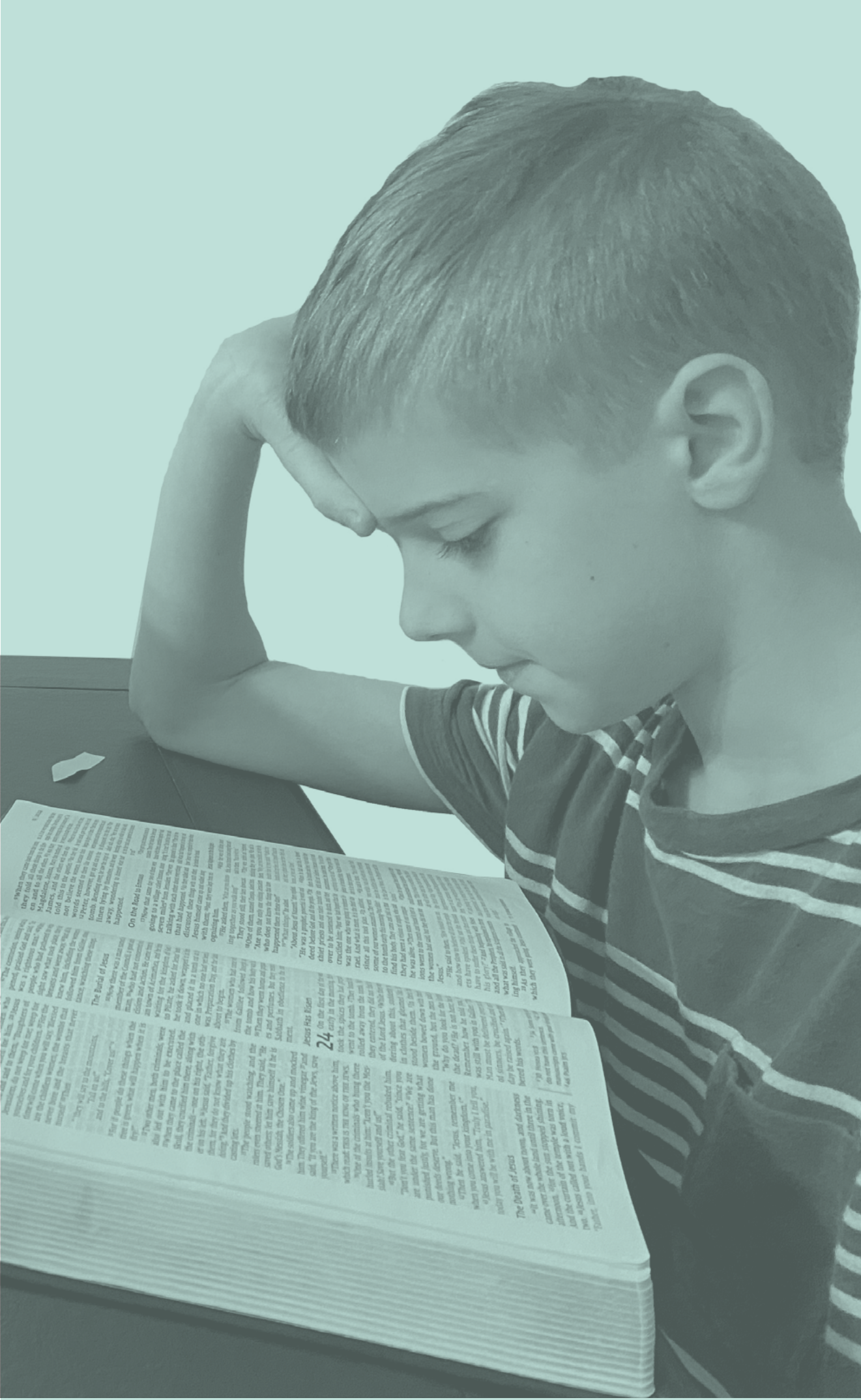
38 CARS
DECORATED



150 PEOPLE
HOSTED TRUNKS



220 PARTICIPANTS



ETHOS STUDENTS

For six months, our middle school and high school students persevered, staying connected through Zoom on Sunday mornings. In August, our middle school students began gathering on Sundays, and our high school students began gathering on Tuesday nights.



SENIOR BLESSING, GRADUATING THREE SENIORS

ETHOS STUDENTS CREATIVELY
FOUND WAYS TO LIVE OUR MISSION.

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Our out of town mission trips were cancelled in 2020. Because of this, we chose to do a mission week right here in our city where we partnered with several local ministries and organizations that are doing good here in Nashville.

Our goal was to learn from them as we partnered to advance their mission. The best part about this trip was that our high school students planned the majority of it!

JOSH WILLIS
ETHOS STUDENT PASTOR



RETREATS	
MARCH	Disciple Now 39 students, 13 adults
JUNE	Discipleship Retreat 25 students, 4 adults
OCTOBER	Fall Retreat 46 students, 10 leaders

Go to
www.ethoschurch.org/studentsfallretreat
to see a highlight video recap done by the students.

GROW CLASSES

Being separated from other people did not stop our church family from pursuing greater depth in learning and relationship with GOD and people. This was seen clearly through Grow Classes, where more people participated this year than ever before.



25 TEACHERS



16 CLASSES



700+ PARTICIPANTS

GROW CLASSES
Hearing The Voice Of God
How To Develop Life-Changing Spiritual Rhythms
Letter From Prison: A Study Of Philipians
Book Study: The Color Of Compromise
Becoming Equipped To Give A Reason For Your Faith
First Freedoms (Part I) -- Personal Freedom & Abiding With Christ
How To Read, Understand, & Apply The Bible
Learning To Connect With God In Prayer
Discipling The Next Generation
Freedom From Pornography
Financial Peace University
Hosting An At Home Gathering
Lunch Break In The School Of Prayer
Kids & Technology
Why Should We Trust The Bible?

UNSHAKEN

We devoted the last week of October to Praying and Fasting as a church family. The week began with a 24 Hour Prayer Vigil. Every night of the week there was an in-person worship gathering that provided a place for people to pray and connect with others.

