



Dear Church family,

Thank you, so much, for giving from your own financial resources to God this year. Generosity always changes lives, but it's even more vital in hard years. The impact of your giving in 2021 has been tremendous. Together, our church family has done amazing things. Here are just a few:

- This year we welcomed **38** new members to our church family! Almost half of those (16), joined by profession of faith. That means that every month, someone came to faith in Jesus because of our church family! Wow.
- This year, we tripled our giving to Outreach, allocating 3% of all offerings to service and mission. Next year, we want to reach 5%!
- Our Day School has 86 students enrolled and has added a Kindergarten class. We have kept children safe and healthy throughout the pandemic while giving them a loving environment for learning.
- Our children's ministry reached 317 kids through online and in-person worship, learning, and service! This year, we've baptized 5 children and welcomed them into God's family.
- We provided food to 10,000 families in our community in just the past year! Our church family received grants that enabled us to do more than we've ever done before- reaching families here in McAllen in the surrounding *colonias* (areas where housing is often in a floodplain and can lack basic services like water, electricity, and waste management).
- Our partnership with Mercy Chefs (who used our kitchen throughout the pandemic) has provided 120,000 meals to migrants at the Respite Center.
- We provided school supplies to more than 40 classrooms at two local elementary schools.
- Bible studies are now offered in English and Spanish, online and in-person. This year, we began to offer communion at our monthly food pantry. We've also begun a monthly prayer service and a Spanish language service.

In challenging years, people need God's hope and encouragement. Your generosity has helped us minister to our community in such a time. We thank God for your generous hearts!

Your Church Leadership

