

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023

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Dear Friends,

One of the key verses in our “Extraordinary Hope” preaching series is Hebrews 11:1, *“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”* 2023 was a year of hope flowing from faith in the person and the promises of God.

In our **Worship Services** we finished a series simply called “Believe” - our verse-by-verse teaching through the entire book of John. Then we launched into “Extraordinary Hope” from Hebrews 11. We’ve all been challenged by the “Hall of Fame of Faith” – ordinary men and women who *“...by faith...”* did extraordinary things because of God’s promise *“that He...rewards those who seek Him.”* (Heb 11:6). Our worship teams continue to draw us near to the heart of God in worship on a weekly basis. Our bells, children’s choir, and children’s orchestra blessed us with concerts and special music throughout the whole year. We’ve seen our worship service attendance increase and 14 people were baptized in 2023.

Our **Children’s Ministries** continued to bless families with Sparrows, Barnyard Bash, and other activities. Vacation Bible School had 150 children having a great time learning about Jesus with LOTS of fun. Attendance at Sunday School, Petra, and Thursday School continues to grow. We rejoice greatly that the Lord has brought to us several new families, reflected in the fact that 39% of the children actively enrolled in our children’s ministries are “new.”

**Middle School** and **High School** programs creatively worked to disciple our youth. Through a time of transition, and under new leadership, our youth staff and teams provided excellent opportunities to serve the Lord, grow in Christ, and make Him known. **Life Groups, Young Adults, AWANA, MOPS, Men’s and Women’s Ministries** continue to grow and gather together for 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 line-dancing! The ISF ministry has touched the lives of 250 international students studying locally. Our Friday Food Pantry ministry and weekend teams at City Team Grace Village have been a huge blessing for a great many folks! And because of the generosity of Valley Church, our **Global Outreach Ministry** released \$755,000 for God’s work around world. God is at work in places we can’t even see!

Valley Church ended the year **financially** positive because God’s people continued to give as unto the Lord. We’re grateful to be able to pursue our mission and vision together through all the resources God gives us – time, treasure, and talents.

2023 was indeed a year of hope and blessing as God worked in and through His people at Valley Church locally and internationally. I am thankful to the Lord for what he has done, and I am so thankful for each of you as you partner with us in this great work!

I’m looking forward to all the Lord has in store for us in 2024.

In Christ,  
Kurt Jones  
Lead Pastor, Valley Church

# Vision Report

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In our vision for 2024, we're asking God to continue our growth in three areas: 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 the impact of the last few 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.

We're intentionally focusing our preaching on what it means to live by faith and the hope that faith gives us. By God's grace we continue to dedicate ourselves to worship the Lord with great energy, creativity, and commitment. 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.*

Our Passover Dinner, Barnyard Bash, Thanksgiving Dinner, Worship Night, Fresh Start Fest, Spring Concert, Hymn Sing, Women's Christmas Night, and other events are times to gather with God's people and enjoy His presence among us. We plan to continue these and other large gatherings in 2024. Our "Growth Hour" on Sundays, 9:30 to 10:30 am, has continued to blossom. 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.

**Reach our world** – When the world seems chaotic and unruly 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.

In 2024, when the world is hungry for relationships that matter, we will be placing increasing emphasis on hospitality particularly 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 looking forward to a special "Christmas Around the World" celebration too.

There is much to look forward to in 2024. Let's press forward in 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 Christ,  
Kurt Jones  
Lead Pastor, Valley Church

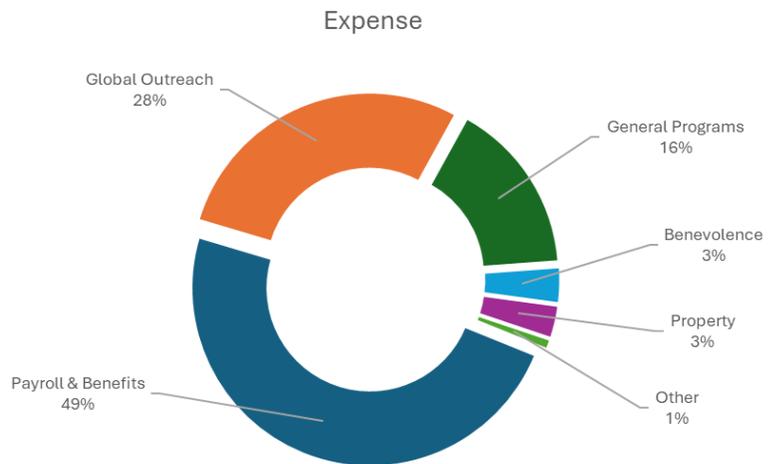
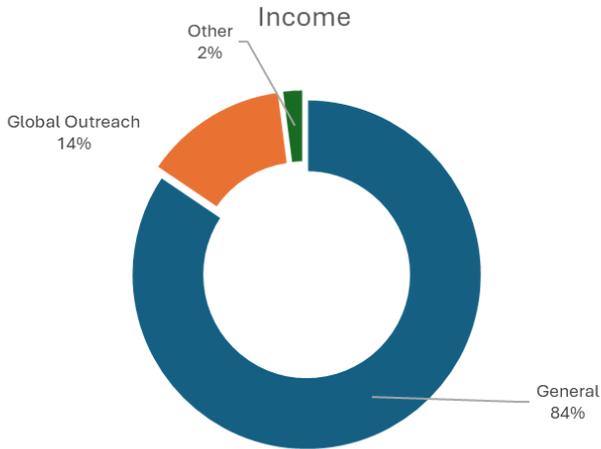
# Finance & Budget

