



MT. HOREB CHURCH
2023
ANNUAL REPORT

*“His purpose was for the nations
to seek after God and perhaps
feel their way toward him and find him—
though he is not far from any one of us.
For in Him we live and move and exist.”*

ACTS 17:27-28A NLT



Jeff Kersey
Senior Pastor

Rev. Jeff Kersey

God has been on the move through Mt. Horeb Church for over 130 years. Mt. Horeb was founded as a “brush arbor” revival church in the late 1800’s. Methodist Circuit Riders would gather at a site not too far from the current Mt. Horeb campus to preach and lead revival services in the open field.

In 1890 Mt. Horeb Methodist Episcopal Church, South was formed at its current location. In 1939 Mt. Horeb became Mt. Horeb Methodist Church through the merger of the Methodist Episcopal, South and the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1968, Mt. Horeb became a United Methodist Church as the Methodist Episcopal Church merged with the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

God is still on the move at Mt. Horeb. In 2023 we celebrated becoming a Global Methodist Church. God is on the move in the GMC! Since it’s beginning May 1, 2022 more than 4,600 churches have now joined this new evangelical Methodist movement.

As a Global Methodist Church our mission remains the same. We are called to Make, Mature, and Mobilize disciples who Magnify Jesus Christ. As you can read from this report God is on the move through the Holy Spirit leading us to fully live into our mission. From this report you can also see our mission closely aligns with the mission of the Global Methodist Church, which is to “make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.”

May God move in you as you celebrate all God is doing through Mt. Horeb Church as we continue to ***“live, move, and exist in Him!”***

God is on the move!

WORSHIP



97 BAPTISMS
48 INFANTS & 55 ADULTS



1171
APP
DOWNLOADS
930 AVERAGE USERS PER MONTH



PROFESSIONS OF FAITH 113

482 NEW MEMBERS

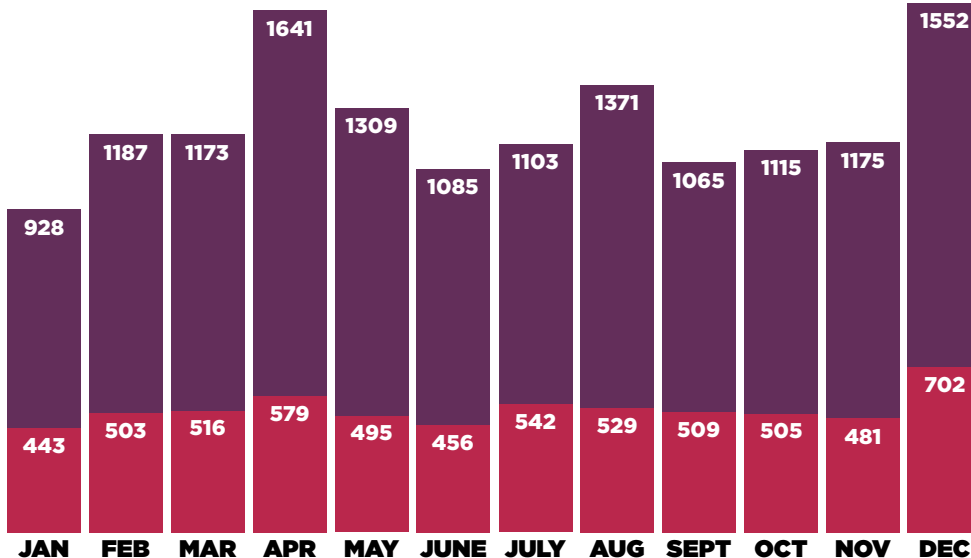
WORSHIP

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AVERAGE MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

- Contemporary
- Traditional

Separation Sunday in January, VBS Celebration Sunday in June and our Christmas Musical services in December are not reflected here as they were combined services.





