

2022 Hope At-A-Glance Highlights (*COVID Year 3*)

A Distillation of Key Aspects from Our Life Together – especially those which are out-of-the-ordinary

Growing Deeper With God & Others – Worship, Scripture, Spiritual Practices, Community & Self-Awareness

- **Hanging with My Peeps Dessert Fest** on 4/10 – Peep-candy themed dessert contest, with lots of fun and netting \$425 in “Scholar Dollars” through dessert purchases to benefit Hope Scholars
- **Confirmation 2022** – Hope-designed lessons for faith in the world, led by NGO, Dixie Gibbons & Charlie Kalil, with weekly personal faith journeys, field trips, readings & more to welcome 3 students.
- **Suppers with Scott** – 2x a month meals out to rally around Scott Clements following the sudden cancer death of his 42-year-old wife Amy
- **Celebrated 10th Birthday** in January with (delayed!) Saturday 5/7 gathering at Brewlando
- Welcomed 12 new members, 1 infant baptism on 7/3, 1 baptismal renewal
- Welcomed our **first-ever seminary intern**, Carmen Torman of Dubuque Seminary, in Spring 2022
- **Daily Prayer Practice for each week of Lent** – including reaching out to a lost contact; praying for victims of violence; opening oneself to forgiveness; praying for people with whom we share a business transaction; moving from worry to prayer; choosing others first
- **Bible Doing, Book Club, Watch Party Connections** – Seasons 1 & 2 of “The Chosen” led by Rob Martz; two experiences of Lectio Divina led by NGO: Book Club *God Will Use This for Good*
- **“Uproot Hate” seminar** with former white nationalist & a Sikh, now friends, at Holocaust Center 2/17
- **Stewardship of the Earth** – gifted compostable sisal soap/shampoo bags; bulk order of shampoo & conditioner bars (*sparing up to 3 plastic bottles per bar*); recycling blister packs from contact lenses
- **Fit for Fall** – in *September*, focusing on cancer charities via our Charity Miles app team; in *October*, Steps for Change with Washington Shores Pres, together logging 1,000 miles per week to raise awareness for RIP Medical Debt; in *November*, Turkey Trot for Meals on Wheels, with 15 virtual or in-person joining
- **Cookout & Outdoor Movie Night at Kalils’ home** on 12/4 – viewing *Elf* on outdoor screen and welcoming dozens of the Kalils’ neighbors in East Park for cookout, popcorn, sno-cones & fun
- **Fun** – *Pop-Up Lunch at Parkside Pizza* on 3/13; lunch + *Beauty & the Beast* play on 5/22 ; *Drive Shack lunch and golf* outing on 11/6; *On Your Feet* play & lunch, 7/31
- **Friendship with Washington Shores Pres** – 7th annual shared World Communion Sunday worship 10/2 on Zoom (*Hurricane Ian!*) with NGO preaching; 5th Fall Steps for Change challenge for RIP
- **Connecting** – *Eat & Walk Lake Nona* – 6/21 at Bolay and Dwell community; 5th Annual *Thanksgiving Potluck* hosted by NGO & Paul Ogne – with ~ 30 from Hope and Oviedo Pres
- **Care Cards** – “*We Stand for Love*” cards to the president of Bethune-Cookman University and to the leader of Jewish Lake Nona following high-profiled hate speech incident near Waterford Lakes in early February; to incoming & departing LNMS assistant principals; notes of encouragement or congratulation to Hopesters, friends and neighbors
- Two **Session vision meetings** for “What’s Next”
- **Prayer Brigade** – enlisted rotation of Hopesters to pray for those on the prayer list each day

Reaching Wider to Serve & Share God's Love with the World – Local Neighborhoods, Central Florida & the World

- **Weekly Friday delivery rotation in Orlando for Meals on Wheels** through Seniors First
- **Abolished \$3,458,639** in medical debt through RIP Medical Debt (Generated \$12,112 + \$25 more in 2023) – for neighbors in Orange and Seminole Counties
- **Hope Scholars** – awarded 7 college scholarships totaling \$13,890 to 7 students – 5 Hopesters + 1 grad each at Lake Nona & Oak Ridge High Schools. *Since 2012, Hope has given 55 scholarships totaling \$70,810*
- **3rd Annual Golf Scramble & Silent Auction for Hope Scholars** – Generated \$10,173 for Hope Scholars
- **Christmas Eve Cookie deliveries to essential workers** at 13 area hospitals, emergency rooms, fire stations, 24-hour gas stations and hotels – along with a handwritten note of thanks
- **2022 Hope Prize** – 8th annual -- \$1,204 to Americorps Foster Grandparenting Program, selected by vote
- **Hope for the Future Community Service Scholarship** – 4th annual \$500 scholarship to LNHS grad
- **80 treat bags to Ronald McDonald House** – assembled from leftover Halloween candy
- **Christmas Blessing for Local Wait Staff** on 12/10 – 16 Hopesters ate breakfast at Sweet Mamas, leaving significantly generous tips for servers
- **Hosted worship at Somerby Senior Living** 1x per month from February to July
- **Rainbow Run** – Gave sno-cones and *Free Pastor Hugs, Mom Hugs & Dad Hugs* at 6/4 booth for LGBTQ community at 6th remembrance of Pulse massacre. Also fielded a small team of walkers
- **Assembled 100 hygiene kits** from Clean the World at 8/4 packing event at Brewlando & shared with the congregation to give away
- **Trunk or Treat candy stations** for children and families at Kinder Care, Vista Lakes on 10/31
- **Day of Service on Sun 10/23** – *Back to Nature Wildlife Refuge* – outdoor organizing and weeding; painting gym walls and weeding at *Lake Nona Middle*; preparing Thanksgiving placemats for local assisted living facility; creating & sending care packages for far-away college students
- **Support for Ukraine** – April designated gifts of \$2,417 for This Child Here at onset of war; card to Ukrainian church in Orlando; gift of sunflower seeds & ribbons of solidarity for Ukraine; November donation of \$1,500 for refugees through This Child Here at onset of brutal winter
- **Lake Nona Middle** – hosted August “Welcome Back” grab & go breakfast for faculty & staff; *sponsored holiday meals* from Publix for approximately 10 families each at Thanksgiving and Christmas ; raffled a \$50 Walmart gift card among faculty and staff for Christmas
- **Partners in Service** – selected by families/individuals each month to share 5% of monthly offerings: *Bridges for Heroes; Canine Assistants; Harbor House of CF; Mental Health America of East CF; Osceola Council on Aging; Paws Kennel of Harbor House; Second Harvest Food Bank; Shepherd’s Hope; This Child Here; Thornwell Home; United Against Poverty; VA Medical Center, Lake Nona; Women for Women International*
- **Miscellaneous** – designated monthly support for Penson Family with Wycliffe Bible Translators; annual \$1K support to Turk Family, mission co-workers in Madagascar; surpassed 88,000 miles via *Charity Miles*; reached 1,156 microloans totaling \$29,460 in 82 nations through Kiva; *Five Cents a Meal* monthly donations, totaling \$985; 1,433 toiletries to Ronald McDonald House; funded 13 ‘Help Your Neighbor’ Grants (\$1,300); 17 lbs, 4.7oz. pop tops to RMHS; \$425 to *Presbyterian Disaster Assistance* for Puerto Rico; promoted *Fundraiser for Canine Assistants* at Anthony’s, netting \$368 (sales & donations)