



2023

Annual Report

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Pastor Summaries



BY BRIAN LAM
Senior Pastor

We glorify our Lord Jesus Christ for giving us the grace to finish the year with abundant harvest. Our most sincere thanks to God that many have come to the saving knowledge of Christ. We have a record number of 160 new converts and over 260 newcomers in the first ten months of 2023. Nearly half of the newcomers have stayed and joined a small group. Sunday attendance has grown by 14% to 1,490, reaching 92.5% of the pre-pandemic attendance. Praise God.

In 2023, we launched a multisite campus in Richmond and invited Elder Renshi Zhang to be the Richmond campus minister. In July, we purchased a 13-acre property with a 5,000-square-foot facility in Richmond. We expect to start worship on Sundays in 2024. The Richmond harvest is plentiful, and we are excited for the opportunity to save more souls for Christ. Praise God.

In August, we welcomed new leadership in the youth ministry. Pastor Dick became the youth pastor and leads the ministry forward. Youth Sunday attendance has grown by over 30%, and we have over 100 youth attending the youth fellowship on Saturdays. We had a wonderful English congregation retreat in the fall, and we recommitted to the English small group ministry with the English elders and Pastor Jeremy as the zone advisors. Praise God.

The Chinese ministry has been thriving. The Mandarin and Cantonese congregations have Good News small groups and outreach, sharing the Gospel with many who have yet to know Christ. We aim to follow up with every new convert with seven one-on-one follow-up lessons. Pastor Kaiyi Chen returned from the mission field and joined the Mandarin pastoral staff in September. We sent out ten short-term mission teams with 119 members in 2023. Praise God.

The psalmist says, “I will give You thanks in the great congregation. I will praise You among a mighty throng.” Psalm 35:18.



BY JENNY SHAN
Mandarin Ministry Lead Pastor

Thank God for protecting and leading the pastoral staff of the Mandarin Ministry, district shepherds, district leaders, small group leaders, worship teams, equipping schools, and prayer ministries, working united together to carry out the mission given by God to the Church. We are especially grateful that in September, Pastor Kaiyi joined our ministry team.

According to our 2023 ministry plan, the focus is still on carrying out evangelism and making disciples through the small group pastoral system, and pursuing the heart of God by making disciples locally and globally to reach all people for Christ.

Gospel outreach, attracting people to the Lord:

- » In 2023, according to our plan, we held Good News Small Groups in the spring and fall to spread the gospel and cultivate disciples. A total of 320 VIPs participated in the Good News Small Groups at least once in both sessions this year, and a total of 96 made the decision to accept Jesus as their personal Savior during the Good News Small Group. 281 brothers and sisters participated in and received evangelism training.
- » Through the Gospel Seekers class and Gospel Plus Station class led by Elder Sun, the Chinese New Year’s Herald music evangelistic meeting at the end of January, the movie evangelistic meeting at the end of August, the special parents Bible study group assisted by Jie Hao’s small group, and personal visits, etc., as of November 30, a total of 136 new converts in Mandarin Ministry have believed in Jesus and become Christians; 58 have been baptized.
- » The Newcomers Team received 133 new guests this year. Through coordinated invitations with the district shepherds, district leaders, and small group leaders, 54 were introduced to small groups, and 52 of them confirmed to stay and participate in Sunday worship service.

Discipleship:

- » Cultivating growing disciples: The Good News Small Group is not only a platform for preaching the gospel but also one of the ways to make disciples through training and participation in various services. After the Good News Small Groups in the spring, due to the influx of new people, two new small groups have been added, and 2 more groups are expected to be added by the end of December. The district leader/small group leader has always been the key disciple to equip and watch. In February this year, a SGL Retreat was held in the bay town of Palacio, allowing the small shepherds in need to cultivate themselves, connect with God and fellow SGLs, and renew & restart. In the three months of July, August, and September, 54 new and old SGLs were given SGL training, and a joint gathering of all small groups in the Mandarin Ministry was held on the last Sunday in August to encourage each other and share testimonies. On October 28th, a one-day intensive training was conducted for 14 new and old district leaders.
- » Strengthening the follow-up of new lives: We vigorously promote the concept of the three-step process of making new life disciples in the Mandarin Ministry: individual/small group Rebirth and GrowthBasic Course Life Transforming Camp. 103 out of 136 people were followed up. 106 people participated in two sessions of basic discipleship training courses and passed the test. There will be 50 participants attending the Life Transforming Camp, and there will also be one-on-one follow-up during the camp.
- » Serving in Worship Team is also a platform for cultivating disciples. Many new people who have recently believed in the Lord or have not participated in other regular ministry service have joined the Sunday Worship ministry team and have seen growth in their lives. Thank God, the number of people attending Sunday worship has also increased from an average of 369 (median 392, min-max: 280-424) people in the same period last year (June to November) to 510 (median 507, min-max: 442-639) people this year (Excluding parents of Mandarin congregation who participate in Family Worship).
- » The more systematic and multi-channel equipping courses for the four seasons provide brothers and sisters with more comprehensive opportunities for equipping, including online and in-person, as well as seminary extension courses, etc.

All service requires reliance on God and co-working with the Lord. This year we still use prayer first in all kinds of ministries and use prayer throughout all the services. 100-day prayers for Good News Small Group, 50-day prayers for Life Transforming Camp, every Sunday morning, and small group, district, and pastoral prayer meetings. We have truly experienced God’s power and faithfulness. All glory goes to God!



BY JEREMY CHU

English Ministry Pastor

2023 was a year of transition and celebration. This year marked the 16th year that Pastor Dick had been shepherding and guiding the English Ministry of FBCC. This year provided an opportunity for him to work with his wife, Carolyn, who is the Youth Director of FBCC. This was a long-time dream for both, and God opened this opportunity for Pastor Dick to transition into the Youth Ministry and for Pastor Jeremy to move into the English Adult Ministry. The transition time ended with our first-ever congregation-wide English Ministry retreat held at Moody Gardens Resort over Labor Day weekend. This was especially important for the EM as we fully transitioned out of COVID. The retreat provided opportunities to not only gather as a congregation but to meet people within our congregation who we never knew or haven’t been able to talk to since COVID started. One of the highlights of the retreat was the encouraging word from Dr. Pierre Cannings from DTS Houston. His wonderful insight and teaching of God’s Word encouraged our congregation to be unified in the Spirit and to continue to strengthen our commitment to FBCC. We praise God for Dr. Cannings’ ministry and the word that was preached! Our Small Group Ministry has seen tremendous growth because not only are our Young Adults coming to FBCC, but our older and wiser adults also have decided to make their return as well! Our small group ministry is core to our growth as an English Congregation and is a direct result of our English Ministry Retreat. A major strategy implemented in 2023 is moving into a Zone Advisors method of overseeing our Small Group Ministry. Elder Daniel, Elder Andrew and Pastor Jeremy have taken on the roles of Zone Advisors to oversee, train and strengthen the EM small groups. As we wrap up 2023, the English Ministry hopes to continue to build upon the ministry that Pastor Dick started 16 years ago by making disciples, pursuing intergenerational relationships, and bringing more people to the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ!



