

# *celebrating* **BOLD** **generosity**



## 2020



Dear Church,

This last year was one that created so much uncertainty that we were worried that we may not be able to get as many resources to our partners here in DC and across the world.

But thanks to the ways you trusted God in your giving, we were actually able to **DOUBLE** what we raised for outreach causes in 2020 as compared to 2019!

Through your generosity **we raised \$571,651 for outreach causes in 2020!** This is more than double the \$282,479 that we raised in 2019.

That's **Bold Generosity!**

In the following pages you will read about how God is using the Advent Offering, Benevolence, DC127 giving, Just Homes giving, and our general church giving to impact our city and world for Christ!

Together in the gospel,



Pastor Aaron Graham



we **doubled** our  
outreach giving in the  
midst of a pandemic!!





ADVENT  
OFFERING  
**\$144,753**

*Pray for the gospel to be advanced  
and for the poor to be lifted up.*

- Provided support for a new church plant in Ottawa, Canada so that people like Matthieu can hear the good news of Christ and be discipled in a growing Christian community.
- Provided support for a refugee family in crisis in Athens through the ministry of Creative Hands led by Cecilia. Provided weekly Bible study for family, helped family secure housing, and are now helping them secure employment in the new crafts store opening as a result of offering.
- Check out our 2020 Advent Offering Booklet for a full list of partners and projects we are supporting.

*Pictures*

*Pastor Josias and family, 2020, La Chapelle, Gatineau, Ottawa and Service, 2020, La Chapelle, Gatineau, Ottawa*

*Woman looming, 2020, Creative Hands, Athens, Greece and Families at workshop, 2020, Creative Hands, Athens, Greece*



## BENEVOLENCE

# \$156,497

- Fulfilled \$53,598 worth of requests from within the TDC community to help cover rent, utility bills, and other immediate needs.
- Provided \$12,000 to families hardest hit by the pandemic at Columbia Heights Educational Campus to help them pay their utility bills.
- Provided nearly 200 care packages for returning citizens released from prison.
- Donated funds for 250 grocery bags for neighbors in the Brookland neighborhood through partnership with 2 neighborhood churches.
- Made gifts to Jubilee Jobs, Revolution Church, Casa Chirilagua, Monument Academy, and Young Lives as they care for people affected by racial injustice and the Covid pandemic.

*Pray for  
those we are  
supporting who  
are unemployed  
due to the  
pandemic that  
they would be  
able to find jobs.*

Picture  
50 meals given per day to  
students and families during the  
pandemic\_2020\_CHEC and car  
packed up of meals\_2020\_CHEC



# GENERAL BUDGET GIVING



## *Pictures*

*Pastor David Pothier during a small gathering in the office of la Chapelle*

*Pastor Verneda and Adei and their three children: Jolie, Mijose, and James. Verneda, Thrist Church, D.C.*

## \$135,400

## The District Church...

- Provided \$30,400 to support local and national partners with church planting and leadership development.
- Provided a \$100,000 gift to Just Homes to help position this signature ministry to be bold in building affordable housing in DC.



**JUST HOMES**  
**\$65,080**

*Please join us  
in praying for  
an opportunity  
for us to  
build actual  
affordable  
housing.*

- Your generosity has allowed us to continue growing our ministry mobilizing and equipping the DC faith community to pursue the vision of a just city where everyone has a home.
- Hosted over 50 top leaders from across the DMV to explore the role of the faith community in responding to the affordable housing crisis.
- Published a book for faith leaders, designed to bring more of us to the table to explore solutions to the housing crisis.
- As a result of this gathering and these resources, at least 3 churches in the DC area are actively exploring affordable housing development, with the support of Just Homes!
- Trained over 120 people on the housing crisis in DC through different educational offerings and opportunities. Coming out of these workshops, participants were inspired to contact their council members, join community organizations, host fundraisers, and engage in other direct action to pursue housing justice in DC.



**DC127**  
**\$69,921**

GIVEN BY DISTRICT  
CHURCH MEMBERS



DC127 experienced record-breaking success over the last 10 months:

- 200% increase in total families served
  - 15% of our families are Spanish speaking only *\*a DC127 first*
  - 20% of our families are teen mothers in foster care *\*a DC127 first*
  - 15% increase in total volunteers trained and engaged
- TDC Church Advocate Kelly McCarthy has recruited 28% of the volunteers who have served and are currently serving families in the Communities for Families program.

*Pray for new  
churches to join  
our network so  
we can care for  
more children  
and families in  
crisis*

*"Being with DC127 has been tremendously helpful to me and my family. With their help I was able to start counseling right away and it has had a very positive impact. When I started the counseling sessions with my therapist, I had bad anxiety and couldn't focus because of life circumstances. I was very grateful and appreciative for all the information my counselor gave to me and the lessons I learned. These are lessons that I now use as part of my everyday life." - Rosetta*

*Picture*

*Kristina and her daughter.*



thankyou

