

WELCOME!

NEW HERE? WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU!

Whether you're new to Eastbrook, or just feel disconnected, we'd love to meet you! During this strange season in our world, we as a staff are working overtime to help those who are disconnected and new find community. Start by texting "EBCnew" to 94000, or fill out the Connect Card at left. Then join us after the service in the Main Lobby at *The Connecting Point*—we would love to meet you!

DO YOU HAVE KIDS?

Our nursery and preschool for 4K and under is open during all three services. During the 8 am service, we have choirs for Grades 7-12 beginning at 8 am, and at about 8:20 am, we dismiss kids in Grades 4K-6 to choirs. We have Sunday school for kids of all ages, as well as Middle and High Schoolers during the 9:30 am service. During the 11 am service, we have Sunday School for grades 4K-6. Visit the B-100's hallway for more information when you're in our building!

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

If you came to Eastbrook today carrying a burden, don't leave without having someone pray for you. Come forward after the service to pray with a prayer minister or text "EBCpray" to 94000 to receive prayer.

THIS WEEK'S DOWNLOADS

Scan the QR code at right to find this week's downloads, including the September 2021 "Eastbrook Prays" prayer card and more. Use your smart phone camera to scan the code and open the link.



TAKE A NEXT STEP

The easiest way to make a big church feel smaller is to get involved. We have a wide range of classes, groups, events, and serving opportunities available. Find these opportunities in a few ways:

EASTBROOK.ORG

We update our website daily with current events and info. Please visit our website, eastbrook.org, for more information about all of our ministries.

EASTBROOK APP

Due to the unique time we find ourselves in, we are relying upon the Eastbrook App more than ever. Find online services, events, and other resources through the App. Available at eastbrook.org/app.

EMAILS + SOCIAL

Stay connected to what's happening at Eastbrook with our weekly email newsletter that goes out every Wednesday at 11 am. Sign up at eastbrook.org/email. You can also join the conversation and connect with Eastbrook on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram (@eastbrookchurch).



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SERVICES: Sundays @ 8, 9:30 & 11 am
EBGUEST WiFi Password: PraiseGod

**PROCLAIM
& EMBODY
THE LOVE OF
JESUS CHRIST
IN THE CITY &
IN THE WORLD**



ANNUAL MEETING 2021

Sunday, September 19, 2021

When I was in middle school and high school, every Sunday afternoon we would have a family meeting to talk through what the next week held and how to coordinate rides and schedules. As I've grown older, I find myself calling those sort of family meetings from time to time when the need arises. Maybe you have experienced this sort of thing in your life with family or friends.

Every year at Eastbrook we have a family meeting where we look back at the past year and look forward to the coming year. This offers us the chance to remember who we are, celebrate what God has done in the past while also looking forward to what God will do in the future. With so much changing in the past year, we are thankful for God's faithfulness to us in so many ways that we see and sometimes do not see. We also want to once again choose to stand together and move as one as a church community gathered in by God through Jesus Christ and held as one by the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

Let's celebrate and let's move together into a new ministry year!

Matt Erickson
Senior Pastor

2021 CHURCH COUNCIL



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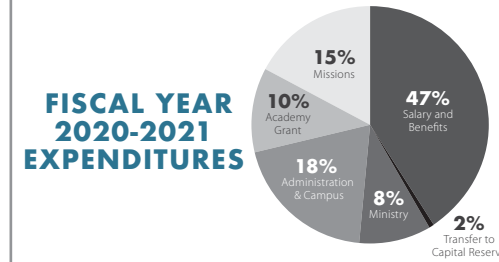
If you would like to reach out to the Church Council, email council@eastbrook.org.

FINANCIALS

FISCAL YEAR AT A GLANCE

BUDGET	\$3,407,000
RECEIPTS	\$3,430,013
EXPENSES	\$3,375,443

Surplus of \$54,570 transferred to a capital reserve fund



RECEIPTS

	FY 2020-2021 (BUDGET)	FY 2020-2021 (ACTUAL)	FY 2021-2022 (BUDGET)
General			
General Fund	2,500,000	2,513,025	2,750,000
Eastbrook Academy Grant	350,000	350,000	350,000
Missions	557,000	566,988	562,600
TOTAL RECEIPTS	3,407,000	3,430,013	3,662,600