EASTER
5637 IN ATTENDANCE



WORSHIP

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

4619
IN ATTENDANCE



CHRISTMAS EVE

7232
IN ATTENDANCE



WORSHIP

COUNTRIES WHO JOINED US IN ONLINE WORSHIP

> 10,000 VIEWS

UNITED STATES

1,000 - 10,000 VIEWS

GERMANY

< 1,000 VIEWS

CANADA

INDIA

UNITED KINGDOM

FRANCE

IRELAND

SINGAPORE

BRAZIL

RUSSIA

AUSTRALIA

NETHERLANDS

PHILIPPINES

SPAIN

LIBERIA

SWEDEN

MEXICO

REPUBLIC OF KOREA

SOUTH AFRICA

GHANA

KENYA

ISRAEL

JAPAN

FINLAND

COSTA RICA

UKRAINE

NIGERIA

CHINA

GUATEMALA

AUSTRIA

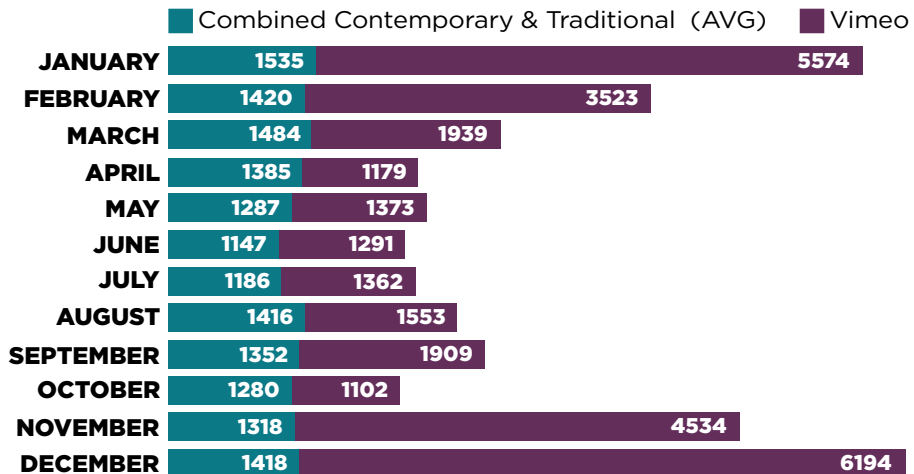
NORWAY





WORSHIP

MONTHLY VIEWS



WORSHIP

CONTEMPORARY



MOST PLAYED SONGS

1 HOMECOMING

2 1000 NAMES
CHRIST BE
MAGNIFIED
I BELIEVE

3 FIRM
FOUNDATION
(HE WON'T)





MOST PLAYED SONGS

1 HOLY
GROUND

2 THE FAMILY
OF GOD
TO GOD BE
THE GLORY

3 HOW GREAT
THOU ART
SPIRIT OF THE
LIVING GOD
TURN YOUR
EYES UPON
JESUS



TRADITIONAL

WORSHIP

WORSHIP

CONTEMPORARY



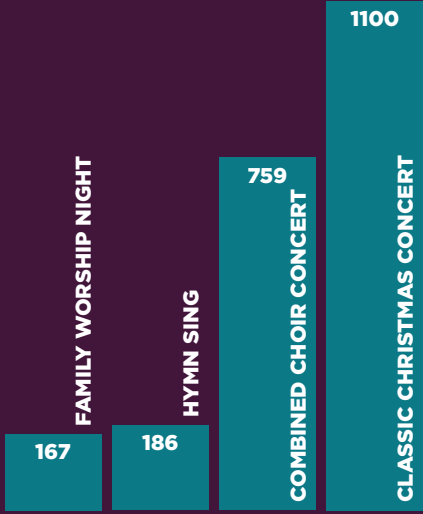
WORSHIP WORKSHOPS

50 STUDENTS in attendance to learn about worship music, production and pastoral teaching





EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



KIDS WORSHIP CAMP

63 KIDS in attendance to learn and strengthen skills of pitch and rhythm, using handbells, rhythm sticks, boomwhackers and voices to praise the Lord