FREEDOM PRAYER

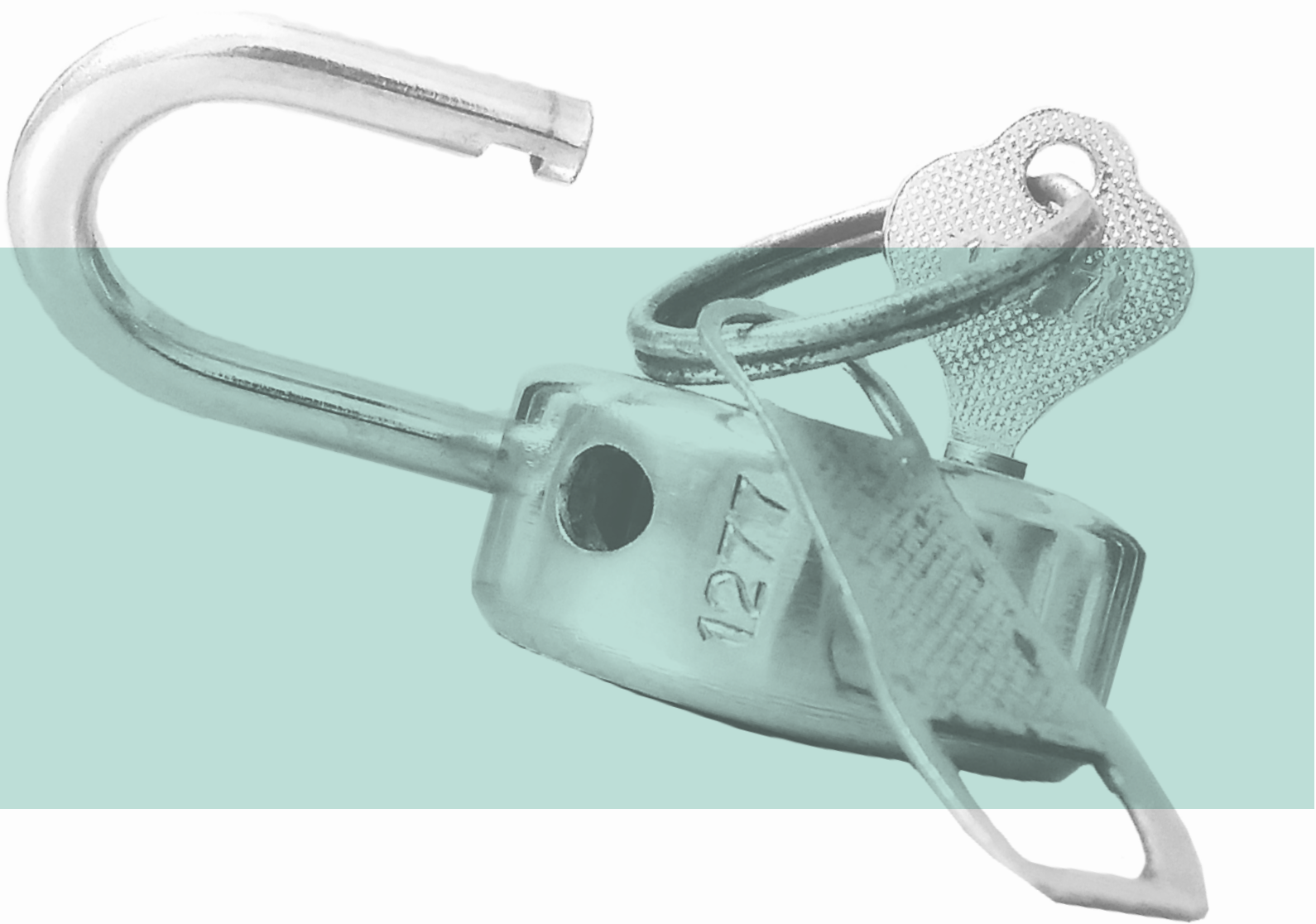
Freedom Prayer is a ministry that Ethos Church, along with many other churches in Nashville and beyond, is a part of. It's a personal prayer ministry that is available to anyone who signs up. The goal of Freedom Prayer is to give the Holy Spirit space to identify and address anything that is hindering a deeper personal relationship with GOD.



195 PRAYER TIMES



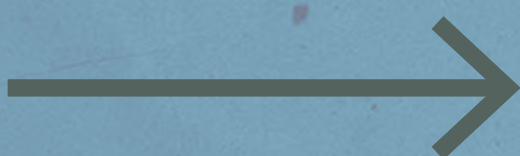
65 PEOPLE ON THE ETHOS
FREEDOM PRAYER TEAM



MID-WEEK WORSHIP GATHERINGS

In September, our venues allowed us to begin gathering in bigger groups for prayer and worship. We held 6 in person worship gatherings throughout the fall at the Cannery Ballroom and Marathon Music Works. Hundreds of people signed up to attend, worshipped Jesus, and prayed as we enjoyed getting to be back in a familiar place.

A GENEROUS CHURCH



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Throughout last year, the Ethos Church family was presented with a recurring question, would we continue to be a church marked by radical generosity towards Jesus, His Church, and His world in a year with so much uncertainty? The answer was and will always be yes!

ETHOS CHURCH IS COMMITTED TO MEETING THE MINISTRY NEEDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY WHILE ALSO BLESSING PEOPLE BEYOND OUR CHURCH BOTH LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY.

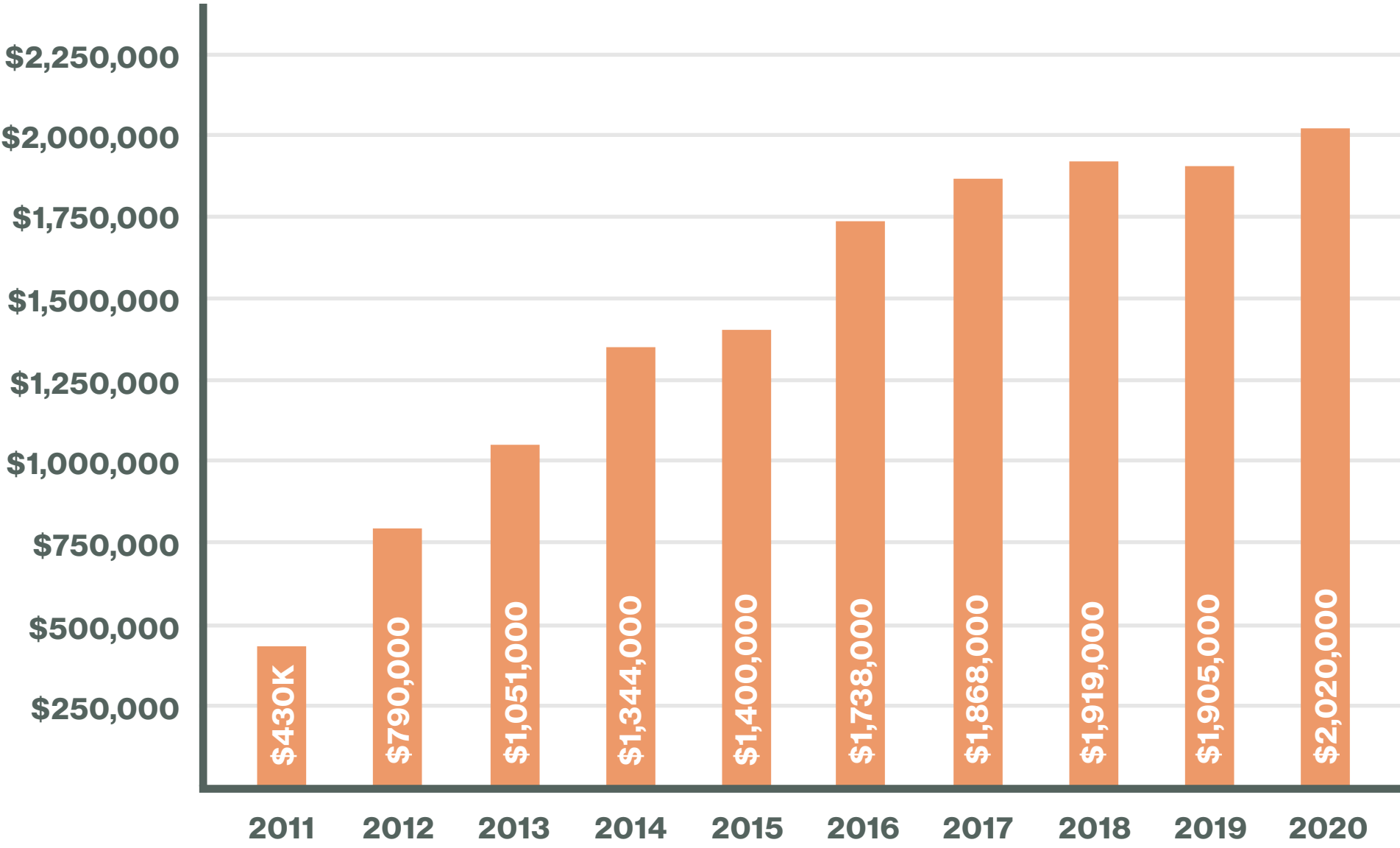
With the guidance of the Elders, Finance Team, and Staff, we worked diligently to steward resources in a way that honored Jesus, served the Ethos Family, and blessed the world around us, and we did not waver from this commitment despite the unforeseen challenges of 2020. As a result of so many of you participating in Kingdom generosity, we can testify to God’s faithfulness in a year of incomparable disruption! Thank you for your continued generosity.

