Northeast Christian Church
2024 Annual Report



Jesus Is Why!

Northeast Fam!

2024!! Best. Year. Ever!!! ... Am I right or am I right?

It was a year where we celebrated ten years of Love the 'Ville and saw a record-breaking Christmas Eve offering! It was a year where our weekend attendance continued to grow, and our kids' departments are ripping at the seams! We had 386 babies last year! Some of y'all need to chill. Also, our baptistery saw 149 decisions! Northeast Worship dropped an album! We have over 100 groups meeting! It was the best year of giving in the history of our church! And I continued my commitment to overusing exclamation points in my writing!!!

2025 better get ready because Northeast is coming for you! Jesus is why! Let's continue to unleash Jesus' love every day, everybody, everywhere!

Go Love the 'Ville!

Tyler McKenzie
Lead Pastor



Love the 'Ville
10 Year Celebration

Northeast has always had a heart for the community. In 2014, we asked the Clifton community "How can we help?" Over the last 10 years, it's grown into a movement to unleash the love of Jesus every day, everybody, everywhere.

In 2024, we celebrated 10 years of Love the 'Ville and the powerful ways God has moved. This movement has refined and defined who we are as a church, allowing us to build partnerships and friendships across our city, state, and world. But more importantly, it has challenged us to focus on living, giving, serving, and loving others like Jesus.

When we serve together as a church,
we impact more lives than we could ever imagine on our own.

In true Northeast fashion, serving others was at the heart of our celebration! We **collected over 10,000 pantry items** to support four local partners, helping them meet essential needs during the summer. These contributions provided vital support, ensuring families and individuals in our community had their basic needs met.

We are the Love the 'Ville church — we go wherever God sends us to be mutually transformed by those we serve — to be mutually blessed through those we love.









Weekend Experience & Growth

149
Baptisms
vs. 64 in 2023

6,094
Easter Attendance
vs. 5,934 in 2023

8,396
Christmas Attendance
vs. 8,092 in 2023

Total Attendance 2024 vs 2023 = Grew 12.4%, and December alone grew 15.8%

5 Different Service Types
In 2024, we continued with five different service types for our Weekend Services to focus on the practice of Prayer & Worship, Celebration, Bible Series, Equipping Series, and Blitz Weekends to Unleash the Love of Jesus as a church.

Bible Teaching Weekends, we covered 8 Books of the Bible.
Malachi, Leviticus, Esther, 1-2 Kings, Hebrews, James, Amos, & Galatians
In total, we have covered 24 Books of the Bible here at Northeast, and you can find these resources by visiting www.necchurch.org/resources.

Baptism Story

All Baptisms are celebrated here at Northeast, and each has a unique story that reminds us why we do what we do—and who we do it for. Jesus is Why!



Shea Leparoux baptized her friend, Aprilia Cheminaud, on October 20, 2024. Shea gave Aprilia a French application Bible and invited her to a Bible study. She learned English through this, as well as, listening to sermons and worship songs. She would write out the worship songs in English and in French. This is when she really saw God's Word come alive and made the decision to be baptized!



Clifton

This year, we made the difficult decision to close our Clifton campus. We honor all the faithful servants and relationships built over the years. Among them is Steve Stewart's recovery group. They meet for a Bible Study every Sunday morning and have a mid-week group. We are in awe of the life-change happening every week within this group! God is good!



In 2024, our Northeast Basics program welcomed over 202 people, with 77% taking their next steps! We witnessed engagement and enthusiasm, as 123 individuals chose to become stakeholders here at Northeast.

Our Basics Room, the first thing guests see when they walk through our main doors, plays a vital role in making a large church feel more personal and connected. It's where meaningful conversations begin, and new relationships are formed!



Basics

202
People Attended
vs. 190 in 2023

77%
Took a Next Step
vs. 60% in 2023

124
New Stakeholders
in 2024

Stay Connected

• **Spotlight Weekly E-Newsletter** – 1,690 people opted in to receive our weekly updates to stay up to date with what's happening in the life of our Church.
• **Church Center App** – Over 1k people consistently used the app to stay connected and get involved at Northeast.
• **Bible Before Phone Daily Devotional Text** – We wrapped up 2024 with 2,107 subscribers who read along each day, so that we become a people who know, honor and read the Bible.



