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Annual Highlights





Thank You

With growing uncertainty in our world, it is encouraging to know that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday today and forever. He remains compassionate and deeply mindful of each one of us.

Isaiah 49:16 "I've written your names on the backs of my hands. The walls you're rebuilding are never out of my sight." This scripture has become an anthem for us as we declare God's presence and provision over His House. During 2016 we celebrated countless stories of life change as we witnessed many take a next step in their journey of faith, make a decision to follow Jesus, become part of a small group and start their journey towards peace, hope and the full knowledge of God's overwhelming love for them.

There are great opportunities ahead for our church and to those who partnered with us in 2016, thank you for making it a great one! We are grateful to be serving this flourishing vision alongside our board, campus pastors, senior management team, staff and leaders.

We are excited for all that lies ahead. The Father's House reflects His Name, Character and Love. It will always be a House that makes Jesus famous with an atmosphere that is warm, embracing and accepting.

As a church, we will continue to provide opportunities and create experiences where people can find a place to belong, establish relationships and know the One who loves them!

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Pierre & Marlice". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "P" and "M".

**PIERRE & MARLIZE DU PLESSIS
SENIOR PASTORS**

Prayer & Care

Every weekend in all our services, we take time to pray for people who are believing for breakthroughs and turnaround in their lives. There have been countless stories of healing, provision and breathtaking stories of lives transformed from darkness into light, addictions broken, marriages restored.

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Prayer Request

Praise Report

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3,460

Prayer & Praise cards were
prayed over in 2016

6,500

individual care **responses** were
provided through our pastoral
care team and small groups
for bereavement, benevolence,
meals, prayer, hospital visits
and marriage during 2016.

THURSDAY PRAYER

Starting in the Fall of 2016 we began holding corporate prayer on Thursday nights at both campuses. Over 100 people gather every week to pray for the church, the city, the nation and our world.

PRAYER CHAPEL

At the end of 2016 we raised money for converting the old 692 building into a beautiful and sacred prayer chapel. The work began in December and the first phase was completed in January of 2017. This space is now used for weekly corporate prayer, Bible Study classes and other gatherings.

BIBLE READING PLAN

In August, we began a daily Bible Reading Plan that aligns with the themes and sermons each month. Over 1,000 people have subscribed and are engaged with the daily emails.

Worship & Gatherings

In 2016, over **10,000** people gathered across all of our services and events to participate in worship, hear a message to encourage them to take a next step on their spiritual journey.

FIRST WEDNESDAY

Our favorite Wednesday of the month. We set apart the night for extended worship and teaching - a night that found its way back in our monthly rhythm during 2016. We often refer to these nights as "when the family gathers." The family has gathered at about **650** people each month.

MONDAY NIGHTS

Starting in January of 2017 we began offering Bible Study classes, prayer classes, and Financial Peace University. As of today, we have had over **350** people engage in these classes.



IN 2016...

2,132

Guest Central Next
Step Conversations

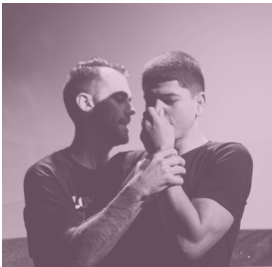
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Water Baptisms
in **Greece**

248

Water Baptisms
in **Chili**

*Excluding Spontaneous Baptisms



Edwin's Story

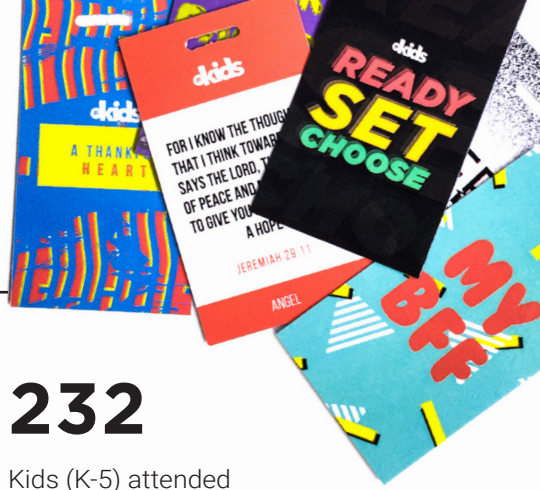
EDWIN SERRANO began attending NEXT and engaged in our annual 504 journey. God began moving in his heart through the messages on the weekends and conversations with one of our Youth Pastors. He decided to declare his commitment to follow Jesus by getting baptized. Edwin now serves on our Alive High ministry team and is leading a small group of high school students, where he helps them learn about God's plan for their lives and how they too can choose to follow Jesus. Edwin describes the last year this way, "TFH has been absolutely amazing. I am inspired to live a better life."

