



ANNUAL REPORT 2023

GOOD NEWS, GREAT JOY, ALL PEOPLE

Dear friend,

I always look forward to this season and the opportunity to review and celebrate what God is doing in and through His people at SBC. As we conclude our 61st year as a church, we have many reasons to praise and thank Him.

In this report, you'll see some highlights of our year as well as testimonies from many who have grown in their love for Jesus, experienced restoration and hope, or found purpose and joy in serving. You will also see how your gifts are being used to meet tangible needs, care for children and families, strengthen the local Church, and carry the gospel to all nations.

Each of the numbers we've shared in these pages represents a person whose life was impacted by God because you selflessly invited, shared, gave, or served others in Christ's name.

As we begin a new year with confidence in God's plans for our future, please pray that we will continue to be led by His Spirit and ready to respond to His voice as He uses us to advance His Kingdom.

I hope you will rejoice in the good news of God's grace in Christ and find great joy as you join us in carrying the Gospel to all people.



YOUR PASTOR AND FRIEND,



JAMIE RASMUSSEN
SBC SENIOR PASTOR

This season, we celebrate the GOOD NEWS of GREAT JOY for ALL PEOPLE that SBC is bringing to our Valley and beyond.

Behold! I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. – Luke 2:10b





AVERAGE WEEKLY

6,415 IN PERSON

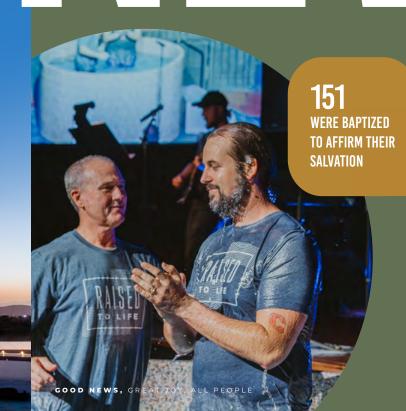
3,995 ONLINE

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE





In 2023, God's gathered church at SBC continued to thrive spiritually, relationally, and in reaching people beyond our walls. God is moving in lives at all four of our campuses as we share the GOOD NEWS of the gospel, experience the GREAT JOY of growing in authentic community, and carry the hope of Jesus to ALL PEOPLE in our communities and around the world.



I was living a spiritually bankrupt life and my deceitful and addictive ways destroyed my family and marriage. After years of conviction of the lie I had been living, I confessed my sins and surrendered my life to Christ, accepting all the consequences that would follow. My life is now filled with grace, hope, and holiness. I was baptized this year because I'm now a new person and want to show others my gratitude for Jesus, my Lord and Savior.

- MARK CARLINO

86TH FASTEST GROWING CHURCH AND 100TH LARGEST CHURCH IN AMERICA



GOOD NEWS

A CHURCH... FOR THE VALLEY



Our second year of this church-wide vision to make a Kingdom impact across our Valley saw amazing fruit. We furthered God's work in three key areas: bringing hope and help to foster children and families, assisting likeminded local churches, and opening campuses in neighborhoods where our people live and work.



FOSTER CARE

- 50 new families expressed interest in fostering; 25 families began the process.
- 130 families participated in SBC's Foster, Kinship & Adoptive Family Support Group, Parents Night Out, Resource Luncheon, and Prayer Gathering.
- 9 nonprofit partners participated in a Fall Foster Care Fair and hundreds signed up to volunteer.
- 100+ volunteers participated in Royal Family Kids Camp (RFKC) a camp we host for kids in foster care.
- 75 RFKC foster children were given a birthday party at camp with gifts donated by kids at SBC's VBS.
- 1,170 foster children and families received gifts and enjoyed a Christmas event or meal.
- Through CarePortal, SBC families served
 225 children and met 85 different needs
 in 2023 with a \$98,000 economic impact.
- It is amazing to see how many people we have in our corner; I never knew there were so many people who care.
 - FAMILY MEMBER SERVED

