

ANNUAL REPORT 2022

Dear Friends,

2022 seemed like the year we turned a corner. There was a light shining in the darkness. Yes, there were still problems in the world, but some of the burdens we carried for the three years prior to that lightened. In February of last year, we taught through 2 Cor. 4:6-9.

For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen containers, so that the extraordinary greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves; we are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed..

God certainly has demonstrated the extraordinary greatness of His power through Valley Church in 2022! Here are a few examples:

In our **Worship Services** we finished the exciting journey we took through THE STORY – teaching from Genesis to Revelation one week at a time. We stopped to acknowledge the challenges in 2 Cor. 4, and then launched into our series in the book of John, simply called, "Believe". In September we were able to reunite everyone indoors for worship. Many folks who had been gone returned to our "live" service and it felt good to all be back together again.

Our **Children's Ministries** continued to bless families with Art Camp, Sparrows, King's Breakfast, and other activities, while Sunday morning participation continued to grow. Vacation Bible School had 150 children having a great time learning about Jesus with LOTS of fun. Sunday School, Petra, and Thursday School are thriving as families are bringing their children back to church.

Middle School and **High School** programs creatively worked to disciple our youth. Our youth staff and teams provided excellent opportunities to serve the Lord, grow in Christ, and make Him known. **Life Groups, AWANA, MOPS, Men's and Women's Ministries** all bounced back with weekly meetings, fun activities, retreats, Bible studies, and more.

Through our **Local Outreach**, children, students, and adults are hearing the Gospel through the tools of tennis, volleyball, ping pong, after school choirs, Little Carpenters, and even line-dancing! Our weekend teams at City Team Grace Village have been a huge blessing! And because of the generosity of Valley Church, our **Global Outreach Ministry** released \$660,000 and added three new Global Partners around the world. The light is shining to the darkest corners of the earth!

Valley Church ended the year in a strong **financial** position because God's people continued to give as unto the Lord. While income was less than we expected, we also carefully reduced expenses to match (see financial report on p.3). We're grateful to be able to pursue our mission and vision together through all the resources God gives us— time, treasure, and talents.

2022 was a year of hope and blessing as God worked in our weakness. Maybe it was also a mindset shift for me as I realized that things were never going to return to the "way things were" back in 2019. Frankly, I wouldn't want them to... we've learned so much from the challenges and grown through the testing... and it's clear that God gets all the glory!

In Christ,

Kurt Jones

Lead Pastor, Valley Church

Vision Report

In our vision for 2023, we're asking God for three things: That God would REVIVE our hearts; that He would REFRESH our church family; and that we would REACH OUT to our lost world.

Revive our Hearts – This is an acknowledgement of impact of the last three years and looking forward to our hope in Christ. Throughout the Bible, there are many verses that promise that God will strengthen and sustain anyone who comes to Him in faith.

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite." Isaiah 57:15

We're intentionally focusing our preaching on the joy that comes from our life-giving relationship with Jesus. We're trying to be extra sensitive to those who are struggling with the losses and changes that have come in the last several years. By God's grace we're seeing new life and vitality in our Worship Ministry with Lisa Chen joining our staff with all of the energy, creativity, and commitment she brings. And we plan to continue celebrating God's power through testimonies, stories, and worship songs that emphasize hope and strength in Christ.

Refresh our Church Body – We're asking God to strengthen and sustain our spiritual family at Valley Church. Throughout the centuries God's people have celebrated His work among them TOGETHER. David said, "I was glad when they said to me. "Let us go to the house of the Lord," Ps. 122:1. In the New Testament we read,

They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. Acts 2:42,43

Prompted by our teaching through the book of John we've celebrated several Old Testament festivals in light of New Testament fulfillment in Christ – "Tent Fest" and "Fresh Start Fest" were both times to gather with God's people and enjoy His presence among us. We plan to continue these and other "Fests" in 2023. Our "Growth Hour" on Sundays, 9:30 to 10:30 am, has launched with great success! We also have placed a renewed emphasis on our Life Groups where people gather in homes or at church in smaller groups to enjoy fellowship and support in Christ. Our Friday and Saturday night groups continue to grow.