BY KENNY KWAN

Cantonese Ministry Lead Pastor

Evangelism Outreach: Sowing and Harvesting

In 2023, the Cantonese Ministry focused on embracing the mission of spreading the Gospel through strong outreach efforts. Thanks to God’s grace, we united to seize opportunities in this vast Gospel field, continuously sowing and harvesting. We organized three large evangelistic gatherings, including the Cantonese New Year Music Evangelistic Concert in January, the “Love Plan B” Gospel Movie Evangelistic Event in August, and the “Next Stop Houston” Cantonese Outreach Concert in December. These events allowed us to connect with many non-Christian friends. Following these evangelistic events, we successfully followed up with the new believers. Additionally, brothers

and sisters actively invited seekers to join fellowship group evangelistic meetings, deepening relationships in preparation for inviting them to next year’s evangelistic meetings.

Welcome Newcomers Ministry: Growth in Worship Attendance

Thank God for continuing to lead newcomers to join our spiritual family. Through Sunday welcomes, regular newcomer luncheons, and referrals to suitable fellowships and small groups, most of them chose to stay and grow in the church. Some have become church members and actively participate in ministry, contributing to an increase in attendance at Cantonese Sunday worship.

Fellowship Group Ministry: Support and Leadership Development

In November, we held a special training seminar for small group leaders and fellowship leaders/staff. Dr. Jane Mann was invited as a guest speaker to share insights on establishing healthy boundaries in relationships and engage in practical and inspiring discussions on handling interpersonal issues within fellowship groups. This year, we successfully trained some fellowship group young leaders, expecting God to raise up more young leaders to sustain the caring and nurturing ministry of fellowships and small groups.

Continuous Discipleship Training: Journey of Spiritual Formation

Our commitment to discipleship training is evident in the care and support provided to discipleship mentors and the cultivation of a new generation of mentors. From September to November, we conducted 13 sessions of discipleship mentor training, with a total of 35 participants and new discipleship mentors trained. We hope they become future mentors in the two-year discipleship program, walking alongside others towards spiritual maturity, resembling Christ more closely. Additionally, the Cantonese Life Transformation Camp held in October brought together 32 mentors and disciples, experiencing the transformative power of the Holy Spirit through studying God’s Word and one-on-one life conversations.

In summary, we express deep gratitude for the abundant grace of God in the effective Gospel outreach, increased attendance, and successful leadership development achieved in the 2023 Cantonese Ministry. All glory to God!



BY DICK LEE

Youth Pastor

I am happy to present my first annual report for the Youth Ministry at Fort Bend Community Church. Indeed, this opportunity arose through transitions: Pastor Jeremy has anchored the Youth Ministry through the pandemic providing hard work through tough times. Now he will be able to exercise his creative savvy, so we anticipate the continued flourishing of the English Adult Ministry. As for me, I am not starting a new chapter of my life but I feel that my life has come full circle: I began full-time ministry with teens and now I am back with them, but now Carolyn, my life partner, is also my ministry partner as we serve together at FBCC. This transition represents not just a change in leadership but an exciting opportunity for spiritual renewal, continued growth, and the deepening of our bonds as a church family. Looking back at 2023, 2023 was also a time for the Youth Ministry to come full circle. With great staffing of parents, adults, and teen leaders, it was a year of rededication.

Sunday morning small groups, we dedicated ourselves to 1) the teaching of the Word of God, 2) to discipling 75% of the high school students one on one and 3) to reaching and retaining 25% of our newcomers. That third goal proved difficult: The fall semester ushered in a surprising and heartening development, catching us off guard in the most delightful way we have welcomed an unexpected surge of 40 additional students into our Sunday morning small groups! This unforeseen influx does not only reflect the growing appeal community starved teens post-pandemic but also underscores the influx of new families even new to Christ. The sudden rise in numbers has created a challenge: How do we maintain a high standard of ministry for so many with the staff we have? How do we grow teens at such a wide range of spiritual maturity?



BY APPHIA CHIN
Children's Ministry Lead Director

In gratitude for God's unwavering faithfulness, our children's ministry reflects on a year marked by resilience and the dedicated efforts of our volunteers, leaders, and deacons. Each year, FBCC Kids plans our activities around our mission: making disciples by partnering with families to multiply spiritual impact. Looking back at 2023, we've made significant progress since the previous year. The challenges of 2022, with the surge in COVID-19 cases in Fort Bend County, led us to move AWANA online for a month.

Thankfully, in 2023, God's grace allowed us to maintain consistency, ensuring stability for the children at FBCC. Sunday mornings are one example of this consistency, where our Sunday leaders play a crucial role. In the fall semester, 79% of our leaders returned from the previous Spring semester, allowing us to maintain the same Sunday school groups and strategically placing our leaders to move up with their children. This brought a sense of comfort and stability for both leaders and children. The feedback from leaders expresses excitement at witnessing growth and maturity in the children within a few months. Children, in turn, have become more open and relational, establishing deeper relationships. This trust and discipleship with leaders and children have naturally evolved, thanks to our leaders saying "Yes!" to investing in our children.

Children's Family Worship extends this sense of familiarity to the entire FBCC church family, fostering cross-congregational friendships. Children's Family Worship is not only a place where families can worship together, it allows a safe learning environment where families can experience how to serve together as Ushers and AV managers. It serves as a cornerstone in our children's Sunday ministry, providing a consistent rhythm led by dedicated staff and volunteers. Starting in April 2023, we added communion and offering on the first Sunday of each month, giving parents a chance to participate and providing children with a valuable learning experience. The pastoral staff from various congregations join monthly to lead communion, strengthening connections beyond children's ministry and specific congregations.

The 5th-Grade Discipleship Program for the 2022-2023 school year emerged as a success, with twenty actively participating children. This program was well received by the children, their parents, and leaders. In the Spring of 2023, we kicked off our pilot program for 4th-grade discipleship with eleven children who were interested in starting. Unfortunately, the 4th-grade discipleship program for the Spring of 2023 faced challenges, marked by inconsistent attendance for both children and

leaders and variations in the maturity levels of the participants. Recognizing these challenges, the children's staff decided that the discipleship program was better suited to remain solely as a 5th-grade program. Currently, in the fall of 2023, we have seven wonderful disciplers who are leading the 5th-grade discipleship groups; totaling a total of twenty children.

