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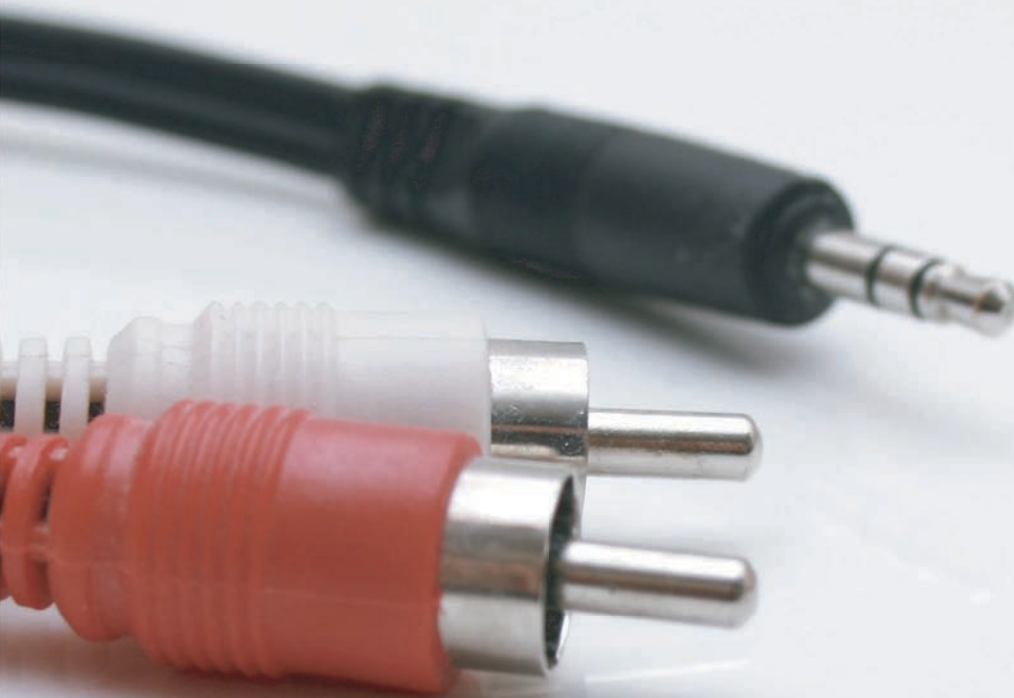
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LOVE SONGS FOR THE NEW HUMANITY

Pastor Jason Ashimoto

Over the last few years, we've seen our culture become more disconnected and divided. Political tensions exacerbated by the pandemic have left us isolated and adversarial toward each other. As people of faith, we believe that God interacts with our world and has a response to the tension we feel. **I believe that response is love.**



Love has something to say to our culture...
to the relational brokenness in our communities and families...
to our economic stresses...
and to our mistreatment of the earth.
It speaks to the racial violence toward the AAPI community and the police brutality we've witnessed toward our Black neighbors. God's love invites us, motivates us, and pushes us toward repentance, healing, and imagining a heavenly future. The world longs for it – even though it is often blind to it. For our Evergreen church family in 2022, **God has called us to love.**

Love songs conjure up many emotions from deep within us. They magnify our infatuation, deepen our heartache, and transport us back to that nostalgic memory. It is through the vehicle of song that we have captured our 2022 journey. Anchored in our annual theme “**Seasons of Love**” (from the musical Rent), we embarked on twelve months of love songs that explored how to love the world around us. My prayer is that your heart is moved in faith and action to live out God's love in all areas of your life. The world needs us to do so.

As you flip through our 2022 Annual report, the images and information will lead you to reflection and gratitude on God's faithfulness to our church family. May the melody of God's love song move you to dance toward His New Humanity.

After having a remote retreat over zoom in 2021, this past year the Board was able to have an in-person Board and Pastoral staff Retreat up in Big Bear. Being able to physically be together created a deeper and more meaningful time. Despite a temporary electrical outage (that curiously ended with the start of a magic show by board member and magician, Calvin Yoshitake), we had time to be with God both individually and corporately, enjoyed getting to know each other, and visioned and prayed for the church family. We talked about how we can partner with God to bring our vision of a "Home for the New Humanity" to life at Evergreen. We came away with some tangible steps that we hope will be a part of your experience of Evergreen, your home, this next year.

