

2022 - 2023

# Annual Report



MOUNTAIN VIEW  
— COMMUNITY CHURCH —



## a note from our pastors

What a year for us, church! We took a huge leap of faith financially and it has been amazing to see the Lord use that for His glory. From finishing our Basecamp Campaign to moving into our new building and getting to see the benefits of having a bigger space, God has shown us that His plans are far greater than anything we can plan on our own. With this new building comes an increase in overhead costs. We are going to continue to trust the Lord with providing as we are reminded over and over what a blessing it is to have our wonderful space.

Church is not about numbers, it's about encountering the Spirit of God. We never want to be a place that only focuses on quantities and statistics, but we also want to serve our body well and be transparent with what the Lord is doing financially. Putting together this Annual Report is our attempt at doing both of these things. We want to continue to be transparent with our finances, but also celebrate all of the ways that the Lord has moved throughout every ministry and season. This will become a yearly practice and we hope it unifies our body and makes people feel connected in a deeper way. We pray that you join us in continuing to praise our God for the incredible ways He is working in our church, our city, and beyond. Thank you for your faithful giving towards Mountain View! We can't wait for another amazing ministry year.

We are thankful for you,  
MVCC Pastor Team





We enter each fiscal year praying that the Lord would align our finances with the mission and vision that He has called us to as a church. As you read this Annual Report, we're praying that you would see the numbers through this lens.

## MISSION

We exist to make Christ known as we passionately love Him together!

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## VISION

To be a multiplying church reaching the city of Fort Collins and impacting the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ

## FOUNDATION

We believe our mission and vision statements speak to the proper motivation, purpose, and context of living out the Great Commission. We are motivated by our worship of God to pursue the mission of God in the context of the people of God. That's why we focus on Worship, Community, and Mission as key pillars of Mountain View.

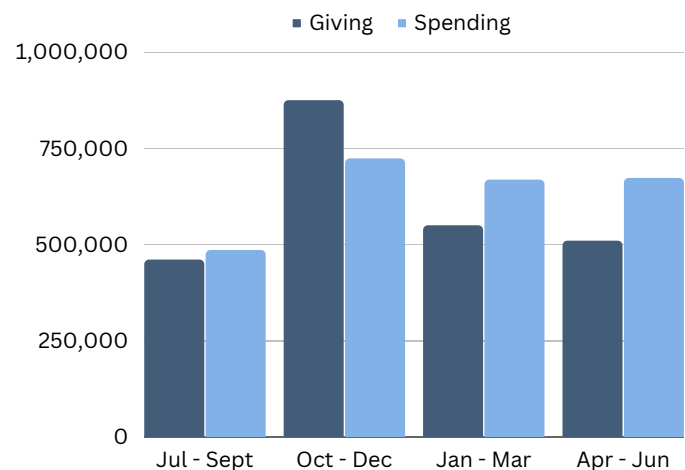
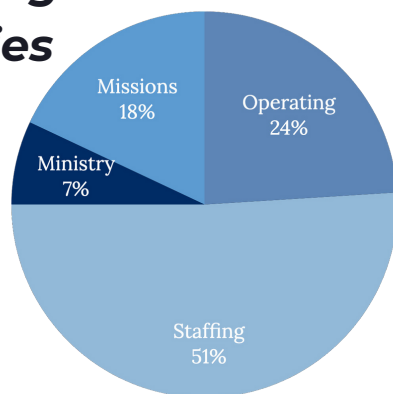
# 2022-2023 IN REVIEW

## Overall Budget

The 2022-2023 fiscal year was unique from a budgeting perspective. We moved into our new building, finished our punch list of construction items, and felt the weight of the unknown when it came to attendance and giving numbers. Since all of this was happening at the turn of our fiscal year, we had to trust the Lord with the “what ifs” and use wisdom to set the annual budget. We also had to factor in the lag in giving versus attendance as people get plugged into the church and begin to call it home. All of this plus COVID and the building campaign, gave us a little more budget fluctuation than that of previous years.