Worship Arts

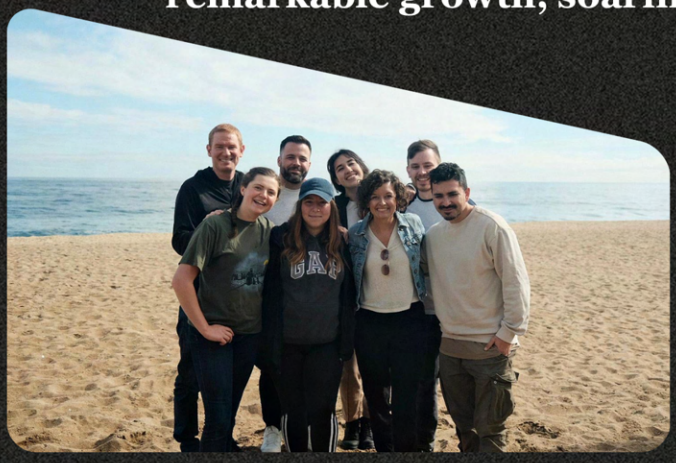
Northeast Worship celebrated the release of their debut album, *To See Heaven*, on April 19, 2024, featuring eight original songs. Since its release, the album has gained over 545,000 streams!

Featuring:

To See Heaven (+38k streams)
Clean Heart (+60k streams)
Never Been A Day (+149k streams)
Come From You (+81k streams)
Better Than Life (+94k streams)
Here I Am (+17k views)
Empty Hands (+85k views)
Won My Heart (+20k views)



In 2024, the Northeast Worship YouTube channel experienced remarkable growth, soaring from 7k to over 17k subscribers.



Significant strides were made toward church unity, diversity, and growth through focused and intentional worship nights, weekend collaborations with local worship guests, and songwriting. The Northeast Worship team visited El Oasis Viña del Mar and El Oasis Santiago to lead workshops and empower college students by participating in the weekly programming.

Deaf Ministry – Growth



The Northeast Deaf Ministry is on a mission to unleash Jesus' love to the Deaf community by providing access to the Gospel through our Deaf pastor in American Sign Language.

In 2024, we launched the Northeast Deaf Ministry YouTube Channel for Deaf Interpreted Services and expanded the ministry in Louisville!

7 Baptisms **60+** Monthly Average of People Who Attended an Assembly



Monthly Deaf Assembly at Fairdale and Shively

On the 1st Saturday of each month, we invite believers, non-believers, and those who do not know who Jesus is to our Deaf Assemblies. We celebrate with fellowship, games, food, a performance, and a message from a guest speaker.

Shively - Launched and began **live streaming** the worship & message. **1,900 views**.

Fairdale – **88 participated** in the Thanksgiving Event, and the best part of that event was when the Hands of Grace Dancing team performed and rocked the roof at Fairdale along with a guest speaker from California.

Thursday Night Bible Studies continue in Fairdale and expanded to Shively with at least two people driving an hour or more to join us.

I am honored to serve the Lord at Northeast Christian. I am so proud to be a part of NECC. I appreciate and thank all of you for your prayers, kindness, grace, wisdom, and guidance.

In His Hands, - Todd Stinson, Deaf Pastor



Multiethnic Ministry – Growth

We will be a multiethnic congregation ever closer to a reflection of heaven.

People from all over the world come to Louisville, and we believe that it is not an accident but a God-given opportunity for the Great Commission work and for others to experience Jesus' LOVE through our actions, speech, hospitality, and Gospel devotional.



- **Big/Small Events Reached:** We reached 975 Asian Indian people through outreach Gospel meetings, fellowships, house visitations, and monthly fellowships.
- **Tea Cart Ministry:** 1500 Cups of Tea/Chai served!
- **International Food Festival:** 10 different Counties represented by our church, allowing others to enjoy the food and learn about the different cultures.
- **95%** of the people were from Non-Christian Backgrounds (Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist).
- **Creative Kids Activities for Indian Children:** 18 Indian Children learned about Jesus through special gospel activities (Crafts, Painting, Sports, Music, and Bible Stories).
- **3D: Dialogue, Discussion, and Dinner:** Hosted 1-2 families to my home for dinner and to share the gospel!

