



ANNUAL REVIEW

2021

FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR

JOHN COPE

“Transitions are periods of change from one condition to another and are part of the rhythms of life. No one is excluded from these experiences. Some are exciting and some are painful. Some people adjust well and some don’t. Many transitions are out of our control, but how we respond is in our control.

For 2000 years the church has experienced transitions - sometimes she has thrived, but at times has just survived. The early church thrived during a most difficult season of persecution. There are places today where the church is in challenging situations yet is thriving in great revival. These are my simple observations about transitions within the church body:

- THOSE WHO STAY CENTERED IN CHRIST AND HIS MISSION DON’T ALLOW TRANSITIONS TO DETER THEM.**
- THOSE WHO STAY ON MISSION SEE OPPORTUNITY WITHIN THE OBSTACLES THEY ENCOUNTER.**
- THOSE WHO FEEL THEY HAVE A LOT TO LOSE TEND TO PLAY IT SAFE.**

Keystone and each one of us personally had some transitions to deal with in 2021. My prayer is that each of us has stayed centered in Christ, ready to respond in faith to what God has for us in 2022!”

GENERAL CENTRAL STATS

AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE **705**

BAPTISMS **57**

GAVE LIVES TO CHRIST **48**

PEOPLE WHO SERVED **369**

NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED
OUR EASTER SERVICES **825**

NUMBER OF CGs **31**

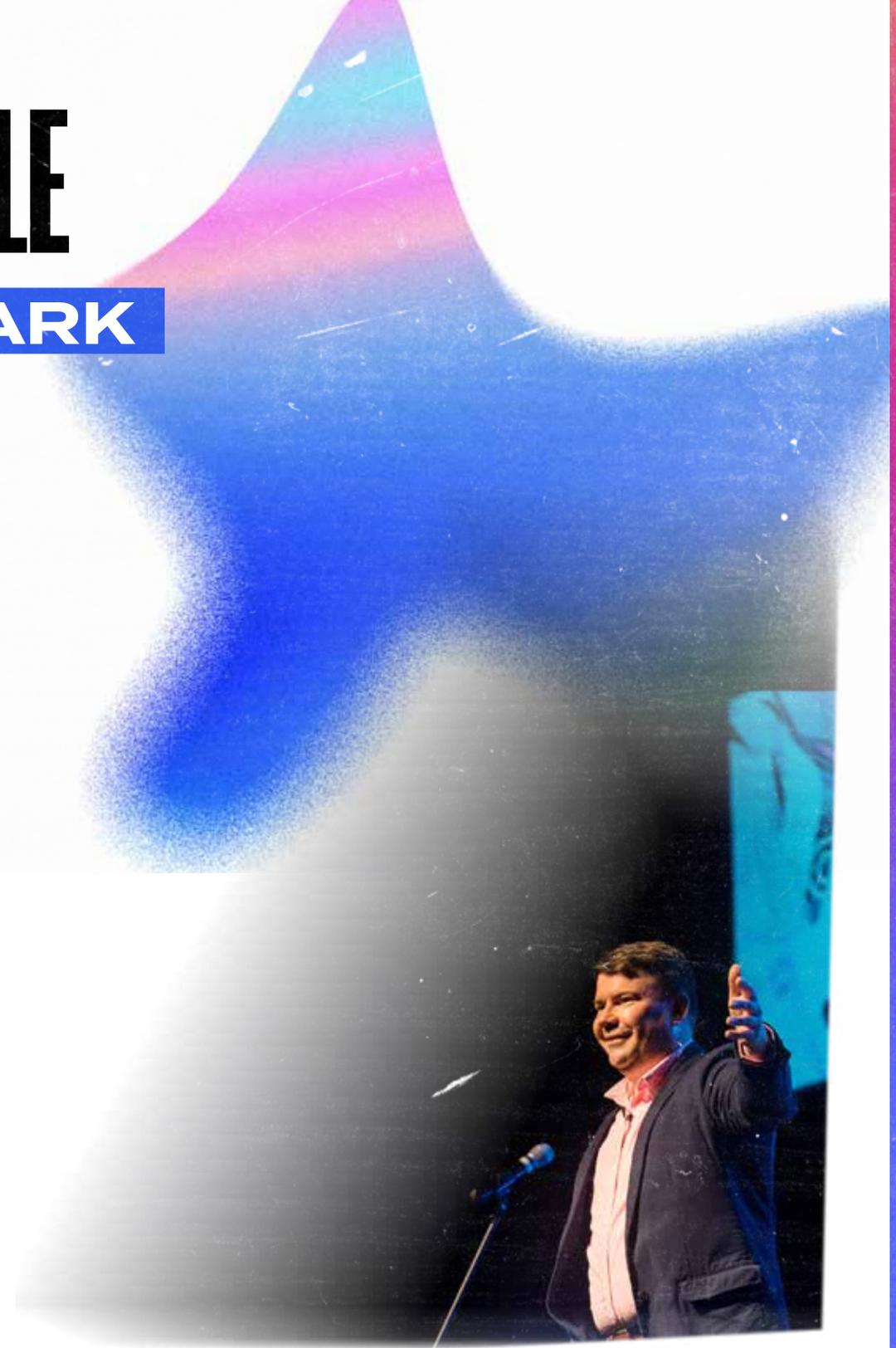


MONTGOMERYVILLE

FROM PASTOR MARK

2021 was an incredible year at Keystone! I truly mean that. We saw a year of God moving our church in a way that we have never experienced and I believe it was wonderful. There was a lot of change this year, adversity this year, hurdles this year...you name it, each “thing” that came our way though, God worked us right through it. Our faith as a church grew leaps and bounds this year as we traveled together with God. I am excited to see His work in us this coming year as we continue to Hear, Believe, Obey our way into Kingdom expansion.