Through it all, we can look back and see evidence of the Lord providing where we needed it - whether through faithful giving or unforeseen savings. We are, and always will be, completely dependent on Him. Pray that He would continue to provide both the resources and the wisdom to steward things well.

### 22-23 Budget Categories



\$370,752.57		Mortgage Payments
\$193,387.50		Crossway Network
\$184,211.39		Missionaries & Indigenous Leaders
\$89,500.00		Church Plant Support
\$72,637.85		Utilities
\$54,189.99		Property Insurance
\$31,263.00		Accounting Fees
\$26,264.72		High School Ministry
\$23,923.00		Alpha Center
\$23,203.56		Leadership Development
\$22,398.95		College Ministry

### Top Ten Non-Staff Expenses

These ten expenses show that we don't just talk about loving our neighbor and bringing the gospel to the nations - but every year, we set aside a large portion of our budget to support these pillars. Please note that staffing expenses are not included even though that makes up a significant portion of our ministry expenses.



# Our Building

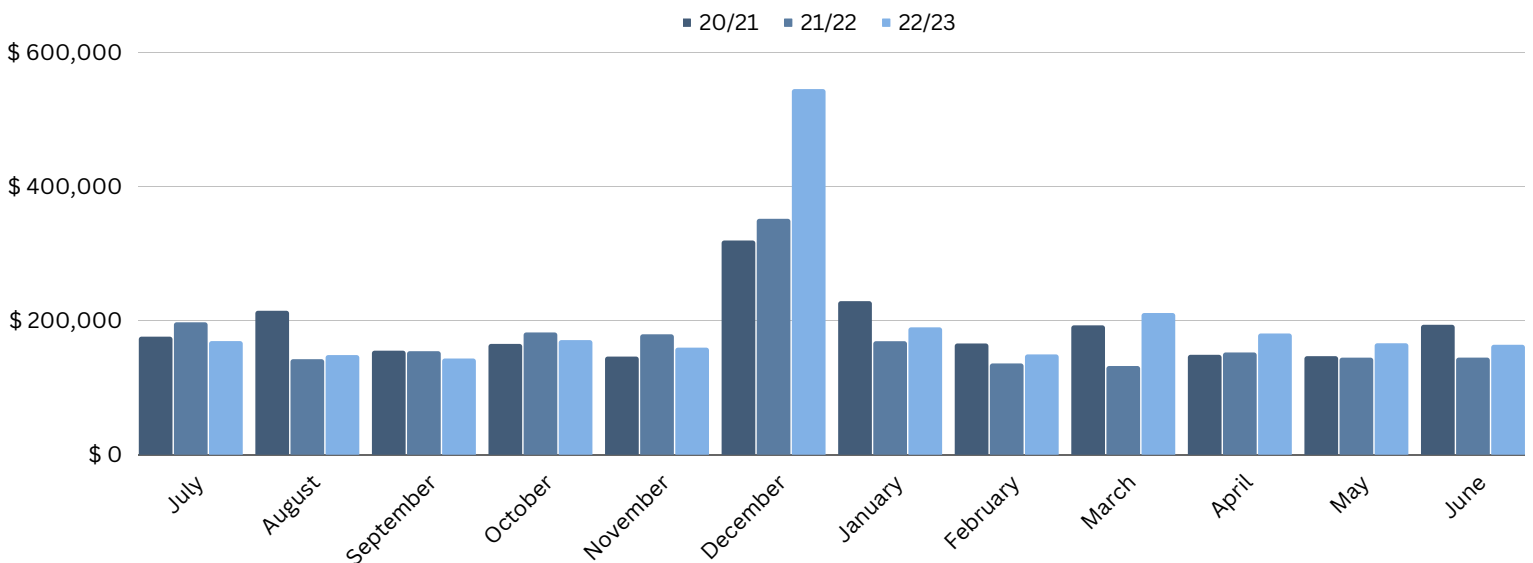
One of the biggest gifts this year has been our new building! Over a year in, we continue to see the Lord growing us and teaching us more about His character through this blessing. We no longer have to host events like Equip Day or Crew offsite because we have adequate space in our building. We have seen the faithful giving of our church body throughout our Basecamp Campaign and we continue to trust the Lord with all that we have, including finances. We know God is going to continue to use this space to further His Kingdom and change the hearts of everyone involved.