GIGI'S COTTAGE

- 24 girls experienced a safe Christian home in a family setting where they are empowered to fulfill their God-given purpose.
- **32 volunteers** provided 100+ meals through the Weekly Meal Team.
- 97 volunteers brought gifts and décor to provide birthday parties for the girls.
- **Five community** partners provided mentors, summer camp, and other care.
- Two girls started attending ASU; one girl lives and works at Thrive AZ. Others are succeeding in high school and career training.
- Gigi's Cottage is the most loving and stable home I have ever lived in. I never once felt disposable. I always felt very loved, cared for, and nurtured by people who are a radiant beam of love and light.
 - ANYA, NEW ASU STUDENT THIS FALL

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FUTURE SBC CAMPUSES

A third goal of For the Valley is to open campuses in communities where our people live so they can invite their neighbors. As we meet with local pastors and teams, visit available locations, and investigate opportunities, we are asking God for His direction and timing as we plan and prepare for our next SBC campus.

CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS

- Since launching For the Valley in 2022, we have engaged with 35 churches and financially supported 20.
- The church engagement team is currently meeting with the third round of churches to determine needs.
- · Of the **\$3 million** allocated to supporting local churches, **\$1.5 million** has been given so far.
- 73% of funds were used for buildings, facilities and equipment; 26% for staffing needs; and 1% for programming and events.
- All the funds are furthering the efforts of our local brothers and sisters to build God's Church.
- We're so grateful for the financial gift toward our goal of a permanent church home, but also for the relationship building along the way. SBC has given us a sense of partnership in the gospel, encouragement in our work, and other invaluable non-financial resources. We are in awe of God's generosity, expressed by the kindness of SBC, and we are grateful for the kind of leadership vision that can look outside the walls of your own congregation with a heart to serve others and make an even wider impact.
 - MARICOPA SPRINGS FAMILY CHURCH



GOOD NEWS

ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITY ONLINE



1,334,039

268,639 LIVESTREAM VIEWS

MESSAGES VIEWED (VIMEO AND SBC APP)

SBC APP USERS

You Tube

SUBSCRIBERS

SBC APP INTERACTIONS

EMAIL SUBSCRIBERS



LLUSIONS

















This year, we've experienced || a virtual small group, multiple online classes, an opportunity to serve, and even a face-toface visit with a couple from our small group who were visiting the area. After 13 years of one directional church life, we're now experiencing that badly needed relational aspect of church life. Thank you for providing the means for us to enjoy the full depth of the SBC experience online.

- DALE AND JANE SCOTT













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FOLLOWERS

















IT IS A JOY TO
CELEBRATE THE LIVES
BEING TRANSFORMED
BY GOD'S GRACE
THROUGHOUT ALL
OUR MINISTRY AREAS!



DISCOVERY KIDS

1,100 (AN ALL-TIME HIGH)

BIRTHDAY GIFTS FOR FOSTER KIDS

20% **GROWTH IN WEEKEND** PARTICIPATION THIS YEAR!

468 **NEW VOLUNTEERS ENGAGED**

YOUTUBE PAGE

WORSHIP VIDEOS VIEWED













My children are getting || solid Bible teaching in a safe environment with volunteers who truly care about them. They are learning about how the entire Bible tells the story of God's great plan for the world and being encouraged to live out the gospel in relatable ways.

-ANGIE GREENE



PARTICIPATED IN YTH SUNDAYS (ON AVERAGE); HIGHEST WEEK: 697

ENGAGED THEIR FAITH AT FOUR YTH CAMPS.

YOUTH MADE FIRST-TIME COMMITMENTS OR RECOMMITTED THEIR LIVES TO CHRIST.

IDENTIFIED WITH JESUS THROUGH BAPTISM.

PARTICIPATED IN THE FALL BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH.

438 ENGAGED IN FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP CLUBS AT 13 SCHOOLS.

SERVED REFUGEES AND THE HOMELESS ON A LOCAL SUMMER MISSION TEAM.

| My dad passed away and I was just | a wreck. Everybody at church just huddled around me and gave me the support I needed. I felt "home." I now know whatever situation I'm in, whether good or bad or I just feel like giving up, I know God has me and I have Him.