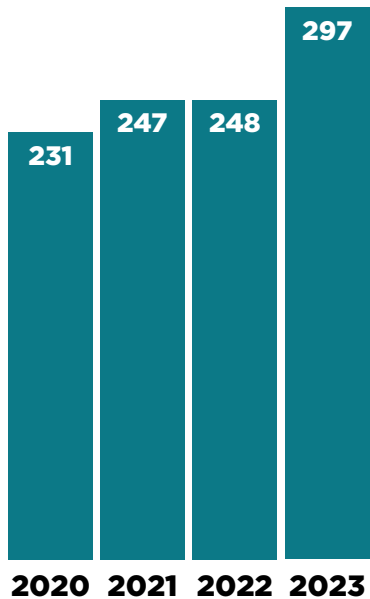


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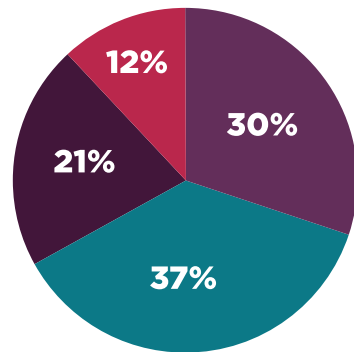
WORSHIP

FINANCE

FIRST-TIME GIVERS



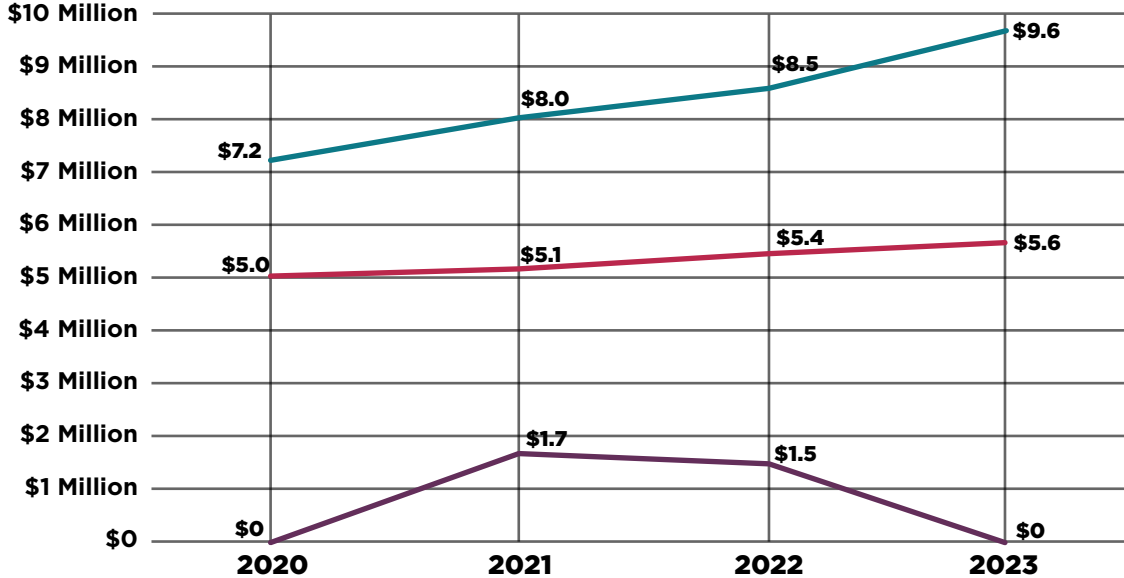
OPERATING EXPENSE ALLOCATION



- Missions
- Discipleship
- Administration
- Facilities

MAIN BUDGET DISTRIBUTION

■ Operating Expenses ■ General/Missions Offering ■ End of Year Debt



30% OF EVERY DOLLAR GIVEN IN OFFERING GOES TO MISSIONS

FINANCE

MISSIONS

*In 2023, your generosity allowed us to partner with **55 ministries, missionaries and organizations locally and globally**, giving away*

\$2,834,787

to be used outside the walls of this church.

**This amount does not include designated giving that supports our 10:10 Bridge Afterschool Program or CIRCLES® Lexington County.*

MISSIONS CONFERENCE: ON THE MOVE

164 ATTENDED
MT. HOREB'S VERY
FIRST MISSIONS
CONFERENCE
13 COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED
26 MISSIONS
PARTNERS
INVOLVED





These mission partners are meeting needs locally and globally through:

EVANGELISM & DISCIPLESHIP

\$113,900 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 15 PARTNERS

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

\$33,900 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 4 PARTNERS

ADOPTION & UNBORN BABY ADVOCACY

\$46,000 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 3 PARTNERS

ORPHAN EMPOWERMENT

\$120,600 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 8 PARTNERS

ANTI-TRAFFICKING EFFORTS

\$34,800 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 3 PARTNERS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

