

**ANNUAL
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2022**



**CITY LIGHTS
CHURCH**

We exist to light
up the world
with the love of
Jesus

LETTER FROM PASTOR KURT

Greetings in the name of the Lord,

Five years ago, God gave me a vision to reach the city of Greeley and the surrounding areas with His love. The Lord showed me individual faces He wanted to draw to Himself through our ministry. Our why was simple; partner with the Holy Spirit to provide a place where these precious people could find faith in Jesus. We had our why and knew where, but how exactly should we build?

In a nutshell, we build with three objectives: **Encounter**, **Empower**, and **Shine**.

#1. We Encounter God - Our premier value is to love God passionately and to encounter His presence through praise and worship.

#2. We Empower People - Before God's children can radiate His love, they must be transformed, equipped, and stirred up in their faith.

#3. We Shine God's Love - Jesus didn't call us to just go to a church; He called us to become the church that shines His love everywhere we go. He called us to light up our world!

We had our simple marching orders, but then God gave me a detailed blueprint. City Lights Church has been and will always be the Lord's church; however, as the Lead Pastor, I must take the responsibility to seek the Lord on how He would have us continue to build. One day as I was reading the book of Nehemiah, the Lord highlighted a strategy to build a Holy Spirit-empowered, life-giving church. Nehemiah was called to rebuild the torn-down walls of Jerusalem. The Holy Spirit revealed to me the 10 gates to be rebuilt in chapter 3 were purposely and prophetically named. The Lord showed me that the gates are a prototype of how He wants to build His church. Housed in the center of the city walls of Jerusalem was the temple. The temple was the place where the presence of God dwelt. In the New Covenant, God declared through the Apostle Paul that He desires to dwell within the assembly of His followers.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of His household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. In Him, the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in Him, you, too, are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit. – Ephesians 2:19-22 NIV

It is not a temple of stone that the Apostle refers to but a brotherhood and sisterhood of believers that God desires to live among.

The Lord showed me that His presence should be surrounded by and will thrive within these prophetic gates of revival.

Let me give you a brief synopsis of their names and prophetic significance:

1. **The Sheep Gate** - We must provide a place where the sheep (God's flock) will gather and grow.
2. **The Fish Gate** - Jesus said to the disciples I will make you fishers of men. We must be a church that evangelizes.
3. **The Old Gate** - With age comes wisdom. We must help young believers mature in their faith. We must make disciples of Jesus.
4. **The Valley Gate** - Valleys are the low places. We must be a church that can minister to those coming through deep dark places. We must help them exchange beauty for their ashes.
5. **The Dung Gate** - (Deliverance Gate) We must help people heal from yesterday so they can have hope for tomorrow.
6. **The Fountain Gate** - Flowing water represents the Holy Spirit. We must be a church that flows in the gifts and ministries of the Holy Spirit.
7. **The Water Gate** - Water represents the word of God. We must be a church that preaches the Holy Bible.
8. **The Horse Gate** - In the Bible, horses were war animals. We must be a church that fights and wins spiritual battles in heavenly realms.
9. **The East Gate** - The East Gate is the Bible prophecy gate. One day Jesus will visibly and physically return to the Earth and pass through the East Gate, where He will rule and reign. We must be a church that is waiting and watching for His return.
10. **The Inspection Gate** - Inspection is an essential part of the Christian life. One day we will stand before the rewarder's seat of Christ. To be ready for this final inspection, we must inspect ourselves and call the gold out of each other in an authentic community.

As we keep these prophetic gates wide open, I believe that we will truly experience a rich dwelling for His presence.

I pray that each City Lights member sees themselves as a gatekeeper. Gatekeepers do not just causally attend; they are invested in and share in the responsibility of their faith community.

Will you help us keep the gates of revival open to our city and our world?

With love and excitement!