AWANA continues to be a staple for our Saturday night children's program. It is by God's mercy that we again thank Him for providing us with phenomenal adults and youth to work alongside and lead our children. Our leaders have been dedicated and striving to build relationships with our children. Witnessing our adult leaders train our youth leaders to learn and adapt to a new group of children has been a privilege to witness. Seeing the looks of excitement from our children as they are greeted by their leaders have also been a tremendous blessing. Acknowledging both successes and areas for improvement, AWANA continued with Family Day events but faced challenges with families choosing only movie nights over subsequent Family Days. To maximize our time with children, we decided to eliminate movie nights while focusing on the AWANA curriculum and strategically planning Family Days to avoid conflicts with AWANA schedules.

Towards the end of the summer, during the first week of August 2023, FBCC Kids hosted our third annual Family VBS. We planned a fun and engaging experience for families. When families experience God's Word and have fun together, children begin to understand they were made to enjoy and be enjoyed. Through Family VBS, our families got to share experiences, create fun memories with their families, and have discussions centered on Christ. We had over forty families register; however, due to the busyness wrapping up the summer, getting ready for the start of the school year, and an outbreak of COVID-19 from our FBCC youth camp, the attendance was not as consistent. To countermeasure this, we will be planning our Family VBS in 2024 towards the earlier part of June.

As another year has drawn to a close, it has been important to reflect on God's goodness and the provisions He has provided for FBCC Kids. In summary, 2023 has been a testament to the sustaining power of God's faithfulness and the dedication of our ministry leaders. Our Sunday mornings, marked by consistency and trust, have not only provided a secure haven for our children but also fostered a profound sense of community within the FBCC family. As we express gratitude for the lessons learned, we are inspired to continue our journey, guided by God's grace, investing in the spiritual growth and well-being of our children.

2023 Attendance Numbers

MEMBERS **1137**

100 BAPTISMS

AVERAGE WEEKLY SUNDAY
ATTENDANCE IN PERSON & ONLINE **1217**

579 VOLUNTEERS ACROSS
ALL MINISTRIES

Budget

	2022 ACTUAL	2023 ACTUAL	2024 BUDGET
Staff	\$1,823,017	\$2,069,908	\$2,461,800
Ministry	\$878,051	\$842,578	\$1,073,769
Administrative	\$239,377	\$291,407	\$520,340
Loan and others	\$270,468	\$296,273	\$387,148
Missions	\$425,399	\$533,756	\$398,664
Benevolence	\$27,000	\$37,000	\$10,000
M68	\$144,061	\$167,338	\$178,500
TOTAL	\$3,293,026	\$3,569,508	\$5,128,501



Youth Ministry

Our commitment to the next generation is rooted in our understanding that the future lies within them. Discipleship stands as a key strategy through which we cultivate the growth of the next generation. Our deepest aspiration is for the youth, from nursery to high school, to become dedicated disciples of Jesus Christ. Throughout this transition year, we managed to reintroduce (albeit in limited capacity) some of our core activities that nurture discipleship. The pandemic underscored the significance of serving both our parents and the community. We eagerly anticipate the coming year when our limitations will be lessened, allowing us to fully integrate and serve the community. Our aim is to persist in partnering with parents to become spiritual leaders at home and foster a connected community of students, leaders, and families who are fervent followers of Christ.

YOUTH NUMBERS

<u>Youth Fellowship Attendance:</u>	> 176 STUDENTS Average Youth Sunday Attendance
> 81 MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS	> 196 STUDENTS at Camp Challenge Attendance
> 25 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	> 50 ADULTS Camp Challenge Small Group Leaders & Workers
> 3 ADULT HELPERS	> 10 GRADE PARENTS
> 15 HIGH SCHOOL HELPERS	

VOLUNTEER TESTIMONIALS:

“My most cherished memory of 2023 was learning the names of our youth and endeavoring to match them with their families. Additionally, what I found most rewarding was when new guests, along with their youth, joined us as part of the entire family and introduced themselves to us on Sundays. This provided us with an opportunity to care for and get to know them as a family, rather than just as individual youths.” – **Gary Lu**

“My fondest memory is witnessing our youth assume numerous leadership roles in EFB missions and executing them admirably. They are exemplifying their faith and sharing God’s love with passion and steadfastness.” – **Elder Kin Lock**

“The highlight of my year was collaborating with the 2023 graduates for the Mexico STM. Some of these students have been participating in this STM since fourth grade, and it was heartening to see how well they bonded. May God continue to guide each of them closer to Him and to each other.” – **Estella Tam**

“My most cherished ministry memory this year was serving at Camp and observing how God not only impacted the students but also the leaders.” – **Darren Lee**

“Here are the highlights of the year: Camp Challenge 2023 was incredibly successful as youth experienced the movement of the Holy Spirit and were spiritually challenged. Praise the Lord for the dedicated camp leaders and directors. Youth fellowship has been steadily growing since September this year with a new servant team under the pastoral leadership of PD and Carolyn.” – **Deacon Ashley Shan**

Children’s Ministry

We firmly believe that children are precious gifts from God. The primary objective of our Children’s Ministry is to ensure that all children are cherished, esteemed, and provided with the finest guidance and instruction in the Word of God as they grow into followers of Jesus Christ.

OUR PURPOSE AND VISION:

To make disciples by partnering with families to multiply spiritual impact.

CHILDREN’S NUMBERS:

<u>Awana Registration:</u>	<u>Discipleship:</u>
> 148 FAMILIES	> 21 CHILDREN
> 199 KIDS	> 7 LEADERS
<u>Volunteers:</u>	<u>Sunday Attendance:</u>
> 45 AWANA LEADERS	> 220 FAMILY WORSHIP
> 78 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS	> 184 SUNDAY SCHOOL
> 4 FAMILY WORSHIP LEADERS	

CHILD TESTIMONIAL:

“Children’s Ministry is an amazing experience for me. I love the fun activities in both Sunday School and Discipleship. Playing games like the So & So Show and enjoying playground time are some of my favorite moments. Discipleship is also enjoyable, especially when we bring snacks each month. I particularly liked the bean-bag toss game based on the Parable of the Sower. It was so much fun, even though the game ended in a draw. Another game I enjoyed was using straws, tables, and feathers to blow across the table. Overall, I’ve had a wonderful time in Children’s Ministry, engaging in all the fun activities!” – **Hillary Tam, 5th Grade (Cantonese Congregation)**

PARENT TESTIMONIAL:

“During the pandemic, all church activities shifted online. It was challenging for kids to sit in front of a computer to learn God’s Word. When I found out that the church reopened for children’s Sunday School program, I was thrilled. Due to limited seats, we had to register for children’s family worship, and I always signed up as soon as it opened. Since attendance was low, my family got to know most of the children’s ministry staff well.