## 2023 Income Summary

Income	
General	3,574,185
Global Outreach	571,152
Other (Benevolence, Property, Designations)	86,454
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,231,791</b>

## 2023 Expense Summary

Expenses	
Payroll & Benefits	1,289,619
Global Outreach	755,329
General Programs	420,609
Benevolence	87,779
Property	80,451
Other	25,189
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,658,976</b>



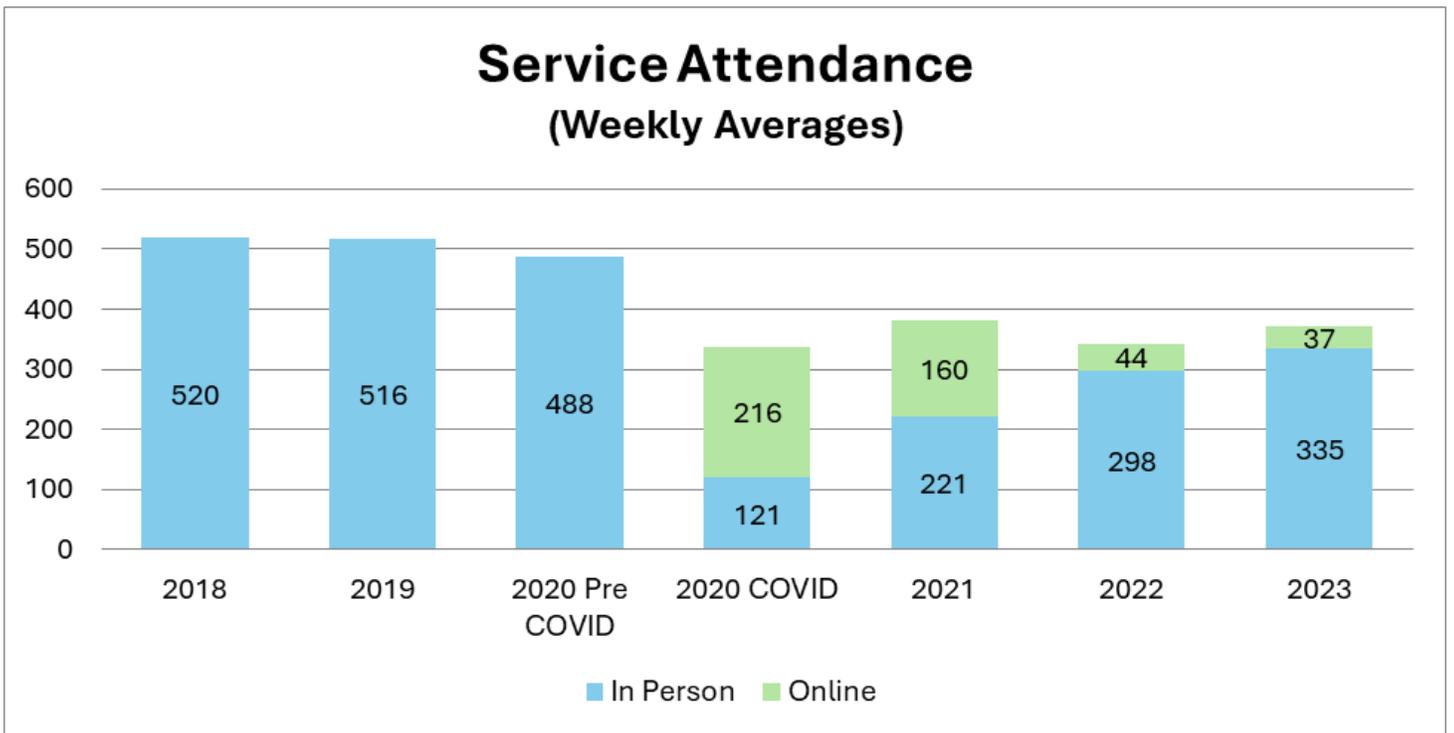
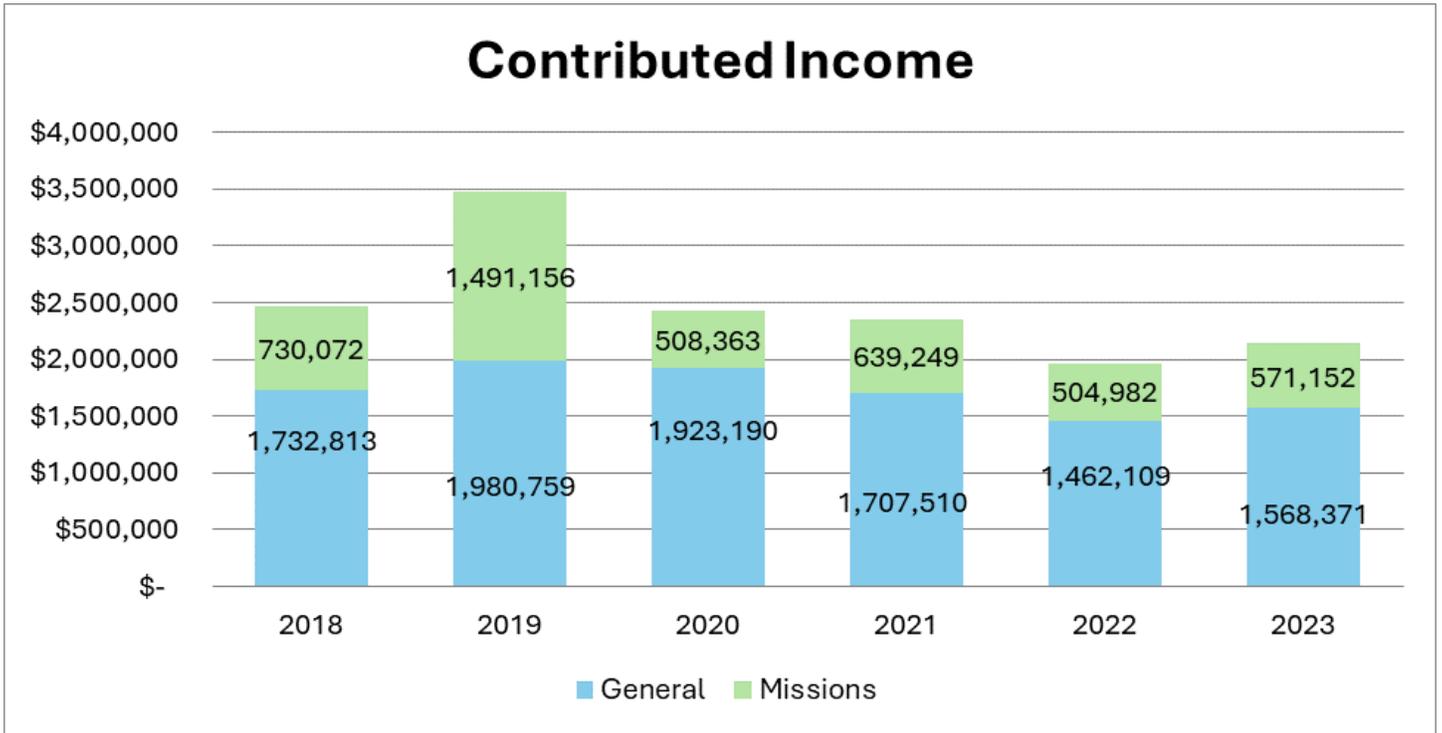
## 2024 Income Budget

General	1,817,291
Global Outreach	504,158
Other	91,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,412,449</b>

## 2024 Expense Budget

Payroll & Benefits	1,539,651
Global Outreach	680,495
General Programs	528,371
Benevolence	60,000
Property	176,993
Other	24,041
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,009,551</b>

# Giving & Attendance



# Church Leadership

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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

## Pastors

**FRANK CHEN**  
LOCAL OUTREACH

**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

**LISA CHEN**  
WORSHIP MINISTRIES

**JOHN MACK**  
HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

**TIM KNODEL**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL 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

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## 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

**DENNIS MACK**  
VIDEO PRODUCTION

**JOHN MACK**  
HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

**PAUL MILLER**  
USHERING

**SUSANNE MORALES**  
WELCOME TEAM

**REBECCA SUNG**  
DISCIPLESHIP