Pastor Kurt Chamberlain

2022 HIGHLIGHTS



JANUARY & FEBRUARY

- Launched a second service to recognize growth
- 14 Days of Prayer
- Prayed with church leaders across Colorado at the Capitol for the start of the legislative sessions
- Launched 37 city groups



MARCH & APRIL

- Celebrated Easter
- Sent first of two mission trips to Croatia to serve Ukrainian Refugees



MAY & JUNE

- Helped raise funds to assist a single mom in purchasing a much-needed car
- Kicked off "City Lights Summer Nights" Conference emphasis on revival
- Launched 8 Summer City Groups



JULY & AUGUST

- Second and third City Lights Summer Nights emphasis on Marriage and Impartation
- Sent out our second mission trip to serve Ukrainian refugees
- Youth camp
- 2nd annual respite event



SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

- Launched 25 city groups
- First ever Israel tour
- First ever newcomer's night
- Launched weekly Men's Ministry meetings



NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

- Candlelight Dinner Playhouse serve team party
- Giving tree with Serve 6.8
- Bless single moms and their children with Christmas gifts



**Now that you know
these things, you will be
blessed if you do them.”**

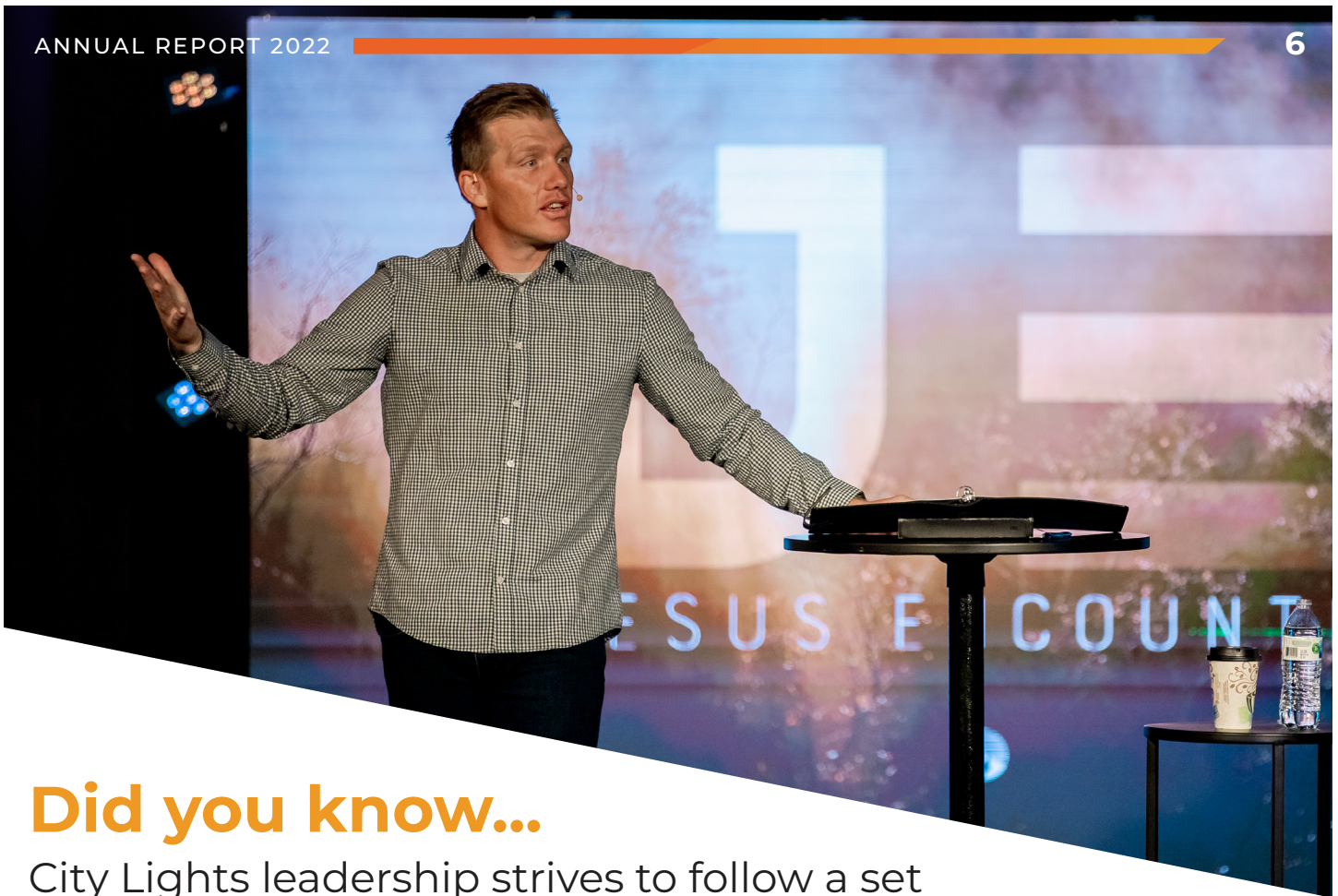
John 13:17

BUILDING COMMUNITY

- 355** Average weekend attendance
- 50** Average weekly online sermon views
- 181** Average live stream views
- 702** YouTube followers
- 97** Average weekly podcast listeners
- 15** Countries tuning in regularly
- 25** States tuning in regularly
- 210** Serve Team Members
- 26** Attended Belong Class & Newcomers Night (changed time and format)
- 9** New Members
- 320** Total Members
- 11** Baptisms
- 68** Available City Groups
- 7** Average number of people per group
- 82** Meals served to members experiencing hardships

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10:24-25



Did you know...

City Lights leadership strives to follow a set of internal leadership core values

- #1 Ministry To The Lord** - Presence is premier. We intentionally pursue and prioritize all we do to create an environment where God's people offer up ministry to the Lord.
- #2 Ministry To The Saints** - We cultivate an environment where God's people are equipped, strengthened, encouraged, confronted, and challenged.
- #3 We Take Risks** - We cultivate and celebrate an environment where God's people take faith risks.
- #4 We Value Excellence** - We intentionally pursue a spirit of excellence so that the focus can remain on ministry to the Lord and ministry to God's People.
- #5 Teachability & Humility** - To remain teachable is to stay humble. We lay down the privilege of being the expert for the value of innovation, evolving, and growing.

WE'VE INVESTED IN...



