

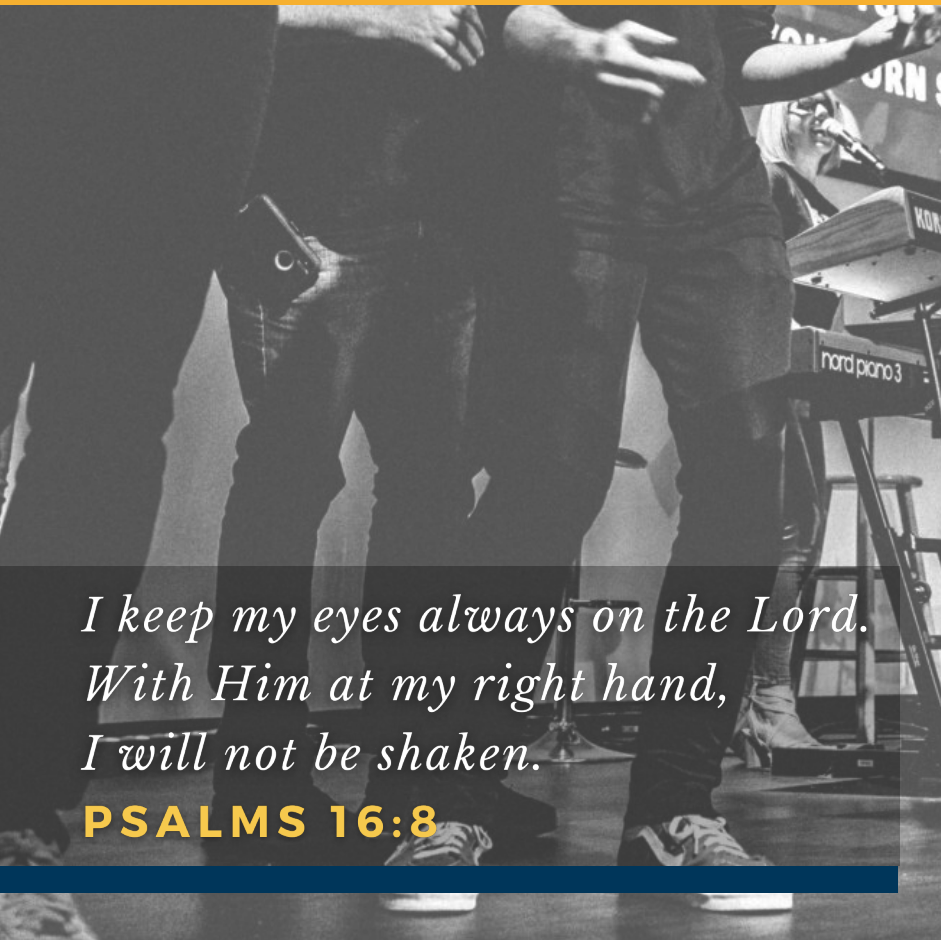


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NEW WORK
FELLOWSHIP

YEAR IN REVIEW



*I keep my eyes always on the Lord.
With Him at my right hand,
I will not be shaken.*

PSALMS 16:8

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know.



grow.



go.



NEW WORK
FELLOWSHIP

a year's overview

WHERE WE ARE NOW



2022 was a year of restoration for New Work Fellowship. Following the difficult years of 2020-2021, we watched the hand of God bless and restore.

- Easter 2022, was our highest attendance ever! (1909 in attendance at The Bruce).
- We witnessed more baptisms this year than ever before!
- We've done more in missions than ever before! \$217,400! (Year End Mission, 25th anniversary gifts, Disaster Relief, Budget Missions).

It was a restoration I needed. I'm telling you the truth—2020-2021 were the hardest years of my ministry. At the end of them I felt depleted and exhausted. The sabbatical you provided came at a crucial time. Sabbatical is such a beautiful thing. It's about rest. It's about being in God's Presence. It's about relishing the good gifts of God. These verses always come to my mind when I "come apart" to be with God.