One of the requirements for attending children’s family worship was for a parent to sit with their child. This allowed me to learn God’s Word with my daughter and have more conversations and study together at home. After some time, the children’s ministry began recruiting Sunday School leaders. I was surprised when my daughter asked me to be a Sunday School leader. I had never considered being a leader in Sunday School before. After discussing with my husband, I decided to step out of my comfort zone and become a Sunday School leader. God was good to me and provided an experienced leader to team up with me. This is our second year as a team, and we have witnessed changes in some kids. Some who didn’t cooperate with us initially now do! It’s amazing to see what God has done in these kids.

The greatest reward I’ve received from teaching Sunday School is not only getting to know my daughter’s friends but also making friends with their parents. They are from Cantonese and English congregations, while I am from the Mandarin congregation. I believe this is what Pastor Brian always talks about ‘Unity.’” – **Beth Lin, Parent (Mandarin Congregation)**



Small Group

Small groups serve as the cornerstone of our community at FBCC, embodying our commitment to a gospel-centered fellowship. While each small group may have its unique dynamics, the overarching goals remain consistent: to foster fellowship, provide encouragement through prayer, and offer mutual accountability as members of the body of Christ. Throughout the year, our groups transitioned from virtual to in-person meetings, with the majority now meeting face-to-face.

In the Cantonese congregation, we organized two gospel evangelistic events, drawing over a thousand participants, a quarter of whom were non-Christians. Through God’s provision and guidance, we coordinated various tasks with joy in our hearts, witnessing unity among brothers and sisters from diverse fellowships as we fulfilled God’s mission. – **Joyce Leung, Cantonese Congregation Member**

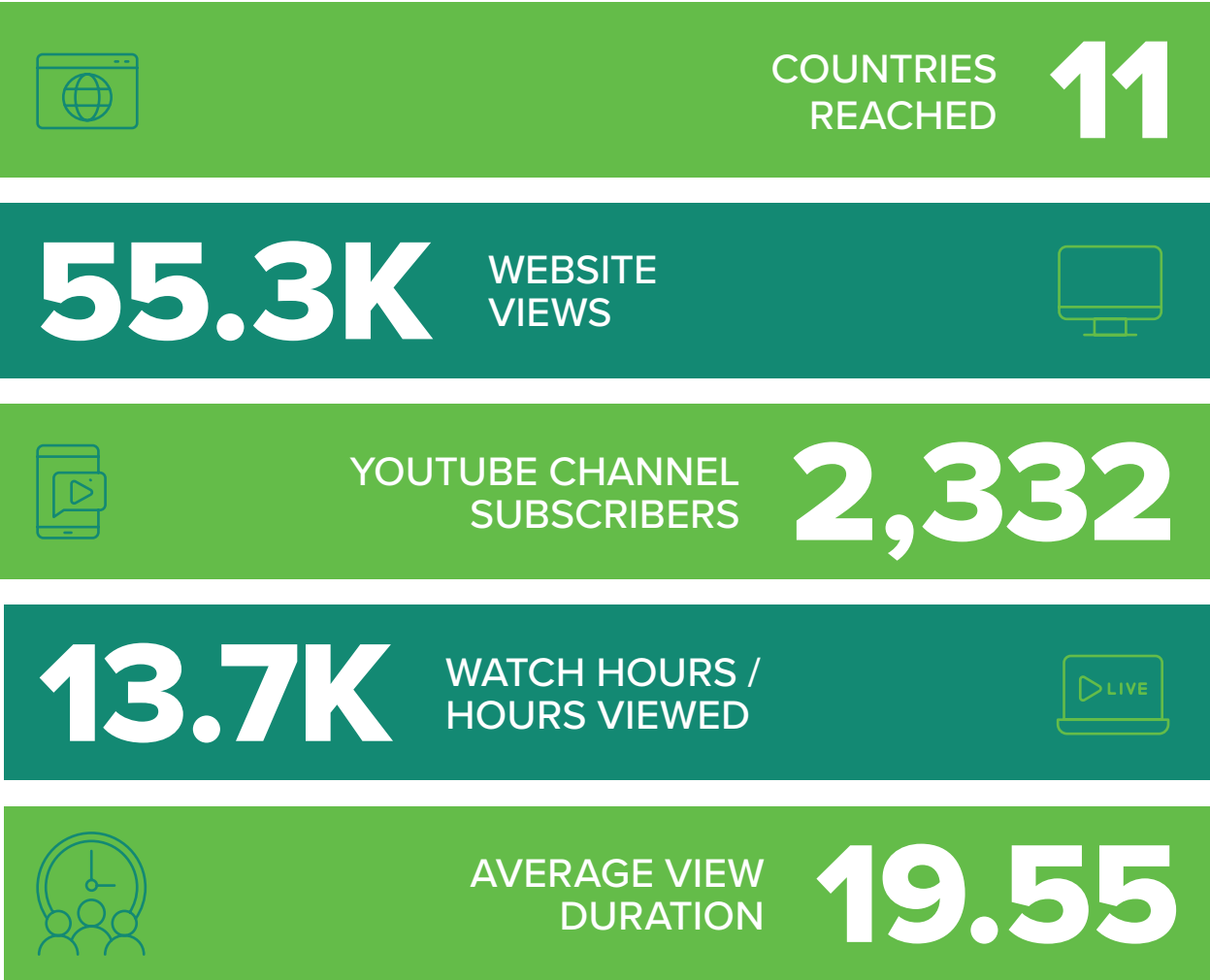
In the Sugar Land Family Zone, we facilitated five one-on-one discipleship sessions this year, with each participant experiencing the power of prayer. Notably, a man with swollen legs found unprecedented peace during prayer. Among the nine students who completed the Basic Course, many diligently shared their spiritual reflections, expressing a desire to let Jesus lead their lives daily and glorify God. Additionally, six pastoral co-workers completed Little Shepherds training, leading their groups in Bible study methods learned, resulting in strengthened connections and practical application of God’s Word in members’ lives. – **Nancy Tso, Mandarin Congregation Member**

Last year, the Grace of God District participated in the Good News Small Group activity online, resulting in 10 seekers embracing faith in the Lord. Encouraged by this, our small groups eagerly participated in this year’s in-person Good News Small Groups, experiencing God’s love in tangible ways. Brothers and sisters actively invited guests, cooked specialty dishes, and worked harmoniously to spread the gospel. Witnessing the impact of evangelism, many couples became more united, and families even organized children’s programs in the absence of AWANA. As a result, participation in in-person small group meetings continued to grow, enriching disciples’ experiences of the gospel. – **Victor Lu, Mandarin Congregation Member**

During Labor Day, our family attended the inaugural English Retreat at Moody Gardens. Dr. Pierre Cannings, the speaker, eloquently emphasized the purpose, fellowship, and unity of the church, weaving our retreat experiences into his messages. Small group sessions allowed for interactions among individuals from different stages of life, fostering new connections within the congregation. Encouraged by the energy and passion of our young adults, we were particularly moved by the corporate worship experience. Our children, aged 4, 8, and 10, were inspired to sing the worship songs from the retreat, leading us to continuously play the playlist at home. Amidst the joyful echoes of “Holy Forever” and “A Thousand Hallelujahs,” witnessing our children praising God fills our hearts with immeasurable joy. – **Christine Wang, English Congregation Member**

Digital

Our digital footprint continues to expand, even as we prioritize in-person gatherings. The completion of our online ministry project marks a significant milestone, with updated technology enhancing our ability to serve the Kingdom of God. Moving forward, we are committed to nurturing and expanding this ministry, eagerly anticipating how God will utilize it to influence and impact His Kingdom through FBCC.



