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# Letter from **Tom**

Dear Pursuit Family & Friends,

While the past few years have been difficult for many, 2022 was a turnaround year for our local church. We finally moved out of the global pandemic, people returned to in person gatherings in greater numbers, our core ministries resumed, and we saw new and exciting ministries get started.

I am incredibly humbled by all the amazing people who are a part of our church. I want to say a special thank you to everyone who served in the church, prayed for the church, and contributed financially to the church. 2022 was a turnaround year largely in part because of your faithfulness as God's people. Thank you!

Looking to 2023, I have great anticipation for what God has in store for us. This fall will mark 10 years since our very first services in the old strip club in downtown Minot. Later this year we plan to

celebrate this milestone and reflect on all the incredible things we've seen God do in the past decade, but I firmly believe He is just getting started!

As we begin this new year of ministry, I have a question I want you to prayerfully consider, "How do you see God using you to make an even greater impact for His Kingdom this year?" Is it to start a community group and help a group of friends grow spiritually? Is it to serve on a ministry team on Wednesdays or Sundays and minister to people coming to our services? It is to leverage your resources in greater ways to help fund what God is doing through the church? If everyone who called The Pursuit home wrestled and responded to this question, just imagine the impact we could make together for His Kingdom in 2023.

Buckle up Pursuit Church, God has big things in store this year!

In Christ,

Tom Foisy, Lead Pastor



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**1216** Average  
Weekly  
1083 last year

**973** 20th Ave  
Campus  
761 last year

**83** Stanley  
Campus  
72 last year

**201** All Campus  
Kids Pursuit  
159 last year

**106** All Campus  
Momentum  
91 last year

# Baptisms<sup>70</sup> Salvations<sup>132</sup>



New Families<sup>479</sup>

334 last year

People Served<sup>380</sup>

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# 20th AVE Campus



New  
**222**  
Engagement

**474**  
Engagement

20th Ave  
**GROUPS**

# D O W N T O W N



Several hundred people gathered for live music, food trucks, ax throwing, and testimonies from 10 people in our faith community. 150 people participated in prize giveaways donated by downtown area businesses, 75 were Momentum students. It was an evening spent connecting with others in our community, and being encouraged in Christ.

# WALK


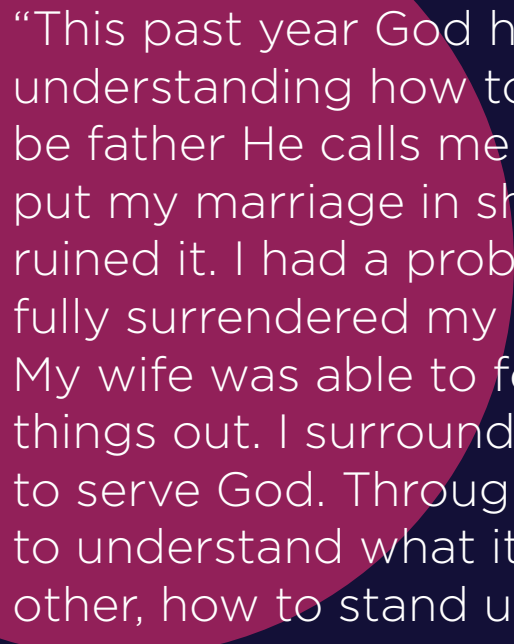





# SPRITUAL IMPACT

“God has really moved in me and the church regarding the need for a men’s ministry. I have seen the spark in our men’s groups and a passion to want to grow in their relationship with Christ. I heard it said that, “if you can win the men, you can win the family.” This year alone I have seen men kneel in prayer at the face of adversity, die to self to ensure they pursue their call to be husbands that lead their wives and fathers that teach, rebuke, correct, and train their children. God has set the standard for all men to follow and is now setting the ground work right here at the Pursuit.” - Ronnie

“I went through an unwanted divorce last year. God, The Pursuit, and my family was the glue that held me together! The prayers and the check ins from people there were always right on time... My pursuit family stood in faith with me and helped encouraged me when my faith was wavering! Serving on the connections team and Kids Pursuit gave me purpose and something to look forward to... God brought [us] back together and we’re remarried and both attend there weekly! God is faithful and always right on time!” - Jessica



“This past year God has impacted me quite a lot in understanding how to be the husband, and soon to be father He calls me to be. I made mistakes that put my marriage in shambles and almost completely ruined it. I had a problem with pornography. When I fully surrendered my life to God, all of that changed. My wife was able to forgive me and we are working things out. I surrounded myself with men that want to serve God. Through these things, I was finally able to understand what it meant to love my wife like no other, how to stand up against the evil one, and how to overcome temptation. It is still a daily struggle that I have to bear but... I know that I can do it because with God, all things are possible.” - Austin