Children And Youth Ministry

\$139,355



Ministry To The Body

\$107,605



Weekend Ministry

\$260,491



Ministry To The World

\$252,509



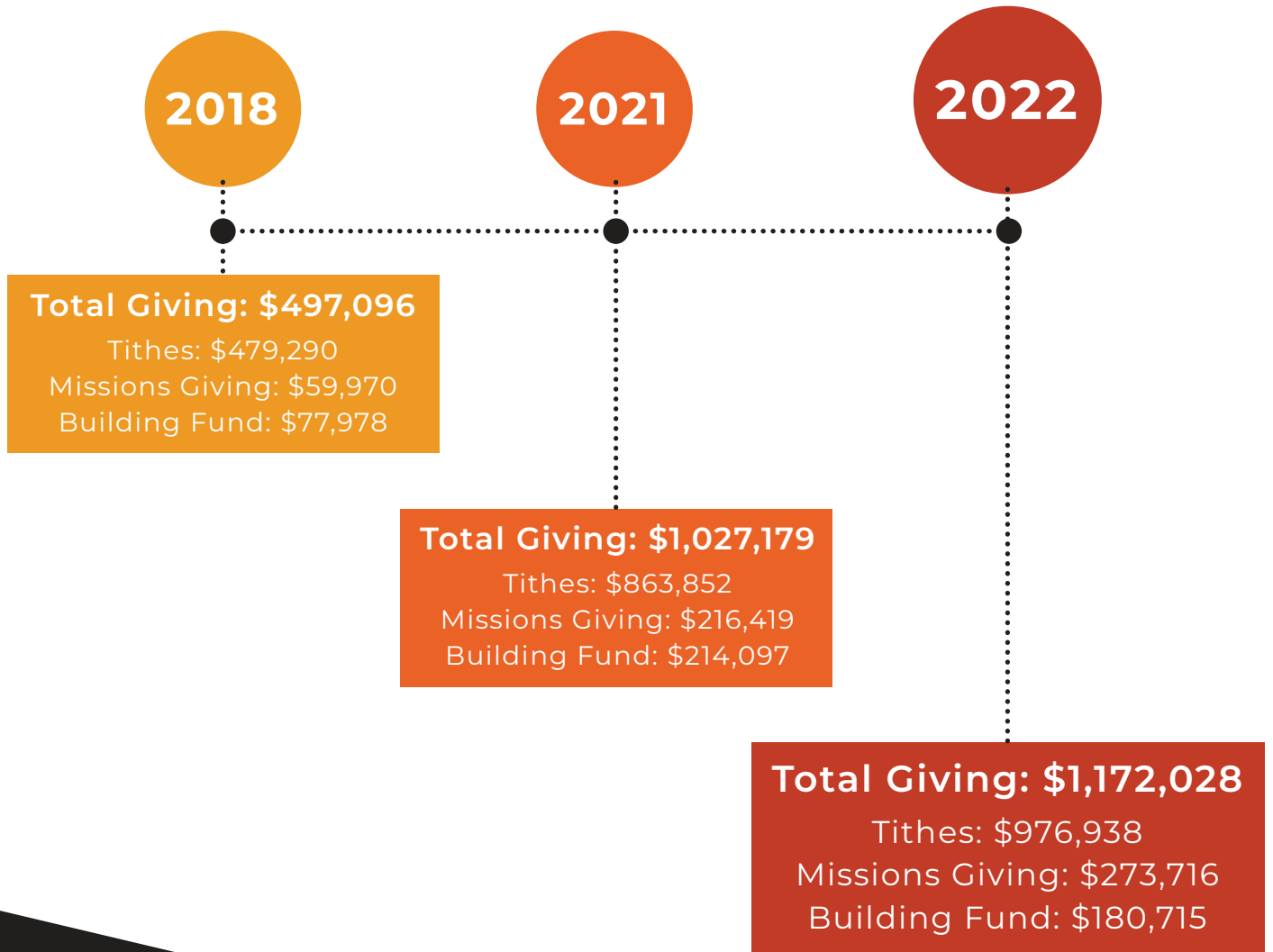
Facilities & Savings

\$243,990

"For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, they gave of their own accord."