Pastor Mark



KEYSTONE'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY IN SEPTEMBER



We had an amazing time celebrating Keystone's 20TH Anniversary together! This was held right in the parking lot at Keystone Montgomeryville. We worshipped together and Pastor Mark taught a dynamic message about prayer & faith. Afterward, we ate delicious food and had fun on the inflatables! People who were at Keystone's first service ever came back to celebrate this incredible milestone with us.



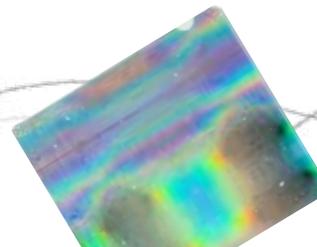
POP-UP CGS IN THE FALL

We kicked off the fall with our “Back To The Future” series and launched pop-up Community Groups. Over a hundred people took part in a Community Group that had never been a part of one before. We started three new CGs from the pop-up groups!



“The CG was a great way for me to connect with other believers my age from Keystone. I have been trying to find a group for a while and I found fellowship in this CG and space to dig deeper into harder questions about faith & my walk with Christ. I really connected with the people and found friendships outside of our group sessions!”

- Emily



WOMEN'S MADE TO SHINE EVENT

“The Made to Shine Women’s connection event was a beautiful evening where we were able to radiate the love of Christ to all who attended.

We fellowshiped together through games, laughter, prayer, song, and bonded over food and crafting.

Hearts were blessed by the testimonies of two women who shared their powerful stories of how the Lord has shined on them through His faithfulness during very difficult and trying times. As a result of God’s faithfulness to them, they can now shine the light of Christ on others. They encouraged us to do the same.

I left the Made to Shine event feeling so thankful. I knew God’s hand was all over this event. There were new friendships formed, seeds planted, and the presence of God was definitely shining in that place.”

- Linda



NEXTGEN:

KEYSTONE KIDS

At the beginning of 2021, we weren't even offering any in-person gatherings for our Elementary kids & families. When we opened up Elementary in February, we were averaging about 13 kids a week. At the end of 2021, we are averaging 67 kids a week! Over the summer, we hosted Kids Nights twice a month for elementary-aged kids. Through these nights kids would come out to be with friends and leaders during the week, worship together, learn more about God, and of course, have fun! Over the summer, we had 22 first-time guests and saw several families get reconnected at Keystone through Kids Nights.



STUDENTS SUMMER CONFERENCE

Keystone Students hosted an in-house conference this summer for our students since we couldn't head to camp! God's hand was clearly all over this event as we saw over 120 Students attend, 20 of who were first-time guests. We had a blast with different food trucks, dance parties, fire pits, and we grew in our relationship with God through challenging messages. We saw 15 Students indicate that they gave their life to Jesus and celebrated with **17 student baptisms** just 2 weeks later!

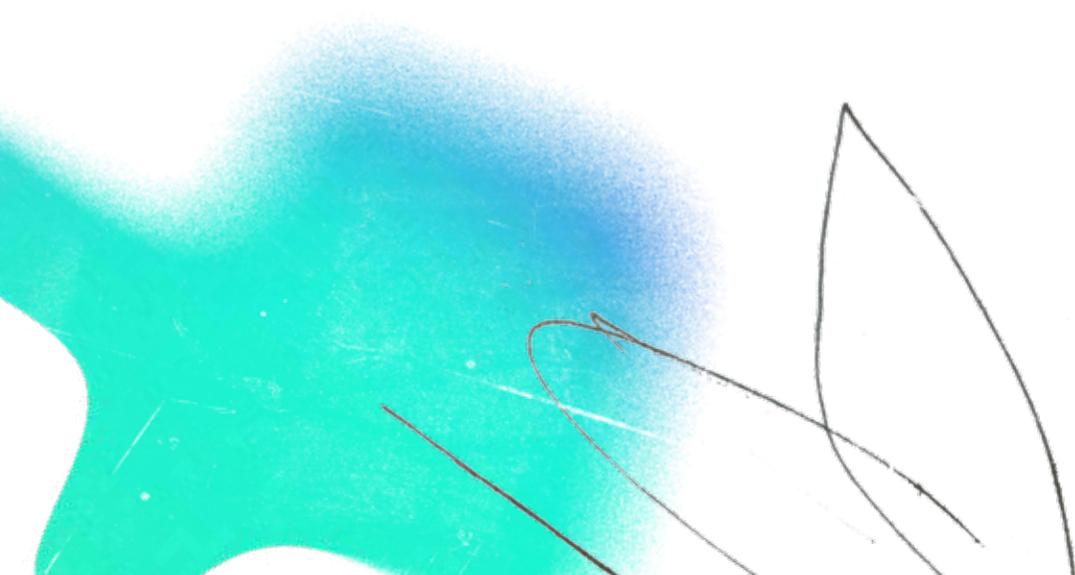


PROJECT WAREHOUSE

Project Warehouse was a month-long campaign that set a goal to raise 25K for Warehouse upgrades. God really moved people to be so incredibly generous that we met our 25k goal and more than doubled it! These upgrades will position our NextGen ministry to be a central hub for reaching people for Christ! God has big plans for our NextGen and we are blessed to see that ministry grow.