Thank you very much for your guidance, prayers! God is doing so many wonderful things through our Church.

Blessings! - Prasad

Spiritual Formation & Care



New in 2024

- **Launched our Senior Adult Ministry through Trimester Bible Studies.**
- **Launched 2 Podcast Series this year: Summer 60 & Made For This.**





Care

- Over **100 marriages** were encouraged by our Marriage Ministry (marriage classes, pre-marital and pastoral care meetings).

- Hosted **4 Care Workshops:** (2) Better Marriage, Building Resilience, and Spiritual Pathways.

- **21 Northeast Families** were helped through financial crisis support.



Groups

101
Active Groups
vs. 86 in 2023

927
People In Groups
vs. 853 in 2023

172
Group Leaders
vs. 136 in 2023

Business Leaders Gathering – New!

In 2024, we launched this new event, bringing together **57 people** to discuss the importance of sharing faith in the workplace. Leaders had the opportunity to connect, build relationships, and share valuable insights.

Love the 'Ville Ministry Plan Class – New!

Spiritual Formation and Outreach partnered to lead a class on creating an intentional lifestyle plan—helping people discover how to use their God-given gifts and passions for His Kingdom. Our first session welcomed over **33 participants** eager to grow and serve!





Men's Huddle & Women's Becoming

Each month, we gathered our Northeast Men and Women on campus to **encourage** and **equip** them in their walks with Jesus. From these monthly events we saw new small groups and friendships form in alignment with our value of people finding their closest friends here at Northeast. Tyler McKenzie spoke at the Men's Huddle in November and over **104** men showed up at 6:00am!

1835 Young Adult Gathering

Our 1835 Young Adult community, led by one of our pastors, Colin Lyman, continues to thrive as a space for young adults to grow in faith and connection. What began as a monthly gathering has now expanded into multiple small groups, fostering deeper relationships and discipleship.

This year, we took a group of college students to the Passion Conference, providing an incredible experience of worship and spiritual growth. We also launched a virtual group for college students attending universities across the country, ensuring they stay connected. We're excited to keep building on this momentum and look forward to even more opportunities in the future!

Mentoring Program

In this 9-month discipleship community, we launched **17 mentoring groups** and had **142 stakeholders** engaged. New in 2024 — we introduced Mentoring Alumni Gatherings, providing a space for vision casting, encouragement, and prayer as we continue to grow together in discipleship.

NE Kids Ministry

K-5th Grade

1,086
Total Unique K-5th Grade

105
Attended Camp

22
NE Kids Baptisms

102
Adults Serving In NE Kids

Early Childhood Ministry

386
Total Unique Nursery Babies

336
Total Unique Preschoolers

182
Adults Serving In ECM







Love the 'Ville Update—In 2024, the Family Ministry joined the Love the 'Ville offering, allowing our kids to practice radical generosity for Jesus! They raised just over $2,900 for Love the 'Ville—enough to sponsor a family coming through Kentucky Refugee Ministry. The kids were taught to love like Jesus and care for others.

JESUS LOVES you

Youth Ministry

IT'S NOT YOUTH WITHOUT YOU

304
Total Unique 6/8 Students

315
Total Unique 9/12 Students

55
Total Youth Baptisms



Love the 'Ville Update

This Christmas, the Youth Ministry also jumped in to be part of the Love the 'Ville Offering, collectively raising $1,500 to go to the Kentucky Refuge Ministry! We love to see their hearts for others grow. Our Middle Schoolers participated in Eggstravaganza by stuffing 4,000 eggs with candy to give to our community.



74
6/8 Students Attended Camp

140
9/12 Students Attended Camp

133
Students Serving In Ministries

76
Adults Serving In Youth

Love the 'Ville — Schools

School Blitz

With your support, and the support of **7 partner churches**, we were able to Unleash Love on **62 schools** in Jefferson and Oldham counties. Our students, teachers, and staff members at our local schools deserve to feel welcomed and loved entering the school year, and when we show up on School Blitz, it really does make a difference! Thank you for responding by trimming shrubs, pulling weeds, putting down fresh mulch, working to clean up the grounds, restocking food/FRC pantries, refurbishing teacher/staff lounges, and, most importantly, praying for the campus at which you served. This included **11 additional choice schools** for the first time in 2024.