- ISA MOLINA-BATTY, 12TH GRADE



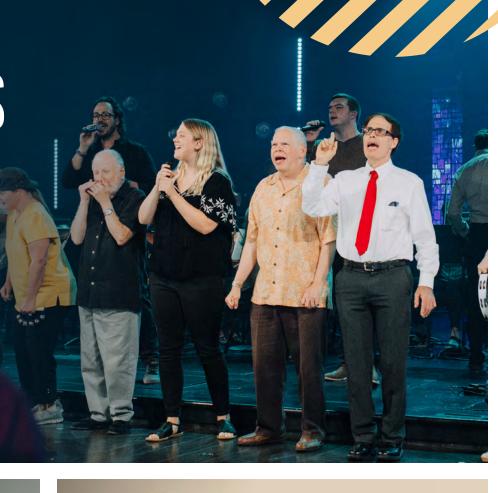


SPECIAL MINISTRIES

200PARTICIPATED IN SPECIAL MINISTRY PROGRAMS:

- · 47 in Discovery Kids Unlimited
- · 13 in YTH Unlimited
- · 124 in Adults Unlimited

110 volunteers and 30 support volunteers engaged with the kids, teens and adults.50 adult friends and 48 volunteers participated in Fall Camp.





Our Special Needs community was highlighted in a 27-minute documentary shared in our September worship services and online. You can watch it again at **UnlimitedSBC.com**

As it became clear that all five of our kids had special needs and were not tolerating regular Sunday school or any other social environments, our family pulled back and stopped engaging in anything that wasn't absolutely necessary. The Discovery Kids Unlimited program has restored our connection to the community. I thank God for the buddies who have helped our kids feel safe and grow in confidence. Our whole family counts the days until Sunday!

- REBEKAH WORTZMAN

GROUPS

It is within authentic community that we share stories, connect, and learn to live like Jesus.

3,474 PEOPLE ENGAGED IN 221 GROUPS OR CLASSES IN 2023:

- 1,372 people are getting real in 135
 Life Groups (groups of 20 or fewer)
- 112 adults participated in
 6 on-campus Community Groups (larger life-stage groups)
- 1,472 engaged in 50 Classes (short-term learning opportunities)
- 518 grew spiritually in 30 Outreach Groups (Immerse, Alpha and Rooted)





- Our hearts are heavy to see our Cave Creek neighbors meet and share the joy of Jesus. We started a Life Group this year, and many are becoming excited about their newfound understanding of God and His involvement in their lives.
 - GENO AND SUE MEOLA
- I'm an introvert, so my default is to avoid speaking up with people I don't know or feel safe with. After starting to attend SBC in February, God kept nudging me to attend Connecting Point. When I finally did in August, I felt so welcomed and knew I was at home. At the event, God again nudged me to sign up for Rooted. Although I was nervous to share with strangers at first, I felt an overwhelming sense of being loved, cared for, encouraged, and safe. Rooted took me deeper and is helping me evolve from where I was to where I want to go!

- NIKI TEXIDORE

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WOMEN

281

PARTICIPATED IN THE SPRING WOMEN'S RETREAT.

WOMEN FROM ALL CAMPUSES WERE INSPIRED AT VISION NIGHT.

1,089 ENGAGED IN 35 FALL BIBLE STUDIES; 996 ATTENDED 30 SPRING STUDIES.

WOMEN ASSUMED LEADERSHIP **ROLES AS TEACHERS.**

308

WOMEN ENGAGED IN THE PURSUIT DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM: 60 WOMEN SERVED AS DISCIPLE-MAKERS.







MEN

MEN (ON AVERAGE) PARTICIPATED IN WEEKLY FORGE GROUPS.



MEN SERVED OR LED CONSISTENTLY.