SIDE 1 (STEREO)
ORIGINAL RECORDING

**A LETTER
FROM THE
MODERATOR**
MIKA WALTON

**How do you
measure a year?**



EVERGREEN ON-CAMPUS



3

Park In
The Church
gatherings

39

on-campus
worship
services

Apr

first in-person
Children's
Worship since
lockdown

May

began hosting
Lincoln Training
Center gatherings
for adults with
disabilities

Sept

first in-person
Children's Ministry
Sunday School
since lockdown

EVERGREEN ONLINE

5

hybrid
congregational
meetings

424

Instagram
followers

26K

YouTube
views

449

YouTube
subscribers

110

new
YouTube
subscribers





276 387 9

EVERGREEN TREASURE

276 425 0

SEASONS OF LOVE 2023

276 441 1

I WANT TO KNOW WHAT LOVE IS

276 442 4

SOWING THE SEEDS OF LOVE

EVERGREEN I HAVE NOTHING

8

Church in
the park
gatherings

145

avg.
Church in
the Park
attendance

CLASS offerings

Knowing God
Aging Well
Hearts Touched by Fire
Parenting Adult Children

\$10K

Resonance Grant
Recipient
(Lilly Foundation)

COMMUNITY LIFE

4K+

total households
served in
Rosemead Food
Distributions

17

Rosemead Food
Distributions
(2020-2022)

9

Home
Groups

2

new
Home
Groups

WORSHIP ARTS & TECH TEAM

“Serving on Worship Arts Tech Team (WATT) is enjoyable for a couple of reasons. The first is serving alongside other members of WATT who have a passion for excellence in their respective tasks. There is a camaraderie and fellowship we share which I hope to deepen in 2023. The second is the joy I receive from the Lord on Sunday mornings, which is His blessing to me for my spiritual service of worship.”

Matt Chin
Sound Engineer

20
WATT
members

2
WATT
gatherings



4

Evergreen
EP Albums
released



8.7K

Apple Music
& Spotify
streams

2

Motif
magazine
issues

19:07



O Holy Night
Mide, Joel, & January



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YOUTH MINISTRY

"The pandemic was really tough on our Youth Group. We had to meet virtually for a year and a half and had to cancel or modify all of our retreats and events. This past school year we finally were able to meet in person but our meetings were outside and we had to adapt to the cold and the elements. But going through all this has shown the resilience of our youth and advisers. It has changed the way we view community and has made us more grateful to be able to meet in person as a church family."

Eric Lui

Youth Deacon

2022 Senior Class

Brenton Dunn

Alex Eng

Robinson Lee

Lauren Taylor

Emilio Teran

Leilani Wetterau

Jessa Yau

20
avg. youth
attendance

2
youth
baptisms



"Being a part of the youth ministry has allowed me to strengthen my relationship with God, as well as grow my friendships with other youth. Whether it was doing Just Dance in the freezing cold weather, or having vulnerable and meaningful conversations, I enjoyed my time spent in fellowship."

Charis Chang

Catalyst Leader

Nov
began
Sunday Youth
Fellowship

Advisor Transitions

Martin Au-Yeung

Jennifer Hiraga

Eric Lui

Natalie Sum

Stephenie Sun

FAMILY LIFE

23

avg.
Sunday
school
attendance

26

avg.
children's
worship
attendance

9

Sunday
school
teachers

18

Children's
ministry
volunteers

Mar

Concluded
Zoom
Children's
worship

Nov

Children's
Director
Elza Suhendra
transitions

Dec

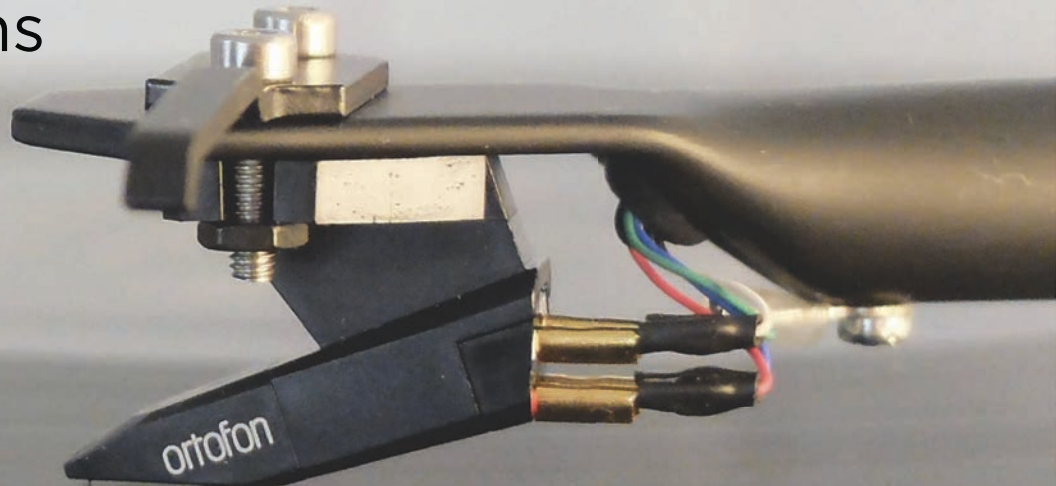
Family Life
Pastor Shirley Lew
semi-retires

\$83

2022 Sunday
school
offering

"I LOVE Evergreen!"