Kids

“A good city to grow up in...”

The Father’s House creates relevant and engaging curriculum for our children to inspire faith and engage them in the story of Jesus Christ. Each curriculum includes multimedia, worship time, creativity, small group discussions, crafts and activities. Kids (between K-5 Grade) are experiencing the same praise/prayer moments during their gatherings and in 2016 a large part of the TFH Kids vision was to increase scripture memorization across all ages.





518 average

Nursery - 5th grade **kids** reached every weekend

232

Kids (K-5) attended **Summer Camp** in 2016

KIDS BLAST

TFH Kids hosted three different Kids Blast events throughout 2016: Easter, Summer and Christmas. These events were designed to be engaging and dynamic so that our kids are able to invite their friends from the broader community to a fun and exciting experience. This year we introduced 11 new puppets that helped our kids learn the stories of Jesus and his love for us.

STAR CARDS

There were **2,576** cards given out in TFH Kids ministry last year containing memory verses learned by our kids.

KIDS WING UPDATES

We were able to renovate and upgrade the Kids wing at the Chili Campus.



Youth

Alive Youth creates a safe and vibrant program for middle and high schoolers to grow in their faith, build resilience, develop healthy relationships, develop self-esteem and be equipped while having fun.

WEEKLY IMPACT

116

Alive Middle **students**
reached weekly

151

Alive High **students**
reached weekly

267

Total

SUMMER CAMP 2016

80

Middle School Students
attended **Summer Camp**

304

High School Students
attended **Summer Camp**

384

Total





Sisterhood

Sisterhood is at its best when we are serving, growing, leading and taking our place in the local church. We cultivate an environment where the ceilings and containments, that rob so many women of their potential are removed. As we take our next steps, we continue to host Sisterhood Nights, gatherings and create opportunities to gather women across all generations for worship, creativity, connection and influence.

OCTOBER 2016

300

Women gathered for initial **training** on sisterhood and their identity as daughters of God.

880

Women across all generations **attended** our First Sisterhood Night

71

Sisterhood **groups** were established.

MARCH 2017

990

Women gathered for our Second Sisterhood Night "So Loved"

103

Sisterhood **groups** established.

Groups

“It is impossible to live out the gospel without living in community.” - *Pierre Du Plessis*

Whether groups gather around the curriculum offered seasonally ie. Freeway, Wonderlife, Beatitudes or whether it's around a book, as a serve group or a common interest, we are simply better together. We continue to open the doors of community wide, inviting people to make room at the table as we encourage each other on our spiritual journeys.

IN 2016...

162

Total **Groups**

174

Total **Leaders**

1,648

Total number of
**people engaged in
groups** Dec 2016

71

New **Leaders**

979

People signed up
to **join** a group



PATRICIA DOUGLAS

Pat's daughter was murdered and for years she carried tremendous pain and bitterness. Early in 2016, she joined a TFH Group and engaged the Freeway curriculum with several other women. Through community and the grace of God, she found healing, and began to re-engage the vibrant and abundant life God has designed for her. She recently took her next step and is leading a small group, helping other women find purpose and meaning in their relationship with Jesus.

Serve



“The generosity of our volunteers coupled with their passion, commitment and skill is what makes The Father’s House flourish.” - *Marlize Du Plessis*

We couldn’t effectively care for those who call The Father’s House home without each one of them. Thursday Team Nights is the most beautiful sight to behold as we gather for “family” dinner, prayer, training and weekend preparation with our leaders and volunteers.

IN 2016...

880

People
volunteering

413

Took a **next**
step to serve

1,143

Total number of
volunteers serving



DEE ARMSTRONG

For years, Dee felt like she didn’t have a place to belong. Through serving and joining a small group that was going through the Freeway book, she found that TFH was a place she could belong and call home. Dee has found purpose and meaning in life as she has drawn closer to Jesus at TFH. She currently uses her gifts and talents to serve in several areas in the church and has truly become a blessing and a pillar in the house.

