WOODSIDE BIBLE CHURCH

ANNUAL REPORT

‘22-‘23

HERE, YOU’RE FAMILY
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At Woodside, we’re not made up of programs, ministries, or events. We’re made of people, a family. And when we all come together, we get to see God move in powerful ways across the 14 communities Woodside calls home – and beyond.

Let’s praise Him together for all He’s done this year, fully convinced the best is yet to come!
WORSHIP GATHERINGS

Each week, our Woodside Family of all ages gathers across 14 communities, both in-person and online, to learn from God’s Word, worship Him, and unite in prayer. Our worship gatherings are the lifeblood of who we are at Woodside as we come together to pursue a deeper relationship with our Savior!

In-Person Gatherings
7,825 worshippers on average each weekend – 15% increase
661 new members
329 baptisms
16,000 in attendance Easter Weekend – 11% increase

Online Gatherings
7,000 online worshippers on average each weekend*

Woodside Kids
1,157 kids on average each weekend
68 baptisms
1,664 kids attended Flip Camp
160 kids and 55 leaders attended Camp Woodside

Woodside Students
820 students in weekly small groups
371 students and 76 leaders attended Hope Week
654 students and 192 leaders attended the Oasis Winter Retreat and Wake Winter Weekends

The Collective
200 young adults on average each weekend
215 in Life Groups

*Online gathering views = number of 15+ second video views times the average Michigan household multiplier of 2.55 people
God designed us for community, to know and be known by others. In Life Groups, we grow in Him, build meaningful connections with others, and compassionately love and serve our communities. Here, we do life together.

312 Life Groups

5,389 people in Life Groups

86 new Life Groups this year

69% participation
People everywhere desperately need Jesus. And God calls each one of us to share the hope and message of Jesus with our neighbors – both here and around the world. Here’s just a snapshot of the ways our church family responded to God’s call to meet needs and spread hope this year, from our own backyards to the ends of the earth!

Local Outreach

People Mobilized: 17,131

People Served: 150,790
**Spring Serve**
838 volunteers served 550 people throughout our communities

**Back-to-School Backpacks**
3,512 backpacks distributed to students
80 teachers received supplies
22 school districts served

**Thanksgiving Boxes**
2,342 boxes distributed to area families
18,736 people were fed a Thanksgiving dinner
People Mobilized: 2,500

**Sanctity of Life**
$29,629 was given to support 6 local ministries that provide support and counsel to over 2,000 women and men.

**Team Woodside**
22 runners raised $16,037 support for at-risk children in India and Thailand
DREAM CENTERS OF MICHIGAN

Total number of families served
2,435
## Kid’s Programs

- **132** kids served
- **962** books read
- **722** hours of reading
- **86** hours of tennis played with 3 students graduating to juniors in tennis
- **1 kid** accepted Christ as their Savior

## Residential Program

- **14** young men served full-time in the program
- 1 college graduate, 1 high school graduate, 1 full-time college student (junior), 2 part-time college students
- **11** young men sustained full-time employment
- **6** new men became car owners
- **$10,000+** of debt paid off by the residents
- **$25,000+** savings in the bank from the residents collectively
- Added **1** more house for residents

## Social Enterprise/Dream Works

- **12** individuals employed
- Total income earned for graduates: **$220,000**
- **100%** Employee Retention Rate
- **5** individuals graduated from the program

- **342** volunteers dedicated **4,200+** hours to serving the community
GLOBAL OUTREACH

People Mobilized: 1,532
People Served: 189,524

Child Sponsorship

248 sponsors made it possible for 210 at-risk and orphaned children to receive physical and spiritual care
62 children at the Akha Light Children’s Home in Thailand
186 children through the “It’s a Girl” Program in India

Short-Term Missions Teams

635 individuals through 16 STM teams, served 11,230 people and 31 organizations

Global 100

30+ future missionaries participating
3 global and 4 local internships completed
Chennai, India
6.5 Million tracts distributed and 5,101 people professed faith in Jesus.
186 at-risk children received shelter and care and 180 pastors trained.

Kolkata, India
8 fellowships of believers and seekers with Muslim backgrounds met regularly for Bible study and training.
8 new Muslim background believers were baptized.

Jharkhand, India
14,940 people were presented with the gospel message (one-on-one).
426 churches planted 22 were planted by these new church plants.

West Africa
2,279 villages in 4 countries heard the Gospel.
31,340 people watched the Jesus Film.
223 patients received dental care.
9 new churches started, and construction of a new Bible training center has begun.

Myanmar
26 new graduates of the Beulah Theological Seminary.
1 new church was started in a heavily persecuted area of Myanmar.
Thailand
13 pastors and missionaries trained.
Helped purchase land in Laos for a new Bible Training center to launch

Uganda
45 goats purchased to equip and provide sustainable income to dozens of vulnerable families in Mbarara, Uganda.

Ghana
50 new rural Ghanian church leaders will receive scholarship to participate in the audio Moody Seminary training offered by Theovision.
Audio translation stared production for the Logba people in Ghana

West Bank
Provided the opportunity for Arab speaking Christians from all over the Middle-East to receive theological training online.