Matthew 11:28-29, "Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Come to Jesus. Rest in Jesus. Learn from Jesus.

One of the things that happened for me in this season of recharging, was that I heard from the Lord clearly with a message I wasn't really expecting. But this special delivery message resonated with me for the season ahead.

The word I heard from Jesus was:

Come, go deeper.

It felt like every book I was reading, every podcast and sermon I listened to--was on prayer. It stirred up in me a passion for prayer. It was like the Holy Spirit was saying on repeat **Come, go deeper.**

I felt it was a deeply personal calling, it was to me-Kevin, **Come, go deeper.** But it was for the leadership team as well.

As I chewed on that message, I came to realize it was all about the foundation of the church. The idea behind it was also that this is the foundation upon which we build. The foundation is absolutely critical -- especially if you long for the church to rise and be greater. Think of construction. If you want to "go higher", the foundation must "go deeper". In the church, while we always need to focus on strategy and planning for the future; the greater need is for all of us to move so close to Jesus that we hear him whisper and we know the steps to take. **Come, go deeper.**

So, this is what I'm all about right now. This is what I'd invite you to give yourselves to as we move into 2023, "**Come, go deeper!**" Let our foundation as a church—reach deeply into Jesus so that Jesus might show us great and unsearchable things—that we cannot yet see! Let us all, come, go deeper and become stronger in faith—so that this local body of the bride of Christ might rise to greater heights—for His name's sake.

In 2023, let's all make this the cry of our hearts: **Come, go deeper.**

KEVIN LEE
LEAD PASTOR



KNOW. GROW. GO.

92

BAPTISMS

116

**NEW MEMBERS
ADDED**

190

**VOLUNTEERS
WEEKLY**

2022 found New Work Fellowship continuing to live out our God-given ministry responsibility in really big ways. You gave over \$64,000 to the benevolence fund at New Work and that money, AND MORE, went to meet the needs of those around us. More than \$25,000 went directly into the hands of individuals and churches that were affected by the December 10th tornado in Kentucky, hurricanes in Florida, and wildfires in Colorado. In addition, over \$60,000 was paid out to help with funeral expenses, utilities, vehicle repairs, and medical expenses for 131 families.

Our reach didn't stop there! 726 new people visited the church this year, 116 people signed the membership covenant, and we've recorded our biggest year of baptisms yet!

But these are all just numbers. The real impact of God's church at New Work Fellowship, the real impact of YOU through New Work Fellowship, is truly immeasurable. We are thankful that God has entrusted us with such an immense heart for ministry and connection, and we can't wait to see how He moves in the months and years to come.

NIKKI HEISERMAN
CONNECTIONS DIRECTOR

25th Anniversary Celebration

At New Work Fellowship, 2022 has been a time of reflection and celebration. Past and current members shared their Stories of the Dash as we, as a church body, reflected on our 25th Anniversary. It was uplifting to hear how God had, is, and continues to work in the lives of our people. The culminating event was a great time of food trucks, fellowship, and fireworks! We were able to utilize every portion of our property to celebrate the life of our church. Our prayer moving forward is that, as a church, we will seek God's will as we continue to Know, Grow, and Go for many years to come.

→ OVER 600 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE ←



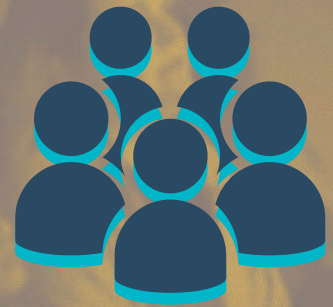


GRACE MARRIAGE

Our marriage enrichment ministry was a great opportunity for couples in 2022! Over 120 people participated in our first Grace Marriage event. With more quarterly events coming up, marriages will grow in grace as couples learn to be more intentional about what matters most! Keep watch in early 2023 for our next meeting.

