

VISION GATHERING

KNOW JESUS, LOVE OTHERS, LIVE CHANGED



A NOTE FROM PASTOR

It was a November afternoon in 1881. Rev. Albert Benjamin Simpson–recently resigned from his prestigious New York City pastorate weeks before—called a meeting inviting all Christians who supported "an aggressive spiritual movement" to reach the "unchurched masses, and the thousands who felt themselves alienated from the formal church" throughout New York City... 7 showed up. But out of those small beginnings, Gospel Tabernacle was birthed and out of that dynamic church and its ministries, what we now know as the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

Almost a century and a half later, on another November eve, we have the privilege of gathering here, fulfilling a small piece of that vision that God placed on Simpson's heart. But even more than fulfilling Simpson's vision, we are a part of responding to the Greatest Commandment and the Great Commission expressed by Jesus Christ (Matt. 22:37-39 & 28:19-20) – to be a movement inviting people to KNOW JESUS, LOVE OTHERS, and LIVE CHANGED. That's who we are. WE ARE MOVEMENT!!

It is one of my greatest joys to be able to assemble with you on this evening every year, because I KNOW it is a moment that stirs great appreciation and expectation within us all. All throughout the course of this evening and all throughout this booklet you are invited to join us as we celebrate what God has done and is doing through this MOVEMENT - through YOU! We will celebrate the monies given away to impact our community and our world. We will celebrate the time sacrificed and talents utilized for the good of others and the Glory of God. We will CELEBRATE ENTHUSIASTICALLY over those who have come to know and have been changed by the transformative power of Jesus Christ. And in the midst of all our celebrating we get to lean in and hear beautiful individual stories of Life Change, Compelling Faith, Ongoing Growth, Honesty Community, Selfless Service, and Extravagant Generosity.

These stories are representations of what God is doing among us. They are stories just like the one God is writing in your life or the one he WANTS to write in your life. And as we recall and rejoice in all of these stories of what God has done, let us also pause - prayerfully and expectantly - to consider what He will do next - in our homes, marriages, workplaces, and our Movement Church family! Certainly, life will continue to present us all with its challenges, its heartaches, disappointments, and frustrations - we are, after all, NOT HOME YET. Nevertheless, we are encouraged by a good, loving, and gracious Father tonight to unite our hearts and cry out to the one who can, "accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think!" (Eph. 3:20). GOD BLESS YOU CHURCH as we keep moving forward for HIS SAKE!!

OURVALUES



Along with our mission statement, we embrace 6 core values that define who we are and what matters to us as a church and as individual followers of Christ. The pages that follow document the AMAZING ways in which we have witnessed these values lived out in our church family, from the very youngest to the most seasoned saint.

- We experience and expect <u>LIFE CHANGE!</u> Key Passage: 2 Corinthians 5:17
- We have and we share <u>COMPELLING FAITH!</u>
 Key Passages: Go & Tell Matthew 28:18-20
 Come & See John 1:45-46
- We pursue and praise <u>ONGOING GROWTH!</u>
 Key Passage: 2 Peter 3:18
- We engage in and encourage <u>HONEST COMMUNITY!</u>
 Key Passages: Matthew 18:15-17; 1 Thessalonians 5:14
- We embody and extend <u>SELFLESS SERVICE!</u> Key Passages: John 13:5, 12, 15; Mark 10:45
- We practice and promote <u>EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY!</u> Key Passages: Proverbs 11:25; Acts 4:32; 2 Cor. 8:7

LIFECHANGE





101 SALVATIONS

This year 101 individuals crossed over from death to life, as they said "YES" to Jesus:

- 62 (12 being individuals that texted New2Jesus) during our Sunday Morning Worship Experiences including our online campus.
- 20 children through our Kids on the Move Sunday ministries, Good News Clubs, & summer camps.
- 19 students in our MVMNT Students youth ministry.

Vision (March 2021) to Date: 418
Salvations and 136 Baptisms

47 BAPTISMS

- "We get to heaven not when we're super duper good, buth when we believe in Jesus." - Alex T (age 10)
- "I crave happiness, not perfection that comes from my efforts, happiness that comes from Jesus." - Becky T
- "With Jesus I don't need to worry about my future, the only thing I need to do is learn more about Him and grow closer to Him." - Anthony D (age 16)
- "I want the world to know there is freedom in Christ and I'm a walking testimony to that fact." - Samantha W
- "Jesus is not distant, but up close and personal and He loves me." -Kristen R
- "I hit my knees and began to pray and Jesus was there waiting."- John R

COMPELLING FAITH



In 2024, many of you chose to embody a "Compelling Faith." One that has compelled you to GO & TELL and has compelled others to COME & SEE.