Missions

In 2023, our church embraced God’s call to participate in His Kingdom both locally and globally, achieving significant milestones and expanding our outreach efforts.

MISSIONS ORGANIZATION SUPPORT:

- » Supported 6 FBCC members engaged in missions work across different organizations.
- » Maintained support for 8 seminarians, with the addition of two new seminarians: Candace Tzeng at Dallas Theological Seminary and Daniel Han at Grace Theological Seminary.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT:

- » Continued support for approximately 41 missionaries worldwide, with 22 new missionaries added in 2023. Their service areas span India, Syria, Brazil, Vietnam, and the US.

LOCAL MISSIONS HIGHLIGHTS:

- » **Richmond Campus Ministry:** Experienced rapid expansion, securing facilities from Eagle Heights Church initially and later acquiring a suitable house in Richmond for ministry purposes. Minister Renshi Zhang assumed leadership in March.
- » **Refugee Ministry:** Successfully organized the first art camp at FBCC for refugee children, attracting 25 participants despite scheduling conflicts.
- » **Ahepa Bible Class:** Witnessed a decline in average attendance from 20 to 13 due to the aging population.

FOREIGN MISSIONS UPDATES:

- » **Peru:** Concluded the two-year commitment of Pastor Kaiyi and Lisa’s service in April 2023.
- » **Germany:** Pastor Justin & Nadia Chu retired after seven years of service, succeeded by Allen & Amy Mu in Karlsruhe in August following a year of language preparation.

These endeavors reflect our commitment to fulfilling God’s mission both locally and globally, spreading His love and message to all corners of the world.



STM UPDATE:

We have 10 missions trips in 2023.

TEAM	DATES	COUNTRY	CITY	ADULTS	YOUTH	TOTAL	NON FBCC	1ST TIMERS	FAMILIES
1	2/1-2/14	Brazil	Nova Iquacu, Niteroi, Curitiba	5	0	5	1	0	0
2	3/12-3/17	Mexico	Reynosa	20	8	28	0	9	7
3	5/13-5/20	Guatemala	Guatemala	15	0	15	4	0	1
4	5/26-6/11	Lebanon	Beruit, Zahle	6	5	11	0	0	2
5	6/2-6/10	Poland	Warsaw	6	0	6	2	0	2
6	7/2-7/9	Taiwan	Yulin	17	7	24	0	0	5
7	8/2-8/15	Japan	Ishinomaki	6	0	6	0	0	1
8	8/23-9/4	Germany	Karlsruhe, Clausthal	11	0	11	0	1	2
9	10/24-11/1	Poland	Kutno, Warsaw	8	0	8	3	1	1
10	11/16-11/26	Cambodia	Phnom Penh	5	0	5	0	3	0
TOTAL				99	20	119	10	14	21

GOALS IN 2023:

- » 20 people are the first time STM team members - not achieved
- » 2-3 new team leaders - achieved
- » 4-5 family units - achieved

MISSIONS CONFERENCE RECAP (11/17-11/19):

During our annual Missions Conference held from November 17th to 19th, we had the privilege of hosting Joyce and Henri Samoutou from New Sight as our guest speakers. Joyce and Henri are devoted medical missionaries who established an eye clinic in the Republic of Congo in 2012. Their remarkable journey includes an ongoing project to build a hospital, slated for completion in May 2024. Their compelling testimonies shed light on God’s miraculous works in the region, inspiring us all.

Their stories served as a powerful reminder of the impact of faith-driven missions and the transformative power of serving others in need. The conference deepened our understanding of the global mission field and reaffirmed our commitment to spreading God’s love and compassion to all corners of the world.

As a result of their inspiring message, we are excited to announce our plans for a mission trip to the Republic of Congo in 2024. This trip will provide us with a firsthand opportunity to witness the work being done by Joyce, Henri, and their team, and to actively participate in serving the local community.

For detailed reports and photos from the Missions Conference, please visit our church website at <http://www.fbcchome.org/>.

We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with missionaries and seminarians around the world, contributing to God’s Kingdom through our support and prayers.

M68 Ministry

As we approach the season of celebrating Jesus’s arrival, we are reminded to reflect on our lives and align our ministries with the peace and justice of the Kingdom of God. This Christmas, let us focus on practicing compassion and justice for His people, humbly sharing the impact we bring to communities in need as we follow Christ’s example of giving hope and peace.

M68 partnered with the Missions Department and launched the FBCC Ukraine Relief Fund in 2022. With your generous support, we have achieved our relief efforts goal for Ukraine, supporting three short-term mission teams to Poland to serve the tangible and spiritual needs of Ukraine refugees. Here’s a breakdown of how your contributions have made a difference:

- » \$35,000 for Operation Mobilization Refugee Center and supplies
- » \$20,000 for Ukrainian Baptist Church Refugee Center and food distribution
- » \$26,000 for supplies/aid inside Ukraine through KPACT International
- » \$20,000 for Eurasia wood-burning stoves for Ukraine families
- » \$18,000 for Word of Faith for food transportation to Ukraine
- » \$20,000 for Word of Faith Christian Center
- » \$7,500 for Project C.U.R.E medical supplies to Ukraine
- » \$4,500 for STM team supplies for Ukraine refugees in Warsaw

We continue to pray for peace for the people of Ukraine and for the war to end soon. May revival ignite among Ukrainian believers, and may many come to know the Lord during this devastating time.

Praise God for the fruitful short-term mission trips this year to Lebanon, Mexico, Guatemala, and Cambodia. In 2023, M68 also launched a partnership with KPACT International for community development in Indonesia, supporting the land and building fund for the Nias Center in Sumatra. We plan to send a short-term team to serve in Indonesia in 2024.