Reach our world – At a time like this it might be tempting to only look inward. But God's word makes it clear that He's brought us all together for a purpose.

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 1 Peter 2:9

In 2023 we're placing more emphasis in the area of local outreach, especially to children through our afterschool programs, and sports ministry summer camps – tennis, volleyball, Kids Games, table tennis and others. We're trusting God to start a community food pantry at Valley Church in partnership with City Team. And by God's grace we're starting to send short term missions teams on trips again – Cyprus, Zimbabwe, Mexico, and high schoolers to Fresno.

There is much to look forward to in 2023. Let's press forward toward Christ and all that He wants for us! If you have questions on our mission, vision, or finances, please feel free to talk to any pastor or elder. We're happy to talk and pray together with you!

In Him,

Kurt Jones

Lead Pastor, Valley Church

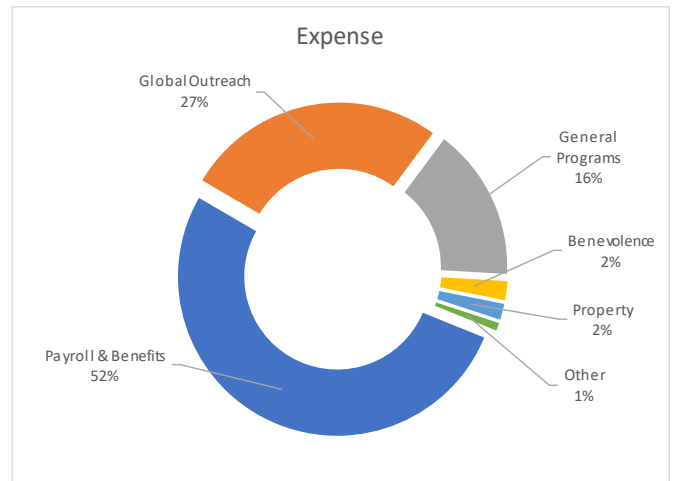
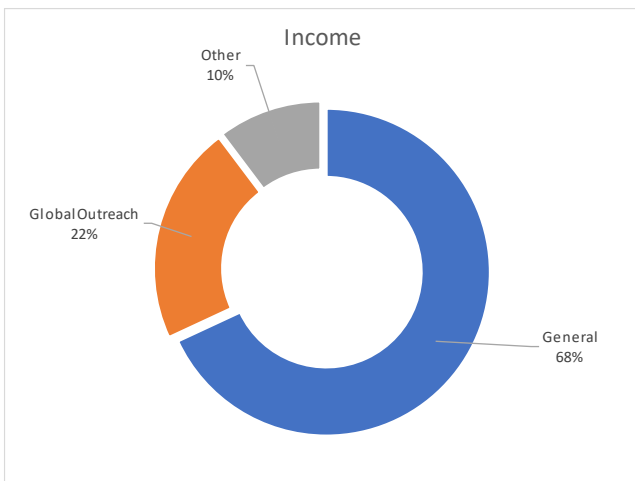
Finance & Budget

2022 Income Summary

Income	
General	1,587,487
Global Outreach	504,982
Other	239,567
TOTAL	2,332,036

2022 Expense Summary

Expenses	
Payroll & Benefits	1,287,571
Global Outreach	659,635
General Programs	387,901
Benevolence	54,261
Property	46,978
Other	26,496
TOTAL	2,462,842