“I’ve found a real purpose in life by attending and serving at The Pursuit. By being part of the connections team and attending worship and programs such as GLS, Alpha and IF gathering, I gained the confidence to become a small group leader. The fellowship and connections has made a big difference in growing my faith.” - Kim

“The past year has been difficult. Life has normalized after COVID but there have still been difficulties... knowing where I fit. It’s easy to overlook God’s presence.. and forget His interest and love for me but no matter the uncertainty I do my best to remember that God is there for me. and has equipped my Pursuit family to provide a welcoming, warm and God centered place for me...” - Donna



# KIDS 20th PURSUIT

**TAUGHT**

**180**

144 last year



20th Ave



TAUGHT

95

85 last year

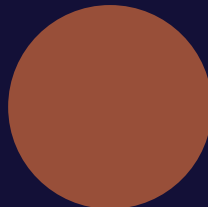
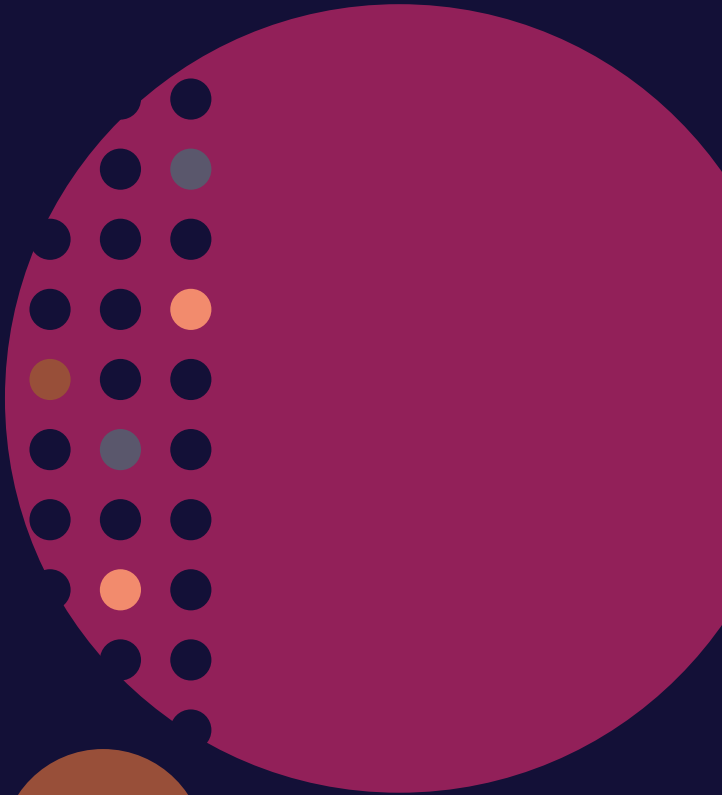
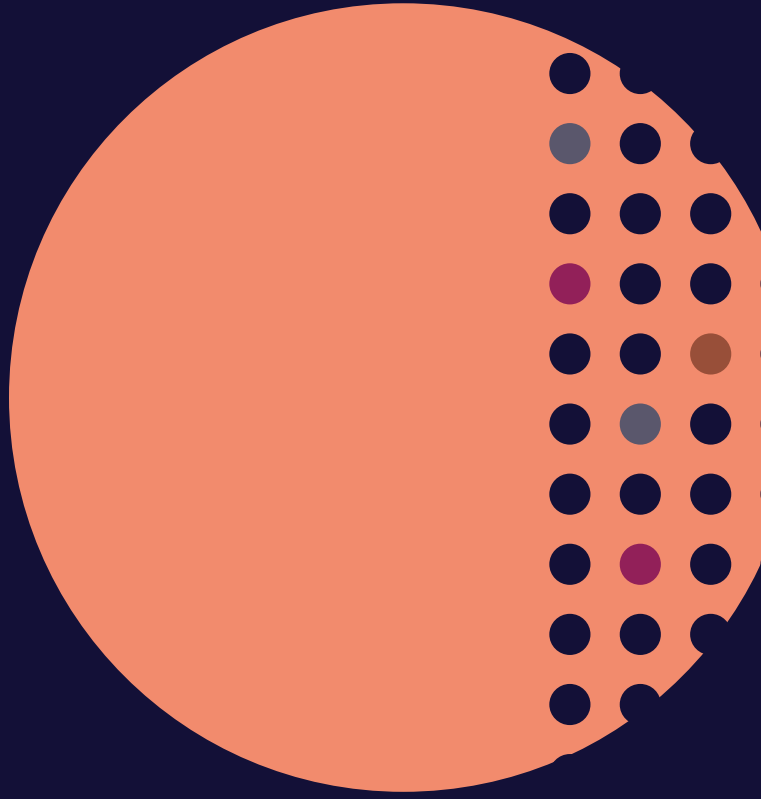


Summer of 2022 saw 63 students and 16 leaders headed to camp for fun, fellowship, and faith development. Students learned about the parable of the sower and which type of seed their heart could be. Mornings were spent in team building and small groups and afternoons were spent on the lake, water toys, or tubing. After dinner brought the large group games and time in chapel.

