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STREAMING GENEROSITY

Ministry Report | July-December 2020



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Has there been a more unusual year in the life of Park Cities Baptist Church?

I think we're now in the most unique ministry season ever, and it continues to unfold as we pray and prepare for a new year. Throughout our rich history we have seen God carry us through World War II, 9/11, financial crises, and other life-altering moments. COVID-19 now joins that list, and it will be remembered as perhaps the most pivotal event from which God will shape the future of Park Cities Baptist Church.

To that end, our stories of generosity and budget presentation are centered around "becoming an online church" - practically overnight - and the countless ways you have responded to grow in unity as a church family through worship, connecting, and serving. These are the stories we are going to tell in the 2020 Ministry Report.

You'll notice two more important changes in our report:

1) We are presenting a 6-month budget rather than 12 months. Our staff and Finance Committee feel that this is a more realistic way to look ahead, as we will be navigating through the effects of COVID-19 for a substantial period of time; and,

2) Our Ministry Report is digital this year! This allows you to see more powerful content like videos and social media stories that we want to celebrate, while helping us save thousands of dollars in print and mailing costs. Of course, it's downloadable, too!

Our strategy and values were MEANT for such a time as this. If we didn't sense their power when they were developed and adopted, we certainly do NOW. Praise be to God for His vision that led us to be able to respond in these days.

We must now fulfill the vision to go forward with new purpose, intentionality, and boldness. It is not a time for looking back, except to celebrate how God has prepared us for BIG next steps. And we are ready to follow Jesus every day like never before!

I love you, church family!

Dr. Jeff Warren, Senior Pastor



Streaming Generosity

The 2020 Ministry Report is dedicated to YOUR generosity through countless “streams.” These are stories of how you never stopped giving, sharing, innovating, and serving—stories proving that the church “left the building” but did not stop being the church. Thanks be to God for these and many other ways that He has used your gifts.

“Bear one another’s burdens,
and so fulfill the law of Christ.”

– Galatians 6:2

Helping our neighbors in need:

Missions House is “serve-central” for dropping off toiletries, diapers, and food staples each week for Cornerstone and Vickery communities. Over

**14,000 SANDWICHES
& 3,000 POUNDS**

of pantry items – and counting!

Average online worship attendance for all venues:

8,500

viewers are renewing their faith, with some trusting in Jesus for salvation.

Transformed online presence has brought visitors from

40 STATES

plus Europe, Asia, South America, and Africa.

300+

PCBC Prayer Team members pray weekly for dozens of members and guests.

100+

PCBC Kids and Boomer/Senior Pen Pals building friendship and encouragement.

