
2023 Annual Report



STOREHOUSE
Community Church



From the Pastor

Familia -

2023 was a year of much celebration and challenge where we flourished in community among one another while also experiencing many transitions and changes. Though all of this is normal in the life of a church, our focus and mission remains the same: empowered by the gospel to make disciples who know and live like Jesus.

My prayer, as you review our 2023 Annual Report, is that you find great encouragement because of the fruitfulness that has taken place, not as the result of an individual but God at work in the life of an entire church!

You have had direct influence in our discipleship culture at Storehouse McAllen through prayer, disciple making, community, generosity, and faithfulness. Therefore, we give God praise and thanks.

As we embark into 2024, my prayer is that the fruitfulness of our church would be marked not by our personal grit, but God's grace for us.

What we believe shapes how we live. This means that our lives are literal daily liturgies, living sermons about what we believe about Jesus. Let us, therefore, continue to make 2024 all about Jesus as we continue to make disciples who know and live like Him; fruitfulness marked by grace, not grit.

In Him,

Pastor Marco De Leon



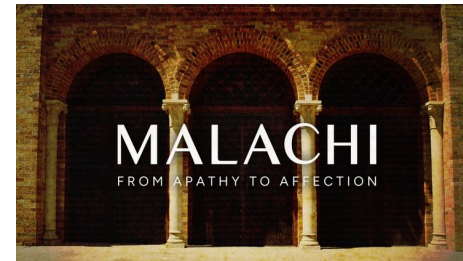
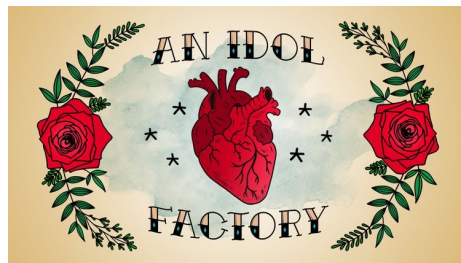
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The Sunday Gathering

The Sunday gathering is the most significant weekly gathering in the life of the Christian. It is through the proclamation of God's word that we are shaped in our understanding of who God is, who we are in Christ, and how we are to live and make disciples of Jesus.

Eight Sermon Series Preached



Church Membership 69

3 Families + 2 Individuals (member candidates for 2024)

Holy Week Attendance

Lent: Online - Holy Week: 193

Discipleship in Community

Community Groups

Community Groups continue to be the primary vehicle for discipleship and care in our church and by God's grace, we planted two new groups in McAllen in Edinburg last year. These groups have experienced celebration and challenge – all part of the fruitfulness of personal transformation in biblical community. Additionally, we installed a Community Group Coach, Miguel Herrera, who helps provide coaching and support to our new groups.



Jonathan Elliott
Tuesdays - North Edinburg

One of the biggest takeaways from this first semester of leading a group would have to be a reminder of God's providence. My group is definitely small, but dedicated, intentional, and consistent. The reason for this dedication was because they felt the invitation to a group was God putting a call to get back into community. I am constantly encouraged that God will do His will, and I feel blessed to be a part of that in my group.



Tony & Karina Garcia
Thursdays - North Mission

When we planted our group, we had different desires and expectations on what we hoped God would do. The Lord showed us that life in His body doesn't always work how we WANT it to, rather He has shown us that community life isn't always a neatly organized experience; life in community starts with a commitment toward one another. One member said, "Community life first starts by just showing up, and everything else we figure out after that." Our lives are to move in faith to what He has called us to rather than moving forward because we have it figured out.

Six Community Groups & Fifteen Discipleship Groups in McAllen and Hidalgo County

Visit storehousemcallen.com/community for more details.

Discipleship in Community



SH Kids ministry was greatly shaped by God's grace and truth in 2023! Leaders were trained and grew in theological and personal development, and five new volunteers learned how to best care for, pray over, and teach gospel-centered lessons to our growing kiddos. We saw God working in our kids as elementary children asked deeper questions about who God is, what baptism involves, and preschoolers excitedly told or showed their parents the new thing they learned in class about God. And about five families with kiddos are considering or in the process of being baptized! We are so grateful to God's work in this ministry so that the next generation would know and live like Jesus.