Leadership

“We value leadership development and despise untapped potential. – ” - *Pierre & Marlice Du Plessis*

This statement hangs on the wall at our central office reminding us daily that we have a responsibility to see people healthy in spirit, soul and body, who are equipped for life and their call to serve God and influence the World.





LEADER ACADEMY

421

People participated in Leadership Academy in 2016

76%

Are **now involved** in Groups and Serve

LEADER RETREAT

224 leaders invested two days in developing their leadership at our first Leader Retreat. We met in the ballroom at the Port of Rochester for community, discussions on leadership and incredible teaching from special guest Mike Foster and our pastoral staff.

LEADER LAB

Beginning in the winter of 2017 over **200** of our small group and serve team leaders have been gathering each month for leadership training, development, community and conversations as we seek to strengthen our leadership abilities across the House.

RESCUE ACADEMY

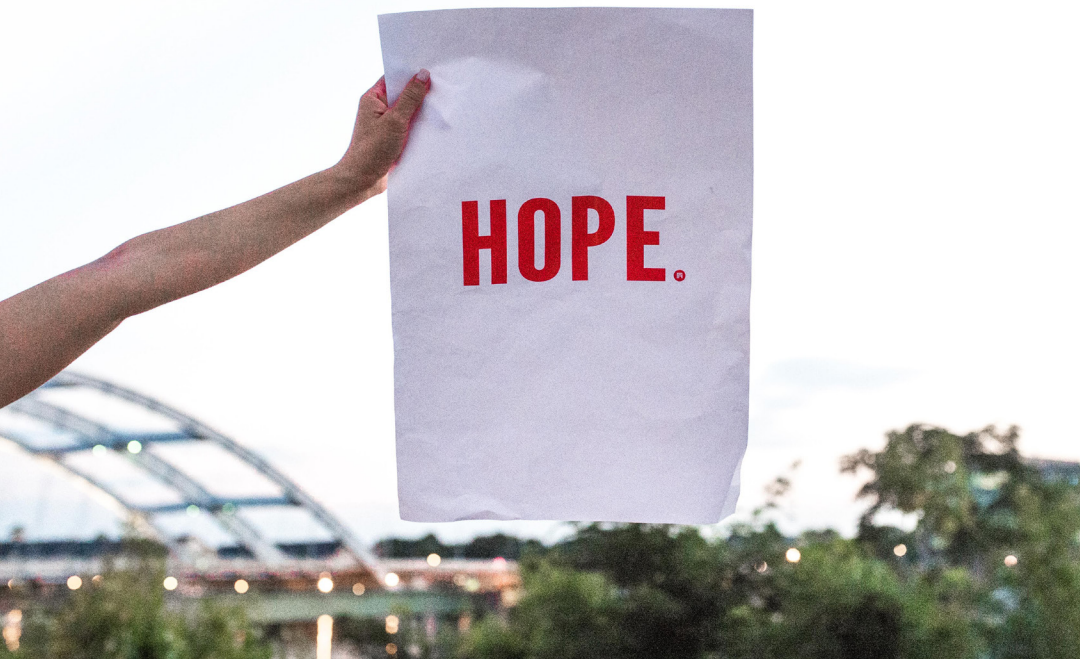
50 of our leaders completed the Rescue Academy material through the People of the Second Chance organization. Rescue Lab is a framework for helping those we lead overcome the difficulties in life by choosing to relentlessly accept those we lead while being a cheerleader for their own personal responsibility.

MESSAGE-MAKERS INTERNSHIP

13 Message Makers joined us for the summer of 2016 and served across the entire House as well as at the TFH Life Center in downtown Rochester.

Influence the World

The Father's House is committed to share the love and hope only Christ can bring to impossible situations. These endeavors are as diverse as the people they reach. They include feeding and supporting people in Rochester through our TFH Life Center, creating a FA-LA-LA experience as we reach out to the families of Rochester, making a difference in our city through Day of Hope, providing thousands of meals annually for malnourished children through FMSC, partnering with churches and missions to impact certain annual initiatives and resourcing and helping churches through our TFH Network.