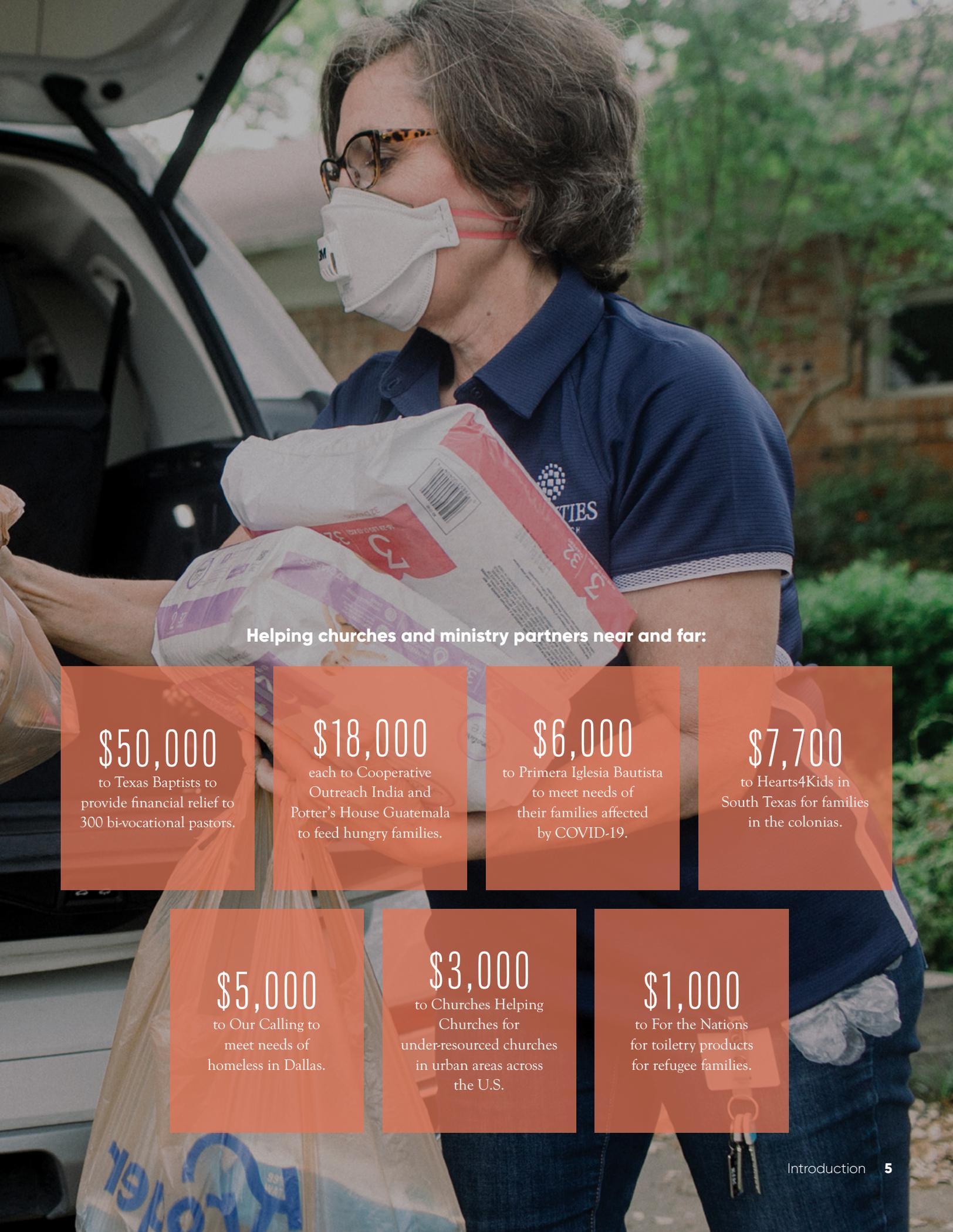
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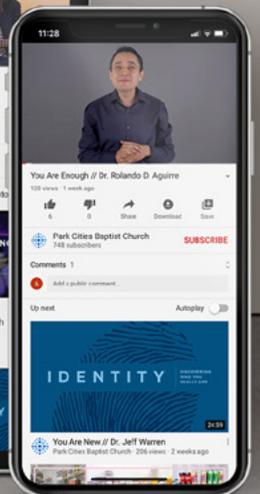
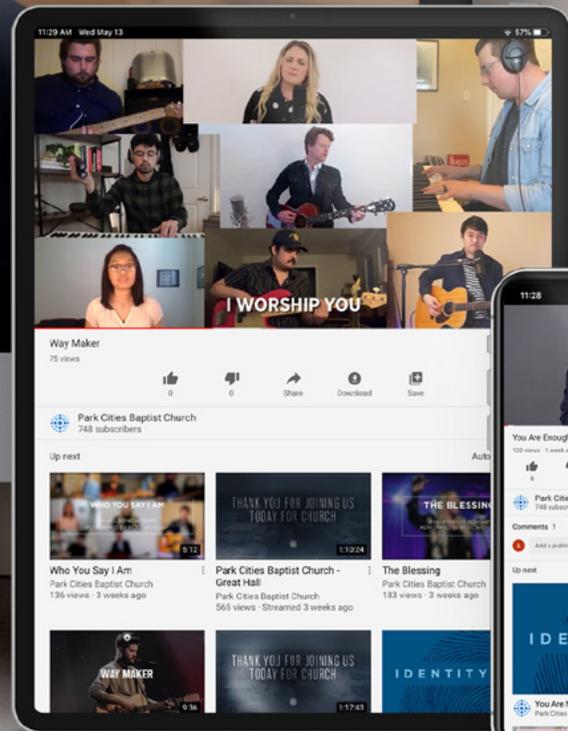
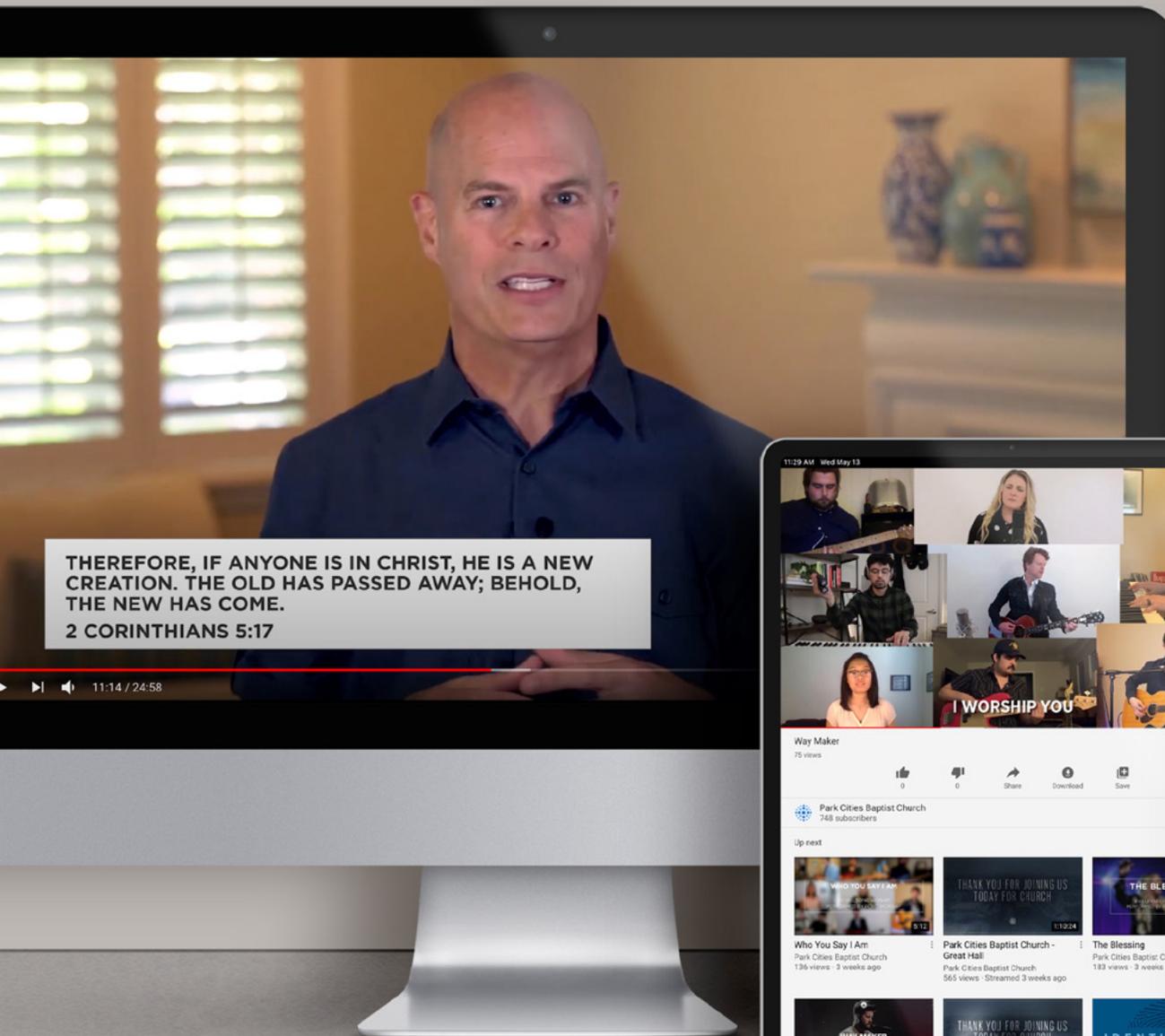
\$1,000

to For the Nations for toiletry products for refugee families.



Building Church Online

Becoming an online church overnight is not something any church especially dreams of doing. Being together corporately and regularly are hallmarks of the local church. But COVID-19 changed everything about how we think of “doing church.” We discovered that God’s church can “leave the building” and STILL be the church!



IMAG Technology Prepares Us for New Opportunities

In September 2019, just in time for our 80th Anniversary celebration, we installed new cameras, computers, broadcast equipment, and new streaming software to provide Image Magnification (IMAG) technology in the Great Hall. Through IMAG we are able to provide a high quality broadcast of our worship service that can be experienced live and viewed in other locations. It was immediately put to use as we transmitted services from each of our worship venues to the entire church across the month of October, creating a united and uplifting worship experience for the PCBC family.

The generosity of our church family made IMAG implementation possible. Generosity of time and talents emerged as dozens from our church family volunteered to run the new cameras and broadcast equipment, making it all work together to send out a state-of-the-art production each week.

Equally and as vitally important is the enhanced ability to invite thousands of online viewers into our worship gatherings – who join us every week through our website, Facebook, and YouTube. An average of 8,500 worshipers each week are joining us from here in Dallas, and from 40 states, Europe, Asia, South America, and Africa.

IMAG coming to Sanctuary

There's more good news to celebrate! As a result of our church family's generosity during COVID-19, we will be able to outfit the Sanctuary for IMAG and online worship, just as we have done for the Great Hall, complete with cameras, computers, software, and

streaming technology. Plans for this project are in progress as we prepare to return to campus later in the summer.



Fall 2019

How Worship Happens During COVID-19

On the weeks of March 15 and March 22, our worship and production teams gathered in the Great Hall to broadcast the service at 10:45—just as we had done every week, but without an audience in the room. We were in observance of guidelines at the time for the number of people who could be in one place, but the next week those guidelines changed to “shelter-in-place.”

Subsequent weeks of worship would take place from individual homes of our worship leaders and service hosts, then packaged together to be released on Sunday mornings. All aspects of the service are recorded, edited, and packaged together to produce a cohesive and meaningful time of worship that can be experienced from anywhere in the world.

New software tools were added to allow us to schedule and “stream” PCBC worship—both English and en Español—to multiple venues and multiple times. By adding a 9:15 worship hour, our viewership increased exponentially. Praise God for this growth, made possible by your offerings to our church!