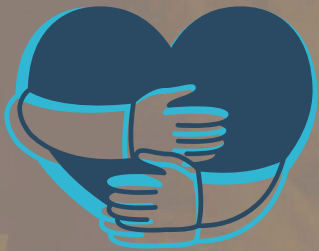
SMALL GROUPS

In 2022 adult small groups really stepped into the vision statement of our church. Our small group leaders helped us to grow by teaching multiple classes on the Bible, Christian living, and even a class on coping with grief. We saw the groups answer the call to go by volunteering to meet the mission needs of our community; both local and abroad. All of our groups have seen fantastic growth in attendance and participation this year. God has richly blessed us in 2022. I can't wait to see what He is doing in 2023!



PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral Care is part of the heartbeat of New Work Fellowship. 2022 saw many people in our church going through seasons of loss, illness, and medical procedures that involved recovery and rehabilitation. We provide pastoral care for 70 - 100 people on a weekly basis. The care within our church and community is great, but the opportunity to serve is greater.



A young man with short dark hair, wearing a light-colored polo shirt, is looking down at a small book he is holding in his hands. The background is a solid reddish-pink color.

EVAN RYAN

A young woman with long blonde hair is smiling and looking upwards. She is wearing a black t-shirt with a graphic that says "NEW WORK FELLOWSHIP WORSHIP" and a plaid shirt over it. The background is a solid teal color.

ARIELLE EVANS

A young man with short dark hair is looking down at a small book he is holding in his hands. He is wearing a light-colored polo shirt. The background is a solid purple color.

JUSTIN ESHENBAUGH

RESIDENCY PROGRAM

We introduced a new program in 2022 focused on developing the next generation of local church leadership. We have three residents serving in the areas of Students and Worship. Each week the residents are involved in an immersive ministry experience through hands-on learning, mentorship, and spiritual growth. You are able to give directly to the Residency Program through our website. We are looking forward to continuing the program in 2023!

"Through the Residency Program, I have grown in ways that I never thought were possible. I've enjoyed every aspect of this program and would recommend it to anyone." - Evan Ryan, Resident

"The aspect of the Residency that has impacted me the most is the supportive team and church that has stepped behind me to push me out of my comfort zone. Everyone here has encouraged me to live boldly for Christ and allowed me the opportunity to learn biblical leadership." - Justin Eshenbaugh, Resident

"My favorite thing about the Residency so far has been the relationships that I've built, and the sense of home that New Work gives me. I have been able to learn so much more about ministry while having the best time." - Arielle Evans, Resident



New Work has been the hands and feet of Jesus all over the globe in 2022. Through mission trips, financial gifts, disaster relief, and local engagement YOU have loved the world for Christ in beautiful ways. Our small groups reached into Hopkinsville over 50 times this year to join with local partners to help feed, serve, and love on our community. Our small groups assisted The Aaron McNeil House, Alpha Pregnancy Care Center, Boys and Girls Club, Challenge Houses, Coffee Connection, Dinner Church, Grace and Mercy, Joy Closet, Men2Be, Redeemed and Restored, Sanctuary, Salvation Army, and more. In honor of our first and second time visitors we have been able to donate over \$10,000 to various organizations in our county who work with those struggling to get back on their feet. Also because of your generosity, we were able to funnel \$23,000 into disaster relief and recovery areas in Florida and Eastern Kentucky.

This year both of our “Out of the Box” events helped us to meet the needs around us. Early in the year, our church worked together and packed 88,000 meals to help feed three schools in Haiti for a year by pre-packing healthy meals through Barnabas Charities. Our second “Out of the Box” in August helped the Christian County Resource Centers with clothing, toiletry items, and basic needs for students living at or below the poverty level. The second organization we assisted in the fall was the Christian County Backpack Program, providing food for many students over the weekends who, without their backpack full of food, would go hungry.