\$147,700 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 4 PARTNERS

CRISIS RELIEF

\$127,800 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 8 PARTNERS

PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTHCARE

\$91,000 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 8 PARTNERS

LIFE SKILLS & EDUCATION

\$51,000 FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN TO 7 PARTNERS

MISSIONS

LOCAL PARTNERS

EMMANUWHEEL

Over **60** volunteers built **16** ramps for mobility-impaired individuals that could not otherwise afford one

NEXT STEP MINISTRIES

17 middle school students and **5** adults served in Kentucky, and **17** young adults served in Colorado Springs



BACKPACK MINISTRY

431 children in our school district received food to take home for the weekend; this amounts to over **90,000** meals distributed annually

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Over **300** children received supplies

SNACK BRIGADE

Over **100** volunteers assembled and delivered snacks to **4,154** educational staff at **39** schools in Lexington School Districts

CONCESSIONS OF HOPE

100-150 pre-packaged meals per month (over **1,200** annually) were assembled and distributed in Columbia, SC to serve individuals experiencing homelessness



CIRCLES® LEXINGTON COUNTY

51 volunteers came alongside **19** families who are supported on their journey to financial self-sufficiency

10:10 BRIDGE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

20 elementary school students received spiritual, emotional and educational guidance **3** days a week as **44** adult volunteers shared their time and talents

THE HANG AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

44 middle school students participated in weekly informal mentoring by **8** mentors

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

\$7,038 given to Turner AME's Feeding Ministry in West Columbia, SC

THANKSGIVING: FROM FAMILY TO FAMILY

76 families received food, recipes and all supplies needed for a full Thanksgiving meal from a Mt. Horeb family

CHRISTMAS: FROM FAMILY TO FAMILY

41 families were able to shop from **628** gifts donated at our Christmas store staffed by **33** volunteers

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

788 boxes were brought in-person and **138** boxes were donated online



MISSIONS

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GLOBAL PARTNERS

39 people served on global mission trips to **Liberia, Nigeria, Costa Rica, Peru or Samoa**. Teams led medical clinics, physical therapy clinics, training for teachers, children's ministry, prayer ministry, women and men's ministry, home building and church plant support.

Through our partnership with Equal As One, we were able to support the completion and opening of a brick-and-mortar medical clinic in rural **Nigeria**.

We provided relief to those living in abject poverty in the slums of **Pune, India**, orphan care for 160 children rescued from trafficking in **Surda, India** as well as schooling and discipleship ministry to children born into the brothels of **Kolkata, India**. In partnership with Prasanth Bethu, a new church building located in **India** is complete that seats 1000 people and allows for the ministry of Grace Church to grow and flourish.

We provided the funding to complete a medical clinic in **Peru**, though our partner, Catch the Vision. We sponsored four villages along the Amazon River, serving over 500 children in a weekly Jungle Bible School. These children are being exposed to the gospel while also having their medical needs met.

In **Liberia**, we have funded and assisted with the building of 12 homes, sponsored 13 students in college and post graduate programs and funded the construction of a bridge that will connect rural villages to each other for the sharing of resources during the vulnerable, rainy seasons.

We provided medical supplies and personnel for mobile medical clinics in **American Samoa and Samoa**. We saw over 800 people make commitments to follow Christ.

Through ZOE ministry, we supported 100 orphans in their journey to self-sufficiency in **Kenya**.

We celebrate the completion of three homes by our partner in **Nepal** and 130 new believers baptized.

Currently, 771 children receive monthly support from Mt. Horeb families in partnership with **Compassion International**.

Through World Relief, our financial support allowed for the resettlement of refugees in the **Greenville** area.

In **Sudan**, Persecution Project Foundation works to advocate for and provide relief to persecuted believers with medicine, medical supplies, hospital support, hygiene kits, and so much more.