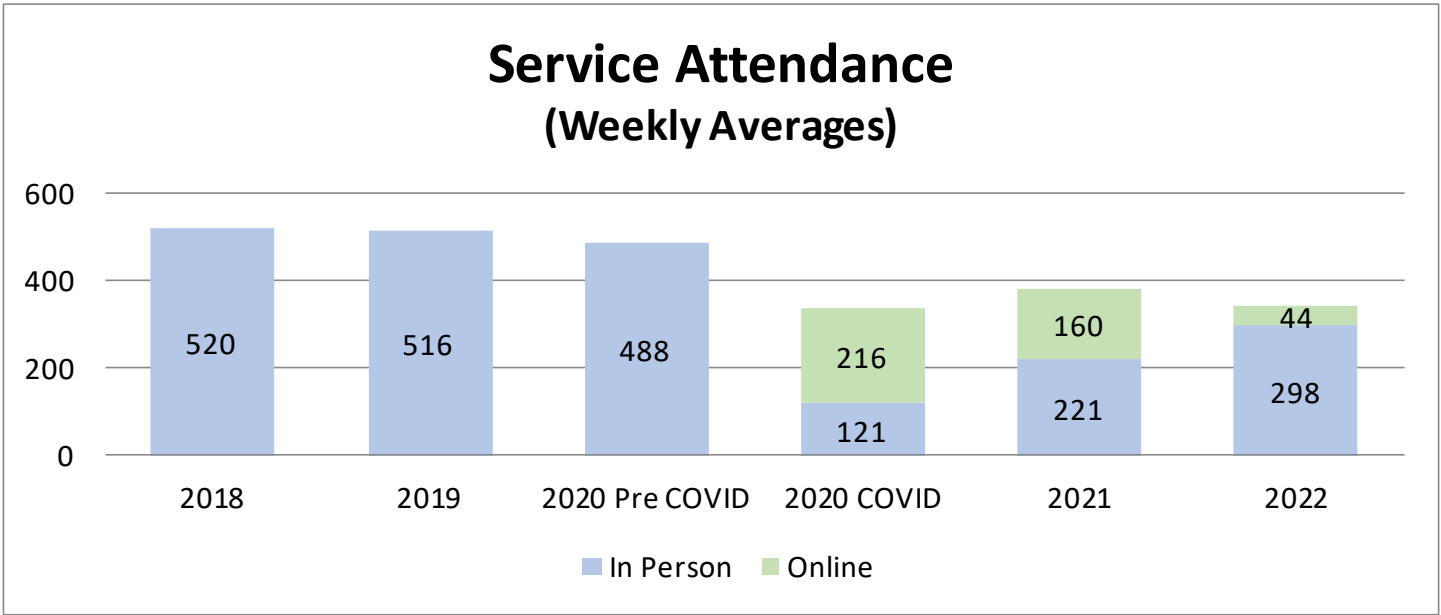
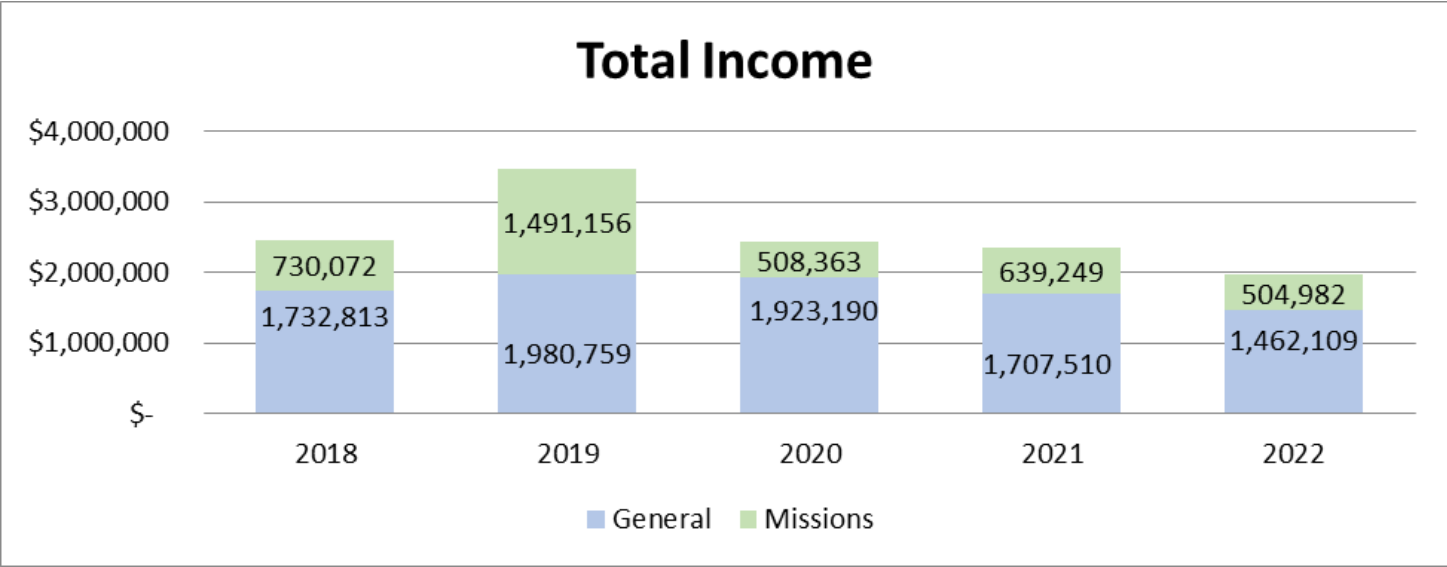
2023 Income Budget