## Noteworthy Numbers in 2022-2023



## Giving over the last 3 years





# MISSION

**\$184,211**

given to MVCC Missionaries

**29**

people in different countries  
throughout the year

**\$70,000**

given to the Albania building



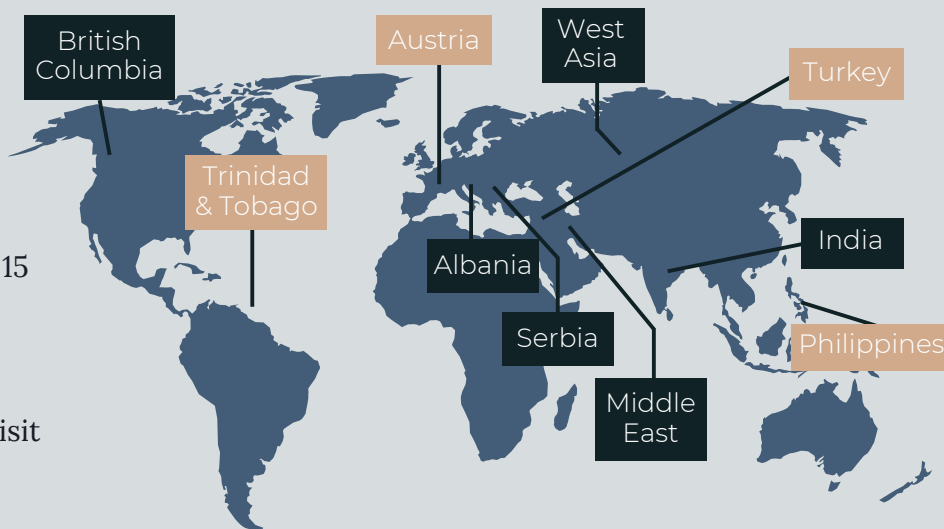
“There have been many challenges over the last few months. Each day is another unknown in each area of life – work, community, physical and mental health. There are daily reminders of the sorrow and brokenness in the world, and it fights to overwhelm me. But in all

of that, I have noticed the Lord’s call back to Him and His Word. The more I recognize my own insufficiency, the more I realize I need Him and who is all sufficient. When the brokenness of the world can feel overwhelming, He shows how He is working through so many. As part of my work, I get to visit with locals serving around the region, hear their stories, and see changed lives. When I feel lost, or incapable, He shows me that He has never stopped working. There is so much resistance happening here, but it never wins.”

–JP, MVCC Missionary in Asia

## MVCC Missionaries

We currently have **10 sent missionaries** (dark grey) and **7 supported missionaries** (orange) in 15 different countries – two of these countries are in the top 6 countries with unreached people groups. To learn more about MVCC missions, visit [www.mvcchurch.org/missions](http://www.mvcchurch.org/missions).







# CHURCH PLANTING

## 22

people sent to Denver

## \$193,387

given to Crossway Network

## \$89,500

given directly to church plants



### SKYLINE CHURCH

"The Lord is already moving in incredible ways here at Skyline Church in Denver. Everyone moved down during the month of August and as soon as we got settled, the school year for the downtown college campus kicked off. To put it simply, our Mission Trip to Campus Kickoff week exceeded all expectations for every single event. It was an unexpectedly large outpouring of grace from God. Each day we handed out coffee, donuts, popsicles, and played volleyball in the quad. Midweek we threw a house party off campus and 25+ students drove out to show up! It culminated in a Thursday night gathering where another 25+ students showed up, most of them repeats from the week. Overall, we got about 50-75 phone numbers. Volleyball has seen probably 70+ different students show up to play. I'd say the gospel has already been shared 6-9 times, and there are already students going through the Bible with some of our leaders. That was just week 1! Pray God builds a strong base of students who stick and want to join us in making disciples!"