Students worshiped together and dove deeper in the life Jesus calls us to live. Several students gave their life to Christ for the first time, others rededicate their walk to Him, and two students took the next step of baptism! The final night brought stories of students who were changed by their days at camp and encouragement being surrounded by students seeking Jesus. Everything changes at camp...it really does!



# STANLEY CAMPUS







KIDS  
PURSUIT

TA  
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21  
15 last year

IN STANLEY



# 11 Stanley

# MOMENTUM

6 last year



# 7 STANLEY GROUPS



Unique **44**  
People



# SPiritUAL IMPACT

“In the past two and half years, my son was battling a terminal cancer and it was through his journey and his death that we have seen God’s grace and love. Watching, my son, Andrew, bravely face his illness and thanking God for saving his life thru cancer, made all of us stop... think what really matters in this world... We asked for healing and even though it didn’t happen like I wanted it to, I know he has been healed and is with Jesus...” - Gail

“We joined a community group to further our growth in Christ together as a couple. What we didn’t know is that not only would we do just that but we would find friends that became our family. People to just do life with through the good the bad and the ugly!” - Keith & Veronica

“They (Momentum) are answering hard questions that I ask them- it is amazing how much they are learning! And prayer time at the end of class is improving by leaps and bounds- which started out to be the hardest for them to do. [We] leave each class with Joy Overflowing! - Stacey



### **Fall Spectacular**

Four local churches came together for fun activities in order to bless and love on people. I brought over 1,300 people from the surrounding area,

### **NERF Nights**

A popular event for 150 parents and kids to come and enjoy the company of community and also being shared the Gospel.

# HIGHLIGHT EVENTS



## Fall Harvest Festival

A day full of painting pumpkins and faces! There was many new faces we had not seen with a few showing up the following Sunday.

## Trivia Night


Held at the Stanley office approximately 30 people from the community showed up to participate. It was a great way to share who we are!



