

Memphis Ministries exists to motivate and equip First Evan to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18-20) through seeking the welfare of our city (Jeremiah 29:7).

MAY 21, 2023

# **CONGREGATIONAL REPORT**

# **PARTNER MINISTRIES**

Advance Memphis
Binghampton Christian Academy
Child Evangelism Fellowship
Christ's Community Church
Eikon Ministries
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
For the Kingdom Camp
Global Friends
Life Choices
Memphis Coalition for Life

Multi-National Ministries
Neighborhood Christian Centers
Red Zone Ministries
Refugee Empowerment Program
Restore Corps
Streets Ministries
World Relief
Young Life/Young Lives
Youth Striving for Excellence

## **Pass Throughs**

A Way Out Ministries Christ Community Health Services Economic Opportunities Memphis Union Mission Service Over Self

# 2022-2023 EVENTS & UPDATES

## New Partnership: Arise2Read

Our partnership with Arise2Read began last fall. We are serving 18 students in the reading program and 20-25 students have been participating in the afterschool Bible Club.

### Seeking Healthy and Biblical Partnerships

We are collaborating with the Polity and Doctrine Committee to help us partner well with local ministries. The purpose is to help us navigate various contexts of outreach.

### **Bottles for Life**

We raised \$4545.45 for Life Choices during Sanctity of Human Life month. Way to go, First Evan!

### 40 Days for Life

During the 40 Days for Life vigil, First Evaners covered 120 shifts spanning 60 hours.

#### Meet Memphis 2023

From April 5 - 18, over 100 First Evaners engaged with 9 ministries throughout the city. Opportunities ranged from neighborhood cleanup, building repairs, a block party, and evenings of dinner and activities. The purpose of this annual event is to foster ongoing relationships.

# **ADDITIONAL PROJECTS**

\$2000 - Advance Memphis, Art for Jobs

\$500 - Restore Corps, Free 901 5k/10k Run

\$4250 - World Relief, Beds for Refuge Family of 8

\$1000 - Young Lives, Overnight Retreat for Teen
Moms and Their Children

\$500 - Multi-Nationals Min., Transportation

\$1300 - Binghampton Christian, Boys Dorm Dining Table and Chairs

\$1000 - Streets Ministries, Bowling for Streets

\$336 - Arise2Read, Bibles for Students

# **TEAM**

Steven Yeo, Interim Director Stephanie Moore, Chairperson Tori Martin, Missions Assistant Bryan Miller, Elder David Pritchard, Deacon Jordan Bernardini Leslie Brock Diane Brower JoAnne Clark
Jenna Fergus
Brandon Herrington
Daniel Newman

Ryan Strain Gerald Thompson



Mobilize the people of First Evan to make intentional contact with people in our world for the purpose of sharing the gospel and leading them to Christ.

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# **WELCOME**

## **Regular Greeters**

We launched a team of 34 regular greeters who assume 22 different assignments every Sunday Morning. Our hope is to create a culture of welcome that nurture 5 characteristics for First Evan:

- Talking to others to build new and stronger relationships.
- Walking guests to locations instead of merely instructing and pointing.
- Sitting with people to share eachother's presence.
- Eating with new friends to get to know them better.
- Connecting each other to a greater network of First Evan community.

### **Greeting for Special Events**

During Christmas and Palm Sunday services, First Evaners filled 68 greeting slots over 2 services. We were able to give out 473 outreach resources during the Holy Week.

# **OUTREACH**

### Our current state of outreach



9 out of 20 First Evaners recently shared their testimony, the gospel, or started a relationship for the sake of Kingdom-building.

1 out of 2 First Evaners expressed a need for outreach training.

## **Sharing Spiritual Conversations**

Men have faithfully gathered on Wednesdays to discuss and pray for the lost in their lives. The fruit of our obedience varies from befriending strangers to reading the Bible with seekers.

#### Sowing a Seed

Our 40-day audio devotional during the Lenten season consisted of 7 volunteer readers, 43 episodes, 92 subscribers, an average of 70 plays per episode, and 3027 total plays!

### **Outreach Equipping Team**

We created a team of 10 First Evaners support the mobilization of First Evaners' personal outreach. We are beginning outreach conversations in Sunday Schools to better understand the need.

# **OUTREACH EQUIPPING TEAM**

Steven Yeo, Interim Director Braden Tyler Chuck Dalton Dick Nelson Lauren Jordan Mark McGuire Patricia Newman Ricky Varela Sam Wilcox Spencer Jordan Susan Nelson