"I have not connected with God or church in over 20 years...ready to start again...thank you." - Easter worshiper, commenting on Facebook

New Methods to Experience Worship

Realizing that many of our members might not have access to the internet to view our services, we began offering a phone-in platform where a user can call in and hear the worship service live, and go back and retrieve it later. Around 80 people per week are worshipping with us who otherwise would not be able to connect with their church family.

Wee Worship, Kids Worship Attracting Hundreds Each Week

Thanks to the generosity of church members Carol and Page Strong, Wee Worship for our preschoolers is produced and available every Sunday morning on YouTube. It keeps our little ones engaged and can be watched on demand!

Our PCBC Kids team produces energetic and engaging Kids Worship broadcasts each week, available on YouTube every Saturday morning and on demand. Incredible VBS adventures from the past have also been uploaded for kids to enjoy.

Online Presence Grows through Reimagined Social Media and Website

Within a matter of days after the stay-at-home order went into effect, our social media and website presence were transformed through the blessing of additional Communications and Production team members. Social Media has become a stronger place of connection through telling stories of hope, promoting opportunities to serve and pray for others, and much more.

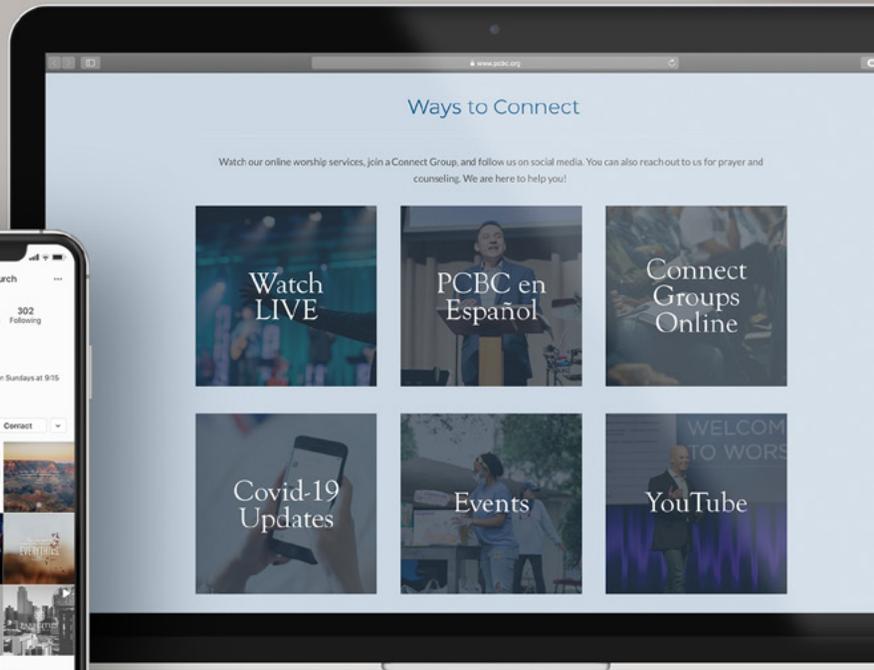
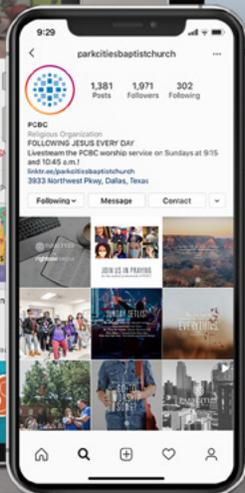
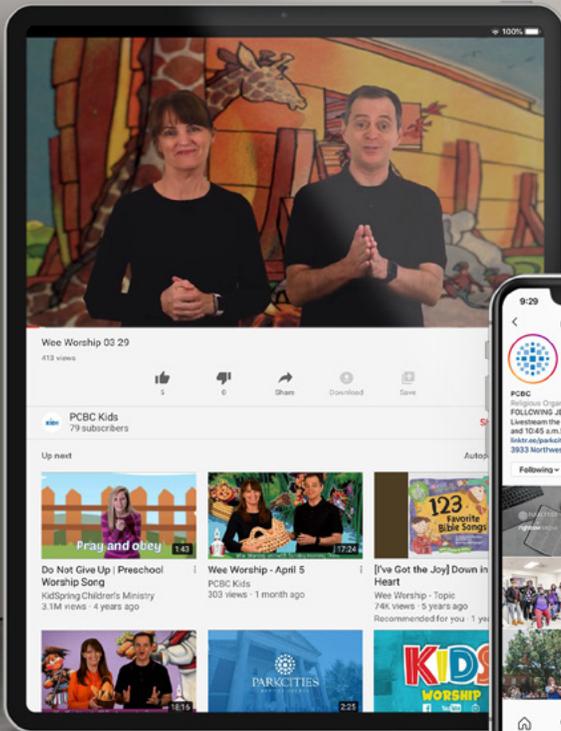
"PCBC Online," our enhanced homepage, has brought helpful resources to the top level for all life stages and is the place to find updates to the church family throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. New followers are joining us daily on these platforms.

Since March 8, our last Sunday to gather on campus, technology has allowed us to stay connected as a church family in worship and Connect Groups. It has also been the catalyst for many new online gatherings during COVID-19: Pastor Jeff Warren's encouraging daily Midday broadcasts; en Español worship and Wednesday Bible studies; Wednesday evening Midweek Online; Good Friday Lord's Supper gatherings; plus weekly gatherings for senior adults, kids, and students.

Staying committed to our values of overflowing generosity and courageous innovation, God is using technology to open doors of opportunity to engage anyone, anywhere, with the Gospel message—and guide them to follow Jesus every day.

PCBC Online







SERVING OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Park Cities En Casa

PCBC's Spanish Language Ministries grow from a distance

Long before the coronavirus pandemic, Park Cities' En Español Ministry was poised to enter an exciting new season of growth and discipleship—a path and a vision that was years in the making. What began in 2003 with a handful of adults and children meeting for Bible study in the PCBC Missions House has grown to become a vibrant weekly service and church home for around 200 local Spanish speakers and their families.

Our members' generosity in last year's budget enabled us to bring Dr. Rolando D. Aguirre on staff as PCBC's new Associate Pastor of Teaching and Spanish Language Ministries. Pastor Aguirre and his family were officially welcomed by the church body only days before the pandemic moved all services online. This presented him with the unexpected challenge of launching his ministry from afar without the benefit of familiarity or a history with his new congregants.

Despite these obstacles, engagement with Park Cities En Casa has been exceptionally robust. Pastor Aguirre maintains connection throughout the week through online Bible studies and social media, serving, and discipling our Spanish-speaking church family all over the Metroplex. Park Cities En Casa viewership via Facebook and YouTube now averages 1,650 per week!

"I want to see people fall in love with Jesus, in a deep and profound way," says Pastor Aguirre. "I want them to discover and use the gifts God has given. We will promote a culture of service. We can all serve."



We're excited to continue to invest in the flourishing of this ministry, a fruit of your gifts and commitment to building a wider table, a church where people of every tribe, tongue, and nation can worship Jesus together in unity. ¡Gloria a Dios!

[Park Cities En Español on the web](#)





New Connections

Online Connect Groups create new community

One of the ripple effects of the COVID-19 pandemic has been the unprecedented sense of isolation so many of us feel. Within the confines of our homes, it takes a screen of some kind to transport us to the places we would normally go and into the presence of people we long to see. Yet in this type of isolation comes an opportunity—a chance to lean into these present limitations and discover ways to stay connected as a church family, no matter where we are.