Love the 'Ville Christmas Party

Our annual LTV Christmas Party is a cherished event for schools and volunteers! In 2024, we were able to serve **241 children** (up from 125 in 2023) and extend our invitations to include the Engelhard Choice School and the Delta 502 Foundation. The students, thoughtfully selected by the JCPS and the OCPS Family Resources Coordinators, were chosen to receive some extra love and support for the holidays. They met Santa, played games, ate pizza, sang carols, received a gift-filled bag, and most importantly, heard the story of Christmas!

Love the 'Ville — Local

Delta 502



What began as an after-school program for kids in the Portland area has blossomed into a vital community hub, bringing nonprofits together to build meaningful relationships and strengthen the local community. The DELTA Foundation, a nonprofit based in West Louisville, specializes in equipping at-risk youth with the tools they need to excel academically, socially, and athletically.

DELTA's motto is, "Nobody touches the court until they touch the classroom."

We're proud to call DELTA one of our incredible partners, as they are deeply committed to making a difference in the lives of our city's youth!

In 2024, DELTA achieved a significant milestone in their journey—they are now the proud owners of the DELTA campus in West Louisville that has served as the heart of their mission for years! Thanks to your generosity, we were able to help DELTA purchase the facility they had been renting, ensuring the creation of a permanent space where at-risk youth can thrive both academically and athletically.

This new chapter represents far more than securing a physical space; it opens the door to expanded opportunities for the youth they serve and fosters collaboration with like-minded organizations dedicated to creating lasting change.

"Thanks to our partnership with Northeast Christian, in addition to other generous partners we're now able to purchase our facility in Portland that we have rented since 2019. This will allow us to continue to offer free programming to over 250 youth per year, as well as helping other nonprofits lease space to further their mission in bettering our community as a whole." **— Wes Hinton, Executive Director**



Prisoner's Hope

The Prisoner's Hope partners side-by-side with men, women, and their families prior to, throughout, and after incarceration with unique programs of holistic care. Our goals reach beyond curbing recidivism. TPH's mentoring and counseling services, our two-year prior-to-release set of requisites, and our post-incarceration conditions are transforming individuals, changing the trajectory of lives, and healing families.

In 2024, we donated **$50,000** and sent volunteers to help renovate a new facility for Prisoner's Hope's Pathways Residential Recovery Program.

10 for 10



Earth Mission

Thanks to our church community's incredible generosity, we gave **$10,000 to ten different organizations** this year! This surprise blessing is more than just a financial gift; it's an opportunity for these groups to enhance their programs, support their development, and provide essential resources to those they serve.

These gifts often go beyond our regular partnerships, allowing us to reach a wider array of people in our city and across the globe. Together, we are making a meaningful impact for Jesus, sharing love and hope with those who need it most.



Build-A-Bed



Hosea's House



A Hand Up



Camberwell Grief Sanctuary



United Crescent Hill Ministries



Refuge International



Senda de Luz



BsideU for Life



Access Justice



Kentucky Refugee Ministries

Kentucky Refugee Ministries provides a crucial lifeline to refugee families. In partnership with volunteers, KRM co-sponsors these families, supporting them through their first three months in the U.S., walking with them as they begin building a life in a new country.

This year, we had the privilege of partnering with KRM to **welcome three families to our city**: two from the Congo and one from Myanmar. After long years in refugee camps, their journey has brought them across the globe to become our neighbors.

Our Northeast teams embraced this call, helping the families settle into apartments, navigate the city, and understand the differences of everyday life—from the comfort of central air conditioning to navigating public transportation, even down to the simple luxury of a mop.

“During one visit, Jolie—the mother—was visibly worn, sad, and struggling. The Holy Spirit nudged me to dig a bit deeper, to find out what they really needed. I gently asked, and finally, she opened up and shared that her children had very few toys.” The team responded with love, bringing scooters, balls, crayons, and toys, sparking a grateful smile from Jolie that spoke volumes.

