

# **RECAP**

## **YOUR YEAR IN REVIEW**

***LET'S RECAP OUR 2024:***

**"THE KEYS OF CHRISTMAS"**

**"THE POWER OF MY PRAISE!"**

**"BLOOD BOUGHT"**

**"HOW'S YOUR SOUL?"**

**"IN JESUS NAME"**

**"ONE: THE STATE OF THE UNION"**

**"FAITH-FULL"**

**"DUST"**

**"CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES!"**

**"PROCLAIM"**

**EASTER: "I'M FORGIVEN!"**

**"MIRRORS"**

**"RED FLAGS"**

**"VISION SERIES",**

**BUT ON DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> & INTO THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY, I BROUGHT YOU A TRUTH ABOUT APPROACHING THE NEW YEAR....**

**TRUTH:** LIFE IS OFTEN AN UP-HILL BATTLE. THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS NO DIFFERENT, IF ANYTHING IT PROMISES A MORE DIFFICULT PATH... BUT IT PROMISES THAT IT WILL BE WORTH IT.

## LESSONS FROM A HIKING TRIP:

**FIRST:** There were several people, surprisingly on the trail.

Philippians 3:14

**SECOND:** Literally as I approached the trail a husband and wife in front of me were contemplating rather or not they wanted to hike, at the beginning they chose not to.

Matthew 7:13-14

Matthew 7:21-23

**THIRD:** There are spaces to take a break, many people stopped to catch their breath. BUT there were a few who didn't stop.

Philippians 3:13-14

**FOURTH:** About halfway through I past a family, one of the women sat down and said she wasn't going any further. She literally stopped at the halfway point. 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

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**FINAL THING I NOTICED FROM MY TRIP:** For those of us who made it to the top, we saw something that not everyone gets to see.

Matthew 24:13 But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

**WE MADE SORT OF A PACT LAST YEAR... THAT WAS: AS WE PREPARED TO GO UP THE MOUNTAIN OF 2024, WE WOULD DO IT TOGETHER... HOW'S THE VIEW FROM THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN?**

**IN 2024 THE EDGE CHURCH HAD:**

**16+ BAPTISMS**

**5 NEW KINGDOM PARTNERS PLUGGED IN**

**\$1624 SPENT ON HELPING SEND PEOPLE TO REHAB**

**\$1619.27 RAISED FOR RECOVERY MINISTRY**

**\$12,292.91 RAISED FOR EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY**

**\$4,873.17 RAISED FOR E-DEN CHILDREN**

**\$972.25 RAISED FOR MISSIONS (LOCAL & FOREIGN)**

**45 CHILDREN IN HONDURAS RECEIVED GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS**

**\$2,000 SPENT ON LOCAL CHILDREN FOR CHRISTMAS (\$1,600 ADDITIONAL, \$400 FROM MISSIONS FUND)**

**104 HOURS OF CORPORATE PRAYER (one hour each Friday, 30 min Wed & 30 min Sun)**

**YOUTH MINISTRY HAS 15 (AVERAGE) STUDENTS**

**CHILDREN'S MIN HAS 25+ (AVERAGE) STUDENTS**

**18 TEENS ATTENDED SUMMER CAMP**

**11 STUDENTS FROM TEC ATTEND KINEO MTC**

**ONLINE REACH: FB stream average 300, YT subscribers 157 & average weekly views 50, FB followers: 1.5K and 875 likes**

**WHAT WILL BELIEVE GOD FOR IN 2025?**

## **EPHESIANS 5:15-21**

**TRUTH:** IT MATTERS HOW I CHOOSE TO LIVE MY LIFE, IT MATTERS WHAT DECISIONS I MAKE, AND IT MATTERS WHAT COMES OUT OF MY MOUTH.

### **SOME OBSERVATIONS OF THE SCRIPTURE:**

<sup>15</sup> Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the best use of the time, because the days are evil

#### **1. DON'T GET IN TOO BIG OF A HURRY, BUT BE CAREFUL**

<sup>16</sup> making the best use of the time, because the days are evil

*MAKING THE MOST OF:* ONE WORD IN THE GREEK: **1805. exagorazó** Definition: To redeem, to buy back, to make the most of Meaning: I buy out, buy away from, ransom; mid: I purchase out, buy, redeem, choose.

#### **2. MAKE THE MOST OF THE OPPORTUNITY GOD GIVES YOU**

<sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

### **3. SEEK TO UNDERSTAND GOD'S WILL**

<sup>18</sup> And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit

### **4. DON'T GET DISTRACTED WITH THINGS OF THE WORLD THAT SEEK TO CONFUSE YOUR MIND, BUT BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT**

<sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

### **5. LET EVERYTHING YOU DO BE DONE FOR GOD, AND DO IT TOGETHER IN LOVE!**

**FINAL QUESTION:**

**HOW WILL YOU EXIT THIS SEASON AND ENTER INTO THE NEXT ONE?**