EXPENDITURES

	FY 2020-2021 (BUDGET)	FY 2020-2021 (ACTUAL)	FY 2021-2022 (BUDGET)
General			
Salary & Benefit	1,624,150	1,616,886	1,839,474
Ministry	263,680	281,423	306,830
Administration & Campus	553,100	603,738	571,294
Eastbrook Academy Grant	350,000	350,000	350,000
Missions	557,000	523,346	562,600
Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund	59,070	54,570	32,402
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,407,000	3,430,013	3,662,600



WE SUPPORT 34 FIELD WORKERS SERVING IN 13 COUNTRIES

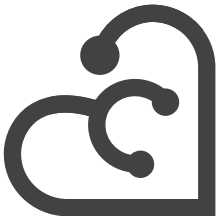


Our Food Pantry had a busy year serving our neighbors.

57 VOLUNTEERS SERVED 3554 PEOPLE IN 953 HOUSEHOLDS LIVING IN 53209

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CENTER

The southside of Milwaukee is home to the ICC, which this last year taught **85** new students from **12** nations in **3200** class sessions, taught by **37** volunteers from **15** local churches.

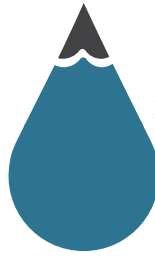


27 volunteers at the Bread of Healing Clinic at Eastbrook Church served **252** patients last year in **997** visits. We also distributed **\$343,000** in free medication!

THIS MAY BE ONE YEAR WHEN NUMBERS DON'T TELL THE STORY.

If you look at the usual metrics, like average number of kids attending Sunday School, or number of volunteers, it won't look impressive. This past year has been a shadow of pre-pandemic times. But the sheer conviction to press on cannot be quantified. I spent much of the 2020 lockdown and its aftermath trying to put a historical perspective on the pandemic: How will future generations view our response to ministry? The words of Paul to young Pastor Timothy inspired me: "But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry" (2 Timothy 4:5). As summer wore on, I became increasingly convicted that our NextGen department should be remembered for continually moving forward, discipling the next generation, using whatever means we could to reach the greatest number of kids. There would be no one-size-fits-all solution to the broad range of comfort levels and views of our families. I am so grateful for our volunteer teachers, helpers, caregivers, and Student Ministry leaders who stepped into the unknown with us. And I am so grateful to God for His faithfulness to us, for making a way through the unknown and allowing us to continue to advance His Kingdom to the next generation.

—Pastor Laurie Herlinger, Next Gen



30 BAPTISMS IN THE COLD WATERS OF LAKE MICHIGAN
2 BAPTISMS INDOORS AT EASTBROOK

Afia, Benjamin, Brittany, Daniella, Davinci, Gabbie, Gabbie, Gabe, Gabriella, Hannah, Hannah, Jaelynn, Jennifer, Jennifer, Job, Jocelyn, Joe, Landon, Lopez, Lucia, Lydia, McClain, Meghan, Mikelyn, Nicole, Stephanie, Timi, & Yonatan



Zach Ryan Joel Gavin
4 SUMMER INTERNS & 1 YEAR-LONG RESIDENT served in the areas of missions & student ministry.

383 BOXES OF LOVE DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES AT THANKSGIVING & 170 DUFFLES DISTRIBUTED TO CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE

\$54,106

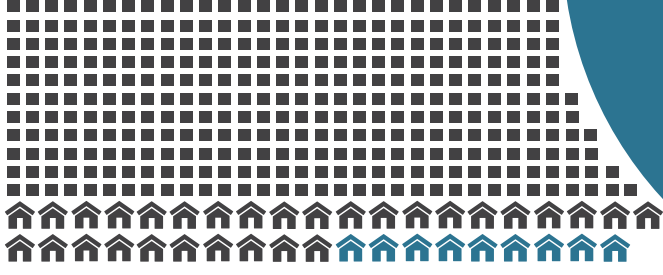
was collected in the spring of 2021 for COVID relief in India as their country was hit hard by the global pandemic.

\$34,691

was collected at the Thanksgiving Offering 2020 for our persecuted friends around the world.



SMALL GROUPS



Each dot represents one person in a Small Group at Eastbrook, each house is one group and **BLUE HOUSES** are new groups formed last year!