Our national missions reached into Eastern Kentucky and New York City on mission trips, but in addition, we sent a disaster relief team to Eastern Kentucky twice to help combat issues with the flooding that occurred in July. One team delivered the items we collected church wide to our partner, The Meridzo Center, shortly after the flooding hit. A month later we sent a team to help frame a new home for a family who had lost everything. We also helped our two church start partners in New York and Texas by giving them much needed monthly financial support. With covid-19 still impacting the first half of 2022 internationally, we only had one trip outside of the United States - a vision trip to Belize to learn about and set up a trip to work with Agape International Ministries (AIM) - an organization that rescues and rehabilitates those trapped in sex slavery. Financially, however, we were still able to reach in and help our church partner in France to fix part of their roof that was about to cave in and gave financial support to missionaries in Africa, Asia, Haiti, and Europe.

NEW WORK, YOU ARE TRULY A NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH,
GOING INTO ALL THE WORLD FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.
THANK YOU FOR GIVING OF YOUR GIFTS, ABILITIES, RESOURCES,
AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, YOUR HEART IN SERVICE TO THE LORD
JESUS CHRIST. PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY AND SEE WHERE
THE LORD IS CALLING YOU TO GO IN 2023!

JANEY PITTS
MISSIONS MOBILIZER



NEW WORK STUDENTS

2022 has been an amazing year for the Student Ministry at New Work Fellowship! In 2021 we had 19 seniors graduate and welcomed 30 new rising 7th graders! This would not have been possible without the work of our two Student Ministry Residents, Justin Eshenbaugh and Evan Ryan. These two residents have been incredible for the life of Student Ministry! God is faithful, and the student ministry has been blessed this year! Eight students have given their lives to Christ, and ten have been through the waters of Baptism.

One of the things I am most thankful for in our student ministry is that as our student numbers grow so do our volunteers. This year we added 11 new adult volunteers to the student ministry, which brings us to a combined 41 adult volunteers on Wednesdays and Sundays. Our volunteers are the heartbeat of our Student Ministry at New Work; without them and their dedication, the student ministry would not be where it is today.

A huge shout out and thank you to Kim Batts for keeping me and the entire student ministry on track with her organization and administration skill set.

There have also been some noticeable changes happening around the church-- an activities court was started - basketball goals and a GaGa Pit have been installed with more exciting things to come-- lights, a volleyball court, and a kickball field along the wood line.

In addition, our residents have been leading FCA at Hopkinsville Middle School every week. In August they had five students attending and now they are averaging around 15 each week, with a high of 25! I'm so thankful for the work that these two have put into our community and our church this year! I have high hopes for both of them! God is on the move!! Would you continue to pray with me and over our Student Ministry for the year of 2023?

MICHAEL SHEARON
STUDENT PASTOR

STEPS OF FAITH

8 Salvations
10 Baptisms

ATTENDANCE

79 Active Students
11 Student Care Group Leaders

HIGHEST

WEDNESDAY ATTENDANCE
106





Church, I want to first say thank you for equipping and encouraging your Kids Ministry at New Work to thrive! With your active support of the Kids Ministry, we have seen more families and kids come in contact with the saving grace of the Gospel. None of this could have happened without a supportive church and servant-hearted volunteers. Speaking of volunteers, I have to take a moment to thank all of our volunteers who regularly take time out of their week to protect, welcome, and invest in the lives of kids and families who walk through our doors. One of our goals in 2023 is for each of our leaders to be more personal with each of our kids.

As you look at the stats and numbers, you can see the impact the Lord has had in our church, community, and in the hearts of kids and families. Over the years, we have been so amazed by the ways we can tangibly see how the Lord is moving in and through our church. Now, think about all the ways we cannot see... Think about all the seeds that are being planted and the harvest yet to come. New Work, I am excited to see what the Lord has in store for us in 2023!

