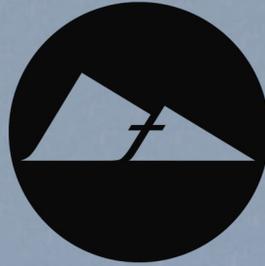


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PASTOR ERIC NELSON
SMCC LEAD PASTOR



HELLO,

As I reflect on the last year at SMCC, it's hard to put my thoughts and feelings into words. For a pastor who's not usually short on words, that's saying something. We have gone through a season as a church that I will never forget, and we have done so in a way that has produced greater strength, health, and growth. We have seen spiritual, financial, numerical, and relational growth during a season where churches typically experience the opposite. We have faced a pandemic, the succession of our founding and lead pastor, the installation of a new lead pastor, political tensions throughout our nation, and also financial instability in the economy; yet, through all of this, you have stayed committed to Jesus Christ, this body of believers, and the mission of SMCC.

As your lead pastor, I couldn't be more grateful to be a part of this church. So, if you would like, take a moment right now to pause and thank God for His faithfulness to our church.

"God, we thank you for your goodness to us in the Gospel and your goodness to us as a Gospel-centered church in Utah. You have allowed me to be a part of a body that is bearing fruit for Your name in a challenging season for churches. I want to express my delight in You because of who You are. Amen."

In this annual report you will see numbers, statements, stories, and data that reflect this growth. I hope that you connect the incredible impact that we have had over the last year to your contribution. You are a part of every number in this report, and I hope that brings you great delight as you read.

As we begin this next chapter in the life of SMCC, I hope you are excited about what's to come. Paul Robie, the founding pastor of SMCC, would quote this passage often:

"I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."
Matthew 16:18

Jesus has fulfilled and continues to fulfill this promise through the work of SMCC. We have more work to do in partnering with Him in this promise. Your continued investment is crucial as we go wider through our multi-site strategy by launching new campuses and deeper through our discipleship strategy by launching new next-step initiatives. We haven't launched a new campus at SMCC since 2015, and we are closer than ever to being able to start our 6th campus. Your continued commitment to join with Jesus in His work will allow us to do this soon. Based on what you as a church have accomplished this year, I do not doubt that we will continue to grow in the future for God's glory. Let's continue to take our next steps together individually and collectively, seeing more delight in our own lives, our church community, and the state of Utah because of what Jesus is doing in us, among us, and through us.

With delight,

Pastor Eric Nelson



Thank you for your patience, encouragement, and love this past year.

Thank you for your patience, encouragement, and love this past year. Our fiscal year spans July 1st through June 30th, and what a year it was. As a Board, our focus centered on Lead Pastor succession. Our goal—lead the congregation through a process that would honor Pastor Paul’s desire to retire, and secure a new Lead Pastor for SMCC that would lead us into our next chapter. And, we wanted to accomplish this goal while continuing our mission to help as many people as possible take their next step toward becoming fully devoted and fully delighted followers of Jesus Christ. So, how did we do?

We’re happy to report that Pastor Paul and Jini have a few retirement adventures under their belts and are continuing to travel and enjoy their time together. Pastor Eric has firmly taken the leadership reins at SMCC, and along with his cadre’ of executive staff and campus staff, he is leading out to further our mission. And, as Pastor Eric notes in his letter nearby, SMCC experienced solid growth in all our key metrics of evangelism and discipleship during the Lead Pastor succession process. So, to summarize this past year—goals achieved. To all of you that journeyed with us, again—a big thank you.

But as the Apostle Paul reminds a young Pastor, Timothy, in 1 Timothy 6, we are called to continue the journey and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. As an Elder Board, we look forward to this next chapter under Pastor Eric’s leadership. We have set ambitious goals for evangelism and discipleship for the upcoming fiscal year. Our objective is to remain mission-focused—to help as many people as possible take their next step toward becoming fully devoted and fully delighted followers of Jesus Christ. And as always, we invite you to join us in taking your next step in following Jesus Christ. In Him we find our ultimate hope and eternal glory. He must be first and last in our lives, our Alpha and Omega. Please join us this year as we journey together.

Your Elder Board,
Rick Merrell, Chairman
Bob Mouritsen, Vice Chairman
Blake Mitchell
Andy Naud
Eric Nelson, Lead Pastor

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KYLE HENDERSON

CAMPUS PASTOR | SOUTH JORDAN

At the South Jordan campus, we saw an increase in people taking their next steps. We had almost 350 first time guests, 200 people serving, 250 people in groups, and 13 people making decision in baptism. I am excited to see our team build upon this year, and help as many people take their next steps following Jesus!