2 Corinthians 8:3

TOTAL GIVING



INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

Total Income: \$1,172,028
Tithe Income: \$976,938

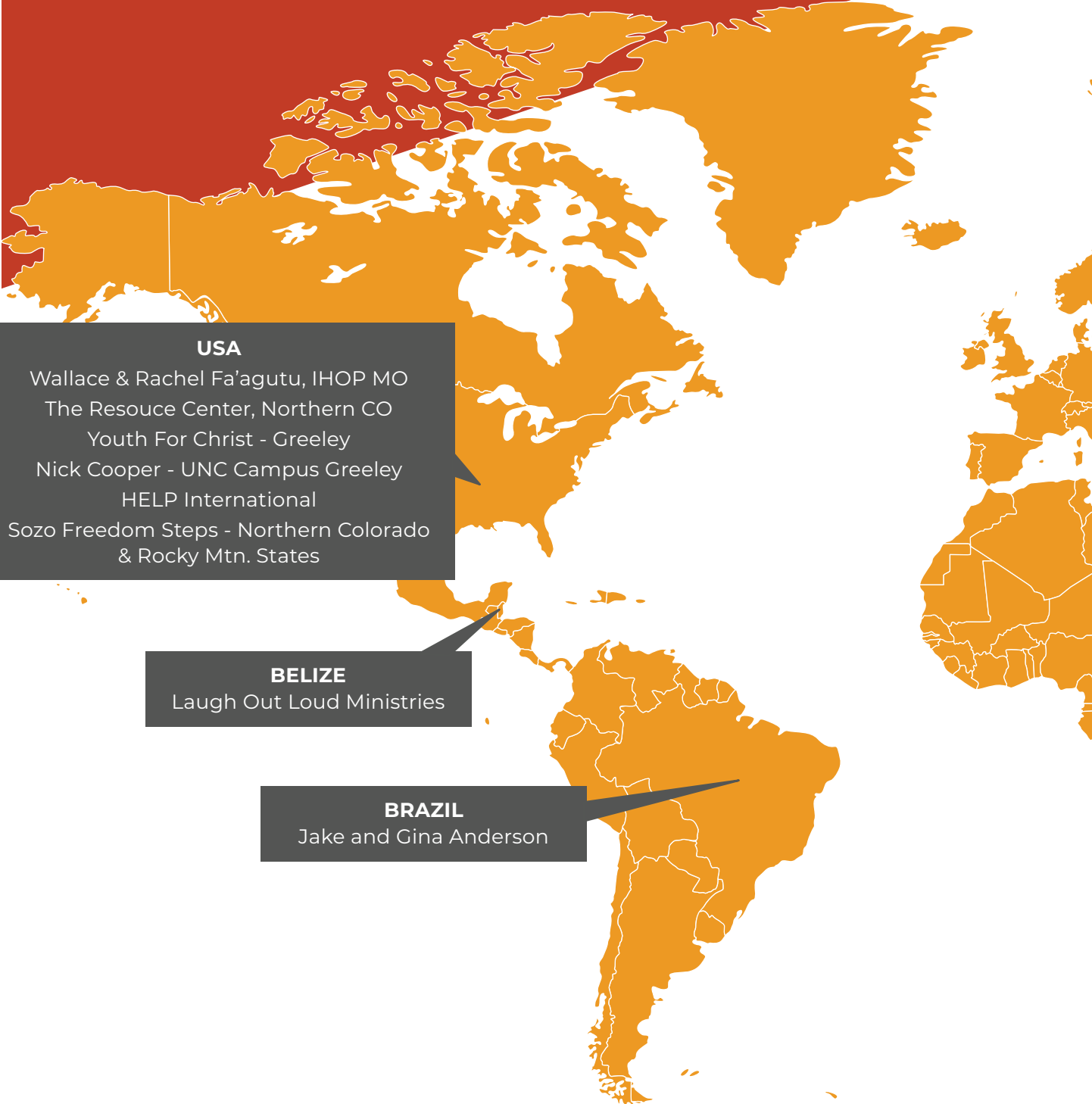
Missions Offerings: \$176,023
Building Fund: \$25,472

