



# Fearless Family of Churches

Cultivate | Ridge Point | Third Coast

Following **Jesus** and Fearlessly Making Him Known

## ***This happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him John 9:3***

January 29, 2021

Dear Fearless Follower,

This past year did you find yourself *Praying Away* or *Praying Through*? In his book, *Draw the Circle*, Mark Batterson challenges us that there are seasons and circumstances that God uses to reveal himself. He writes, “Sometimes God delivers us from our problems; sometimes God delivers us through our problems.”

How was your year and how did you approach the challenges in your life this year? At our Fearless Family of Churches, this year has been filled with “opportunities” for God to move in amazing and beautiful ways throughout our ministry despite the challenging circumstances of the year.

God’s faithfulness and goodness are overwhelming. This year was filled with things that only He could do.

- Each week our Fearless Churches reach over 3,355 individuals through our weekend services both in-person and on-line (Ridge Point; 2,395, Third Coast 263, Cultivate 697) with almost 700 of those being children and students.
- Reach and Restore is an outward focused missional initiative we do each year to tangibly be the hands and feet of Jesus in our communities, region and world. This past year we raised \$128,000 that was used for COVID relief for families; Day of Hope trauma conference for teachers; thousands of meals for children in our community; enhancing ministry at the Linking Center in Pullman; medical, food and water distribution at our church partner in La Canada Honduras.
- Third Coast is literally “growing” into their new facility already in Saugatuck moving from an average of 150 individuals each week to 263 average in recent weeks. There is a strong undercurrent of excitement at Third Coast and we are so thankful for how God provided this facility to us in such a miraculous way.
- Enhancing the vibrancy of our Ridge Point grounds has already allowed us to invite 100 preschoolers each day to be part of Creation Ridge. Community events, including seven outdoor concerts, are in the works for this Spring and Summer. Our goal is to fully utilize the property that God has given us as a tool for Fearless Followers to build relationships and share Jesus with friends and family.
- Cultivate’s new facility is being drywalled now and we hope to have our first services around Easter! After a year of temporary and shifting locations, we praise God for a permanent home! This 18,000 sqft facility is located right across from the Hamilton Middle School, God’s perfect placement to be in the center of the activity in Hamilton.
- We have a collective Fearless Vision of being active participants in expanding God’s Kingdom through church planting. Over the past several years, we have helped to plant 10 churches. We are currently helping to plant Vivid Church in South Carolina, Rhythm Church in California, Pullman Church with Mike Jones in partnership



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with People Helping People and Shane Cox in Grand Rapids. By the end of 2023, we hope to be part of planting 20 churches (13 to-date) actively proclaiming Jesus and making a difference in their communities.

- This past year over 2,028 people participated in our ALL IN initiative and have given through December 2020 a total of \$6,216,439 towards our goal of 100% engagement and \$15 million by December 2021. Throughout this ALL IN journey about 500 are new or have reengaged in their generosity. This is significant, praise God!

None of this would be possible without you actively participating in **Following Jesus and Fearlessly Making Him Known! THANK YOU!** These areas of celebration represent just a few of the things that could be noted of how God is moving in our midst.

So how are you doing, has this been a season where God has changed your circumstances or asked you to go through a circumstance. The hardest part of the last year is that we haven't seen everyone as much as we would like. Being in community together is so important and encouraging.

As part of this mailing, we wanted to take the opportunity to check-in with you. In year past, you may remember us taking a survey together. Would you please take the time to fill out the survey and either mail it back or bring it to church. On the weekend of February 6/7 we will be taking the survey in-person as part of the service but know that many are online and we don't want to miss hearing from you.

Thank you again! Your support is making a significant difference and sustains us as we together work to fulfill the vision that God has placed on our hearts.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors,

Scott Witteveen  
Treasurer

On Behalf of the Staff,

Scott Potter  
Executive Pastor

P.S. Also enclosed is your contribution statement for 2020. Non-cash gifts of stocks, mutual funds or other physical property were acknowledged through separate letter at the time the gift was made. We strive to be good stewards of the gifts you have given. If you are interested in reviewing a financial summary of the ministries or have a question about your contribution statement, feel free to contact our Business Office ([Finance@FearlessFollower.org](mailto:Finance@FearlessFollower.org)) or check-out your account at [FearlessFollower.org/2020-contributions](https://FearlessFollower.org/2020-contributions).