Parker Liv
3rd Grade





SOWING THE SEEDS OF LOVE
TEARS FOR FEARS

ZCM
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HOLY NIGHT

TDK
D90

TCV 2309
Swift
BAD BLOOD



TCV 2309
TREASURE
BRUNO MARS

GET 39107
DOLBY S (CT1120)

40 86318
The Color of Love



FREEDOM
GEORGE MICHAEL

SPECIALLY-PRICED
MAXI-SINGLE CASSETTE
9 20648-4



LOVE MYSELF BTS

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DOLBY SYSTEM

SEASONS OF LOVE
EVERGREEN BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES

THE OPEN DOOR

“The Open Door in 2022 emphasized togetherness after spending almost 2 years distanced. While we focused on personal study and spiritual development online in 2021, we addressed the need for TOD members to have simple fellowship (through family meals, creative workshops and a camping trip) as we returned in person. Our work towards reconnecting as a TOD family sets us up strategically to match this year as “homemakers” in our Evergreen community and neighborhood.”

Justin Pao

TOD Leadership Team

TOD Leadership Team

Randi Brydon

Nathan Chan

Jeff Nakashioya

Daniel Lee

Justin Pao

Kenny Ung



15

avg. TOD
attendance

8

avg. attendance
TOD Parents

SPECIAL INTEREST

10

avg. attendance
Prime Timer's
Bible Study

25

avg. attendance
Prime Timer's
Breakfast

“This past year, on the second Monday of every month, I met together in person and via zoom with precious prime timer friends and Pastor Julie, who we have come to know and feel as “one of us”. We gathered around God’s word, which often led us to looking back and sharing memories of the many years we have experienced the grace and faithfulness of our Lord. For me, it has been a profoundly simple time where I feel accepted, needed and supported as I face the challenges, vulnerability, anxieties, as well as the joy, that aging brings.”

Grace Oga

Prime Timer

10

avg. attendance
Men's Ministry
gatherings

12

avg. attendance
CBS caregiver
support





How do you measure a year of life?

525,600
minutes in a year

525,600
moments of love

OUTREACH



Donation Drives:

bingo prizes - Rainbow Acres
clothing, goods - Deborah's House

Transitioning Partners

Albert & Emily Chen
Pat & Donna Noonan
Eldwin & Christina Truong

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

"I am so humbled and grateful for the generosity of my church family. I have learned so much as your treasurer in 2022. God had shown me His faithfulness and reminded me, through others, to steward what He provides wisely, take comfort in Him and not our financial numbers, and continue to comfort one another through trialing times."

Nina Luu
Church Treasurer

257
total
giving
units

26
new
giving
units

\$1.18M
general fund
income

\$33K*
general fund
surplus

*In November 2022, the church reported a significant deficit of **\$170K**, with a projected year-end deficit of **\$220K**.

RECORDS

EMI
50408



Births:

1. Matthew Koh
2. Jade Moy
3. Kira Lefler

Passings:

1. Gerald Kwan

Dedications:

1. Louisa An-Ebbott
2. Justus ChenFeng
3. Liberty ChenFeng
4. Matthew Koh
5. Sarah Koh
6. Jade Moy
7. Victoria Shen
8. Caleb Warnock
9. Aria Warnock
10. Arden Wong
11. Esther Young
12. Maverick Yoshitake
13. Logan Yoshitake

Baptisms:

1. Jessica Almeida
2. Leilani Wetterau
3. Quincy Sakai

New Members:

1. Gabriel Wang
2. Mide Kolawole
3. Wendy Lew Toda

Weddings:

1. Dennis Chow & Denna Jung
2. Harris Chicon & Stephanie Mayekawa
3. Mikey Hom and Linda Yuen



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3:07

BROWSE



98.5

SEASONS OF LOVE



MENU

94.7

97.5

99.1

101.1

5



RADIO

MEDIA



BACK

MENU



Measure in love.



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