Guatemala
Village transformation program provided training for 300 people in leadership, discipleship, health and hygiene and personal finance.
2 families were given scholarships to learn poultry farming business.
6 latrines provided throughout the village to increase sanitation for the whole village

South Dakota
Dental care, home repairs and kids camps were provided for vulnerable indigenous families living throughout the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.
SHORT-TERM MISSIONS UPDATE

16 STM Teams

635 Individuals

Serving a total of 11,230 and 31 organizations

India

Woodside sent in a team to provide theological training for 180 pastors and church planters from 28 states and 5 countries. While there the team also served the parents and children at three “It’s a Girl” program centers.

People Served: 243
Uganda

The team traveled to Mbarara, located in the western region of Uganda. During the trip the team served local schools, prisons, youth ministry and to people on the streets.

Ministry locations reached: 5 churches, 6 schools, 2 prisons, 1 Refugee camp
People served: 5,000+ and Commitments to Christ: 550+

South Dakota, USA

The team partnered with the Chanku Waste Ranch in South Dakota’s Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Construction portion: 15 families. Specifically rebuilt a trailer and winterized a roof for 1 man. Huge project, big win for the team as he wouldn’t have been able to stay in his home through the winter without this work having been done.

Kids camp: approximately 90 kids/families
Prepared approximately 700 meals

Metro Detroit - Hope Week

Once again, Woodside's students filled communities across Metro-Detroit as a part of Hope Week to serve and love their neighbors. There were 18 teams of students and leaders that spread across the region that served by renovating buildings, landscaping, evangelism, and conducting kids’ camps.

Students baptized: 26
Number of service projects: 18
Thousands of lives impacted (2,500+)

Liberia

Working with Kim Smith and Wordsowers, Woodside’s longtime partner in Liberia, the team was involved in kids’ ministry, discipleship training and evangelism (Jesus Film).
People Served: 750

For more updates from this past year’s Short Term Mission Trips, scan this QR code.
As we seek to engage our neighbors and networks with the Good News of Jesus Christ, Woodside’s digital ministry creates a powerful opportunity to reach the unreached right where they are: online. Check out how God’s using you to reach your friends and followers by engaging with and sharing Woodside’s online content!

**Social Media**

- **524,206** people engaged* with us on social media
- **32,554** digital connections**
- **16,954** comments, shares, and saves
- **49%** growth in our social media followership
- **96,260** reactions to our social media posts

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* Engagement is defined as likes, comments, shares, saves, or link clicks on the post

**Digital connections are defined as Facebook messages, social to-web referral traffic, website form submissions, texting “Connect,” or selecting “Connect” during an online worship gathering
Digital Content

This year we released three brand-new shows: Everyday Theology, Coming & Going, a podcast for parents, and Behind the Series, a show diving deeper into our Sunday morning message series!

Video

1,429,227 video views
56,276 show views & listens

Top 3 show episodes this year:

Everyday Theology: Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?
The Link: Transgender to Transformed with Laura Perry Smalts
Everyday Theology: Is Belief Enough for Salvation?

Top 3 listened episodes this year:

Coming & Going: Parenting to an Audience of One
The Link: Gay Girl Good God with Jackie Hill Perry
The Link: What is Gender Identity with John Stonestreet

Blog

67,164 views of the Woodside Blog

Top 5 blogs this year:

What God Says About the Power of Our Words
5 Christian Books to Read if You’re Single or Dating
What God Says About Dating
New Year, Same Fear: The Fear of Losing a Loved One
Does God Think Less of Me Because I’m a Woman
LEADERSHIP MULTIPLICATION

At Woodside, we’re committed to raising up the next generation of leaders to advance God’s Kingdom. Our Leadership Institute exists to empower people to reach their God-given potential so they can live out their Kingdom purpose. This year, our interns and residents have been developed personally and spiritually as they’ve experienced immersion in real-life ministry!

16 interns

15 residents
GIVING

Everything we just celebrated together was made possible only by God's grace and your generosity. On the other side of your giving, lives are changed in the name of Jesus both here and around the world! Thank you for another year of above-and-beyond generosity toward the work God’s accomplishing at Woodside.

Woodside Bible Church’s general fund giving for the fiscal year 2022-23 totaled $20,056M, $56K over the annual 2022-23 budget of $20M.

7,735 people made 97,567 gifts through Woodside Bible Church.

Because of your generosity we are able to be a Family on Mission and as a church here are some ways we invested both locally and globally:

- $916,100 invested locally through Thanksgiving Boxes, Back-to-School Drive, Spring Serve, Dream Centers and more
- $1,974,271 invested in our global ministry
- $40,000 provided to set up and provide resources to provide food and resources to hundreds of vulnerable families in Kyiv, Ukraine
- $5,000 provided to assist with emergency medical care for vulnerable children in Uganda

Thank you for your generosity!

Want to know more about our finances? Sign up here to receive a full report.

woodsidebible.org/financial-report-request
LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

As we look to the 2023-2024 fiscal year, we’re excited to see what God has in store for our church family. While we celebrate all the milestones of the previous year, here you’ll find what we are hoping, praying for, and planning for the next!

Worship Gatherings
9,000 in-person each weekend
7,500 online
900 new members
480 baptisms

This year, we hope to identify key leaders and partnerships for Ann Arbor and East Lansing as we continue to pursue God’s call to reach college towns.
Life Groups

72% of church family participating in Groups
385 Groups

Serve | Local & Global

700 individuals mobilized for STMs
$2 million in outreach | local and global
That’s a wrap!

What fun it’s been to reflect on God’s goodness and faithfulness to our church family over the last year! Together, let’s pray for an even more impactful year ahead as we invite God to use each one of us for His glory.

How will He use you in the year to come?