Since pandemic restrictions began, Connect Groups have transitioned to meeting each week across video platforms, phone calls, and other avenues for Bible Study, prayer, singing, and fellowship. The sense of shared community and encouragement has not only lifted spirits, it has knit these discipleship communities together in profound and personal ways.

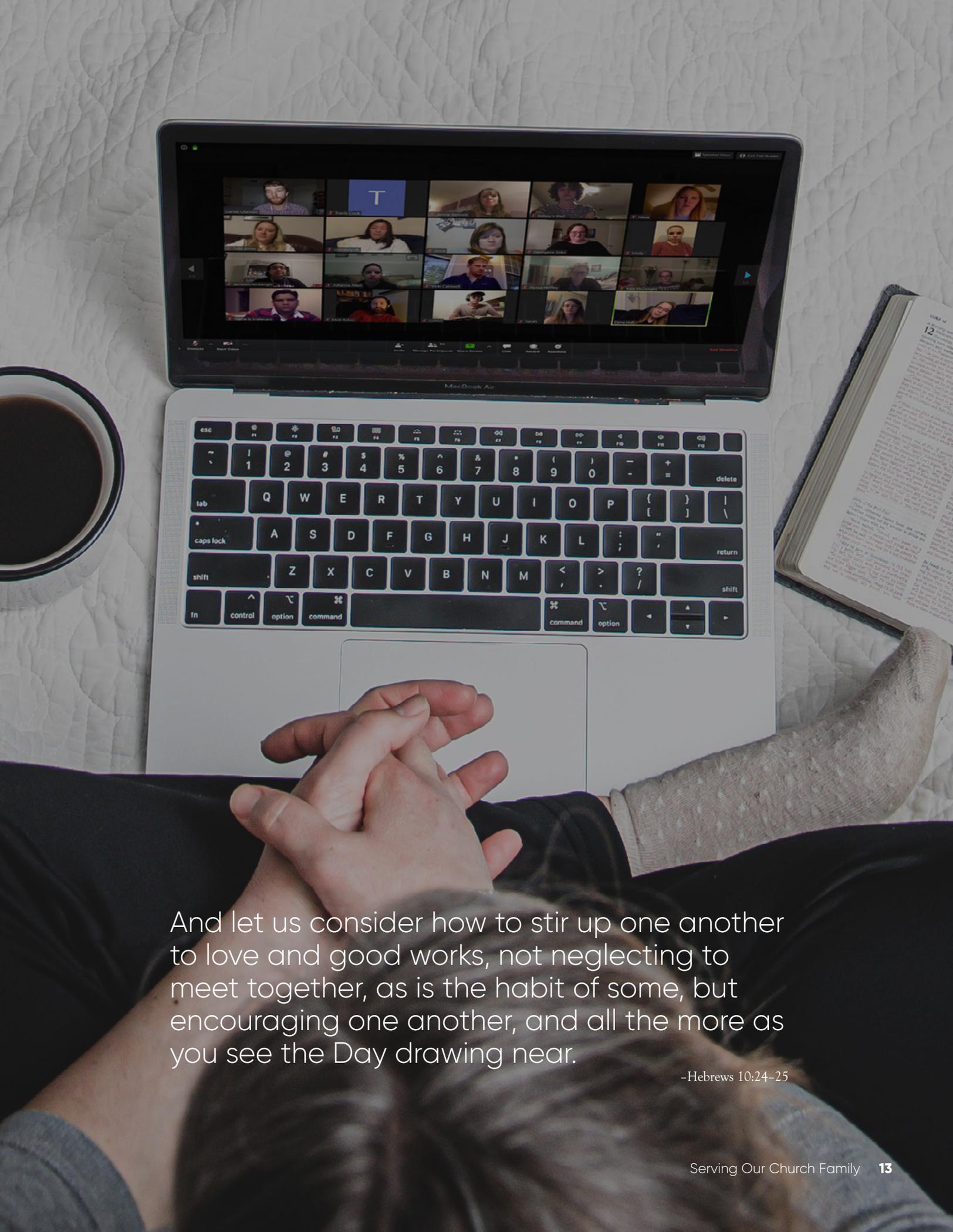
“In the midst of the shelter in place restrictions, we continue meeting virtually!” explains PCBC member Alexis Grieco. “We also utilize our group messaging platform more, requesting prayer and offering prayer and encouragement. We even had a game night via Zoom. Personally, it has been very comforting to have a group of God’s people who I know I can be vulnerable with when struggling with the grief of a changing world.”

Alexis and her group are also among several new off-campus Connect Groups that were already meeting in homes before the onset of COVID-19. Off-campus Connect Groups provide an option to gather at other times and locations during the week. This creates a homier, more intimate environment that is sometimes needed to create a sense of closeness and trust, while offering a gateway for outside guests to join in.

Online “attendance” has achieved record numbers, increasing from on-campus numbers from the previous year.

We can see that God was already working through off-campus Connect Groups to set the stage for launching Online Connect Groups. Groups like Alexis’ set a precedent for how others could continue to consistently connect outside our walls. God used their generosity of time and spirit to lay a path the rest of the church could follow—bolstered by the generous resources of the church so we can now offer even more new platforms for gathering.

www.pcbc.org/connect



And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

-Hebrews 10:24-25



Keeping Kids & Students Engaged

From our youngest to graduating seniors, PCBC Online fills the gaps

PCBC Kids goes virtual

The day-to-day lives of our children have shifted dramatically since the onset of COVID-19. Schools closed, sports and extracurriculars were canceled, and the rhythms of daily life came to a grinding halt as families shifted to adapt to the new realities of social distancing and shelter in place regulations.



When the church's doors closed for in-person gatherings, PCBC members Carol and Page Strong knew that giving our littlest members a stable form of love and connection would be essential. Back on campus, the Strongs hosted weekly Wee Worship, a time just for 2s and 3s to worship through singing, movement, and listening to a Bible story. Through their generosity and video production expertise, the Strongs moved quickly to produce Wee Worship for broadcast every Sunday morning via YouTube.

Our PCBC Kids Worship, just for kids K-2nd grade, also moved to streaming online every Saturday morning. And, as with Wee Worship, all productions are available to go back and watch on demand.



PCBC Kids Channel

Meanwhile, summer plans for our online VBS program have expanded to include sharing these resources with other churches who do not have the means to produce their own VBS. Our prayer is that the Gospel would go forth mightily through these life-changing tools.

PCBC Library offers family resources

The blessing of having a church library was never more deeply felt than during COVID-19! Without missing a beat, the PCBC family was able to access existing content through the Online Catalog and RightNow Media, plus the innovative addition of some new online gathering opportunities!

Zoom Groups for adults and weekly Community Story Time for kids are going strong – with Summer Reading information coming soon!

Right Now Media, the Online Catalog, and other information can be accessed from our Library page.

PCBC Library



Keeping students engaged...

PCBC Day School: Loving our littles

Our amazing PCBC Day School finished the school year strong by continuing distance learning. God has blessed this treasure to the surrounding community and only a few spots remain for the 2020-21 school year, with over 80 students enrolled!

Your generosity allows Park Cities Baptist Church Day School to be a light for Christ in preparing little ones for Kindergarten with a solid academic, spiritual, and social foundation. Follow our Day School here.