SAM PARNELL
EXECUTIVE PASTOR



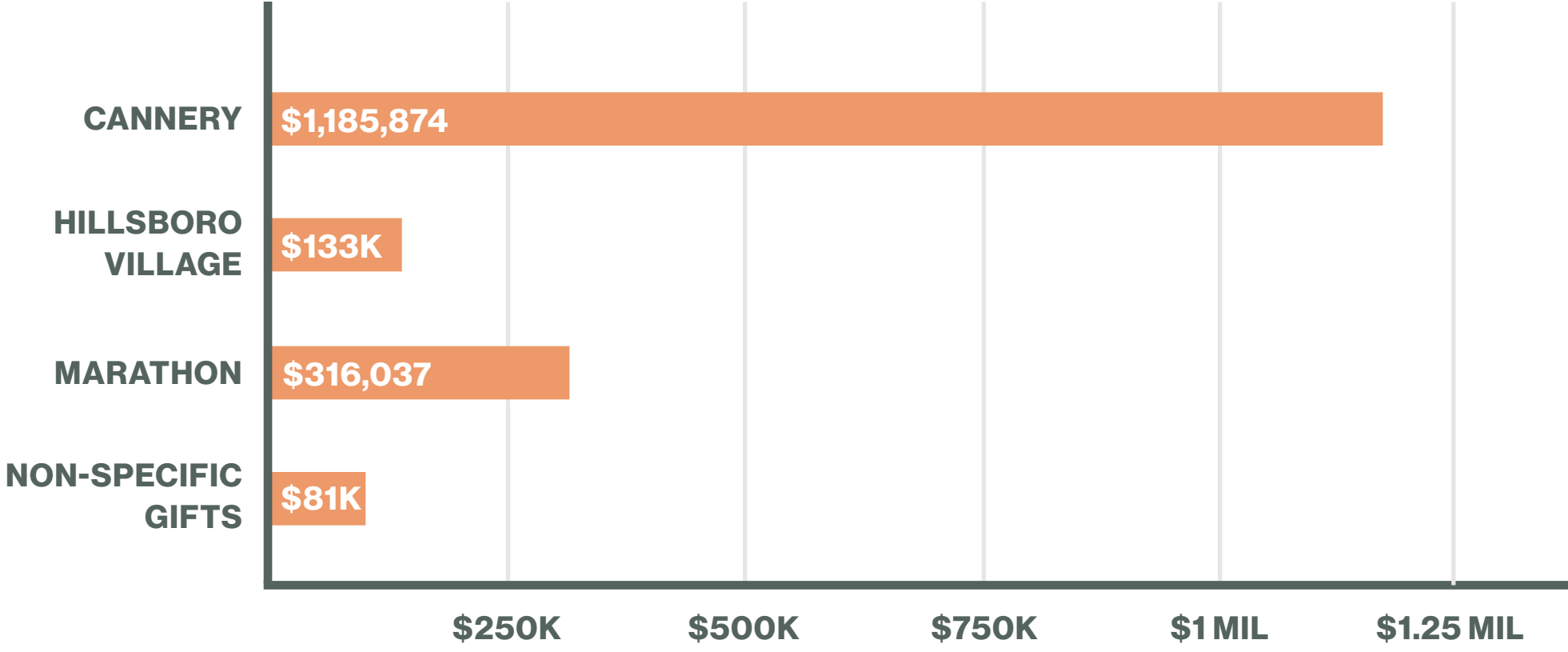
GIVING AT A GLANCE

TOTAL GIVING BY YEAR



939 FAMILIES GAVE IN 2020

2020 GIVING BY CAMPUS



SPECIAL GIVING IN 2020



\$32,528
TORNADO
RELIEF



\$222,840
FAMILY RELIEF
FUND



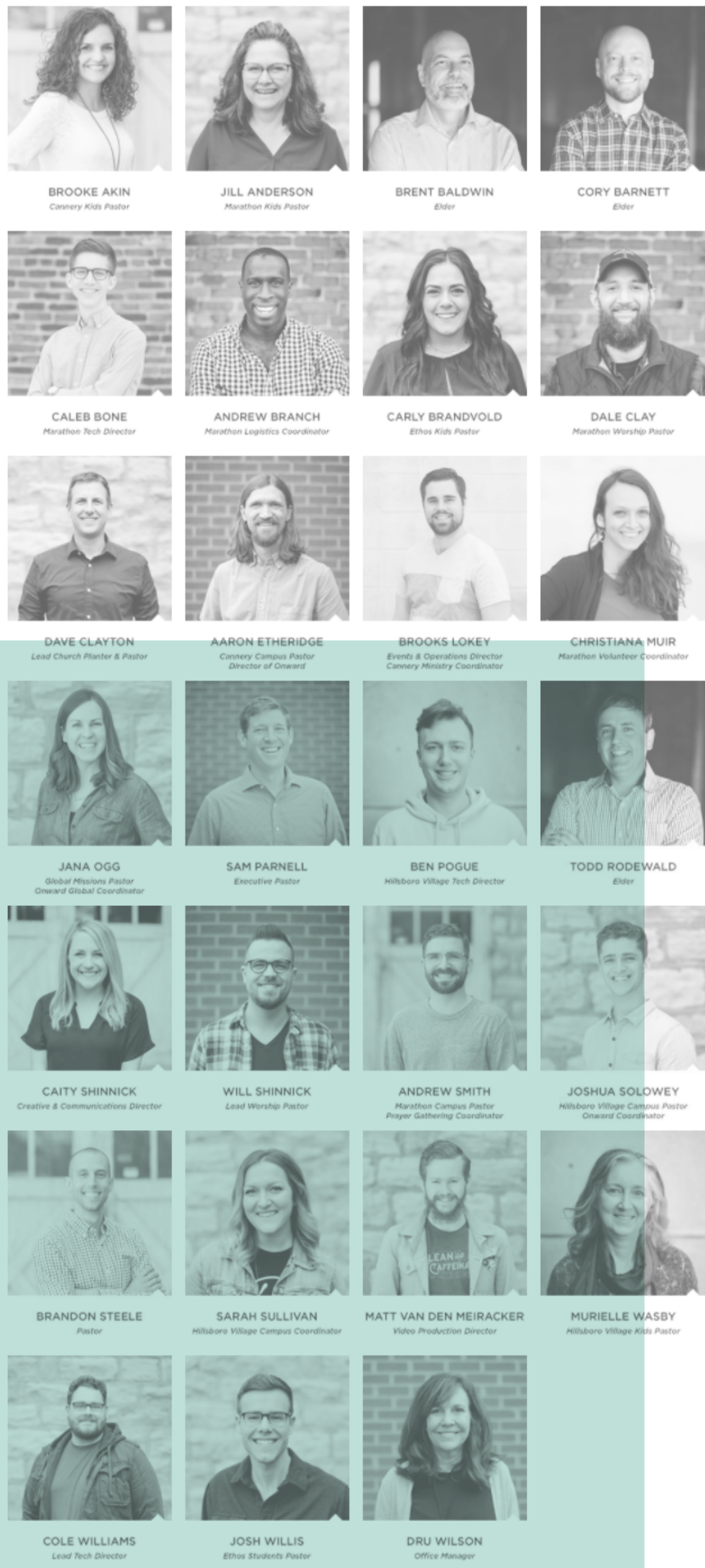
\$47,712
BIRTHDAY
SUNDAY



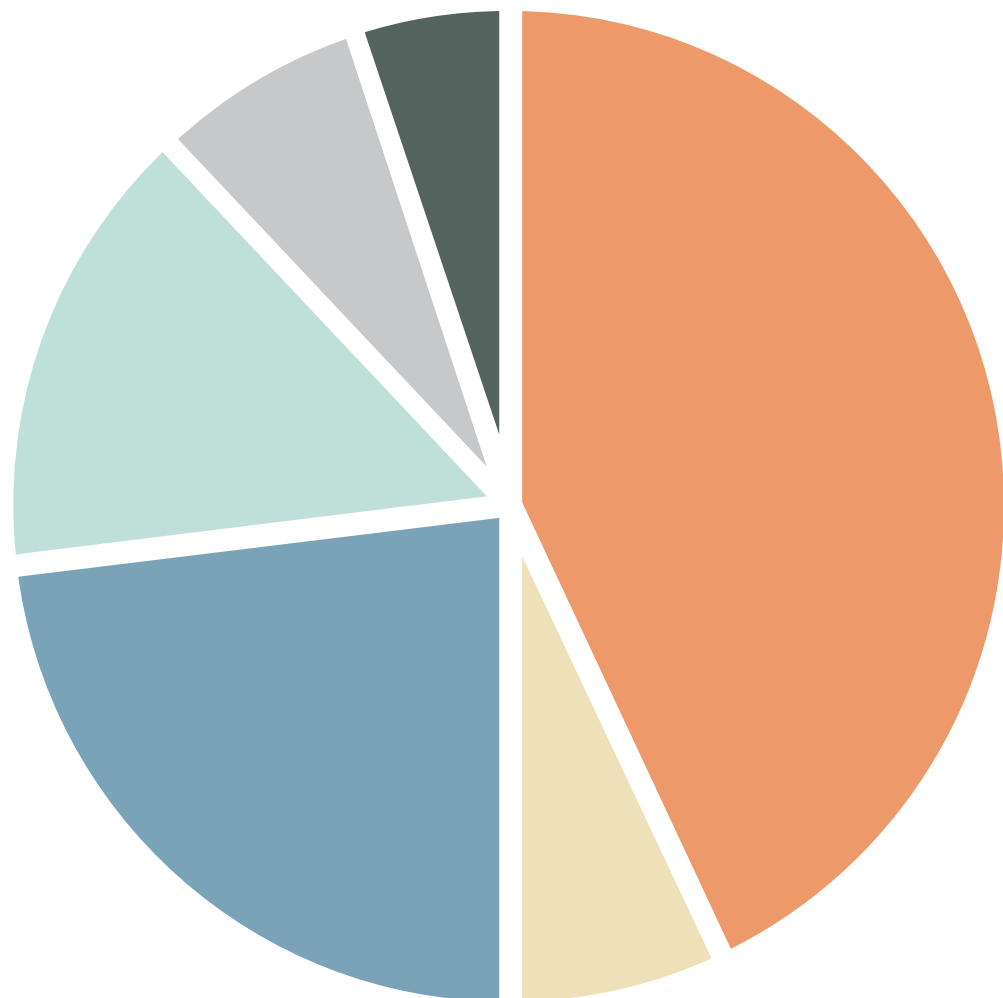
\$9,274
SECOND HARVEST
FOOD DRIVE

2020 EXPENSES

In March of 2020, within days of the pandemic drastically changing life as we knew it, the Ethos Elders decided to prioritize the stewardship of our church’s resources in 6 key areas to help our church family not only weather the storm, but to advance the mission of Jesus in the midst of it.



- 43% - MINISTRY STAFF**
to equip the people of God to make disciples of Jesus, including 12 Part Time Staff and 10 Full Time Staff
- 23% - LOCAL AND GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS**
to advance the mission of Jesus in Nashville and beyond.
- 15% - SPECIAL INITIATIVES**
to provide relief to those impacted by Covid and the March tornado.
- 7% ETHOS FAMILY DEVELOPMENT**
to continue the ongoing work of discipling the people who call Ethos their Church home.
- 7% - OFFICES**
to provide a physical space for us to gather, worship, and mobilize our community of faith.
- 5% SAVINGS FOR 2021 MISSIONAL EFFORTS**
to weather the projected financial challenges of the months and years ahead created by the pandemic.