Locally, our Care Center programs continue to expand, impacting our community in significant ways:

- » 101 students registered for ESL classes in the spring, and 93 in the fall
- » Provided food to 1,962 families at food fairs from January to November
- » 118 children attended the East Fort Bend summer camp
- » 502 volunteers serving in Care Center programs as of November
- » Launched a monthly Spanish Bible Class with over 40 attendees

The AccessHealth Clinic at FBCC had 900 patient visits from January to September, and construction is underway for a new clinic module with 8 patient rooms.

In October 2023, we provided 76 free flu shots to neighbors through a partnership with Walgreen’s Pharmacy. Additionally, the See to Succeed program served 750 students from Fort Bend County,

providing comprehensive vision and eyeglasses services.

We’re proud to foster leadership within the community, with ESL student Parveen Abbasi now serving as a tutor. The Care Center also launched a higher education scholarship program, offering 4 scholarships in 2023 to support ESL participants pursuing post-high school or college programs.

Looking ahead, we seek partnerships to develop early childhood education for children from low-income families, aiming to launch Early Childhood Education Class on our campus in 2024.

As our Care Center programs expand, we ask for your continued prayer and financial support. Pray for God’s wisdom, provision for staffing and community partnerships, and guidance on the Care Center building project as we strive to love our neighbors and bring peace and justice to our community.



Pearland Campus

The year 2023 has been a very busy year for Pearland with many new endeavors and changes.

At the beginning of the year, we tried to reach out to the community. The Pearland Campus (PC) congregation took part in the Pearland Spring Festival Gala night, performing two shows for an audience of over 1,000 people. The goal was to introduce FBCC@ Pearland to the Pearland community. PC also participated in the local Pearland Spring Festival Carnival and invited residents to attend the church's Lantern Festival Outreach.

In anticipation of FBCC's plans to purchase land for a new church building in the Pearland area, PC brothers and sisters actively participated in gathering information and searching for suitable church sites. This process took half a year. However, due to budget and land inspection issues, the purchase plan was not able to be realized.

In the spring, we also held an on-site Good News event. Starting and ending with prayer, the campaign lasted over 100 days and involved a total of 198 participants, including adults and children. Of these, there were 55 adult seekers and 77 children. However, the number of people who decided to follow Christ was small. The Pearland women's ministry provided excellent evangelism and community outreach activities. Currently, over 40 sisters are participating in the daytime sister fellowship.

As the epidemic has slowed down, almost all families from China have returned home to visit their families. This makes the already insufficient co-worker manpower even more lacking. In August PC started a children's program (Bible Detective) every Friday. This has been a great help for the Friday group meetings, allowing adults to focus on the fellowship.

At the 2023 pastoral team retreat, the church made some adjustments to its organizational structure. Currently, the administrative management and budget for PC's children and youth are under the church's youth and children's Ministries.

Although the overall growth rate was not high, PC is grateful that, under limited worker resources, each ministry department is gradually taking shape, and over 50% of the brothers and sisters are involved in service. In 2024, PC will focus more on small group training, so that each small group can better function in their weekday and Friday night gatherings. On Sundays, the small group Bible study will also be changed to Sunday school Bible teaching. Pray that God will strengthen the hearts and minds of each and every Pearland co-worker.



TSUANLE CHU
Pearland Campus Pastor



FB4C Counseling Center

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MINISTRY

Mental Health Weekend from 04/21 to 04/23, 2023

- » Keynote speaker: Dr. Matthew Stanford: 243 attended.
- » Screenagers movie: 230 youth and parents attended, over 70% stayed for discussion.
- » Small group leaders training: 110 attended.
- » Sunday school on grief: around 650 attended all 3 congregations combined.
- » Special speakers for 3 Sunday worship services as well

Workshops by FB4C Counselors in 2023

- » 2 parenting workshops at FBCC by Lynn.
- » Mental health workshop for Pearland campus and English women ministry by Lynn and Rebeca.
- » 4 Mental health discussion groups by Rebeca at the Senior Center, average 45 attendants.
- » Outreach workshop by Lily at the Senior Center, 161 attended.
- » Mental health workshop at Cantonese young adult fellowship (Angus group)
- » Consultation for pastors and church leaders: 25

Family Ministry

- » Two MER1 and one MER2
- » Parenting class with 70 participants, 11 new leaders for Fall 2023, total leaders is 21.
- » 2-4 supportive group: 9 meetings
- » FP3 care giver supportive group: 7 meetings
- » Breakthrough supportive group for youth with mental health issues: 9 meetings

Other Activities and Numbers

- » Supporting other Chinese Churches to launch counseling services in the church or in community KCCC (Katy Christian Community Church) and CAMH (Christian Asian Mental Health)
- » Individual counseling at FBCC: 298
- » Referral cases: 8

Volunteer numbers: 18 in MER, 22 in parenting class, 5 in 2-4 ministry, total 45.

Testimony from a parent participated in the 2023 parenting class.

“I enjoy attending the parenting class for a couple of reasons:

Each session is well thought out and practical. The best part is that each topic is supported by Biblical truth. As parents, we need to be connected to our source of love, God, for guidance and direction.

The counselors are very encouraging and supportive. I see them as successful parents, but they are genuinely open about their own parenting experiences and failures. It gives me hope that I can also be a successful parent with God’s help.

I truly enjoy the group discussions. We have had some sincere sharing, and I’ve learned great tips from other parents about parenting. Everyone is open about the various challenges we face as parents, and we support each other. Through their sharing, I feel that I am not alone in this parenting journey.”

MINISTRY GOALS OF 2024

- 1. Resource Fair on 04/27/24, aim at outreaching to the Fort Bend Community to raise awareness of mental health in Asian population.
- 2. Continue to expand the parenting ministry to help parents to raise children God’s way.
- 3. To train a new counseling intern for Spring 2024.
- 4. Provide more counseling skills training for layman.



Senior Center Ministry

At our Senior Center Thursday Program, our mission is clear: to live out the love of the Lord, care for the elders, lead them to the Lord, and make disciples of Jesus. Our classes cover a wide range of topics, including assembly, seeker’s class, Alpha, discipleship, health talks, praise dance, current affairs, piano, iPad/PC, English, citizenship, and more.

In 2023, we were able to resume in-person meetings, which allowed us to hold various special activities throughout the year, such as a Chinese New Year gala, Easter celebration, and a Christmas celebration featuring a Christmas play titled “Bright Morning Star.”

Here are some statistics from our program:

SPRING NUMBERS:

- » Total In-Person Classes: 29
- » Average Weekly Participants: 230
- » Total Zoom Classes: 17
- » Average Weekly Zoom Participants: 234

FALL NUMBERS:

- » Total In-Person Classes: 30
- » Average Weekly Participants: 248
- » Total Zoom Classes: 17
- » Average Weekly Zoom Participants: 234

OTHER NUMBERS:

- » Average Newcomers per Week: 6
- » Average Prayer Meeting Attendees: 8-12
- » Decisions Made for Christ: 36
- » Baptized: 17
- » Discipleship Program Participants: 20

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve our senior community and witness the impact of our ministry in their lives. With God’s guidance, we look forward to continuing to grow and fulfill our mission in the coming years.



