

STATE OF THE ASSEMBLY ADDRESS, 2023

GLBC'S MINISTRY PRIORITIES

- ✘ **Edification**—establish the saints of all ages in Pauline sound doctrine and the principles of the Grace Life (II Tim. 1:5; 3:16).
- ✘ **Be the Body (One-Anothering)**—seek to build up and support our one another in both triumph and tragedy (I Cor. 12:25-26).
- ✘ **Train Faithful Men**—identify and train faithful men who will be able to train others also (II Tim. 2:2).

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- ✘ **Enlist** —identify willing men who are established in the faith to aid in the edification, encouragement, and establishment of other saints, i.e., elders and deacons (1 Tim. 3:1, 12; Titus 1:5-9).
- ✘ **Evangelism**—properly edified and mature saints will have a heart for evangelism and seeing lost souls get saved. It is by doing to work of an evangelist (2 Tim. 4:5).
- ✘ **EVERYTHING WE DO AS AN ASSEMBLY NEEDS TO BE TIED INTO ONE OF THESE 5 SCRIPTURAL PRIORITIES.**

REFLECTING ON 2022 (15TH YEAR)

- ✘ Returned to pre-COVID operation.
- ✘ Aging Church
 - + Eli Stuart became a Deacon
 - + Will Kemperman & Mark Grooters became Elders
 - + Jenny Rykse became our new Kitchen Lead
- ✘ Amy Donaldson became our Teen Event Coordinator—
8 Events during the 2021-2022 school year.
 - + “The Ministry Barn,” corn maze & chili night, Hand2Hand, winter retreat, roller skating, fundraiser, Lake outing, Michigan Adventure
- ✘ Charity Doornbos Children’s Church Superintendent

REFLECTING ON 2022 (15TH YEAR)

- ✘ Published one book.
 - + From The Generation For Ever, Volume 1
- ✘ Finished rebroadcasting the Grace History Project on YouTube & continue migrating other content to our channel.
- ✘ Grew the size of our streaming ministry.
 - + YouTube—12/4/21 (2,148 subs)—1/22/23 (2,789 subs)
 - + Eclipsed 100,000 viewing hours
 - + Rumble—12/4/21 (163 subs)—1/22/23 (289 subs)

REFLECTING ON 2022 (15TH YEAR)

- ✘ New online bookstore
 - ✘ Grace Life Press
- ✘ Mid-Week messages
- ✘ Bible Reading Challenge
- ✘ Bible Conference
- ✘ Collaboratively produced organizational document for Children's Ministries
- ✘ Summer teaching mentorship program
- ✘ Began supporting Des Strydom as a missionary to Africa

FINANCIAL REPORT

- ✘ Daryl Doornbos Treasurer
- ✘ Board Organization
 - + Bryan Ross—Teaching Elder
 - + Daryl Doornbos—Treasurer
 - + Mark Grooters—Secretary
 - + Will Kemperman—Children’s Ministry Overseer
 - + Wayne Nash

MINISTRY NEEDS & UPDATES FOR 2023

- ✘ Please be **on time** for Church so that we can all worship together.
- ✘ Volunteers to serve in our Children's ministry are always a need.
- ✘ Participate in opportunities for fellowship:
 - + Men's Breakfast
 - + Ladies Fellowships
 - + Fellowship Meals
 - + Lord's Supper

MINISTRY NEEDS & UPDATES FOR 2023

✘ Lord's Supper Potluck

- + May 7

- + Aug. 6

✘ Teen Events

- + Every other month

- + Scheduled 2 months in advance

- + Volunteers to host events

- + See Amy Donaldson for more information

MINISTRY NEEDS & UPDATES FOR 2023

- ✘ Structural Changes to Children's Ministries
 - + Guidance on the use of Lesson time 40/20.
 - + Crafts/Activities
 - + Christmas Program
 - + Teen Service Sunday
 - + See Will Kemperman with questions
- ✘ Ideas and help for extending one-anothering.
 - + Please speak up if there are needs moving forward.

REMINDER REGARDING BOARD MEETINGS

- ✘ Please submit any proposals for the board's consideration in writing before a meeting.
- ✘ Meetings have an Open Agenda portion and a Closed Agenda portion.
 - + Open Portion runs from 9 to 10
 - ✘ Monthly financial report
 - ✘ Hear new proposals
 - ✘ Review old business
 - + Closed Portion runs from 10-11
 - ✘ Used at the board's discretion.

HELP PROMOTE OUR MINISTRY

- ✘ Use social media to promote GLBC.
 - + Website
 - + Live streaming
 - ✘ YouTube, Facebook, Website
 - + YouTube
- ✘ Talk to your friends and family about the gospel of grace and invite them to church.
- ✘ Embrace the need for fellowship and support of likeminded saints.

Thank You