PCBC Day School

Sports Ministry

As a direct result of your generosity, Dylan Crawley joined our staff last fall as our Sports Outreach Director to help lead and expand the scope of our programs in the future. Through sports camps, Upward leagues, and other events, we will continue to cultivate kids' sports programs as an accessible and joy-filled way of reaching out to the community.



PCBC Sports & Recreation

Students step up

PCBC Students switched gears during the pandemic, too, taking Tuesday and Thursday night Crew online and creatively using social media to connect, grow, and serve together throughout the week.

PCBC Students

PCBC Middle School

The Class of 2020

Watching our PCBC seniors miss the final months of their high school experience due to COVID-19 was distressing. To celebrate them, our Senior High leadership visited each senior's house with a yard sign to congratulate them on making it through a tough and unusual graduation year. Our seniors were honored during worship on May 17 and commissioned by the church family as they graduate and continue to their next steps.

We are asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him; bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, so that you may have great endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the saints' inheritance in the light.

- Colossians 1: 9-12



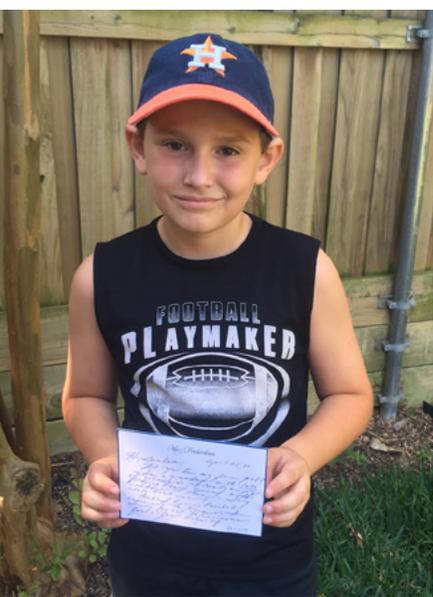
Your continued support of our Student Ministry

enabled us to bring on Morgan Womack as Girls Minister to our middle and high schoolers. Morgan's impact has been immediately felt and has been invaluable through the COVID-19 pandemic, as she has led Bible studies and prayer times for our 6th-12th graders. Thank you for investing in this vital aspect of our Student Ministry with your prayers and gifts!





SERVING OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Legacy Connections

Bringing church and friendship to our Boomer/Senior members

During uncertain times like these, we naturally look to models of strength and resilience.

Being a part of a multigenerational church with an 80-year-old history gifts us with the invaluable presence and experience of our Boomer and Senior members. Many of these folks grew up attending PCBC or have been members for decades. They saw and were a part of the church being built from a handful of young families in the years following World War II, and they understand firsthand what is needed for people to come together in times of great difficulty and change. So it is no surprise they are a wise and calming presence as we adapt to a new way of “doing church” and staying connected during the pandemic.

Faithful Fellowship Online

Our Senior Adults have embraced different and sometimes unfamiliar forms of technology to lean into these times where we are all learning new ways to communicate. Most are actively participating in regular calls or video conferencing with their Connect Groups, and many gather virtually throughout the week for prayer, conversation, Midweek Hymns and Bible Study, and much more. Through a special telephone service, over 80 senior adult members receive a phone call to their home each Sunday morning with the audio of the worship service playing so they can listen with ease.

Investing In The Next Generation

Through PCBC’s Pen Pal program, developed during COVID-19, nearly 100 seniors are connecting one-on-one with our school-age members through letters, e-mails, photos, and even art to help encourage one another from afar. Through this shared generosity of presence and time, children get to practice their writing skills and learn the lost art of letter correspondence while the adults enjoy recounting their younger years and sharing stories.

Thank you to our PCBC Kids and Boomer/Senior Adults for modeling this generosity and loving each other so well!

“I grew up at PCBC and did something similar when I was a kid with seniors at PCBC and I remember loving it. Both my kids are excited to have this opportunity!”

- David Shelton (Parent of Leila Shelton, who is pen pals with Sally Case)



Fight's On!

PCBC member battles coronavirus, has special connection

On March 26, PCBC member Kent Yohe found himself in the pre-ER staging area of a local hospital, and his temperature was rising by the minute. By the time he was rushed back into the ER, Kent's fever had spiked to 105 degrees.

"The only other thing I remember was talking to an RN that was the daughter of a couple in our Sunday School class," says Kent. "We prayed together."

That RN was fellow PCBC member Anna Ogden, who, upon seeing his name, had requested specifically to be assigned to Kent's medical team. The virus was fast-moving and intense, requiring Kent to be placed on a ventilator. Throughout these difficult moments, Kent and his wife, Karin, attest that Anna, along with countless others, provided exceptional care.

The couple's Connect Group and extended church family showered them with support through emails and texts, letters and calls, meals and prayers.

"The outpouring of support during my hospitalization for both myself and my family has been totally overwhelming," says Kent. "God has kept me alive so far, so I plan to do my part and share that testimony as long as he keeps me around to proclaim it. So for my health and for God's glory, 'Fight's On!'"

After more than two weeks of treatment and stabilization, Kent was discharged from the hospital on Good Friday, and continues to recover at home with the support of his devoted family. Anna, his nurse, tested positive for COVID-19, no doubt contracting the virus during her tireless work on the frontlines. Her roommate, also a PCBC member, contracted the illness as well.

Please continue to pray for each of these recovering members of our church family, and particularly for the medical professionals like Anna in our midst, whose boldness, compassion, and skill continues to save lives. We're in this fight together!

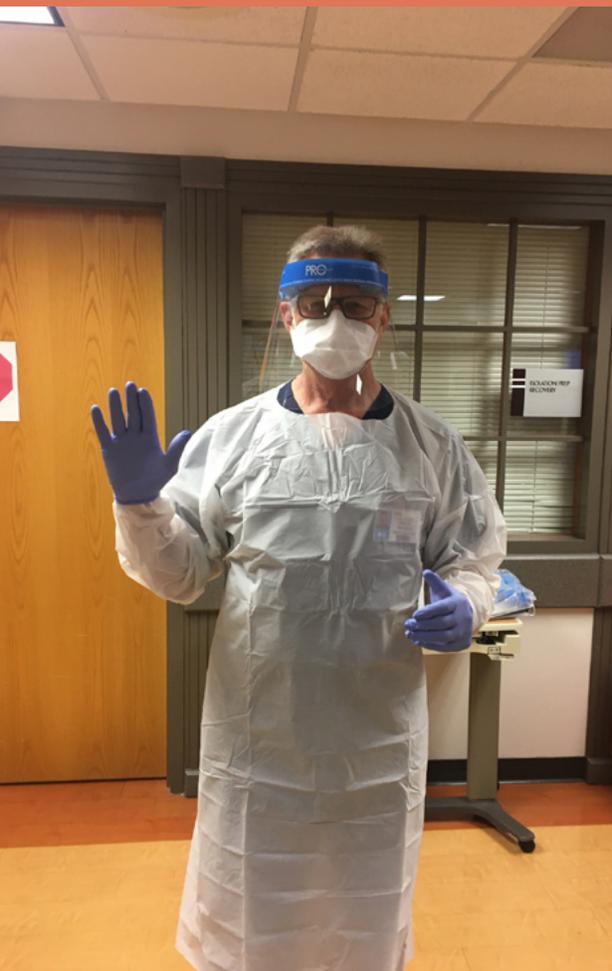
"It is such an honor to serve families during this unknown time in our community. I feel like God is using me each day and I am blessed to be His hands and feet. Even though at times I feel anxious or weary, He provides me with energy, peace, and the ability to keep walking in Him each day. Knowing that the church is praying for myself and other healthcare workers on the front lines is so reassuring."