Love and Care

“He has made everything beautiful in its time.” Ecclesiastes 3:11

2023. A year of grace, remembrance and hope, and God’s promises unfolding before our very eyes. 2023. A year in which we saw the maturing and almost doubling of our volunteering staff. A year in which we witnessed God’s amazing grace and transformative power at work, and lives transformed right before our very eyes. A year in which we celebrated growth and progress. A year in which we witnessed a soul, once full of pride, but by His grace, humbled before God and accepted Jesus in what we didn’t know would have been his final weeks on earth, found rest and eternal peace in our Father’s home in Heaven. Miss you, Dad.

“When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit’s power, so that your faith might not rest of men’s wisdom, but on God’s power.” 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

We do a lot. After all, it is God’s work, and we don’t take it lightly the honor and privilege to serve the very precious lives that God has led under our care. In our Junior Sunday School, the children learn about God through different Bible stories (Creation, Garden of Eden, Noah’s Ark, Good Friday/ Easter, and currently, we are on the story of Joseph.) praise/worship and games/activities. In our Senior Sunday School, we continue with our ping pong, sewing, guitar, arts/crafts, life skills classes, and coffee/floral arrangement ministries as well as weekly virtual life application Bible Study. In our Parents’ Sunday School, our volunteer teachers lead the parents to study the Bible, currently we are on the Book of John, and create a safe and supportive environment for the parents to connect, ask questions and explore their faith. During weekdays and on Saturdays, we partner with various community-based organizations and schools to offer programs such as adaptive basketball, advocacy and training.

“...but with God, all things are possible.” Matthew 19:26

“Thank you, Church, for giving me this opportunity to share the impact of Love and Care on our family. Firstly, we’re deeply grateful for the manpower and resources invested by the church in caring for special needs children. Every Sunday, seeing so many volunteers taking turns to care for these children, we’re truly thankful. To be honest, caring for our children is not easy; it’s challenging and requires more patience and understanding than typical parenting. There are times when we, as parents, feel overwhelmed. However, every Sunday when we bring our children to Love and Care and witness Winnie and the volunteers patiently teaching and caring for them, our children grow in this environment of love. It encourages us as parents of special needs children, making us feel less alone on this journey. Moreover, every Sunday gives me the chance to return to the church, to the presence of the Lord, to sing hymns, worship together with brothers and sisters, and listen to the teachings from the Bible, recharging and healing our body, mind, and spirit. Due to our children’s special needs, we’ve had limited opportunities to leave our home for a long time. I also want to express gratitude to Love and Care for leading my wife to faith. For a long time, evangelizing to my wife had been unsuccessful, but through the church and the Love and Care program, God worked miraculously. My wife, once an atheist, now believes in the Lord, has decided to prepare for baptism, and has fully surrendered herself to God, relying on His power in all things. Hallelujah! Once again, thank you to the church for establishing such a program for our special needs children, truly fulfilling what our Lord Jesus commanded: ‘Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me.’ (Matthew 18:5)” – Enzo’s Family

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful ... Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.” Colossians 4:2-6

“When I think of Love and Care Ministry at our church, this verse comes immediately to my mind:

“Do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus.” – Philippians 2:4-5

Love and Care ministry is a channel to practice that Bible teaching at personal level. Secondly, there are so many misconceptions and even prejudices about families with special needs kids. Being involved with Love and Care helps breakthrough that misconception and foster a much-needed understanding and comfort towards the special needs parents amidst their hardship.” – Angela Zhang

“Participating in the Love & Care ministry has allowed me to understand these children and their needs better. I am learning to observe them and understand how to help them. Being with these children is always simple yet joyful, and I realize the uniqueness and preciousness

of each life. On the other hand, these children also face many challenges and difficulties. I also empathize more with the parents of these children; they need the strength of the gospel and faith. I see God working through Winnie and the volunteers to help each child make progress gradually. The children feel a special acceptance and love here, which I believe is something everyone truly needs in their lives. I also see many youth persistently serving here with patience, which gives me a deeper understanding and gratitude for our next generation.”

– Elder Wang Yue



“Praise the LORD.
Give thanks to the
LORD, for he is good;
his love endures
forever.” Psalms 106:1



Looking Forward to 2024: Going Out with the Mission

As we look ahead to 2024, our church remains steadfast in our commitment to go out with the mission of sharing the gospel and making disciples. The growth we experienced in 2023 is a testament to our outward focus on our community, and we are excited to see how God will continue to work through us in the coming year.

One of the highlights of 2024 will be our churchwide retreat hosted on the campus of Texas A&M Galveston. This retreat will provide an opportunity for our church family to come together and be united as one in our mission and vision.

Our increased budget for 2024 reflects our passion for reaching all people, locally and globally, for Christ. With this increased investment, we are confident that we can make a significant impact in our community and beyond.

HERE ARE OUR GOALS AS A CHURCH FOR 2024:

1. Achieve a 12% growth in Sunday attendance
2. See 150 new converts
3. Maintain an 80% follow-up rate of the new converts
4. Retain 30% of newcomers
5. Experience a 20% increase in offering
6. Grow Children’s family worship attendance to 240 (12% increase)
7. Increase Pearland Sunday attendance to 125 (13.63% increase)
8. Launch Richmond Sunday ministry with 80 attendees by year-end
9. Enhance discipleship efforts
10. Train small group leadership
11. Develop local mission to the Spanish-speaking community

We believe that with God’s guidance and the dedication of our members, we can reach each of these goals. Let us pray for our church as we strive to achieve these objectives and support one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, pushing each other towards the growth of the ministry.

Together, let us anticipate with great expectation the movement of God in our midst as we go out with the mission in 2024.



SAMUEL KWAN
Executive Pastor

In 2023, the Care Center will continue to expand our education program. We will launch the college scholarship program for our adult education class students who plan to pursue post-high school or college programs. Additionally, we are seeking partnership opportunities to develop an early childhood education program for our community. It is our prayer that God will provide staffing to develop the Spanish ministry for our food fair community. With the expansion of Care Center programs, we are prayerfully exploring the need for the Care Center building project. Would you please pray for wisdom and God’s provision as we follow God’s command to love our neighbors and improve lives in our community?



MEI WONG

M68 Associate Minister

In 2024, our ministry will maintain its focus on spreading the gospel and nurturing believers and leaders. During the gospel outreach phase (Attract), we will embark on various mission-driven initiatives, including outreach gospel events during the Chinese New Year, post-concert gatherings, a youth alpha program, and good news seminars. Our objective is to effectively communicate the gospel message and lead more individuals to understand and embrace Christ.

