

A LETTER FROM BETH

When I think about the last year at Prairie Heights...I am humbled. Humbled by God's provision, by the opportunity to grow with people, and by your generosity to STAND for our community.

Thank you for another year together of changed lives at Prairie Heights. I heard so many stories of people who grew in their walk with Jesus. People who have made Prairie Heights their home and are part of a church family for the first time in years! Families who have made hard decisions in their finances and are finding more peace.

Marriages that stayed together when

it would have been easier to quit. Middle and high schoolers leading through serving our community regularly. Friendships formed through grow groups by prayer and studying the Bible together. It's ALL about the people. THANK YOU for your investment in people and changed lives!

Prairie Heights exists to connect those apart from God with Christ and a church family and it's happening, friends! Way to go!

Let's always remember the depth of God's love for us and how FAITHFUL He is.

Lamentations 3:22-23 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

I love you and God loves you more,

Beth Nelson Lead Pastor



AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

983 IN PERSON **257** ONLINE

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> 352 YES! TO CHRIST

1187 KIDS IN

KIDVENTURE

22

OXYGEN STUDENTS

80 **BAPTISMS**

524

NUMBER OF GIVING HOUSEHOLDS

PRAIRIE HEIGHTS MISSION

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PURSUE JESUS

My life has changed so much since I have known Jesus. Anyone who knew me before I said YES! will tell you that I was angry, I was lost, and I was broken. It was a long process, but Jesus has helped me become a gracious, loving, and strong person.

- ALLY T.





On worship night I was able to connect to God in a way that I haven't had in years! It was amazing to feel that energy and His presence in that way again. I was able to just be in His presence and pray in a way I haven't been in years and my prayers were answered. My severe anxiety has decreased and I feel a peace about the future that I haven't felt for a very long time.

- ASHLEY S.

CHOOSE COMMUNITY

With the influence and encouragement of our friends, Brenden and Kellie, we broke our LONG streak of not going to church. Since we made an active decision to start living a more Jesus-centric life, we have had so much more positivity in our lives. We've made friends, started attending our first grow group, and even invited others to come as well! It's fulfilled us in ways we didn't realize were lacking before!

- WILLIAM Z.



281
GROUP GROW PARTICIPANTS



SERVE PEOPLE

After all of the steps I have taken with God in the past year, I asked myself, "What more can I do? How can I return the favor or spread my joy/love?" I started volunteering with Kidventure, sharing my love and passion for Christ with our little people and allowing other parents the opportunity to enjoy the message and music.

- ALYSIA A.





Through serving we've gained so many good connections and friendships. We are still looking for more ways to be involved because we love being part of what's happening in and through Prairie Heights.

- CODY AND CHRISTINE H.



STUDENTS
SERVED IN FOUR
'LIVE IT OUT'
SERVE PROJECTS



GIVE GENEROUSLY

I sat at Prairie Heights on April 30, 2023, and watched one of the amazing ladies I had met at my first grow group get baptized. It was during that moment I heard God speak and say, "You need to do this." After service I went out to my car and signed up. The following Sunday, I felt him again and he hold me to make my STAND commitment. I am currently working to get out of credit card debt, but I said, "Yes, God. I trust you and I will make that commitment to you first. I know the rest will fall into place."

- CRYSTAL O.





Our family came to the point where we realized that giving and sharing what little we have with those who don't have anything is the real meaning of life.

We should keep doing things to help others whenever we can.

- ASANTE & CLAUDIA U.



FISCAL YEAR 2023 FINANCIALS



Income Summary

Fiscal Year 2023

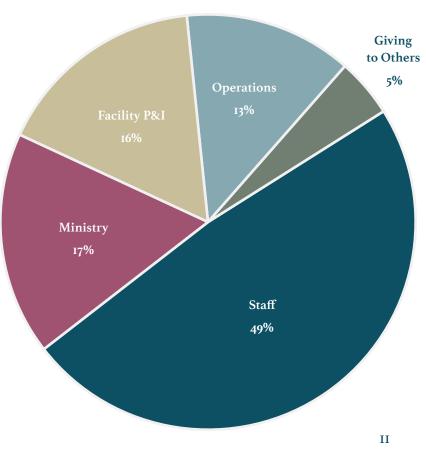
Giving & Income \$2,921,6663

Expenses \$2,804,537

Difference

\$ 117,126

Expenses Summary



STAND2022-2024 VISION:

to stand in the gap for the people of our community



STAND INITIATIVES

completed as of August 2023

STAND for **CHANGED** LIVES

for over 100,000 people living apart from God

- **▼** PH Wedding Weekend
- ✓ Hired an Audio/Visual/Lighting Expert
- Invested in staff development and training
- 🗹 Increased social media presence and engagement

STAND for **FUTURE GENERATIONS**

for all kids, teens, students and young adults whose time is now

- | Hired additional staff support for Oxygen
- $| \sqrt{ } |$ Access to a professional counselor at Oxygen
- Provided parent support and resources
- | Internship program launched

STAND for **TRANSFORMED COMMUNITY**

proactively closing gaps in mental, financial, and emotional health

- Financial curriculum to 500+ high school students
- Serve Week in June 2023

"Prairie Heights has showed me that church is more than just reading Bible verses and singing hymns. From the first time I walked through the doors, I felt a sense of belonging. I felt like I had finally found home. I have felt so much love and acceptance here. I now know that Jesus led me here. He gave me something that I didn't know I was missing until I found it."

- JOSLYNN J.