IN A NORMAL YEAR,

our resources are stewarded by each of our local campuses as they seek to extend the mission of God in their part of the city. However, 2020 was not a normal year. Due to the unexpected circumstances of 2020, our Nashville campuses joined forces more than ever as we sought to honor God, care for one another, and bless the city in the name of Jesus. Below is an overview of how we stewarded our resources collectively for the glory of God and the sake of our mission.

STORIES OF YOUR GENEROSITY

HOW THE FAMILY RELIEF FUND HELPED:*

ETHOS FAMILY

- Groceries
- Rent
- Mortgage
- Utilities/Bills
- Tuition (what loans wouldn’t cover)
- Car repairs
- Medical expenses
- Counseling

ETHOS GLOBAL FAMILY

- Rent and bills for our Global Church Partners in Africa
- Food for families in the Macedonian churches
- Food for Kenyan Pastor caring for 10 orphans
- Emergency hospital visit for Ugandan Pastor’s family

ETHOS PARTNERS

COOKERY
supplemented income to keep the Cookery running at full capacity

Y.E.S.
provided food and rent assistance to individuals and families that Y.E.S. serves

EAKIN ELEMENTARY
provided food to send home with children on the weekends

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
provided assistance to those in our city in desperate need yet unable to find help

* 57 people/families/organizations received assistance.

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I think this season has taught people about how to ask for help and how to experience the church in a new way. I’ve had the honor of being on the end of many phone calls where people in our church have needed financial aid this year.

From loss of jobs to medical bills to tornado damage, it has financially impacted many. This has forced many people to reach out for help who may never have dreamed that they’d be doing so just a few months ago.

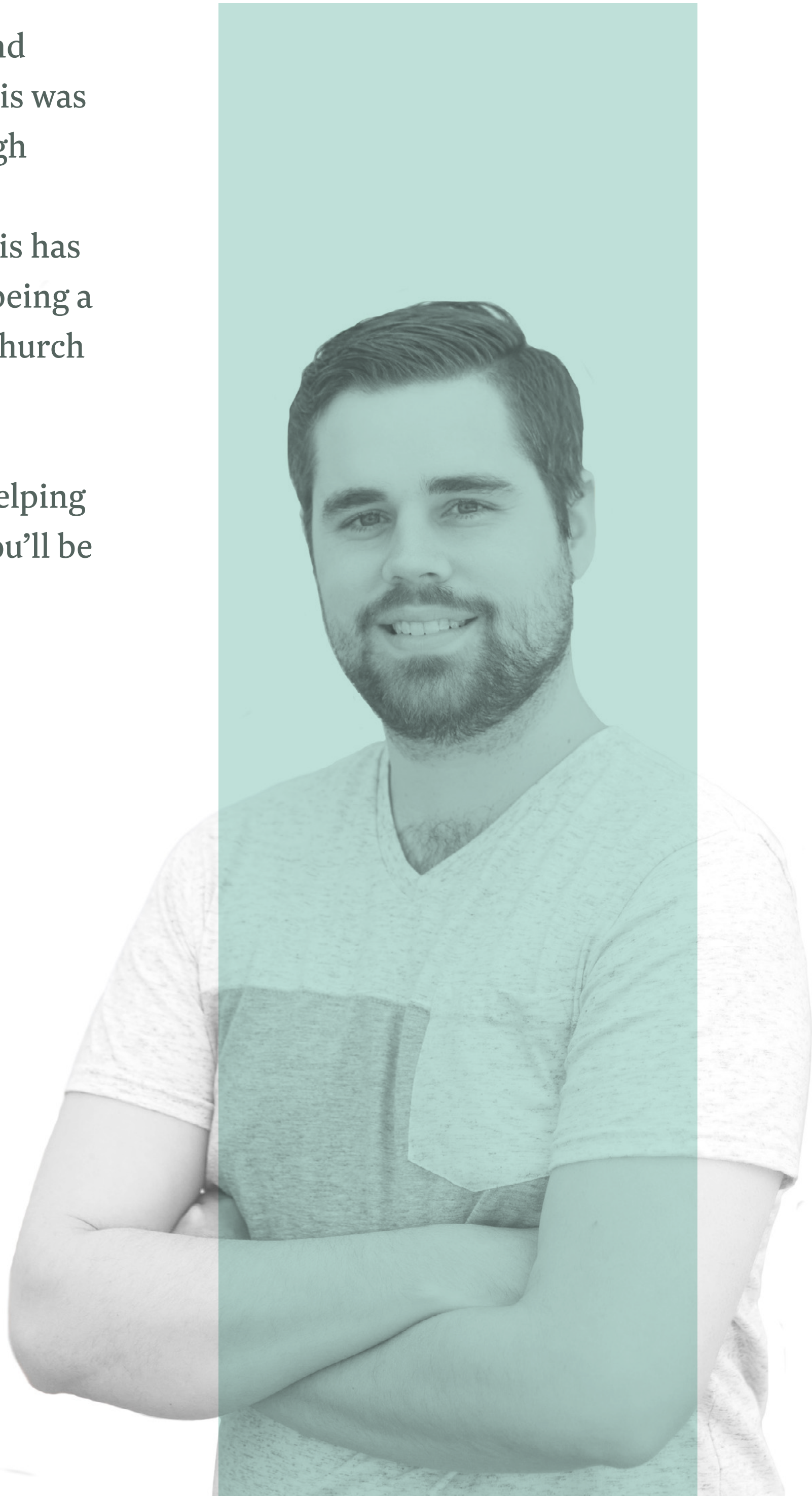
That can be a scary, intimidating, and humbling experience. For some, this was their first time ever doing so. Though that can be humbling, I’ve seen our church grow during this season. This has allowed people to experience what being a part of the family and a part of the church means in a different way.

Sometimes you’ll be on the end of helping someone in need, and sometimes you’ll be

the one asking for help. Rather than let pride take over, I saw people push through that, even if it was uncomfortable, and let the church be the church for them.

I think in many ways, this has helped transform our church into a more full version of what it was created to be.