-Adam Bailey, Pastor of Skyline Church

## Crossway Network Update

The Lord is profoundly using churches in the Crossway Network for His glory! Here are just a couple updates from churches around the country.

- Redemption Greeley is starting their College Ministry this year and joining MVCC College for their annual retreat.
- A new Crossway region was just formed! The Mountain Pacific Region, which includes Sheridan, Bozeman, McMinnville, Tacoma, and Aberdeen, has started in order for these churches to form tighter connections with churches that are closer in proximity to their states.
- We have 4 churches (3 in Denver and 1 in Laramie) who are looking at adoption into the Crossway Network. All 4 of these churches feel that they would greatly benefit from a larger organization of church partnerships.

To stay up to date with all things Crossway, visit [www.crosswaynetwork.org](http://www.crosswaynetwork.org)!





# COMMUNITY

**342**

current members at MVCC

**38**

LifeGroups throughout NoCo

**385**

active LifeGroup members

When we are in deep relationships with other believers, that should in turn impact the way we live life in our communities. We love Fort Collins and want to see the lives of people radically changed because of the gospel. We want our finances to reflect this as well as being strategic with the organizations we support and partner with. Did you know that **168** people stopped by the MVCC Bike to Work station and **1,544** school supplies were donated for Operation Backpack? We're so thankful for the ways that our body has stepped up to love our Fort Collins community.



There is 1 church  
for every 1,348  
people in FoCo

60% of our Fort  
Collins community  
are nonbelievers



Over the years when we've been in close relationship with people, we have grown more than when we try to do it on our own. The way we gather over a meal, which fosters deep conversations with each other, is so meaningful to us.

-Marc and Jill Emery



## MVCC Community Partnerships



To learn more about our partnerships, visit [www.mvcchurch.org/partnerships](http://www.mvcchurch.org/partnerships).





# WORSHIP

**911**

average attendance on Sunday

**54**

volunteers every Sunday

**30**

Worship Team Members

**153**

MVCC Kids per week

**33**

baptisms last year



Many of the most beautiful moments that I have experienced in my life have been during times of worship with the people of God. Some of those beautiful moments have been during the last four years worshipping with God's people at Mountain View. I have grown to deeply treasure some of those mountain top times with the Lord on Sundays, and also the daily (or weekly) bread in worship. Many times I don't even realize how much I need to be worshipping God with people at Mountain View until the moment it's happening.

-Nick Cistola, Worship Director

Worship is more than just Sunday mornings - we believe that our lives should be a response to who God is and what God has done, every day of the week. Here are just a couple ways that our building is being used to worship the Lord throughout the week:

- Middle School & High School Crew
- Fathers in the Field
- Women's Bible Study
- College Nights & Ethne Dinners
- Men's Breakfast
- Equipping Classes
- Embrace Grace
- MVCC MOMs

## MVCC Student Ministries

**MVCC College**  
Thursdays at 8pm  
85 students attend  
on average

**Ethne**  
Fridays at 6pm  
23 students attend  
on average

**HS Crew**  
Wednesdays at 7pm  
45 students attend  
on average

**MS Crew**  
Sundays at 4pm  
55 students attend  
on average

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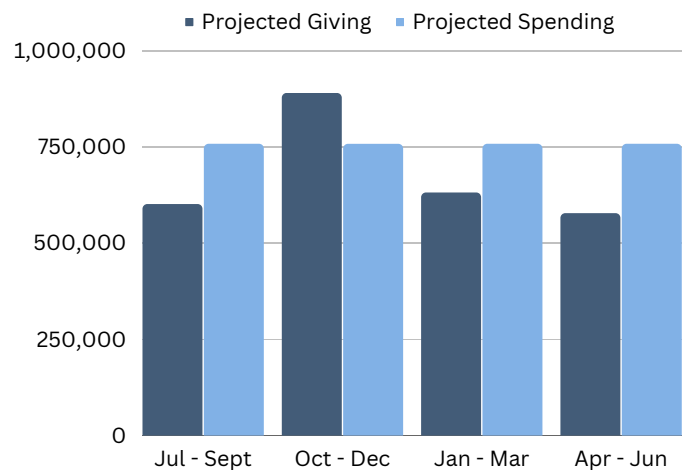
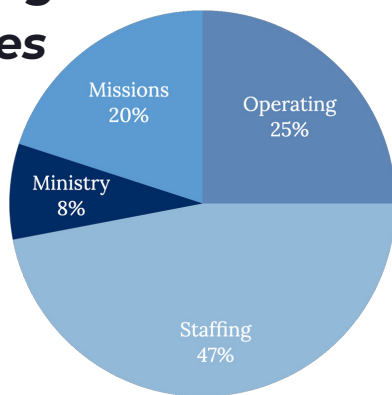
# 2023-2024 BUDGET