162

The number of white ping pong balls you have placed since November of 2023, representing intentional faith conversations. These are 162 individuals we are praying will come to know Christ - some of whom HAVE since you first wrote their names.

2005

The number of blue ping pong balls with the signatures of those YOU have personally invited to "Come and See" all that God is doing at Movement Church!

- Our First Impressions team handed out 317 first -time guest bags from November 1st 2023 to October 31st 2024!
- MVMNT Students saw 160 first-time guests this year and 40% of them returned more than once!
- Visiting families brought a total of 231 children to Kids on the Move for the very first time this year.
- This year we have 34 people serving on our Good News Club teams, sharing the gospel in 2 Charlotte County Schools. We began with 3 team members in 1 school in the spring of 2022.
- 309 people have texted "NewtoMC" since March 2021!

Vision To Date: 471 white ping pong balls, 732 blue ping pong balls and 873 first time guest bags!

ONGOING GROWTH

"Every number has a name, every name has a story, every story matters to God."



In 2024, an average of 762 individuals each week engaged 762 individuals each we with us through worship our experiences physical at our location on Midway Blvd.

At our Online Campus, average of 234 people joined us LIVE each Sunday for our weekend worship experience.

However, as we have mentioned many times, GROWTH is not measured solely by the number of people who participate in a worship gathering, but instead by observing the transformative work that takes place in EACH & EVERY individual's life!

• While encouraging growth in the children they serve, 21 Kids on the Move team members were themselves discipled into deeper relationships with Jesus and increased commitments to service.

(Vision To Date: 91 team members!)

• In MVMNT Students, 60% of students participated in and 14 completed the "Spiritual Development Program" which includes daily quiet times, scripture memory, and acts of selfless service.

> (Vision To Date: 52 students have completed the "Spiritual Development Program"!)

• In our Discover Movement and Discover Serve classes we saw 97 and 50 participants respectively, who sought to know more about us and the God we love and serve!

> (Vision to Date: 326 participated in Discover Movement and 227 in Discover Serving.)

HONESTCOMMUNITY

Honest Community is about doing life TOGETHER, learning from and with one another, and simply being there for each other!

- In 2024, we have seen 29 active groups and 8 Movement Academy classes gather on our campus or in homes all throughout each week. Through small groups, Bible studies, and organic friendships you have eaten together, celebrated together, mucked out homes, cleaned up yard debris, processed grief, studied Scripture, and simply loved one another.
- We celebrate the 155 students who, through 14 different small groups, regularly view Wednesday nights as a chance to engage in honest community with friends who are navigating the challenges of growing up in this age. They learn together, they laugh together, and they pray with and for one another.
- Through Parent Commissioning, 15 families stepped up to a year-long commitment to intentionally connect with & pray for parents choosing to "bring [their children] up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4).

DOING LIFE TOGETHER!









SELFLESSSERVICE

Throughout the gospels Jesus continually modeled what it looks like to give ourselves away, thinking less of self and more of others as we seek to serve. Thank you for following His example this year.



This number represents the hours you all gave to sharing the gospel, meetings needs, and making yourselves available to become the hands of feet of Jesus to this church family and to our community!

Vision to Date: 82,709 Hours

- Many of you gave yourselves away as small group leaders teaching the timeless truths of God's Word and providing a safe space for the hurting.
- Some spent a ridiculous number of hours studying music, rehearsing, creating slides, or dialing in sound systems so that we could come together and worship.
- Scores of individuals, families, and small groups came together to help those who needed immediate relief following Hurricanes Helene and Milton.
- Some served that much-needed cup of coffee, offered a warm smile to those entering the building, or kept a watchful eye on things as we gathered.
- Still others chose to lead and love our students and children as an expression of service. And STUDENTS - WOW, you guys showed up serving literally everywhere!
- As a church, you welcomed the challenge of getting OUTSIDE of the church walls and into our community by serving 3,798 hours with our impact partners!

