BABY DEDICATIONS

This year *nine families* made the commitment to raise their children to follow Jesus at Keystone's Baby Dedication.



SOUTH JERSEY

FROM PASTOR MATT

Wow! What a ride the last two years have been! Our little congregation has been blessed by God in ways beyond what my words can conjure up, so I'll just let the Word of God do the talking:

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen." - Ephesians 3:19-20

Our highlights for the year are simply: meeting outdoors, finding a temporarily-permanent home at Jersey Life Church and 19 baptisms.

Let's keep lifting high what's close to His heart and wait in great expectation for more good things to come!

"And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." - Philippians 1:6

Praying for a movement,

Pastor Matt



OUTDOOR WORSHIP + NEW LOCATION

Thanks to countless acts of Divine Providence, Keystone South Jersey is growing, keeping stride, and maintaining Spirit-fueled strength. We've been through a global pandemic, government lockdowns, and ongoing political tension; all of which impacted our relationships and challenged us to deepen our faith. In the midst of all this, Keystone South Jersey thrived without the benefit of a home for worship.

We started the year meeting online in our Community Groups on Sunday mornings, enjoyed outdoor worship services in the park during the warm summer months, and now have entered another "temporarily-permanent" home thanks to the generosity of Jersey Life Church. Thankfully, being a church of CGs made our Sunday location struggles secondary to our primary focus of living in biblical community.



BAPTISM

Additionally, thanks in part to our friendship with Gloucester County Young Life, we were able to baptize 19 people this year! God is drawing people, including young people, to Himself, and we are eternally grateful to be used for His Kingdom work. To God be the glory!

There is some ministry that has been put on hold during the last 20 months, but we look forward to restarting it this year. Our vision for 2022 is to establish firm roots in the community and to be a transformative presence in the region. To do that, we intend to prioritize Prayer, Community Groups, Discipleship, and Community Engagement. With that being said, we simply ask that you continue prioritizing continuous prayer, selfless service, and generous giving.



LOCAL OUTREACH

In March, we were a **buddy church for 2 homeless women** and their children.

In June, we had **over 100 volunteers** serve at Keystone Montgomeryville's Party In The Parking Lot and 40 new families attended.

In July, we had **30 volunteers** serve at Upper Gwynedd's Night Sky Camp Out event. We were able to give out information about Keystone and get to know some of our neighbors.

In July, we had **22 volunteers** serve Woodrow Wilson High School in Camden alongside Keystone South Jersey and Wholesome Riches. We landscaped a large garden at the entrance of their school.

In August, we delivered **150 backpacks** through our Backpack Drive to Manna on Main Street & Oak Park Elementary Students in our area that were in need.

In October, people **served several families** in Upper Dublin and South Jersey who had damage due to a tornado. We cleaned out homes, cut trees, moved debris, and did various home repairs.

Throughout 2021 we hosted **3 Red Cross Blood Drives** to help with their critically low supply.



GLOBAL MISSIONS

INDIA

Pastor Victor moved to India at the end of December 2021 and has been working tirelessly on discipling, building small groups, and overseeing the construction of the Keystone Community Center building. He has seen **411 new Keystone Home Groups formed** and **four churches being started**.



MIDDLE EAST

In January, the Cope family moved from Beirut to be closer to the refugee camps. They had an incredible year of ministry fruit evidenced by many new disciples being made and groups of Muslim background believers being formed. Nick and Bethany continued to train local leaders as well as other leaders from other regions.



GLOBAL MISSIONS

GREECE

Malak Boutrus is partnering with a disciple-making group in Thessaloniki to help start disciple-making groups among the refugees. He is working closely with a new group made up of new Muslim background believers. He continues to work in the refugee “Welcome Center” as well as traveling to various camps.



GUYANA:

Pastor John Nascimento’s wife, Fabi, had a cancer diagnosis which caused them to leave the country in May. We raised \$3,000 through Keystone offerings and individuals to help with medical bills. Praise God, she is doing well, and they are planning to be back in Guyana very soon!



\$214,603 WAS GIVEN TO MISSIONS IN 2021.

2021 FINANCIALS

TOTAL RECEIPTS **\$2,432,441**

OUTREACH/MISSIONS **\$260,481**

MINISTRIES **\$1,434,633**

ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES **\$451,447**

FACILITIES **\$251,223**

TOTAL DEBT **-**

PRINCIPLE PAYMENTS **\$519,889**