 **22% of the Church Consist of Children**

 **28 Volunteers Serving in Kids Ministry**

 **5 New Volunteers in 2023**



Four Babies Dedicated in 2023

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The Diaconate

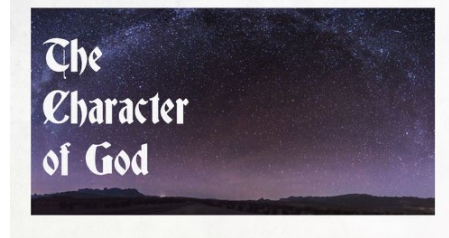
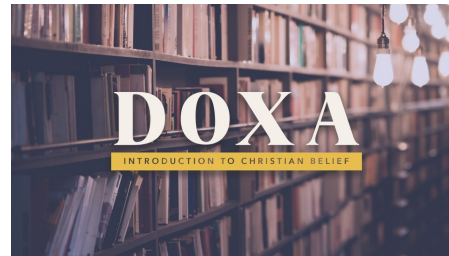
One of the most exciting additions to our church body has been the start of The Diaconate. The office of deacon is often overlooked or misunderstood in many churches. However, both biblically and historically, deacons have played a tremendous role in the shaping, care, and health of churches. This year, five individuals have been undergoing training and development as deacon-candidates with the prayer of installation in the Spring of 2024.



There were Five Diaconate Candidates in 2023

Equip

EQUIP is where we educate and develop members with theological clarity and spiritual formation. Each year, we try to add a new class or improve on a specific development program. In the last year, we hosted our annual DOXA class which is an introduction to theology class and saw 13 new students walk through this program! Additionally, we began a summer class, The Character of God, where 18 students signed up to learn more about the attributes of God. Finally, our Preaching Lab continues to equip aspiring home-grown preachers in our church. You got to see the fruit of their labor during this past Advent series!



13 Students - Doxa 101 (29 Students since 2022)
18 Students - The Character of God
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Local Missions

Our largest group of local missionaries within Storehouse McAllen are our educators – teachers, school nurses, administrative staff, and more. Our educators are frontline missionaries as they not only teach our children, but counsel them while navigating the contours of challenging times and conversations, immersed in school cultures that’s always changing. We want to honor our teachers more in the next season. However, as we look back, we were thrilled to receive the opportunity to serve Roosevelt Elementary in McAllen through their annual Trunk or Treat event in addition to Liberty Middle School in Pharr by surprising faculty with Christmas gifts as they closed the fall semester, a simple Thank you for all of the work they do. These efforts were led by members in our church who are teachers and have a desire to see their co-workers know and be encouraged by Jesus!

Church Planting

We have always believed that one of the ways that God advances His mission is through church planting efforts. Our church has been involved in church planting since day one and through our partnership with Acts 29 and your support, prayer, and generosity we were able to help fund churches, train and assess aspiring church planters and their wives, and provide care for pastors and their wives in McAllen, Harlingen, and Brownsville.

In Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, we have continued to support Familia de Fe led by Pastor Armando Ortiz as they further the gospel in their city through proclamation, raising leaders, and ministering to the least, the last, and the lost in Monterrey. We have plans to visit Monterrey in 2024 to provide leadership development to their deacons and community group leaders.



Discipleship in Mission

Missions Breakdown	2023 Overview	2024 Projection
Benevolence	\$891.00	\$1,000.00
Church Planting	\$6,156.00	\$8,900.00
Local Missions	\$796.00	\$1,000.00
Total	\$7,843.00	\$10,900.00

Budget Overview & Projections

Ministry

Worship, churchwide teaching, missions, church planting, spiritual formation, groups, connections, & resourcing.

Services

Operations, facilities, technology, production, communications, finance, human resources, & capital equipment.

Personnel

Salaries & benefits and professional development for all full-time and part-time staff.

Budget	2023 Overview	2024 Projection
Ministry	\$29,974.00	\$35,500.00
Services	\$53,594.00	\$60,835.00
Personnel	\$103,795.00	\$114,958.00
Total	\$187,363.00	\$211,293.00