FAITHMARKERS

12 CHILDREN WERE DEDICATED TO THE LORD:



Alexander, Aurelia, D'ior, Isimioluwa, Keziah, Jack, James, Joanna, Jordan, Leanna, Maya, Nelson, & Tahlia

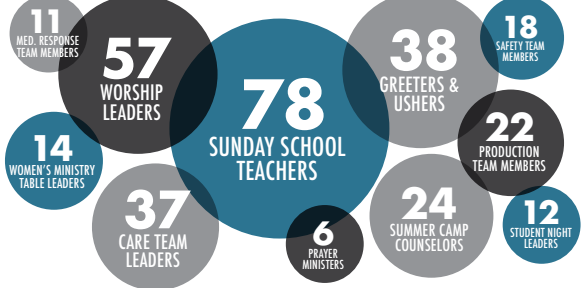
9 SECOND GRADERS COMPLETED THE FAITHMARKER ON PRAYER

7 FOURTH GRADERS COMPLETED THE FAITHMARKER ON SCRIPTURE

15 SIXTH GRADERS COMPLETED THE FAITHMARKER ON BAPTISM/COMMUNION



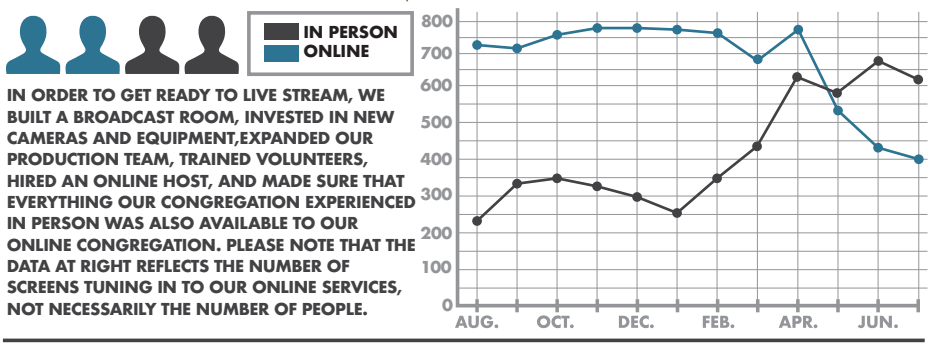
LEADERS



OUR PASTORS WERE ON-CALL 4640 HOURS THIS YEAR

WORSHIP SERVICES

We began live-streaming our worship services last year on the Eastbrook App and on our church website at eastbrook.org/athome. For the first time in Eastbrook's history, we were able to broadcast our worship and sermons into homes around the world!



WE HAVE 1187 MEMBERS AND 17 NEW MEMBERS THIS YEAR:

Kelley and Todd Duston, Blake and Helen Fietzer, Christopher Florian, Blaine and Marleen Gibson, Scott Giese, Lloyd and Deborah Hickerneil, Chris Ibitoye, Lizzy Ibitoye, Janetta Izard, Darlena Johnson, Steven Jaehnerf, Karissa Koster, & Amy VanSpeybroek

LEARNING TO SERVE

10 STUDENTS & 4 LEADERS SERVED IN 5 SITES AROUND THE MILWAUKEE AREAS AS A PART OF SERVMKE.

DISCIPLESHIP IN THE WILD

29 STUDENTS & 14 LEADERS HIKED 125 MILES IN THE WYOMING WILDERNESS AS A PART OF THE WILDERNESS TRIP.

COMMUNITIES

- 236 WOMEN AT WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES**
- 30 YOUNG ADULTS MET WEEKLY AT EASTBROOK 20S & 30S**
- 138 KIDS ATTENDED SUMMER CAMPS**
- 40 MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLERS AT WEEKLY STUDENT NIGHT**
- 12 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS**
- 9 LEARNED MORE ABOUT JESUS AT ALPHA**
- 17 ADULTS ATTENDED SUNDAY ADULT CLASSES**
- BETWEEN 34-108 KIDS ATTENDED SUNDAY SCHOOL**
- 30 CHOIR MEMBERS MET WEEKLY ON ZOOM**

EASTBROOK 365

- 365 DAYS OF DEVOTIONALS**
- 84 DIFFERENT AUTHORS**
- 7 SERMON SERIES**
- 7,000 BOOKS DISTRIBUTED**
- 94,900 DEVOS EMAILED**
- 192,519 DEVOS READ IN APP**



Eastbrook 365 was a special year-long devotional project.



ENROLLMENT WAS UP **10%** A TOTAL OF **404** STUDENTS CAME FROM **48** CHURCHES AND LIVE IN **31** ZIP CODES AROUND MKE **100%** COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE & GRADUATION RATE