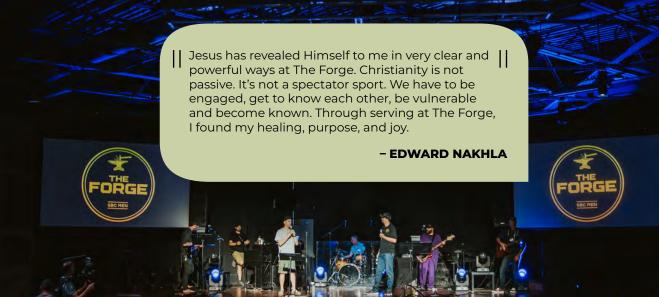
MEN WERE EQUIPPED TO SERVE AND LEAD THE CHURCH THROUGH TIMOTHY LEADERSHIP TRAINING.



ATTENDED MEN'S EVENTS INCLUDING TALES FROM THE TOUR, TALES FROM THE DUGOUT, BREAKFASTS,







MARRIAGE





240
COUPLES FROM ALL CAMPUSES
PARTICIPATED IN GRACE MARRIAGE.

48
COUPLES COMPLETED
MARRIAGE PREP.

34

LEADER COUPLES WERE TRAINED TO HELP LAUNCH A NEW MARRIAGE PROGRAM CALLED RE|ENGAGE IN JANUARY 2024.

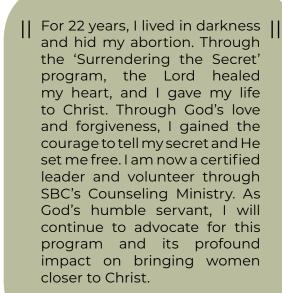


COUNSELING/ SUPPORT GROUPS

154

VOLUNTEERS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE COUNSELING MINISTRY, MINISTERED TO **1,150** Participating People, and Delivered **29,901** Hours of Care.

- **SBC Counseling** began offering professional counseling and care to youth ages 13 through 17 in May 2023.
- Stephen Ministry celebrated 35 years of service at SBC, and 25 Stephen Ministers are currently serving.
- Lay Counseling will celebrate 25 years of service in 2024, and 36 Lay Counselors are donating their time to meet needs.



- LYNNE WISEHART







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WORSHIP ARTS



7,080
ENGAGED WITH
JOURNEY TO THE CROSS







194
STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN OUR
LARGEST-EVER CREATE CAMP





96
NEW VOLUNTEERS JOINED THE
356 WORSHIP ARTS VOLUNTEERS









Serving in Worship Arts provides me the opportunity to surround myself with a community of believers who resonate with how I interact with God through music. I feel so blessed by the people I've built relationships with who walk with me in times of sorrow and joy.

- JESSICA STEWART

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Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. -1 Peter 4:10

GETTING OUT THERE THROUGH SERVING AT SBC

2,761
PEOPLE VOLUNTEERED REGULARLY
ON A SERVING TEAM.

5,981

VOLUNTEER TASKS WERE COMPLETED

TO MAKE A KINGDOM IMPACT!

In 2023, we elevated the importance of engaging the Body of Christ in the work of the church! This led to creating new roles and opportunities to give members with leadership and management strengths ways to step up and use their gifts and talents in a deeper way.

Through this effort, now led by Jessica Neill, we are praying for open conversations with people like you who have been granted spiritual gifts to edify the Church. We look forward to challenging one another to sacrifice time and energy for this purpose as we continually become the church God has called us to be!

My husband and I enjoyed serving separately in the men's and women's ministries but felt drawn to serve together.

The First Impressions team provided the perfect opportunity, and it's grown our marriage as we look forward to the special time of serving together each week.

- DARRYL AND HEATHER HILL

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ALL PEOPLE

GETTING OUT THERE TO SERVE THE VALLEY

2,895

VOLUNTEERS ENGAGED IN 263 LOCAL OUTREACH PROJECTS/EVENTS

FEEDING VALLEY FAMILIES & BEYOND

- · 200 SBC volunteers packed 65,000 meals in 2.5 hours at a ZimZam One Meal packing party.
- 140 people packed meals at Feed My Starving Children.
- · Packed thousands of "backpack" meals for kids at Title 1 schools who lack weekend food.
- · Collected Thanksgiving turkeys and weekly food donations for PV Community Food Bank.