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LOCAL AND GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

AWAKEN NASHVILLE

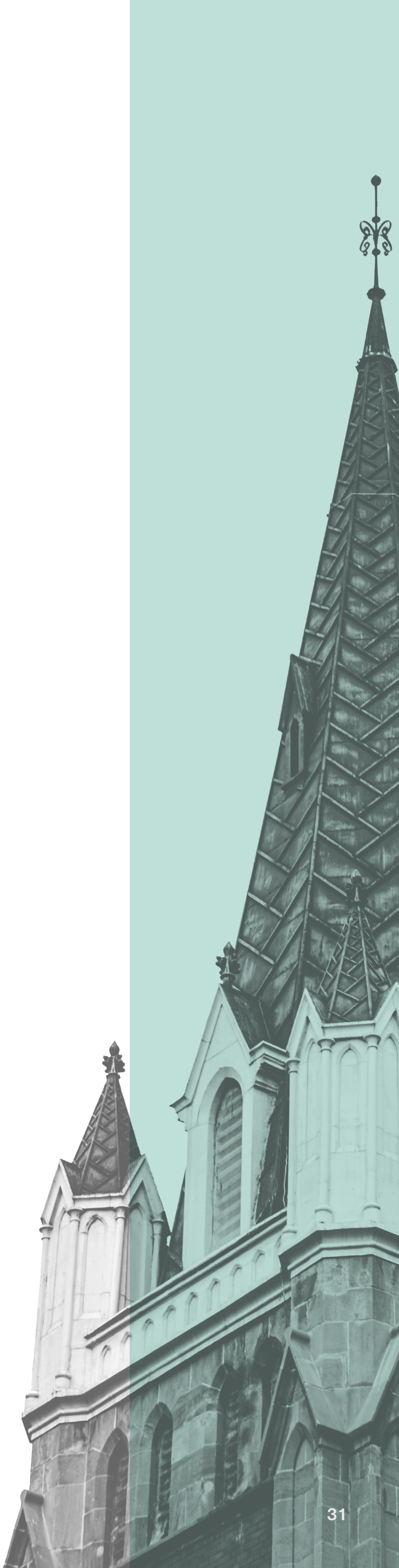
With a desire to build friendship and unity among churches and followers of Jesus in Nashville, all of the events and resources were provided to any and all participants free of charge. Funds were used to help cover some of the costs of the Ryman Auditorium Kick-off, the 24 Hour Prayer Vigil rooms across the city, and resources for people to engage.

ONWARD CHURCH PLANTING

A priority for our church has always been to plant new churches in order to reach lost people. Onward is a Global Family of Leaders committed to making disciples and planting churches that was established in 2014 by Dave Clayton and Aaron Etheridge. Becoming its own entity in 2019, we have continued to partner with Onward to make a local and global impact. Through our partnership with Onward in 2020, there were:



**44 NEW CHURCHES AND MINISTRIES
LAUNCHED IN 8 COUNTRIES,
8 STATES AND 34 CITIES.**



ONWARD CHURCH PLANTING

THE NORTH AMERICAN
CHURCHES AND MINISTRIES

Resurgence City BUFFALO, NY	City Collective CHATTANOOGA, TN
Missio Church SEATTLE, WA	North End Collective ATLANTA, GA
Pergola Church CHARLOTTE, NC	Compass Church JONESBORO, AR
NAHT NASHVILLE, TN	Lions for Christ FORT SMITH, AR
The Cookery NASHVILLE, TN	Myriad Church FORT WORTH, TX
Movement Church NASHVILLE, TN	ACU Campus Ministry ABILENE, TX
His Holy Hill Church MURFREESBORO, TN	Steadfast Church PASADENA, CA
Spring Hill Fellowship SPRING HILL, TN	Delight Ministries ACROSS THE USA
King and City Church NASHVILLE, TN	Bud Ministries ACROSS THE USA

ONWARD CHURCH PLANTING

THE GLOBAL CHURCHES

The Church at Copenhagen COPENHAGEN, DENMARK V21	Ethos Church Basirhat INDIA
Lisboa LISBON, PORTUGAL	Ethos Church Khalpar INDIA
Teen Church SHEFFIELD, ENGLAND	Ethos Church Saluka INDIA
Tetovo Church MACEDONIA	Ethos Church Deulti INDIA
Sokolarci Church MACEDONIA	Ethos Church Orphuli INDIA
Demir Kapiaj Church MACEDONIA	Ethos Church Katapukur INDIA
Manastirec Church MACEDONIA	Ethos Church Bargorchumuk INDIA
Shtip Church MACEDONIA	Ethos Church Madhabpur INDIA
Kavadarci Church MACEDONIA	Evergreen Church NAIROBI, KENYA
Roma-Gipsy Church MACEDONIA	Vive Church KAMPALA, UGANDA
Ethos Church Nalpur INDIA	Ethos Church Lira LIRA, UGANDA
Ethos Church Gaborda INDIA	

ETHOS HAS COMMITTED TO THE
HIGHEST LEVEL OF PARTNERSHIP
WITH OUR COVENANT PARTNERS.

This means that both our Global Partner and Ethos has committed to give the best of themselves to each other. We have agreed to journey on mission alongside each other not just as acquaintances or friends, but as family.

Through thick and thin, the hard and the good times - we have committed to walking together. We realize we can do far more together, as brothers and sisters from different cultures and backgrounds, then we could ever do alone.

As the old African proverb says, “If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

JANA OGG
GLOBAL MISSIONS PASTOR



GLOBAL CHURCH
PARTNERSHIPS

Piyas and Sharbani Dey
INDIA

James and Janet Odongpiny
UGANDA

Patrick and Dee Muhereza
UGANDA

Andre and Eunice Prim
PORTUGAL

Sasha and Marija Vuletic
MACEDONIA

Antony & Miriam Njoroge
KENYA

Thomas and Nancy Njoroge
KENYA

Richard Chogo
KENYA

Mads and Elisabeth Fredskilde
DENMARK

A LOOK AT WHAT GOD
IS DOING GLOBALLY

GLOBAL
MISSIONARIES

Kristin Childress
DUBAI, UAE

Chris and Amy Moore
GREECE

Grace Laminack
GERMANY

SOUTH AFRICA *

CHINA *

Multiple short term
missionaries

** For the safety of our missionaries,
names are not included.*

INDIA - PIYAS & SHARBANI DEY

One of the key areas of focus and ministry for Piyas and his team in India is the slums, which is where the poorest of the poor live. When everything was on complete lockdown in India, no one was allowed to travel anywhere, especially to the inner-city slums that were considered a hot spot. Piyas repeatedly applied for a pass to take food to the families in the slums that had no access to groceries. Through his persistence and prayer, the government finally agreed and allowed him to take food to the residents of the slums.



ETHOS INDIA
HIGHLIGHTS

8 CHURCHES

2 DREAM HOMES

71 kids are receiving education, food and a safe place to live

34 BAPTISMS

700+ KIDS PROVIDED

with daily food and education

The Churches provided food in many different villages to help those who were impacted by the pandemic.

Khalpur Slum
150 FAMILIES

Karunamoyee Slum
102 FAMILIES

Nalpur Village
90 FAMILIES

Saluka Village
250 FAMILIES

Bargram Village
300 FAMILIES

Deulti & Orphully
25 FAMILIES

Katapukur
15 FAMILIES

Sealdah
150 FAMILIES

Hingalganj in Sunderbans
300 FAMILIES

Red Light Area
150 WOMEN



UGANDA- PATRICK & DEE MUHEREZA

When the pandemic first started, Patrick decided that the best thing his church could do was pray. So he started a daily prayer call at 5am every morning, which continues on to this day. The Parliament of Uganda heard about it and asked Patrick and his team to help them start a daily prayer call of their own. There is now a group that meets every day inside the Parliament to pray for the government and their country.