- Kelly, PCBC Member and social worker at Children's Medical Center



Supporting our healthcare workers: 1,600 masks sewn

When PCBC member, Rob Flippin, needed more face masks at his medical clinic, our church family met the need in a HUGE way! Rob's clinic hoped to receive 500 masks, but your overflowing generosity resulted in 1,600 being delivered to this amazing crew of nurses. Extra masks were delivered to neighboring clinics and their patients as well!





Hands-On Hope

Online prayer, counseling, and job search tools connect needs with help

Beyond the globally urgent need for relief and healing from the virus itself, COVID-19 triggered a long list of personal needs in many lives—needs that Park Cities Baptist Church was able to immediately address through our prayer and care ministries already firmly in place.

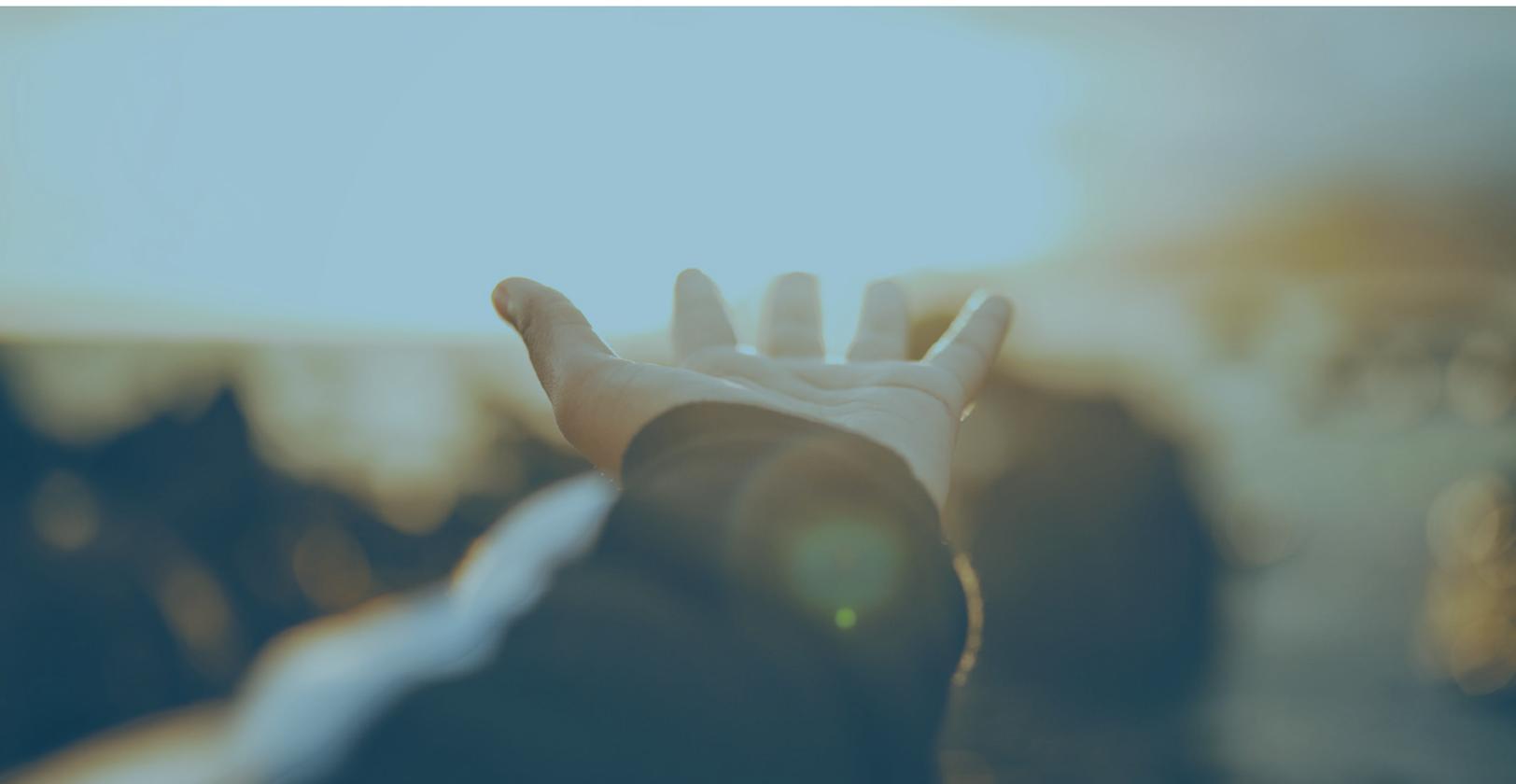
Praying face-to-face, not in person

Out of the church family's generosity, the Prayer Ministry has been able to tap into the technology of Zoom calls and allow for personal connection in prayer. As many as 10 people per day are being met via Zoom to share things going on in their lives with Prayer Team members and to be prayed for right then.

Our Prayer Team is made up of over 300 in our church family who lift up those who are hurting or sick, those in life crisis, those on the front lines fighting for us during the COVID-19 crisis—or any other kind of need.

Requests from around the world

Online prayer requests also come in from our website at pcbc.org/prayer. Our teams pray for people in Dallas and all over the world—even from the tiny island nation of Flacq in the Indian Ocean! From a simple internet link, powerful prayers result.



The PCBC Prayer Team meets on Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:00 a.m. and anyone is welcome to join. Email prayer@pcbc.org to find out how to participate.

www.pcbc.org/prayer



Personal guidance right where you are

Led by Dr. Debi Newman, our Telecounseling Ministry is able to meet with clients via Zoom or Skype call. They are there for members and guests who need advice, direction and hope. The COVID-19 crisis has brought out marriage stressors, work conflicts, plus other effects of isolation and lockdown. People are reaching out and finding support in these critical moments.