SUPPORTING VALLEY TEACHERS & STUDENTS

- · 210 pairs of shoes given to local kids.
- **588** care packages given to teachers and staff in five school districts.
- \$40K in online donations given toward gifts and shoes.
- · 75 volunteers helped with the Back-to-School Drive.

9 SCHOOLS IN 5 DISTRICTS RECEIVED ONGOING SUPPORT FROM THEIR LOCAL SBC CAMPUS:

- · Hosted meals and provided encouraging gifts for teachers
- · Mentored children
- Stocked teacher lounges
- · Completed campus improvement projects

MEETING NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITIES

- 120 volunteers partnered with Sleep in Heavenly Peace to build 98 bunk beds for children.
- · 80 adults and youth served at the Fountain Hills Make a Difference Day and completed 42 residential and 5 town projects.
- 45 men helped remodel housing for single moms through House of Refuge Sunnyslope.
- · 32 met weekly to complete outreach projects as part of the North Ridge Church on Monday team.



BRINGING CHRISTMAS JOY TO CHILDREN

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

- · 2,808 shoebox gifts packed and shipped to children in more than 100 countries.
- · 341 volunteers helped with shoebox distribution and collection.
- · 139 volunteers served at Shoebox Packing Parties.

GIFTS FOR KIDS

- · 1,950 Christmas gifts were given to children served by Royal Family Kids Camp. Gigi's Cottage, Thrive AZ, Hope Women's Center and Christian Family Care.
- · 202 volunteers helped collect and sort gifts.













LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNERS

SERVING VULNERABLE FAMILIES AND HOMELESS

- Chief Ministries
- · GoTen
- Hope Response
- · Hope Women's Center
- · House of Refuge Sunnyslope
- · Hustle PHX
- · Matthew 25
- Neighborhood Ministries
- · Operation Christmas Child
- · Phoenix Rescue Mission
- · Reigning Grace Ranch
- · Sleep in Heavenly Peace



FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION

- · AZ 1.27
- CarePortal
- · CASA
- Christian Family Care
- Firm Foundation Youth Homes (Gigi's Cottage)
- · Royal Family Kids Camp
- · Thrive AZ

FOOD BANKS

- · Extended Hands Food Bank
- · Foothills Food Bank
- · Harvest Compassion Center
- · PV Community Food Bank



MEDICAL CARE AND PRO-LIFE PARTNERS

- · Choices Pregnancy Center
- · Neighborhood Christian Clinic
- · With Child

RECOVERY AND PRISON MINISTRY

- · Adult and Teen Challenge
- Along Side Ministries



SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

- Healthy Packs
- Local Scottsdale, PV, Fountain Hills, Cave Creek, Washington Districts
- · MentorKids USA
- · School Connect
- · Teach One to Lead One



OTHERS

- · Capital Commission
- · Impact AZ
- · Phoenix Seminary
- · Venture 1:9
- * Each SBC campus has several official local partners, and each SBC ministry has one to three local partners. All partners listed receive financial and volunteer support from SBC.

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ALL PEOPLE

CARRYING THE GOSPEL TO ALL NATIONS...

53 SBC-SUPPORTED **MISSIONARIES**

GLOBAL **ORGANIZATIONS**

GLOBAL RESOURCE TEAM MEMBERS

NEW CAMPUS VOLUNTEERS ENGAGED IN MISSIONS

26 SBC VOLUNTEERS SERVED AT THE EUROPEAN LEADERSHIP FORUM WHERE 700+ EVANGELICAL LEADERS FROM **52** COUNTRIES GAINED TRAINING, EQUIPPING, AND CONNECTIONS. PASTOR JAMIE SERVES ON THE FORUM BOARD. AND SBC PROVIDES TEACHING. LEADERSHIP. AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT.