CLIFF HINES
KIDS & FAMILY PASTOR





1300+
people registered
**HARVEST FAMILY
FEST**



72
kids
WENT TO *CentriKid* campus
15
leaders



152
new families
WITH KIDS

\$2,300
donated to
COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL
7 **HEALTH
BUNDLES**

29
kids ministry
BAPTISMS

NWF Kids



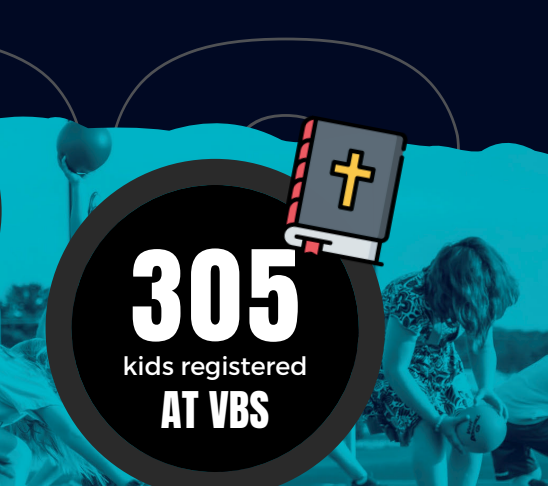
100
winter hygiene bags
given to
DINNER CHURCH



28
kids in
GOOD NEWS CLUB
at Indian Hills
Elementary



450
**OPERATION
CHRISTMAS CHILD**
boxes



305
kids registered
AT VBS

"Therefore **GO**
and make disciples
of all nations,
Baptizing them in the name
of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to
obey everything I have
commanded you.
And surely I am
with you always,
to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20



BAPTISM

Baptism is an outward sign of our inward commitment to follow Christ. After a person makes a commitment to trust Jesus, the first step is baptism. It's simply a demonstration seen and celebrated by others that recognizes your faith in Jesus.




"For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."

Galatians 3:27

We witnessed more baptisms this year than ever before! We've had 92 baptisms this year - 64 in 2018 was the previous high.

We are excited for the changed lives that we've seen this year and looking forward to what God's going to do in 2023. If you are interested in being baptized or would like to talk to a pastor!





WEEKLY IMPACT

AS OF NOVEMBER 2022

909 AVERAGE IN-PERSON
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Our 2022 in-person worship attendance is now up to 31% of what in-person worship attendance was last year. If that trend continues, we could see the average being nearly 1200 in attendance in 2023.

142 AVERAGE ONLINE
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE
**UNIQUE IP ADDRESSES

Our online presence remained steady in 2022. With in-person attendance increasing, our online reach is still growing. With the average Hopkinsville household being 2.6 people - the average number of viewers online was 370 people each week.

726 FIRST-TIME
VISITORS

In honor of our first and second-time visitors, this year alone we have given over \$10,000 to various organizations in our community.

588 SMALL GROUP
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

Small groups continue to grow with a 35% increase in attendance. Are you plugged-in to a Wednesday or Sunday Small Group?

GIVE, AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU. A GOOD MEASURE, PRESSED DOWN, SHAKEN TOGETHER AND RUNNING OVER, WILL BE POURED INTO YOUR LAP. FOR WITH THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU."

LUKE 6:38

\$2.19M BUDGET GIVING
IN 2022

2022's budget giving continues with the trend from the last five years, exceeding that of the previous year's giving.

\$215K COLLECTED FOR
MISSIONS

This year's mission giving was up 200% to that of 2021. It's an encouraging position to be in when you can enable and provide for so many mission partners.

\$64K IN BLESSING CHECKS
GIVEN

We will be collecting a Christmas Eve benevolence offering this year. Pray about what God is calling you to give this year and bring it to one of the Christmas weekend services.

Once again, God has generously blessed us in 2022. Because you gave through New Work Fellowship, the church was able to make an impact on our community for the Kingdom of God. Here are some things to consider:

- Budget giving was above and beyond what was required for the year giving latitude for further ministry and expanded reach.
- The Year-End Missions Offering and the Christmas Eve Benevolence Offering positions New Work to impact our community more as we step into 2023. What will your family give?
- Remember... when you give TO New Work, you give THROUGH New Work. Your giving impacts here, near, and far!



A black and white photograph of a man playing an acoustic guitar and singing into a microphone. He is wearing a plaid shirt over a dark t-shirt. The background is dark with some stage lights visible. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

**Come,
let us bow
down in
worship,
let us kneel
before the
Lord our
Maker.**

Psalm 95:6

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