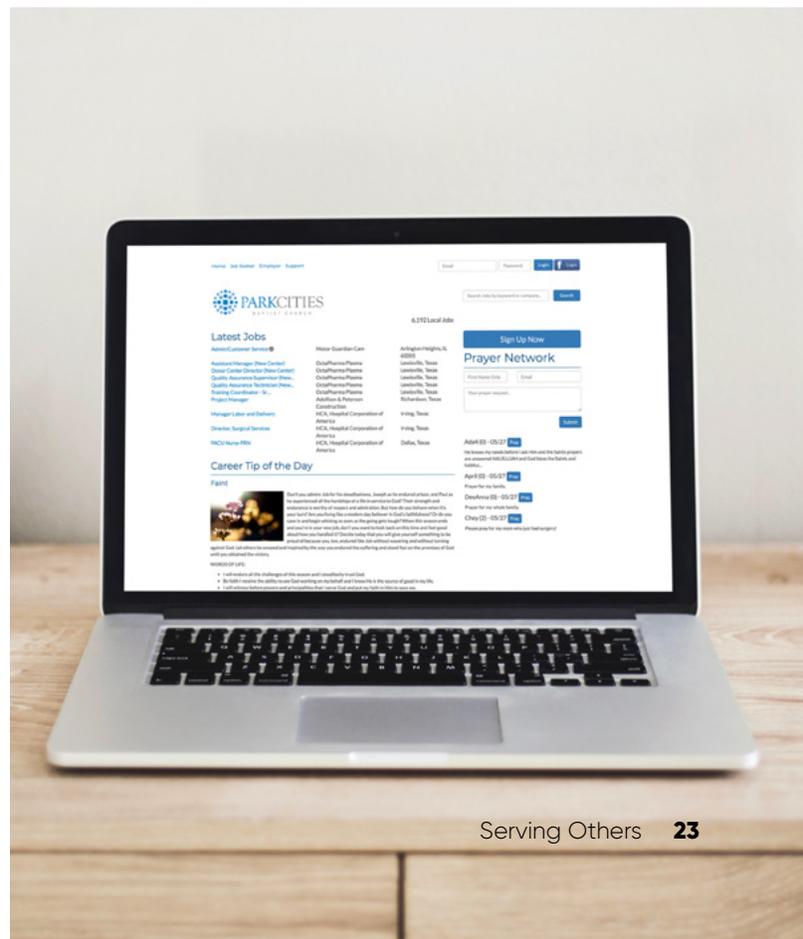
www.pcbc.org/telecounseling



Job search resources

One of the most devastating outcomes of the COVID-19 crisis has been the millions in our country who have been furloughed from or lost their jobs, and their livelihoods, altogether. Many in our church family were affected, extending to families and friends outside our membership. Those in our church who are employers have been faced with the horrible task of letting people go from their businesses. Through our missions and outreach team, we discovered a network that can help both employers and employees connect with prospective jobs—through the Job Connection Network.

<https://pcbc.thejobconnection.org>





Serve-Central: Sending Out Love

Our Park Cities family has long been steeped in service to our local ministry partners. On just about any day, volunteers can be found serving at Jack Lowe Elementary, Healing Hands, Cornerstone Kitchen and Clothes Closet, Brother Bill's, and the list goes on. When COVID-19 began, these and many more champions moved seamlessly into finding and addressing needs created from schools closing and sheltering in place.

The Missions House has become “serve-central” as the drop off point for baby supplies, staple food items, and sandwiches for our dear friends in the community.

Loving our neighbors: 14,000+ (and counting!) sandwiches distributed

PCBC members pull through the Missions House driveway every Thursday to drop off sandwiches—somewhere between 1,200 and 2,000 each week—for Cornerstone Kitchen. It has become a treasured source of fellowship for our church family, and a tangible blessing to our friends.



Welcoming new life: Supplies provided for 71 babies born in Vickery

Every expectant mother at Healing Hands Ministries receives a “Baby Shower in a Bag” before welcoming their child into the world. Through your generosity, these baby showers have continued! A total of 71 mothers received these much-needed and life-giving gifts in April.



So Royalty for Girls, Boys United clubs stay connected

Our church family continued helping the students and families at Jack Lowe Elementary stay connected and encouraged by utilizing online platforms to continue ministering to these after school groups.

Keeping learning alive: Summer School Supply Drive

Summer regression is real for many students—and especially those who may already be struggling. Our church family is stepping up to provide Jack Lowe Elementary students with essential items like workbooks, pens and pencils, and paper. Along with a special Max Lucado book, the supplies will help them sustain academic success and encouragement.

Filling shelves and stomachs: Stock the Pantry

Another of our Missions House drop-off projects has been to bring pantry items for our friends at Brother Bill's Helping Hand. 3,000+ pounds of dried beans, rice, oatmeal, shelf-stable milk, peanut butter, breakfast cereal and canned goods provide weekly blessings to hungry families.







Bearing Each Other's Burdens

Sustaining local churches and ministry partners

We are discovering now—perhaps more than ever—that the Church is more than a building or an address, or a place to meet for weekly worship—we are a body of people, united in Christ. And when one part of the body hurts, we all hurt.

[Watch Park Cities Loves Dallas Video](#)

Locally and throughout our state, pastors and ministry leaders are struggling to make ends meet due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Those who lead small congregations often rely on Sunday offerings to sustain their livelihoods, and with layoffs and hardship suffered by their people, subsequently have not received a full salary in months. “To complicate matters, many churches are not large enough to benefit from PPP loans of the Cares Act,” explains Bob Dean, Executive Director of the Dallas Baptist Association (DBA), “because they

are based on the total sum of staff salaries.” In light of these ongoing challenges, partnering churches across the metroplex are stepping in to fill the gap. PCBC is one of them.

Through the generosity of our members, and in partnership with DBA, Park Cities contributed \$5,000 in support of several churches and ministry partners both in our city and across Texas. Funds are being distributed in \$1,000 increments initially in order to support as many folks as possible. So far, 37 churches have applied for this assistance.

\$50,000 to Texas Baptists

We have also partnered with the Texas Baptists to contribute \$50,000 to the Pastor Relief Grant Fund, which has been able to provide emergency financial relief to 300 bi-vocational pastors in Texas who have lost their secular jobs due to the pandemic.

“The Park Cities family made a real and impactful difference,” says Texas Baptists’ Executive Director, David Hardage. “Our staff continues to hear from these pastors expressing their deep & sincere gratitude for the help.”



Fall 2019

Primera Iglesia Bautista | \$46,000

- \$40,000 gift to help rebuild following the F5 tornado in 2019 which destroyed their campus
- \$6,000 to support members affected by job loss and financial difficulty due to the pandemic



South Texas | \$45,200

- Hearts4Kids | \$15,500
- UTRGV Baptist Student Ministries | \$7,700
- RGV Food Bank | \$10,000
- Churches in colonias | \$12,000

Church Pastoral Center (CPC)

Continuous support for our program to train and equip church planters to begin congregations in Texas.

www.dallascpc.org



For the Nations | \$1,000

Toiletries and hygiene products for refugee families

Baptist University of the Americas | \$10,000

Churches Helping Churches | \$3,000

A joint legacy church initiative through Church Relief to aide under-resourced urban communities during the coronavirus pandemic.



Our Calling | \$5,000*

Assistance for pandemic-related needs of the homeless
*Gift is in addition to regular support of Our Calling

Cornerstone | \$18,000

- 14,000+ sandwiches delivered to kitchen
- 250 “to-go” boxed lunches twice a week for the homeless during the months of April and May 2020.
- Gift cards for afterschool program to incentivize learning during the pandemic



Financial assistance has also been provided to PCBC members who have experienced hardship due to COVID-19.



SERVING OTHERS



On Mission, From Dallas

While travel was stopped, ministry continued

Generosity of spirit comes in many forms, and one of them is in providing for the physical needs of people. It's significant that we serve a Savior who fed the masses and healed the sick, who touched people the world had deemed untouchable. People mattered to Him—soul and body.

This is what our Global Missions teams had in mind after all outreach trips for the summer of 2020 were canceled due to the pandemic. How could we still attempt to provide help and hope to our mission partners around the world? What were the most immediate needs?

We consulted our mission partners in India, Guatemala, and South Texas—all of whom were adjusting to the effects COVID-19 was having on their communities—and their answers all had one imperative in common: Feed people. Feed babies. Feed children. Feed mothers. Feed fathers. Feed the elderly. Feed the disabled. Feed the poor. Feed the frightened. Please help us feed people.

Cooperative Outreach India

So instead of sending teams to India this summer, we are sending meals—enough to feed 100 families for three months through our missions partner, Cooperative Outreach India. We gave \$18,000 from PCBC's National and International Missions fund to fill empty bellies. In providing regular meals, we sent people some extra time to adjust to the challenges of the

pandemic. We sent rations of beans and rice along with a little peace of mind.