General	1,601,110
Global Outreach	478,643
Other	87,000
TOTAL	2,166,753

2023 Expense Budget

Payroll & Benefits	1,426,555
Global Outreach	710,686
General Programs	439,008
Benevolence	56,000
Property	93,000
Other	25,736
TOTAL	2,750,985

Giving & Attendance



Church Leadership

Many people in the Valley Church community are leading critical ministries with major responsibilities in the church. This report only lists the Elders, Staff and Deacons below to make it easier for our community to know where to direct their communication.

Elders

JAMIE ALLEN
VICE CHAIRMAN

ALEX AUER
CHAIRMAN

JAIME BURNETT
TREASURER

RICHARD de VILLIERS

BURT LANCASTER

SEE KIT LEONG

DOUMER LIU

FEMI OLUMOFIN
SECRETARY

MICHAEL SABOFF

Elders/Pastors

KURT JONES
LEAD PASTOR
GLOBAL OUTREACH MINISTRIES

GLEN MILLER
PREACHING
WORSHIP MINISTRIES

Ministry Associate

FRANK CHEN
LOCAL OUTREACH

Pastors

ANDY DRAKE
GROWTH MINISTRIES
ADULT EDUCATION
YOUTH MINISTRIES

STEVE NOBLE
DISCIPLESHIP
LIFE GROUPS

DARREN SEITZ
SHOWING MINISTRIES
LOCAL OUTREACH

THOMAS SORRENTINO
SPORTS MINISTRIES
WELCOME MINISTRY
MEN'S MINISTRIES

Directors

MARCIA BURNETT
OFFICE MANAGER

MAX DEQUINE
STUDENT MINISTRIES

MATT MCLAUGHLIN
FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION
& FACILITIES

LOUISE WINSOR
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Support Staff

JULIA CUAN
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

DEBBIE HSIEH
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES LEAD

JESSE RUBALCAVA
MAINTENANCE

SIULIN TAY
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Church Leadership

Deacons

LISA CHEN
WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

TIM GILDERSLEEVE
AUDIO PRODUCTION

PETER GRILLI
BENEVOLENCE

DAVID HOWE
GLOBAL OUTREACH

ESTHER KUNDER
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

CALEB LIU
YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRIES

CINDY MACK
MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES

DENNIS MACK
VIDEO PRODUCTION

JOHN MACK
HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

PAUL MILLER
USHERING

SUSANNE MORALES
WELCOME TEAM

REBECCA SUNG
DISCIPLESHIP

DAVE WINSOR
COUNTER TEAM