## Overall Budget

One of the biggest challenges to our new budget is working around our new fixed costs. Front and center of that challenge is our mortgage payment. Last fiscal year we were only paying interest until our construction loan closed part-way through the year, at which point we began our monthly payments. Now, we will experience a full year of mortgage payments, which alone have increased our fixed costs by about \$100,000. So where do we look to offset those costs? How much do we project our giving to be? In the end, the biggest change from year to year as a percentage of our budget was Staffing, which decreased by about 5%. Even with that decrease, we are maintaining a healthy full-time-equivalent to attendee ratio.

Thanks to our decreased spending last year compared to our general giving, we didn't end up using as much as we had originally projected from our savings. In an attempt to move towards a more reasonable amount of savings, we set our budget higher than where we project incoming giving. So while our budget is a little over \$3 million, our projected giving is \$2.7 million, which would be a 12.8% increase over last year's general giving. Throughout the year, we'll be monitoring our giving and spending closely in case there is any need to adjust our initial projections. Join us as we continue to seek the Lord in dependence on His wisdom and provision.

### 23-24 Budget Categories



## Noteworthy Numbers

2

Residents serving  
at MVCC  
(3 previous Residents  
sent to Denver and 2  
recently came on staff)

20

men and women  
estimated to go  
through the MVCC  
PLI and WIM  
Programs

15

events provided for  
our body to be  
equipped in the  
Word of God

21

people on staff to  
further the  
Kingdom through  
MVCC



## Micah & Julie in Serbia

While goodbyes are always hard, we are so proud of Micah and Julie Wendt for their obedience to the Lord! They have officially left the states to become full time missionaries in Serbia this year. They are the first missionaries sent with Mountain View as the sole sending agency, so we're excited to see what the Lord does through them this year! Micah will join Slobodan, a current Serbian pastor, to open a new church plant, while Julie will support the local church through discipleship, hospitality, marketing, and business development. Their hope is to see the local church grow and stabilize through men and women of all ages encountering and following Jesus. Would you join us in praying for the Wendt's as they trust the Lord with the next steps?

- Pray for them to develop and send teams to go and start new churches throughout Serbia and the Balkans.
- Pray that they would serve pastors and youth leaders in the Balkans through encouragement, equipping, and empowerment.



## FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Mountain View Financial Advisory Committee, or "FAC", is a group of four individuals you probably know or have seen around on Sunday morning. They meet quarterly in order to serve the pastor board in an advisory capacity on topics such as the budget, staff compensation, and money management, among other things. Not only do they add wisdom from their business experience and years of faithfully discipling under Jesus, but they also provide a level of protection to our pastors by having an outside voice on some difficult and delicate matters. We are so grateful for each one of these members and their years of faithful service to MVCC. Feel free to reach out if you have questions on the role of the FAC.

## FAC MEMBERS

Tate Hickox

Hal Massey

Tim Hebert

Tim Anderson



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# THANK YOU!

We are blown away by the generosity of our Mountain View family. Thank you for your consistent sacrificial giving. The Lord has used your willingness to advance His Kingdom in massive ways this year and we feel so fortunate to get to witness that on a regular basis. From student ministries to overseas missions, your stewardship is making a difference in tangible ways and people are hearing the good news of the Gospel. Thank you for believing in the mission and vision of MVCC.



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