Adoption Fund: \$1,504
Other Designated Offerings: \$1,255

IMPACTING THE WORLD

We designated \$97,693 to Missions. That's 10% of our income.
We had an additional \$176,023 designated to Missions & Missionaries

Local Impact: Homeless population, District 6 schools, Weld County foster families, CLC member funerals, single moms, adoptions



USA

Wallace & Rachel Fa'agutu, IHOP MO
The Resouce Center, Northern CO
Youth For Christ - Greeley
Nick Cooper - UNC Campus Greeley
HELP International
Sozo Freedom Steps - Northern Colorado
& Rocky Mtn. States

BELIZE

Laugh Out Loud Ministries

BRAZIL

Jake and Gina Anderson



CROATIA
Andrej and Yulia

MACEDONIA
Sime & Susana Petrovski

ISRAEL
Tents of Mercy
One for Israel

KENYA
Me 4 My Neighbor

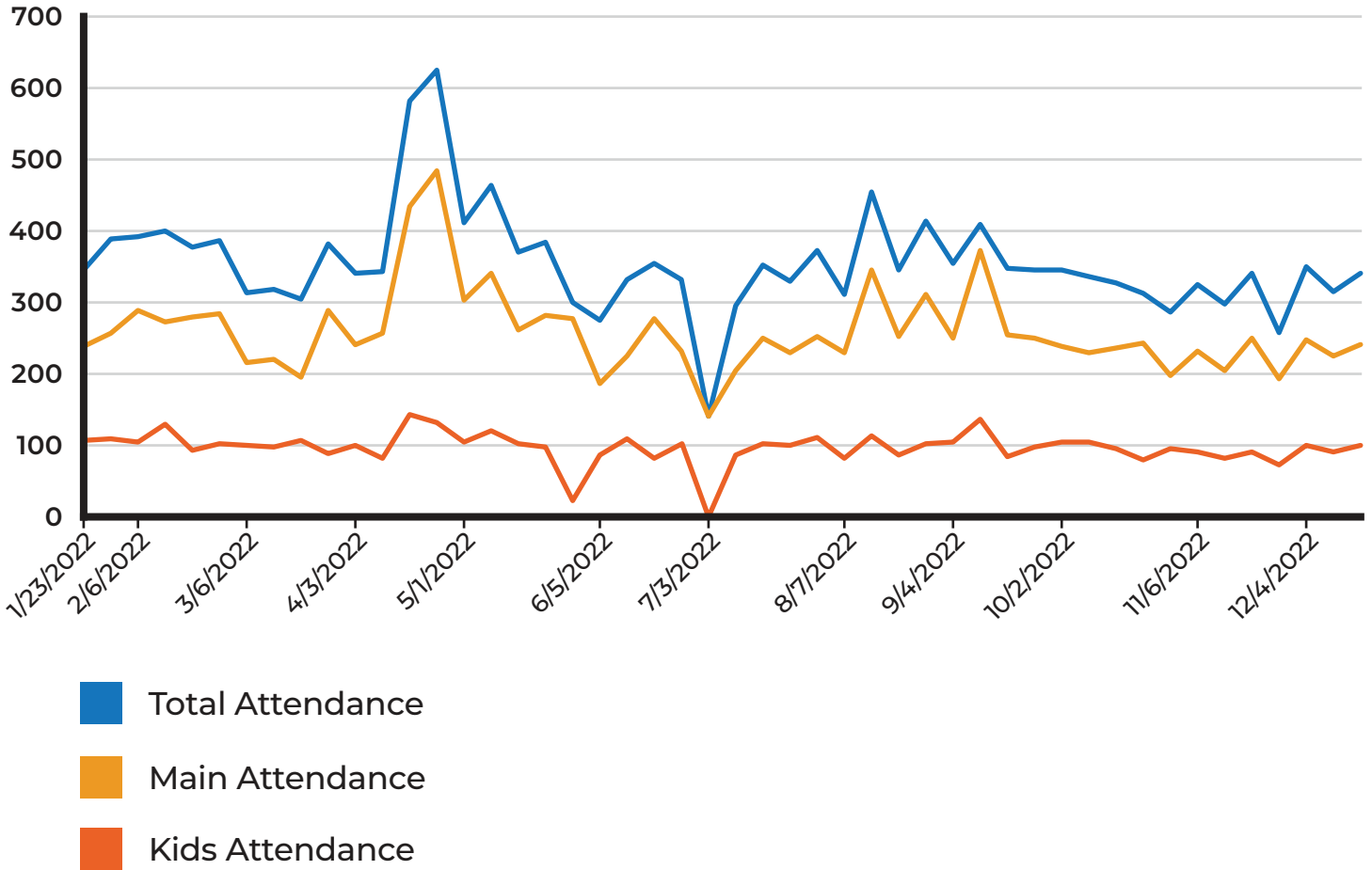
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Afrika Wa Yesu