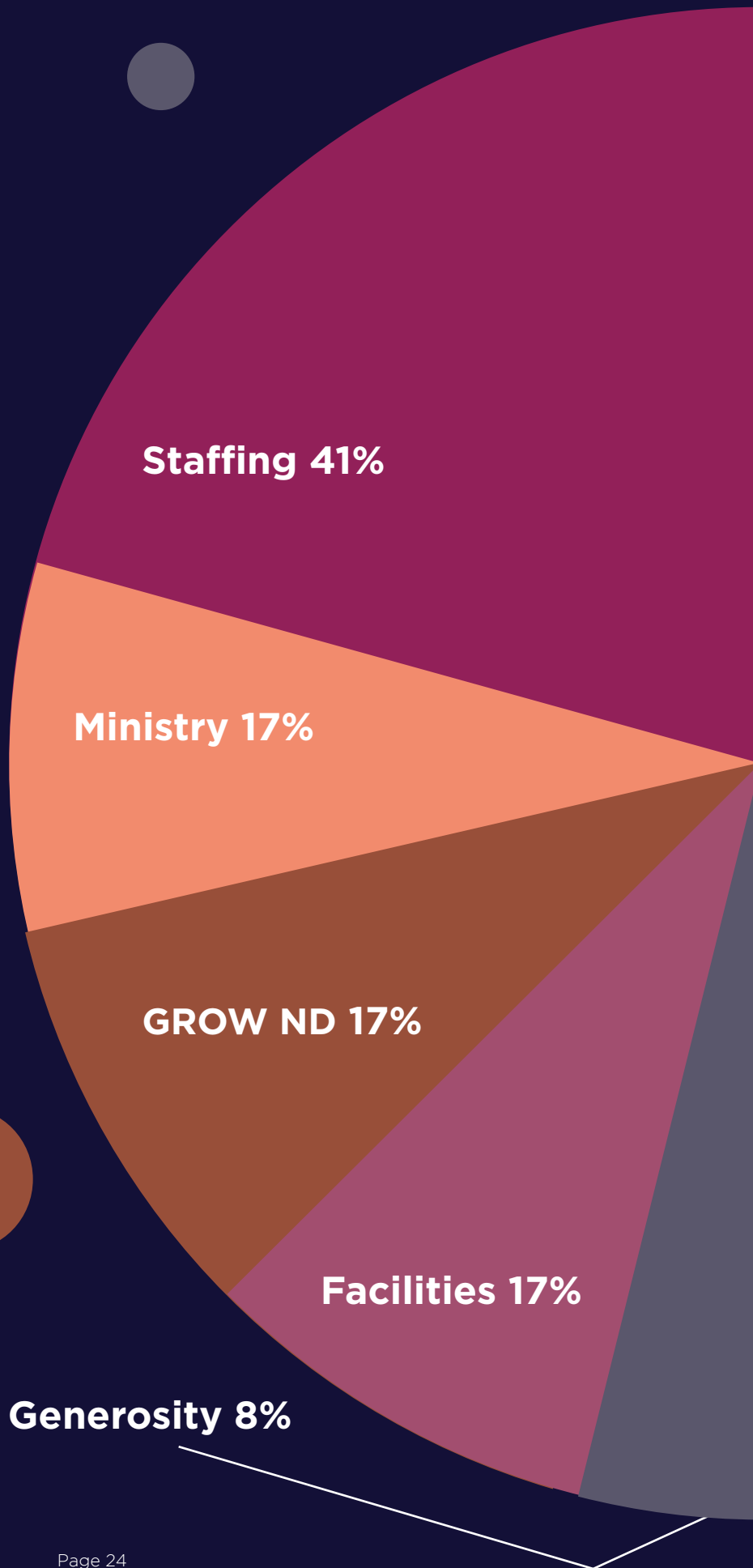


# 2022 Financial Overview

	2021	2022
<b>General Fund Budget</b>	<b>\$1,380,107</b>	<b>\$1,413,168</b>
General Fund Contributions	\$1,287,495	\$1,530,509
Generosity Fund	\$120,085	\$131,819
GROW ND	\$86,824	\$361,532
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$1,587,016</b>	<b>\$2,023,860</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,391,544</b>	<b>\$1,940,787</b>



# 2022 Total Spending







# Generosity Partners

Agape Church

Benevolence Needs

Care Team Outreach

Capetown, Africa Missionaries

Celebrate Recovery

City Serve

Companionship Service Programs

Day of Hope

Dominican Republic Missions

Juvenile Jail Ministry

Grand Forks CRU

Minot Youth For Christ

Rescue House Church

S.A.C.K. Program

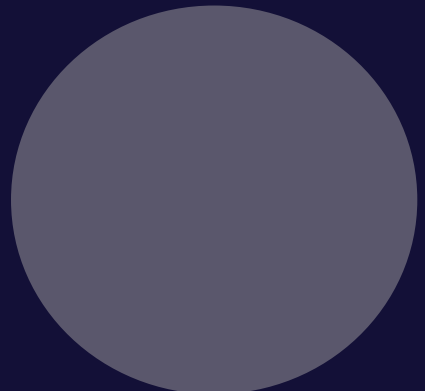
Minneapolis Missionaries

Souris Valley United Way

Stanley Elementary School

Student Camp Scholarships

Student Summer Missions





**600 Served**

**32 Projects**

**5 Communities**

**16 Churches**

**HANDS  
& FEET  
OF JESUS**

# CELEBRATE RECOVERY



**Launched**  
February 2022



**February-August**  
Leadership Planning



**February-August**  
Average 23



**End of Year**  
Average 54

# CR IMPACT

“It has given me a new outlook on my life, helped me see that there is hope in recovery, and has given me a new, forever family!”

“CR has impacted me by helping meet myself -like the real me- mask off, heart softened & mind open. Jesus speaks thru this ministry in such a powerful way. It works if you work it, it won't if you don't keep coming back.”

“It's opened my mind & heart to God. I'm not alone and God has never left me. CR has helped me feel wanted, loved, and needed.”

“CR has given me a comfortable place to come to talk about my struggles in life and stay connected with Jesus. Being able to bring my children helps me be able to make it. We all really enjoy CR.”

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**DAY** of  
**H O P E**

**SERVED** 3000



With the Mayor as a special guest, Day of Hope was made possible because forty different non-profit organizations offered their services to those in need. Those services reached three hundred people with a hundred of those receiving hair cuts.


In addition to hair cuts and services provided, everyone who came was able to get a free winter jacket, hat, gloves and socks.

Many services such as the clothes, food, and door prizes were paid for by donations by businesses.



# GROW ND

## Building Project



Grow ND is shorthand for our mission as a church to lead North Dakota into a growing relationship with Jesus. Our passion is to see a movement of God sweep across our state, transforming lives by the power of Jesus. On our website you will see some exciting ways the mission is advancing in both Minot and Stanley. Take a look at the projects, ask questions, and prayerfully dream with us about the ways God is going to move.





In Fall of 2022 we officially broke ground to start renovations on a grocery store we had purchased in downtown Stanley in 2021. Our Stanley Campus has been meeting for services in Stanley Elementary for 4.5 years. Having a permanent facility to utilize for ministry will help us be more effective in ministering to the community. We can't wait to share how God uses this tool to reach people far from God in next years Annual Report.