MIKE BELL

CAMPUS PASTOR | DRAPER

This last season at the Draper campus has been a time of continuous growth and rebuilding towards pre-pandemic levels of attendance and engagement. We saw a bump in financial generosity & consistent next steps taken from new people joining classes, teams and groups. Our staff enjoyed much camaraderie as we tackled challenges & celebrated wins together. We look forward to tackling our goals for this year!



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CAMPUS PASTOR | LEHI

This past year was incredible in Lehi! We saw growth in every way, from baptisms to volunteers to giving to staff and more. I couldn't be more proud of what God has done this past year and more excited for where we are headed!

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TOM MERTZ

CAMPUS PASTOR | ST GEORGE

Last year was an exciting roller coaster ride for St George campus. Lots of ups and downs and thrills along the way. In some respects we experienced setbacks and heartbreak, but in other respects we are working hard to create a much healthier culture with a fresh outlook and some new staff. This next year is going to be exciting.



ALBERTO LOPEZ

CAMPUS PASTOR | INTERNATIONAL

Gracias year 2021-2022 was a great year where having a student ministry leader was a fantastic support, a year of growth in all areas, new leaders, more baptisms, more cheerful givers, new believers and goals achieved, thank you SMCC for your generosity and for supporting the foreigner with Unconditional Love. We continue working to reach new goals and improve every day as individuals and leaders in our community.



RODNEY SMITH

EXECUTIVE PASTOR OF OPERATIONS

As your pastor of operations, it's my privilege to ensure that all operations behind the scenes support the work of front-line ministry. Thank you for trusting me with this important responsibility.

A photograph of a woman from behind, wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt, with her arms raised in a crowd at a concert. The background is filled with bright stage lights and other people. A teal banner is overlaid on the top right of the image.

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CHANGE STORY

I'm a grateful believer in Jesus who has 37 years victory over alcohol, 10 years victory over love and relationship addiction, and last year achieved victory over perfectionism, shame and envy. Only Jesus could help me achieve this freedom!

I have been attending SMCC for 4.5 years. In addition to loving the SMCC pastors, staff and friends, Celebrate Recovery has been THE place of incredible victory for me, because Jesus is there!

Our pastors support our CR ministry, and I have been blessed to be the Ministry Leader and to attend and lead women's step studies every year since 2018.

By working the steps, I have been able to accept Jesus's full payment on the Cross for my shame which I struggled with for many years because of my multiple marriages and divorces.

In CR I have discovered the source of my false beliefs I grew up with and realized that I am not perfect, but Jesus is.

I'm so grateful I get to witness so many people walking through the door and finding victory from their hurts, hangups and habits, too.

Thank you so much SMCC for allowing us this safe place for beautiful growth and change.

Debbi Green

METRICS

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1ST TIME GUESTS

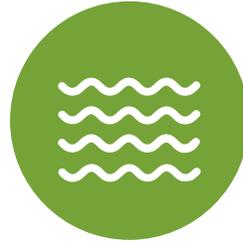
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1ST TIME GIVERS

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PEOPLE IN GROUPS

1552



PEOPLE SERVING

1118

In the last fiscal year, we had the pleasure of partnering financially with numerous ministry partners.

Our desire for these partners is not only to participate with them through financial support, but also through leading our congregation to partner with them through their hands (service).

We're very excited to continue to expand our influence and partnership with more ministry partners in the years to come, and hope to inspire congregants to partner with these ministries going forward.



MINISTRY PARTNERS

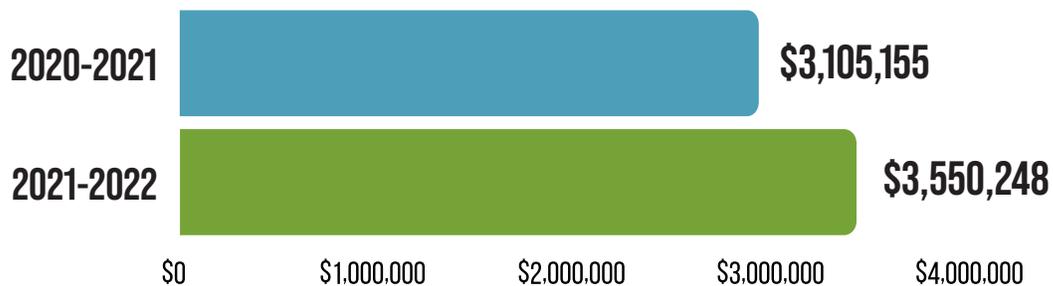


FINANCIALS & ATTENDANCE

TOTAL INCOME



TOTAL EXPENSES





BENEVOLENCE INCOME



GREATER THINGS INCOME



AVERAGE ATTENDANCE (PER SUNDAY)