MISSIONS

KIDS



**58 BIBLES
GIVEN TO OUR
THIRD GRADERS**

**AVERAGE OF
259 KIDS
SUNDAY MORNINGS
328 NEW KIDS THIS YEAR**



1131 KIDS
669 VOLUNTEERS



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

KIDS

\$7,656 RAISED TO SUPPORT CHILDREN
THROUGH COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL

STUDENTS

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

WORSHIP

187 KICKOFF | MS & HS

SPRING | **66** FALL | **65** AVG MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY

SPR | **33** FALL | **62** AVG HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY

51 AVG MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY

25 AVG HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY

EVENTS

159 AT B2SB | MIDDLE SCHOOL

9 CHURCHES INVOLVED IN RBHS VS LHS TAILGATE

21 AT CORN MAZE | MIDDLE SCHOOL

22 AT FALL FEST | HIGH SCHOOL

15 AT CAPITOL CLIMBING | HIGH SCHOOL

28 AT STARS & STRIKES BOWLING | HIGH SCHOOL

48 AT CAROWINDS | MIDDLE SCHOOL

32 AT SENIOR CELEBRATION | SENIORS

76 AT CONFIRMATION | 8TH GRADERS

151 AT BEST WKND EVER | MS & HS

TRIPS

13 AT MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING BREAK

10 AT HIGH SCHOOL SPRING BREAK

17 AT MIX SUMMER CAMP | MIDDLE SCHOOL

15 AT BIGSTUF SUMMER CAMP | HIGH SCHOOL

17 AT KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP | MIDDLE SCHOOL

13 AT COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP | HIGH SCHOOL



MOST PLAYED SONGS

- 1** FIRM FOUNDATION (HE WON'T)
- 2** I BELIEVE
- 3** CANYONS CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED GOODNESS OF GOD



STUDENTS

ADULTS

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

423 AT SISTERHOOD | JENNIFER ROTHSCHILD

227 AT SISTERHOOD | CAROLYN MOORE

450 AT OYSTER ROAST

650 AT FALL MEN'S EVENT

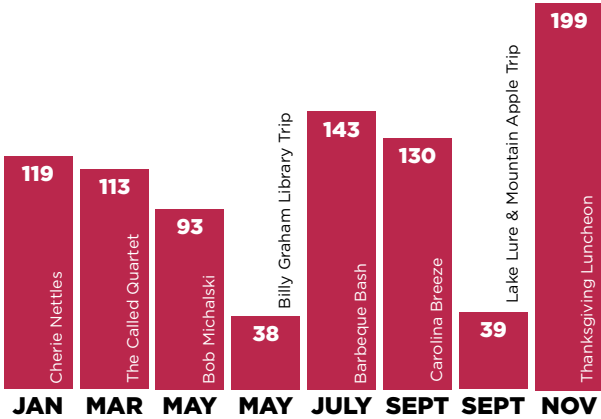
105 AT MUSIC BINGO | JUNE

83 AT MUSIC BINGO | JULY

229 AT BOB GOFF



SENIOR ADULTS



YOUNG ADULTS



ADULTS

SPECIAL NEEDS



NIGHT TO SHINE

650+

ATTENDEES & VOLUNTEERS
ON CAMPUS FOR AN
UNFORGETTABLE
PROM NIGHT
EXPERIENCE



APPROXIMATELY

80

**PLAYERS
& COACHES
INVOLVED IN
SPECIAL NEEDS
BASKETBALL**



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
PROGRAMMING
& JOY CHOIR**

24 students and 6 volunteers

**END OF SUMMER LAKE
PARTY**

Over 60 in attendance

FALL FOOTBALL PARTY

Over 50 in attendance

**8TH ANNUAL ANGEL
BREAKFAST**

32 students and 10 volunteers

**26 STUDENTS
21 BOATS & CAPTAINS
& 8 VOLUNTEERS
AT CAST FOR KIDS**



SPECIAL NEEDS

OUTREACH

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

STEPHEN MINISTRY

4 new ministers

19 total ministers

CARD MINISTRY

41 volunteers regularly writing
and sending cards

SUPPORT GROUPS

3 13-week sessions of DivorceCare

2 13-week sessions of GriefShare

1 new group: Caregivers Support

LAY COMMUNION TEAM

40 volunteers regularly taking
Communion to homebound
members



MKIDS ACADEMY



70 CHILDREN
IN A JESUS CENTERED PRESCHOOL PROGRAM



CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

273 IN ATTENDANCE

RANDOM FACT:

520 background checks
completed for volunteers
in order to serve with children,
students and vulnerable adults

RECREATION

9 WEEKS
OF UPWARD
BASKETBALL AND CHEER

156

VOLUNTEERS & PLAYERS

OUTREACH



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