14 TEAMS WITH 240 PEOPLE SERVED **ON MISSION TRIPS TO 9 COUNTRIES:**

POLAND | CZECH REPUBLIC | GERMANY | ENGLAND | SCOTLAND | MEXICO | GUATEMALA | TANZANIA | JORDAN



Comfortably participating in various SBC ministries, we were suddenly interrupted by the nudging of the Holy Spirit to get engaged with SBC's Global Resource Team. Recently, we were stirred to go to Frankfurt, Germany, to care for children of missionaries attending the Greater Europe Mission annual conference. We are now on fire to share in spreading the Good News about Jesus to all nations for God's glory, starting with post-Christian Europe. We will never be the same and are taking ownership of God's calling on this next chapter of our lives.

- RICK & LINDA KEEFER

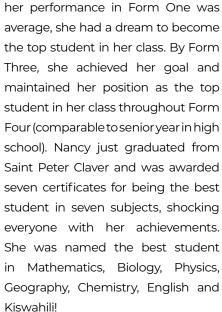




TANZANIA PROJECT

Nancy Godwin is one of our sponsored students who grew up in Mairowa, a primitive, low-income Maasai village. After doing well and graduating from primary school, she went on to secondary boarding school. Although







Nancy is now working hard toward her dream of becoming a kidney surgeon! She encourages her fellow students to work hard, depend on God, and believe that anything is possible. She is grateful to God, her sponsor, Ereto, and SBC for their support and encouragement throughout her academic journey!



OUR TWO PRIMARY SCHOOLS;

636 IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS).

BC MEMBERS ENGAGED

IN SPONSORING STUDENTS.

ENGARENAIBOR GOVERNMENT SCHOOL IN MAIROWA

1.165

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

God has brought incredible growth and life change through the ministry of SBC in 2023! You are part of a bigger story, and your generosity is carrying the good news and great joy of Jesus to the people of our Valley and beyond.



Missions & Outreach Global & Local \$2,873 | 11% Outreach **Fountain Hills** Campus \$1,160 | 4% North Ridge Campus \$2,201 | 8% Cactus Campus Central Expense \$1,477 | 6% Shea Campus

Dollar amounts are expressed in thousands.

FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET

Our member-approved spending plan for the 2023/24 fiscal year (July-June) includes a budget of \$23.5 million plus \$2.9 million in anticipated direct support missions giving, resulting in a \$26.4 million total budget. This plan demonstrates faith that God will continue to grow and fuel the ministry and mission of SBC through your faithful partnership.



\$1,426,500 GIVEN TO **SPONSOR CHILDREN** IN TANZANIA



14% OF GIVING WENT TO MISSIONS AND OUTREACH







\$1,086,492

DONATED TO THE ELDERS' FUND TO SUPPORT PEOPLE IN NEED

178

FAMILIES ASSISTED THROUGH THE ELDERS' FUND

ELDERS' FUND COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

\$3K - GoTen/Arizona Refugee Support

\$5K - Child Evangelical Fellowship

\$5K – Titus House

\$7.5K - Thrive A7

\$10K – GoTen/Arizona locations

\$10K - Harvest Compassion Center

\$10K – Living Hope Dream Centers

\$10K – Shop with a Cop

\$15K – Along Side Ministries

\$15K - Phoenix Rescue Mission

\$25K – Burnidge Soup Kitchen (Equipment)

\$25K – MentorKids (Palomino Summer Program)

\$25K - Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank

\$25K – Teen Challenge (Christian Life Ranch)

\$30K – Forum of Christian Leaders

\$65K - House of Refuge Sunnyslope Remodel

\$106K – Tyndale House

INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED:

\$10K - Transportation

\$27K – Food Assistance

\$37K – Medical/Funeral

\$42K - Camp Scholarships

\$92K – Counseling Services

\$328K - Housing/Utilities Assistance

WAYS TO GIVE:

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