Potter's House, Guatemala

In Guatemala, PCBC members again gave \$18,000 to help Potter's House reach their fundraising goal of \$100,000 to serve 500 families with food, hygiene products, medical services and spiritual encouragement in the face of the COVID-19 crisis. You sent nourishment for growing bodies, strength for expectant and nursing mothers, and a message for the sick and the lonely: You matter to people you've never met. You matter to God.

Hearts4Kids, South Texas

One generous member of PCBC asked to contribute \$7,700 so that Hearts4Kids in South Texas could purchase food and distribute rations to their congregations and to the families they serve in the colonias amidst the crisis. Again, the message was clear: "I don't have to be there in person to help. Your needs are still important to me."

It's remarkable to say that your generosity will help feed hundreds of families this summer in the wake of a global pandemic. More remarkable, perhaps, are the dignity and hope that families across the world are experiencing in this very moment.



Vision Forward

Shaping our future

COVID-19 arrived at a strategic point in time, where staff and lay leaders were already praying and laying out bold plans for the future. Through not only our rich history, but also through our increased online engagement during shelter in place, there is no doubt that Park Cities Baptist Church holds a vital place in our community.

To that end, our vision forward is more critical than ever! Here is an update on three exciting projects that are shaping our future:



IMAG Coming to Sanctuary THIS Summer!

With the completion of this project, plus enhancements to the Watch Live page on our website, our Great Hall, Sanctuary, and Español venues will be available to view online and join in worship with our church family!



Redreaming our Kids Space: First Floor Pleitz

Our youngest PCBC kids are going to enjoy a brand new experience on our campus, with several important priorities:

- Enhanced security and controlled access to kids' areas.
- A bright, friendly, welcoming space where kids and families are celebrated.
- Improved East-West connectivity.
- Inviting spaces for parents to enjoy conversation as kids play.

This project is so much more than a “remodeled kids’ area.” It is being designed with an eye and heart for serving our church family and surrounding neighborhood for years to come.

Our teams are excited to bring updates to the church family as we move toward a Fall 2020 completion.



PCBC MasterPlan: For Generations to Come

We want to be an anchor for our surrounding community for generations to come—for worship, connect groups, spiritual growth, recreation, and friendship. God has been preparing us for this

moment in time to be the church that “goes beyond” to reach our community. Our vision is bold, as it has been for 80 years! It’s time to move forward in faith and create the PCBC campus for those who will follow after us.

Our MasterPlan Team has been diligently preparing objectives and priorities for the architectural planners who will help us create PCBC’s future. We’ll be hearing more from them this fall. Overarching plans are to:

Here are the objectives of the PCBC MasterPlan:

- Create a new front door to to Park Cities Baptist Church.
- Create an expansion that incorporates our historical architecture and the high standards of the adjacent neighborhood.
- Enhance our Sanctuary, Great Hall, and En Español worship venues to allow for growth, improved accessibility, and other updates to enrich our multigenerational worship experience.
- Develop space to allow for our Connect Group communities to multiply as we make disciples.
- Create a campus that will serve and enrich our neighbors, including the nearby retail community.
- Evaluate and address current and future parking needs.
- Create a place for community and friendship during church and non-church times, with secure gathering places throughout the campus such as kids’ play area, cafe, and open spaces.



Your Streaming Generosity

As you reflect on these stories and review the budget proposal, let's celebrate that we ARE returning to our campus and there are exciting plans for our future! But we are not returning the same as we were. We've been given an opportunity to adapt to a rapidly changing global crisis and be the light of the world as never before. It has shown us that this is just the beginning and there is much more to be done.

Here are some major items of note as you review the proposed budget:

- It is for the period July 1-December 31, 2020. The Finance Committee and staff leaders believe this is a more realistic way to plan ahead and be the best stewards of your gifts to our church, as the effects of COVID-19 continue to unfold.
- An exact comparison between the proposed July-December 2020 budget vs. the July-December 2019 budget cannot be made without the following context:

In the July-December 2019 budget, the Missions Committee provided \$85,000 in one-time capital campaign gifts to our ministry partners. In addition to these

gifts, the Missions Committee funded the majority of gifts for our ministry partners during the first six months of the fiscal year, rather than spreading it out over the entire 12-month period that was requested for the proposed year. It is important to note that in July 2019 alone, the Missions Committee provided \$520,000 to ministry partners.

Will you pray that we would be found faithful in the work God has called us to, and that together in this new season, we will discover new ways to follow Jesus every day?

Thank you for your incredible generosity. Because of your love for Christ and how you serve Him, you are truly making a difference in thousands of lives. I believe our greatest days are ahead.

John Michael Kretz,
Finance Committee Chair

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY JULY 1-DECEMBER 31

Planned expenditures		FISCAL YEAR	
		July-Dec 2020	July-Dec 2019
Planned expenditures		\$ 9,416,325	\$ 8,728,108
Partially offset by fees collected		452,801	805,757
Remaining expenditures to be funded		<u>\$ 8,963,524</u>	<u>\$ 7,922,351</u>
Designated funds requested to be used		2,680,524	851,052
Net budget request that is dependent on faithful giving		<u>\$ 6,283,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,071,299</u>
Breakdown of net budget request		2020	% of total
Compensation and benefits		\$ 3,130,914	49.83%
Other planned expenditures		<u>3,152,086</u>	<u>50.17%</u>
Total		\$ 6,283,000	100%
Planned expenditures by ministry area	Dollars	% of total	% Increase/ (decrease)
Pastoral leadership	\$ 609,926	6.48%	-8.52%
Creative Arts	834,707	8.86%	43.18%
Worship	420,879	4.47%	-14.23%
Ministries on our campus	1,895,127	20.13%	-9.02%
Missions	1,115,103	11.84%	-41.14%
Administration	4,540,583	48.22%	50.83%
Total	\$ 9,416,325	100%	7.89%
Net budget request by ministry area	Dollars	% of total	% Increase/ (decrease) over prior year
Pastoral leadership	\$ 443,068	7.05%	19.83%
Creative Arts	609,707	9.70%	4.59%
Worship	365,439	5.82%	-22.18%
Ministries on our campus	1,440,742	22.93%	-2.59%
Missions	957,636	15.24%	-28.07%
Administration	2,466,408	39.26%	-13.11%
Total	\$ 6,283,000	100%	-11.15%
		FISCAL YEAR	
Planned expenditures for missions	July-Dec 2020	July-Dec 2019	% Increase/ (decrease) over prior year
Community ministries	\$ 96,750	\$ 191,000	-49.35%
Jerusalem ministries			
Vickery	70,000	86,800	-19.35%
South Dallas	80,500	184,000	-56.25%
Judea and Samaria			
Guatemala	25,000	40,000	-37.50%
Caribbean	67,000	179,500	-62.67%
South Texas	92,375	103,875	-11.07%
Church planting	35,000	48,000	-27.08%
Missionary sending	44,147	38,000	16.18%
Ends of the Earth	173,000	475,375	-63.61%
Baptist Partnerships	202,969	289,375	-29.86%
Compensation and benefits and other	228,362	258,486	-11.65%
Total	\$ 1,115,103	\$ 1,894,411	-41.14%

Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

Isaiah 43:19



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