MACEDONIA - SASHA & MARIA VULETIC

On a normal Sunday, between 40-80 people typically show up to worship with his church family in Skopje. Just like in the US, when COVID hit, Macedonia went into quarantine and Sasha's church moved to a livestream worship. Sasha noticed that most weeks, thousands of people were tuning into their church's live stream. As quarantine lifted, they discovered the hunger and search for GOD among many people hadn't been quenched, but had grown. They handed out over 3,000 Bibles and other books to those searching for the LORD. They also baptized 8 people this summer in a cold river near Skopje.



GREECE - CHRIS AND AMY MOORE

A refugee camp on the Greek island of Lesbos burned down in September, leaving 12,000 refugees homeless. Our missionaries there, Chris and Amy Moore, helped coordinate with the Greek government to help set up a new, temporary camp to house the refugees.



KENYA - ANTONY & MIRIAM NJOROGE

Antony felt the LORD impressing on his heart the importance of prayer in this season. Taking advantage of the digital, global connection that quarantine afforded, he started many global, virtual prayer gatherings in several countries such as Mongolia, Australia, Uganda, and Kenya.

UGANDA - JAMES & JANET ODONGPINY

In addition to leading church and caring for their six children, James and his wife Janet, took in five additional children who had been orphaned due to COVID.



OTHER GIVING INITIATIVES

EAKIN ELEMENTARY

Eakin Elementary is a metro school that is located near our Hillsboro Village campus. For years, our Hillsboro Village family has served the school, meeting any needs that came up. A food drive was held in order to stock the school food pantry, which many students are dependent upon.



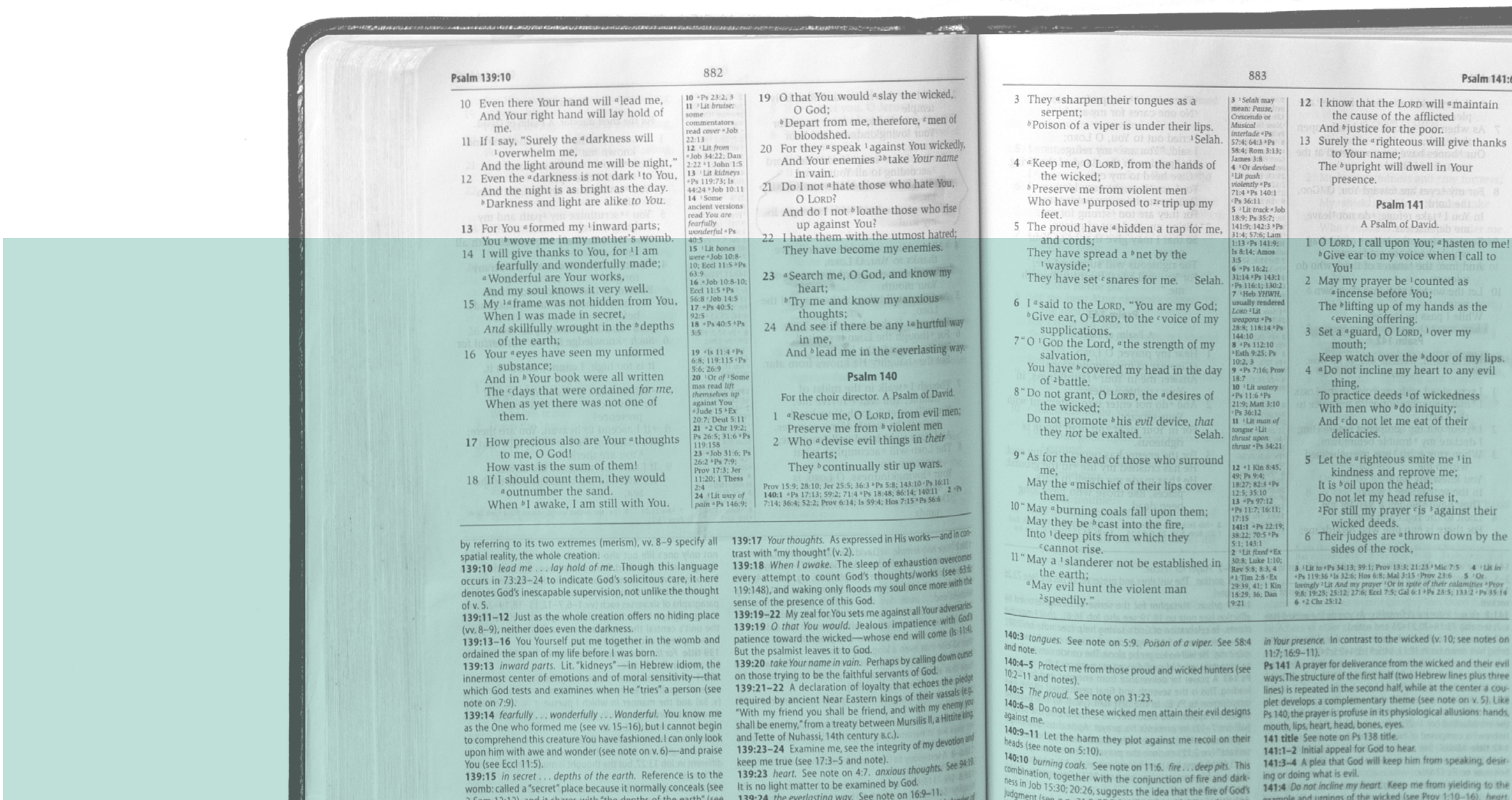
BEFORE



AFTER

KROGER SUNDAY

An anticipated tradition for our church family every year is Kroger Sunday. Instead of storming the aisles at a few Krogers, we encouraged people to shop wherever they get groceries from and drop them off at the Ethos office. **150 boxes of food** were donated and given to the Martha O'Bryan Center.



SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK

In May, we partnered with Second Harvest Food Bank to host a Virtual Food Drive. **\$9,274 was raised**, providing over **37,000 meals** for those who are food insecure.

Y.E.S CHRISTMAS STORE

40 boxes of toys & clothes were donated to the Y.E.S Christmas store. Families in need connected to Y.E.S. were able to select gifts for their children for Christmas.

SERVING

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK & Y.E.S.

3 groups served at Second Harvest, packing several hundred boxes of food for kids in middle TN.

35 volunteers served and **70 hours** were spent at Y.E.S to help them clean and organize their Lindsley Ave facility to prepare for the return of their kids in September.

BIRTHDAY SUNDAY

Every year we set aside a Sunday in November to celebrate our birthday as a church family. We reflect back on the faithfulness of GOD over the year and we take up an offering and give 100% of it away to advance the work of GOD globally.