Missions



TFH LIFE CENTER - 2016

7,852

Food Bags given out

6,000+

Food Bags donated by
the congregation

151

Average number of **bags**
given out **each week**

228

Christmas gift
bags given

26

Leaders at the
Life Center

39

Average number of
volunteers each week

"I started going to the fathers house about 2 years ago. My faith was in shambles I had no trust in God. I had been going to the TFH Life Center for about a year when I decided to follow God with my life and get baptized. Through this my faith started to grow and I felt more and more at peace with God. I began to serve on the tech team at Greece Campus and at the Life Center. If it were not for finding Jesus at The Father's House, I would have no hope. Thanks to all of you for everything."

- BART GIRANGAYA

Missions

DAY OF HOPE - AUGUST 2016

In August 2016, we spread hope in the City of Rochester. We served community centers, cleaned inner city parks, schools, libraries, community gardens, homes servicing people with special needs, helped with various housing projects and community outreach organizations.

750

People
volunteered

60

Leaders
coordinated the
event and teams

2,500+

Hours of labor given to
provide hope to our city

45

Teams of
volunteers were
mobilized

32

Sites all around
Rochester were
reached





FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN - NOVEMBER 2016

Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a Christian non-profit that provides nutritionally complete meals specifically formulated for malnourished children. The Father's House supports FMSC with an annual church-wide food-packing event.

1,200

Volunteers participated
in our packing event

\$64K

Raised by TFH for FMSC

281,448 meals

packed during the 2016 FMSC food-packing event

Initiatives

FA-LA-LA CHRISTMAS FAMILY VILLAGE - WINTER 2016

A celebration of the christmas story. Puppets and a live cast of singers and storytellers inviting guests to a warm hearted carols followed by a 45,000 sq. ft. outdoor village. Local food trucks, a petting zoo and a giant giving tree. An incredible opprotunity to share God's love beyond our walls.

500

Volunteers helped bring the village to life

4,208

People experienced FA-LA-LA in 2016

3,024

Cups of hot cocoa served

2,500

Hours spent on construction

58,200+

Christmas **lights** hung

\$20,000

Raised from ticket proceeds towards purchasing a truck for a **Mobile Food Pantry**



TFH NETWORK - FALL 2016

The Father's House hosted **13 Churches** and **107 participants** in a two-day network event to resource, equip, and support local churches from the following cities:

ROCHESTER, NY

RICHMOND, KY

LIMA, NY

WORCESTER, MA

SYRACUSE, NY

LOS ANGELOS, CA

MIDDLETOWN, NY

TORONTO, CANADA

CLEVELAND, NY

HAMILTON, CANADA

POCONOS, PA

SOUTH AFRICAN PASTORS

In November 2016, we started supporting a missionary couple Frikkie & Leone Boshoff of Tephillâh Church in Groblersdal (Limpopo, South Africa). We are committed to sending \$10,000 per year to build the church in South Africa through their church.

HAITI DONATION

In September 2016, we agreed to send \$8,450 to "Real Bread Outreach" (a 501(c)(3) ministry) to secure 12,000 lbs of wheat (enough to feed 1,500 children for close to a year!) as part of a 20ft container gift of wheat that was shipped to Haiti in November, the same day we finished packing 281,448 meals with FMSC!

PERU OFFERING

\$12,500 given to LifeMissions.com (Camino de Vida) help with the disaster relief efforts in Peru through Camino de Vida founded by Pastor's Robert & Karyn Barriger.

Our Board

Our Board serves to ensure we are effectively governed, are stewarding our finances well and that we are in a strong position to fulfil our vision and implement strategy. The Board comprises of both church leaders and business people.



ERIC ROGERS, TREASURER

APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR NOVEMBER 20, 2013
SELF-EMPLOYED

Eric Rogers is a graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology and President of 'Rogers Enterprises' (a construction safety & quality engineering firm). Rogers Enterprises has been in business for over seventeen years and does work throughout NorthEast America. Married to Deirdre for 24+ years and they have three children: Ericah, Calvary & Lorrisa. Eric's passion is to serve his family, engage with people and to influence positive change regarding the world around us.