This is just one story of many. Through God’s grace, we’ve witnessed these **families not only adapt but thrive**, enriching our community and church family. Their resilience has inspired us, and their smiles have filled our hearts. Together, we are part of their journey, welcoming them home in Louisville and celebrating each new step toward a brighter future.





Eggstravaganza

Eggstravaganza 2024 was truly an **EASTER PARTY with a PURPOSE**! Our church welcomed over **3,000 people** to the Brownsboro Campus to celebrate and share the incredible story of Jesus.

We kicked off the Easter season with an unforgettable day filled with an interactive egg hunt, games, crafts, stories, and skits that brought joy to everyone. Of course, we enjoyed plenty of delicious food and a lively dance party, fostering connections with new friends and neighbors.

Our main auditorium was alive with energy as we packed **4,000 Easter bags** for children in the foster care system and many of our Love the 'Ville partners. On that day, we proudly served **42 organizations** across Kentucky! Way to go, church! Together, we're making a difference—**Jesus is Why**!

Local Outreach Easter Offering

As the Love the 'Ville church, we are called to address pressing needs within our community. Scripture teaches us that Jesus calls us to care for the marginalized, oppressed, and the "least of these." He identifies closely with those in need, emphasizing that **when we serve them, we serve Him**.

In response to this pressing issue, we researched human trafficking ministries and are thrilled to announce our partnership with Refuge for Women, an incredible organization dedicated to **fighting human trafficking—one woman at a time.**

This Easter, your generosity allowed us to contribute **$100,000** toward establishing a critical emergency house. During this time, we prayed over Deanna Lynn, the Executive Director.



Love the 'Ville – Global

Neverthirst Easter Offering



Easter of 2024, thanks to your generosity, we gave Neverthirst **$60,000** to provide clean, living water.

In March, a small team from Northeast traveled to Ethiopia to witness Neverthirst's impactful work firsthand. Neverthirst not only brings clean water to villages through well projects but also partners with local organizations to ensure the work is community-driven and sustainable. **Beyond providing clean water, they share the message of Jesus, the "living water," with every community.** Each village receiving a well is also supported by a dedicated pastor who is committed to the community and to spreading the gospel. Our team was honored to visit these church communities and experience their vibrant prayer and worship gatherings.

The Bramer & Weiss Families

Northeast has always had a heart for supporting missionaries who have answered God's call to the ends of the earth. In July, we had the honor of **commissioning two Northeast families** as they set out to serve as missionaries overseas.



The Bramer family, long connected with our global partner **Earth Mission**—which provides medical care to the Karen people in Myanmar — relocated to Thailand to support this mission.



The Weiss family has faithfully served with **Team Expansion** for five years at their headquarters in Louisville, KY. Following God's call, the Weiss family has now relocated to Spain to enhance their support and better equip those they serve in their respective roles.



Honduras Container Update



After a year of perseverance and rescheduling, our Northeast team arrived in Honduras to finish what they started – the Container Empowerment Project for Los Diamantés! Joining hands with Leesburg Christian Church and Lifeline Christian Mission, our team worked closely with the community to complete the hardware store, finish the roof, and even complete projects in the local school.

Los Diamantés celebrated its first church service in this newly transformed community space, filled with families gathered to worship Jesus. Every seat was taken, marking the beginning of a new chapter for this community, surrounded by a tangible sense of God's presence.

Pastor Juan shared a special connection with our team. When he learned that the container was covered in prayers from our Northeast family – the words written directly on the walls last year – he ran inside his home, returning with a piece of the salvaged wall he had kept. On it was the prayer written by Tyler McKenzie. As Pastor Juan shared this with our team, everyone felt the weight and **beauty of God's work uniting His people across churches.**

Thank you, Northeast family, for your incredible generosity and prayers that made this journey possible! We are the Love the 'Ville church, continuing to follow God's call wherever He leads, changed by those we meet and blessed by those we serve.

Gracias por su generosidad.