Klodian and Alketa Lumci, church planters in their home country of Albania, started connecting with us on the Livestream in March. Discovering their heart for the lost (in Albania, less than 2% claim Christianity) and their love for the poor (they gave up the place they were renting for worship so the money could be used to buy food for the hungry), we saw an opportunity to encourage and support what GOD was doing in them.



✳ \$47,712 WAS GIVEN

FUNDS WENT TOWARDS

- Rent for their church
- Salary
- A new ministry vehicle
- Sound system and drums
- Youth ministry
- Church planting

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JESUS SAVED ME THIS YEAR.

At the beginning of 2020, the greatest year of my life, Jesus gave me a new heart, mind and transformed me.

MY WHOLE LIFE I KNEW ABOUT GOD, BUT I DIDN'T KNOW HIM.

I was a lukewarm Christian all these years and never experienced the re-birth. January 27th, I was born again, later got baptized and professed the Lord publicly. Now I live a life surrendered completely to Him and His will which brings a daily peace and joy that none other can provide. I read and study my bible everyday now. Thank you Jesus and thank you Ethos!

LUKE LOWES



HEALING

When Michaela was pregnant with our daughter, Ruth, we were told by medical professionals that she had a serious heart condition and would definitely need surgery post birth. We, along with our faith community, prayed and petitioned to God to heal Ruth and for surgery to not be

needed. Ruth was born healthy, and after a short, precautionary stay in the NICU, we were told that her heart condition had fully resolved and they could not detect any issues (they called her their miracle baby). Ultimately, surgery wasn't needed and God healed our daughter!

AUSTIN, MICHAELA AND RUTH GALLAHER



FOSTER CARE

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Since Hannah and I started dating we have talked about our heart for the fatherless and fostering/adopting has always been on the table. It wasn't until around 2018 that it really came up again and we started to look into it. Coincidentally, we started to go through foster parent training and prayer/fasting during the same time in 2019.

I remember my selfish prayer through the first two weeks was, “God I know your heart is for the orphans and the oppressed, but please make sure that we are set and this is the right choice for my family.” The reason I say it was a selfish prayer is because I wanted deep down for this to be easy and comfortable for me.



After praying one morning I remember God speaking to my heart and saying “it's never going to be easy.” God knows my selfish ways and told me that if we waited around for the “right time”, we would never pull the trigger and jump into fostering by leaning heavily on our faith and the Spirit to guide us through this season.

So here we are, almost 2 years ago from that time, with a teenager who has spent more high school days in our house than at the actual school building due to the tornado, a pandemic and us trying to figure out how to come alongside him and show him how to navigate the world we are living in, according to Jesus ways (which I am trying to figure out myself).

God has also taught us the importance of community. Our Ethos community and house church has been so loving and accepting of Mike, this has been a huge help for us. I have also learned that fostering or adopting is not for everyone, but there are ways you can help by investing in the families who do.

SEAN AND HANNAH JOHNSON



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She was in need of a place, we had some extra margin, and God doesn't hide His desire for His people to care for the widow and the orphan.

Through the first few months of fostering our teen, we have learned to pray “give us this day our daily bread” with urgency and utter dependence; at times it is overwhelming to think about more than a day ahead.

“Greater love” is laying down your life for another, and this is the realest that command has ever been for us, so we need daily bread. It is costly, and there is only one thing that

makes it worth following - not the sweet gestures she does for us, not our delight in her growing obedience, and not the dream of some future where she is an independent and self-sustaining adult.

It is worth the cost because our Father is asking this of us, and He has promised that Christ's return will restore and redeem. So it is through fostering this child that Jenny and I now hope more boldly, more desperately, and more joyfully for the glory that is to come.

DANIEL AND JENNY WILSON



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ADOPTION AND ANSWERED PRAYERS

2020 was a very hard year. But, it also had so many major blessings. In January, Leo was adopted into our family from foster care. In July, we got another sweet baby from the NICU bringing our total up to 3 little boys.

And, after 6.5 years of infertility and loss, we became pregnant. Baby boy was born in mid-January and our two foster sons will be adopted soon! Our quiver is FULL and we are thanking God for all our miracle boys!!

GARRETT AND KELLI BJORK



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ONE FINAL THOUGHT...

To say this year has been an unusual year would be the understatement of the century. We have all experienced the disruptive realities of 2020 in one way or another.

WE HAVE BEEN TOUCHED BY BOTH THE BLESSINGS AND THE BURDENS THAT HAVE EMERGED IN THE MIDST OF A GLOBAL PANDEMIC.

In Ecclesiastes 3, Solomon reminds us that there is a “time for everything, a season for every activity under the sun.” This year has reminded me of the deep truth found in those words penned long ago.

I’m not sure we will fully know how to categorize the season otherwise known as 2020 for quite some time, but what I do know is that God has been working in powerful ways both seen and unseen among our church family in 2020.



This report was our best (albeit imperfect) attempt to reflect back on the year with both honesty and hope.

Thank you for the ways in which you are helping fan the flames of Jesus’ mission through your time, your generosity, your prayers, love, service, and encouragement. It is such a gift to be a part of this mission with each of you.

I am eager to see all that God has in store for us in the year ahead as we seek to love God, love people, and to awaken the movement that Jesus began and is still actively leading!

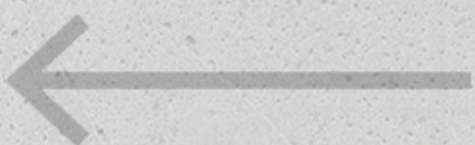
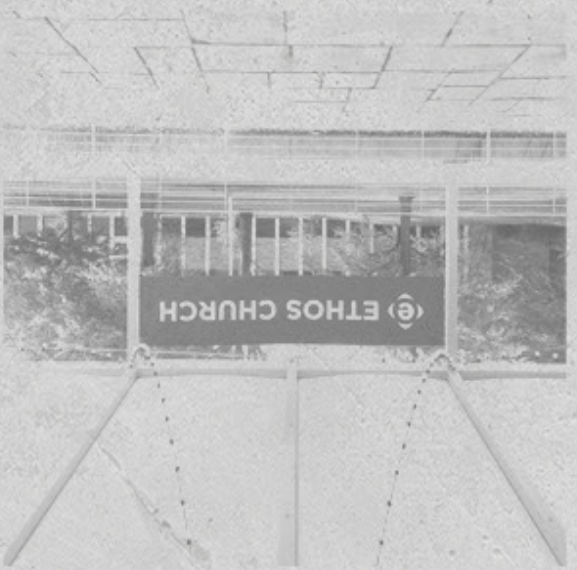
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THANK YOU

for all of the ways you lived out the mission that GOD has given to us as a church family this past year. May GOD give us strength to keep serving him and to be faithful to Him as we move into another year of Loving GOD, Loving People and Awakening A Movement.

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