KEITH JENKINS

APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2014
PROFESSOR, RIT

Dr. Keith B. Jenkins is an Associate Professor of Communication in the School of Communication at the Rochester Institute of Technology. He also serves as the Program Director for the School of Communication undergraduate degree programs. Keith and his wife, Terria P. Jenkins, Esq, have been happily married for thirteen years and are the proud parents of two children – Kristal and Timmothy. Keith's scholarly publications and presentations center around studies in intercultural communication, political and visual rhetoric, and the rhetoric of gospel song.



TONY GREEN

APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
FINANCE EXECUTIVE, UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

Tony (Anthony) has worked at the University of Rochester since 2008, where he is the Deputy to the Provost. In this role, Tony leads projects related to strategic planning, broad university initiatives, and acts as a liaison with internal academic and regulatory committees. Prior to this role, he served as the Director of Finance & Administration at the Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences where he was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the school. The Hajim School is comprised of more than 350 faculty and staff, 2,000 students and over \$70 million in annual operations. Prior to the University of Rochester, Tony worked as a Sr. Associate providing brand and strategy consulting services to Fortune 500 companies. He has been recognized with the Rochester Business Journal 40 under 40 award, outstanding staff member of the year and other awards. He received his M.B.A. from Syracuse University and his B.S. in Information Systems from the Rochester Institute of Technology. Tony and Elizabeth, his wife, have 2 young children.



ANDRES SPYKER

APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2014
MORELIA, MÉXICO

Andrés Spyker is senior pastor of Mas Vida, México, a growing and contemporary church with multiple campuses across the Nation and international TV and media ministry. Third generation missionary in Mexico. Married to Kelly for more than 15 years and together they have three children: Jared, Lucas and Sofía. His passion is preaching, leadership development and to plant, strengthen and empower relevant local churches everywhere.

Finances (AUDITED)

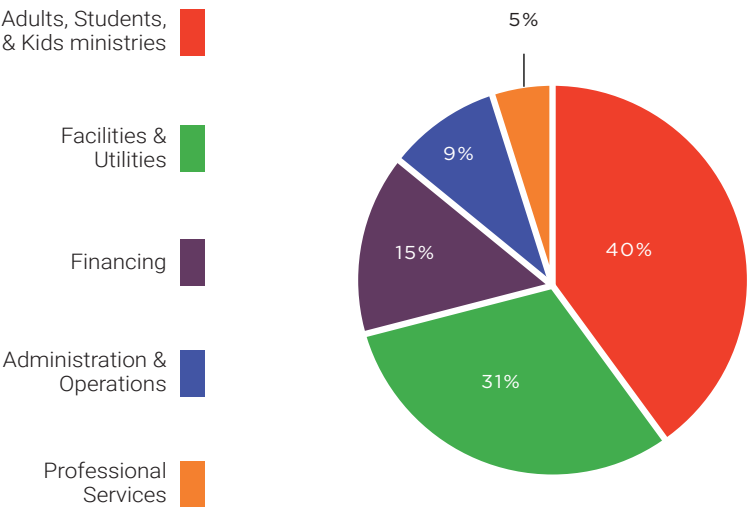


In November 2016, The Father’s House application was approved by the **ECFA Board**, certifying our compliance with, and commitment to adhere to, high standards of financial management, governance and responsible stewardship. This certification speaks of an organizations commitment to integrity and accountability, with a due diligence review for continued certification annually. Willow Creek Community Church and Life.Church are amongst some of the larger ECFA certified members.