ASIA
Becca Giles
Stephen Walter
Matt & Amy Baldwin, Thailand

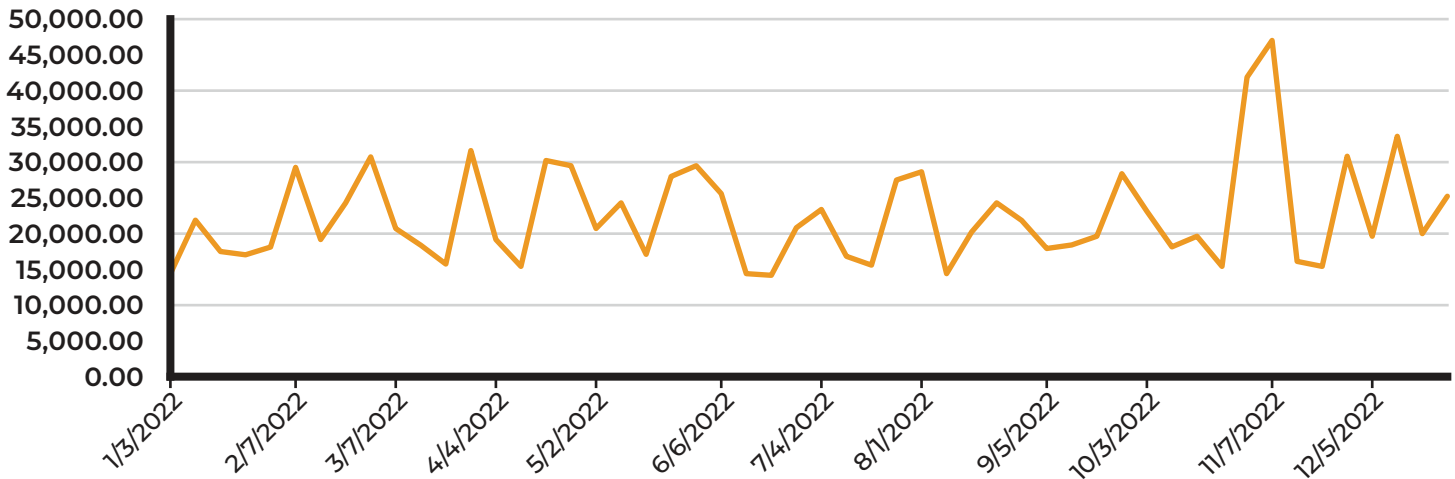
FIJI
Homes of Hope

SHARING STATISTICS

2022 ATTENDANCE



2022 GIVING CHART



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