Transitioning into the relationship-building phase (Keep), we will diligently follow up with new believers, ensuring they establish a firm foundation in their faith. Through activities such as newcomer welcome luncheons and personalized follow-ups, we seek to strengthen believers’ sense of belonging and commitment to the church community.

In the dedicated service phase (Commit), our focus will be on strengthening parent-child and marital relationships through marriage and family Sunday school courses. We also plan to bolster small group ministries by providing comprehensive training for small group leaders. Additionally, we aim to nurture young leaders and facilitate couples’ fellowship, fostering spiritual growth and service among the new generation to ensure the continuity of our Cantonese ministry.

Furthermore, we remain committed to promoting one-on-one disciple training to cultivate mission-minded disciples and disciple trainers. These priorities will guide our ministry efforts in 2024, and we anticipate experiencing God’s abundant grace alongside our fellow believers.



KENNY KWAN

Cantonese Ministry Lead Pastor

In 2024, our emphasis will remain on three primary areas:

1. COMMUNITY:

Building upon the momentum from the EM Retreat, our aim is to further enhance our Small Group Ministry. We aspire to strengthen this ministry by providing ongoing support, training, and guidance to our Small Group Leaders, thereby fostering a more robust and cohesive Small Group Ministry.

2. DISCIPLESHIP:

Under the leadership of Elder Eric and Minister Cynthia, our focus in 2024 will continue to be on cultivating discipleship relationships within the EM congregation. Our objective is not only to facilitate discipleship within small groups but also to promote intergenerational relationships. We envision older EM members guiding and mentoring younger members, fostering spiritual growth and maturity.

3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Another key area of focus will be on Christian Education. We are committed to equipping our members with a deeper understanding of Scripture and a more profound knowledge of God. To achieve this, we plan to implement a structured Christian Education program and encourage EM members to enroll in seminary-level courses to further enrich their theological understanding.



JEREMY CHU

English Ministry Pastor

As we wrap up the year 2023, it is essential to ponder on God’s goodness and the blessings He has bestowed upon FBCC Kids. This past year serves as a testament to God’s faithfulness and the unwavering commitment of our ministry leaders. Our Sunday mornings have not only offered a safe space for children but have also cultivated a profound sense of community within the FBCC family. Grateful for the insights gained, we are motivated to move forward, guided by God’s grace, and dedicated to nurturing the spiritual growth of our children. Looking ahead to 2024, Fort Bend Community Church remains steadfast in our commitment to fostering family engagement and spiritual development within our community. Grounded in our belief in shared experiences, we empower parents as the primary spiritual guides. Our various initiatives, such as Children’s Family Worship, Sunday School, AWANA, the 5th Grade Discipleship Class, Family VBS, and Family Day events, underscore our church’s dedication to growing our next generation. Together, we embark on a journey towards stronger connections, deeper faith, and a more enriched community life.



APPHIA CHIN

Children’s Ministry Lead Director

In 2024, we will support 12 more missionaries who are serving in different parts of the world among the unreached and unengaged people groups (UUPG). We will send more short-term mission teams to help out the ministries there too. Refugee ministry is one of our focuses in local ministry. Summer Art Camp and Winter Sports Camp are scheduled to outreach to these kids. We will create different projects/ministry opportunities that fit different congregations of FBCC so that they are committed to the Great Commission.



TAK POON

Missions Pastor

LOOKING FORWARD TO 2024:

As we anticipate the year ahead, our commitment to evangelism and outreach remains steadfast. We seek God’s wisdom and empowerment to accomplish the following objectives:

1. Spiritual Cultivation of the Next Generation:

- » We aim to elevate the spiritual awareness of our brothers and sisters in the Mandarin Ministry concerning the next generation’s spiritual growth and biblical worldview.
- » Our desire is to inspire young children to actively engage and commit themselves with a serving heart while nurturing the practice of family altars.
- » We aspire to increase participation in Children’s Family Worship, catering to both parents and children with tailored spiritual nourishment.

2. Enhancing New Life Follow-Up:

- » We endeavor to improve the follow-up ratio and quality of new believers.
- » To achieve this, all co-workers involved in leading and follow-up will receive video training facilitated by Lily’s trainer videos, aiming to establish enduring disciple-watching relationships.

3. Strengthening Small Group Discipleship:

- » Our focus is on enhancing the discipleship awareness of all small shepherds, equipping them with the necessary skills to lead and shepherd their groups effectively.
- » We seek to foster personal renewal among small group leaders, ensuring their ongoing spiritual growth.
- » Every member of the Mandarin Ministry will be encouraged to seek spiritual partners and join a group conducive to their spiritual development, thereby understanding their unique growth path and committing to regular service.

4. Deepening Reliance on the Holy Spirit:

- » We aspire for more individuals to know and rely on the Holy Spirit, walking and working in tandem with the Lord.
- » Encouraging collective prayer, we aim for increased participation in prayer meetings and various prayer groups, fostering a spirit of unity and dependence on God.
- » May these endeavors lead to continuous renewal and growth in the lives of every member of the Mandarin Ministry.



JENNY SHAN
Mandarin Ministry Lead Pastor

Will You Serve? Will You Give?

As we embark on our mission to spread the Gospel and serve the Lord, we are in need of volunteers who are willing to step up and be part of God’s plan for FBCC. Will you prayerfully consider joining us in these important opportunities?

1. **Welcome Ministry Team:** We are seeking volunteers to warmly welcome newcomers to our church. Your friendly presence can make a big difference in helping visitors feel valued and welcomed.
2. **M68 Building Project:** Help us in our endeavor to construct a new building for the Care Center. Whether you can volunteer your time to teach or assist in distributing food, your contribution will make a meaningful impact.
3. **Richmond Campus Ministry:** Join us as we continue to develop our Richmond Campus Ministry. Your involvement can help us reach more individuals and families in the Richmond area with the love of Christ.

As we look ahead to 2024 and the changes it will bring, we urge you to prayerfully consider how you and your family can be part of God’s plan for FBCC. Your involvement, no matter how small, can make a significant difference in advancing the Kingdom of God.

WILL YOU GIVE?

Your regular and faithful financial giving plays a vital role in enabling us to take the Gospel to our local community and beyond. As FBCC becomes more engaged in our local community, your contributions become even more crucial.

As we approach the end of the year, we encourage you to consider making a year-end contribution to support the ministries of FBCC. Here’s how you can make your contribution:

- » Make an online contribution by December 31st:
 - » Visit give.fbcchome.org
 - » Or visit our website and click “GIVE” on the top right-hand corner
 - » Set up your profile or sign in to complete your contribution

Your generosity will help us continue to impact lives and spread the love of Christ in our community and beyond. Thank you for your consideration and support.