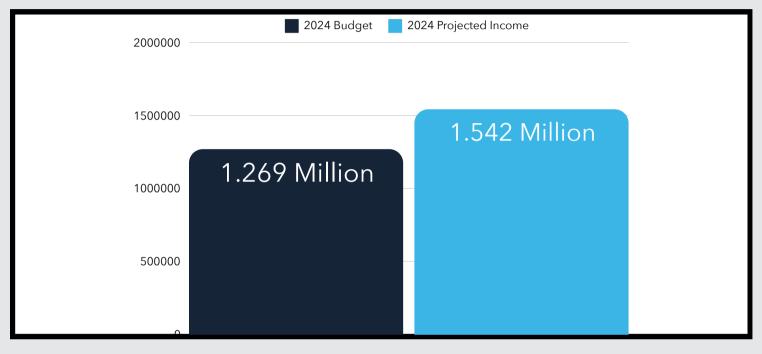






EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY

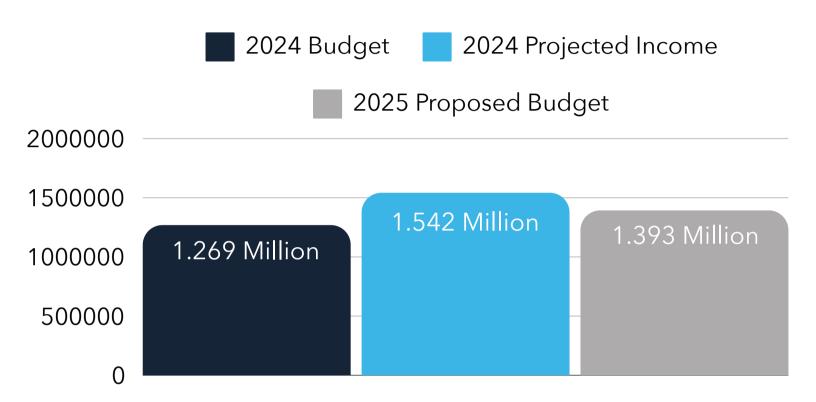
In speaking to the church at Corinth, Paul wishes for them that they would, "excel also in this gracious act of giving." What a powerful prayer! This year YOU ALL have excelled in this very area - you have practiced extravagant generosity.



- You gave \$120,668 to C&MA initiatives: \$42,319 to the Great Commission Fund (missions), \$15,667 to the Church Multiplication Fund, and \$62,682 to the District Operating Fund.
- You donated \$36,500 so children and youth could go to camp or LIFE Conference.
- You provided \$38,100 in Benevolence support to our local community.
- You gave \$42,100 to our Impact Partners, not including material donations.
- Your 2023 Christmas Gift totaled \$36,350 for domestic and international projects.
- Extravagant Generosity made a way for 437 people to respond to the Gospel!
- Your giving allowed us to love on families who lost loved ones this year as our teams hosted funerals and memorials.

Vision To Date: \$769,723

BUDGET PRESENTATION



In 2023 we voted to approve a budget of 1.269 million. As noted on the previous page as well as the above graphic, we anticipate closing the year 2024, with your continued faithful giving, at 1.542 million.

With that in mind, your board has recommended a 2024 budget totaling 1.393 million. Doing so would mean that we have assigned 89% of the expected income for 2025.

What about our surplus? EXPANSION - MULTIPLICATION - OPPORTUNITY!

OURVISION



- 1.We will celebrate 1,000 people making the first-time decision to follow Jesus, with 500 of them making that life-changing decision public through Water Baptism.
- 2. We will come alongside 1,500 people on personal discipleship journeys as they come to know God more intimately and connect with others deeply.
- 3. We will make room for the tens of thousands of individuals in our community who have no church home by planting three new campuses two site locations, and one online.
- 4. We will initiate and foster relationships with 15 Vision Impact Partners whose goal is to effect change in our local community & beyond.
- 5. We will equip and encourage 1,000 individuals to invest over 260,000 hours serving Movement Church and our Vision Impact Partners.
- 6. We will update and expand our existing location and explore future opportunities to accommodate the increasing number of individuals and families who take part in our worship experiences.
- 7. We will send 200 individuals on their first short-term mission trip.
- 8. We will equip and encourage every partner to "Go and Tell," actively and consistently sharing their own compelling faith story with another person every year.
- 9. We will challenge every partner to invite at least one other individual to "Come and See," experiencing Movement Church every year.
- 10. We will foster a spirit of extravagant generosity by investing \$1,000,000 into partnerships and impact efforts in our community and our world.

BOARD NOMINATIONS

It is the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to present a report outlining the activities and measures taken in order to submit names to fill various roles at Movement Church. Via congregational submission and internal discussion, the committee arrived upon candidates to be considered for service on the Governing Board of Movement Church. These individuals were then contacted to gauge interest and invited to prayerfully participate in an extensive vetting process. The individuals whose names were submitted are phenomenal leaders and dedicated Christ followers. The following names are recommended for various positions and/or installment on the governing board.

Respectfully submitted, your Nominating Committee:
Mark Hamsher, Mark Fanstill, Ellen Diomedes, Mary Howard, and Nate Hill



DUWAYNE KELLER

GOVERNING BOARD

FIRST TERM INSTALLMENT



DON DEWEESE

GB TREASURER &

SECOND TERM INSTALLMENT



MARK FANSTILL
GB SECRETARY



EDWARD LESLIE
RECOGNINTION FOR SERVING

We would like to
extend a special
"Thank You" to
Edward Leslie &
Mary Howard
who will be rotating off
of our board.



MARY HOWARD
RECOGNITION FOR SERVING

VISION GATHERING BALLOT



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