INCOME COMPARISON



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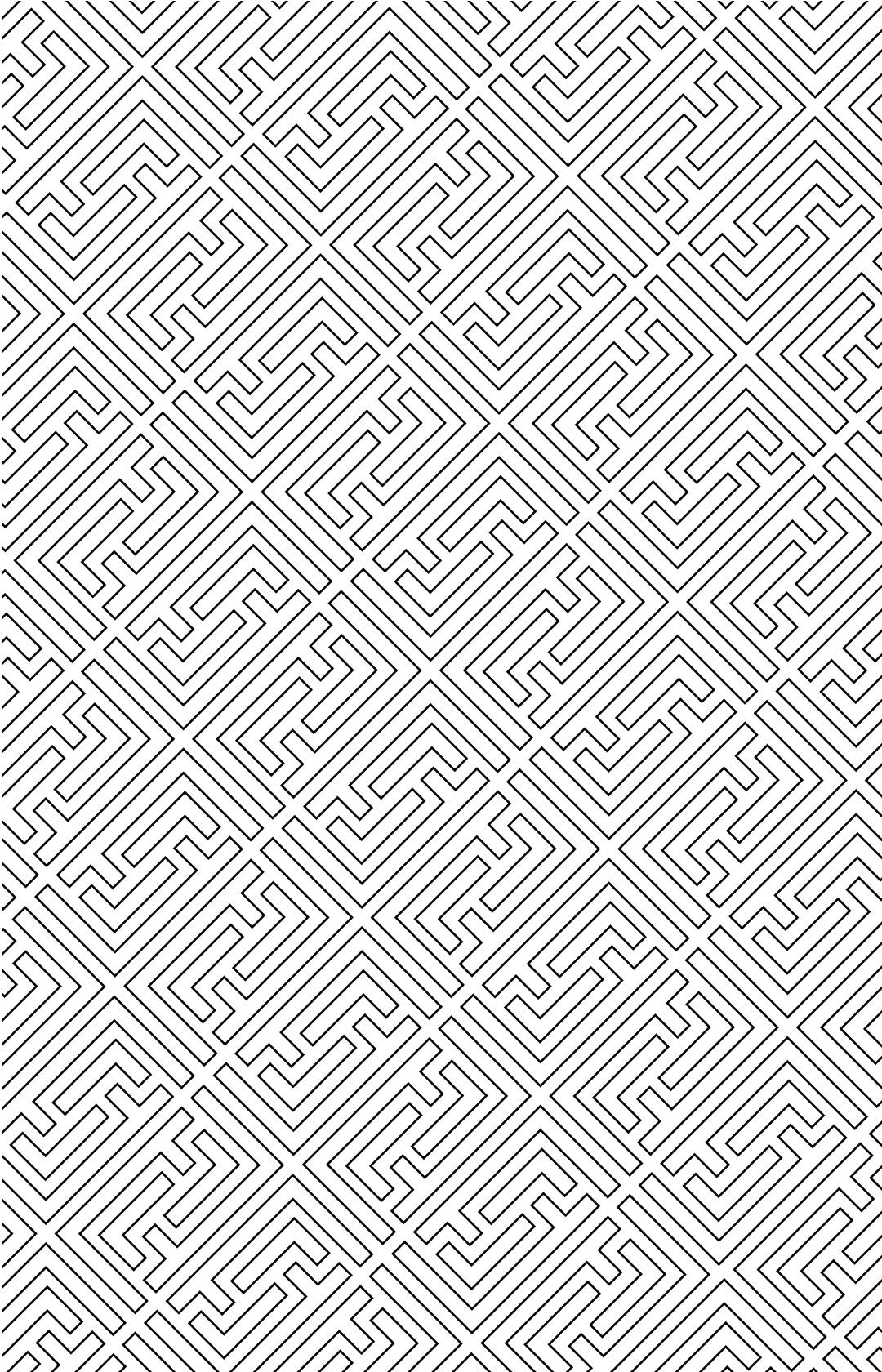
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VISION & STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

In June of 2016, 543 Households pledged \$965,186 over 2 years for H4TH – at December 31st of 2016, 229 households were on track with their pledges and 314 were behind.

H4TH INCOME (INCLUDING FOOD PANTRY & FMSC)

INCOME		INITIATIVES	
2016	RECEIVED \$427,295 SOWED \$593,000	\$10,000	Outreach
		\$63,000	Feed My Starving Children
		\$181,000	Life Center, including Food Pantry
		\$14,000	Day of Hope
		\$10,000	Association of Relared Churches (ARC)
		\$9,000	Haiti Wheat
		\$1,000	South African Missionary
		\$169,000	Chili Campus Renovations
		\$36,000	692 Prayer Chapel Renovations
2015	RECEIVED \$465,718 SOWED \$1,223,000	\$1,045,000	Greece Campus Launch
		\$110,000	Outreach
		\$48,000	Feed My Starving Children
		\$20,000	Life Center, including Food Pantry
2014	RECEIVED \$656,308 SOWED \$320,000	\$150,000	Greece Campus Launch
		\$45,000	Wheelchairs for Peru
		\$105,000	Outreach
		\$20,000	Life Center, including Food Pantry

**“By faith
and patience
they inherited
promises.”**



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