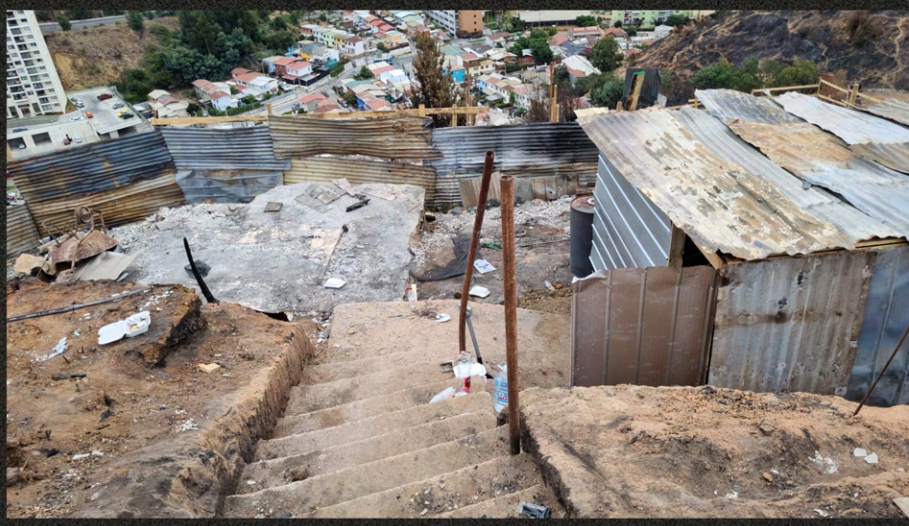
Love the 'Ville — Disaster Relief



Chile

In February, **wildfires ran rampant through Chile in the Viña del Mar area**, home to our missionary partners Greg and Eli Klass and their ministry, El Oasis. Thankfully, both their team and the college students they serve remained safe. They learned of several families who lost their homes in the fires through a connected local church. Northeast provided **$7,000** for essential supplies, allowing the community to come together in support, helping to rebuild these families' homes and restore hope amidst the devastation.





Western Kentucky

In May, **devastating tornadoes swept through towns in Western Kentucky** that had already been struck in 2021. Crossroads responded immediately and has remained committed to the ongoing rebuilding efforts in these communities. One family who lost everything in 2021 and had their home rebuilt by Crossroads saw it destroyed once more in this recent storm, forcing them to start over again. Through our Love the 'Ville offering, we **contributed $20,000 to Crossroads** to support their continued work, providing relief and rebuilding assistance to the affected families and communities.











Sudan

The ongoing conflict in Sudan has forced over 700,000 people from their homes, triggering a severe food crisis where many face the threat of starvation. In response, Samaritan's Purse mobilized food convoys and support to the southern regions, where countless displaced people seek refuge. To help sustain these critical efforts, we have **donated $20,000 to Samaritan's Purse** to support their mission of delivering lifesaving food and care to those in urgent need across Sudan.



North Carolina

In September, **Hurricane Helene devastated parts of North Carolina, Florida, and Georgia**, with Asheville, North Carolina, particularly hard-hit as homes and roads were swept away. In response, we **partnered with Highland Christian Church**, who is operating out of a community center to provide food and essential supplies to their neighbors in need. Within two days, we gathered and delivered two truckloads of critical supplies to Asheville and **contributed $5,000 to support their efforts**. Additionally, we **donated $15,000 to Samaritan's Purse** to aid their response centers across all three states, where they are providing medical care and organizing volunteer efforts to assist with cleanup and recovery.



BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	$28,252,912
LIABILITIES	$549,080
EQUITY	$27,703,832

TITHES & OFFERING

	TOTAL GIVING	LOVE THE 'VILLE OFFERING
2017	$7,480,665	$731,352
2018	$7,857,184	$1,079, 016
2019	$8,166,855	$1,220,094
2020	$8,137,186	$1,611,481
2021	$7,928,702	$1,720,442
2022	$7,612,485	$1,785,826
2023	$8,113,404	$2,067,594
2024	$8,620,604	$2,394,672

Thank you for the many ways you unleashed God's amazing love in 2024. It has been a blessing to watch you live out our values of Intimacy with God, Love for Neighbor, Faithfulness to the Truth, Public Witness, and Missional Intentionality. This Annual Report highlights many of the ways we've seen God at work in our church, our city and our world. The statistics represent lives impacted and transformed by Jesus! God is alive and active. Your faithfulness in praying, giving, serving, welcoming, leading and loving has been remarkable! Thank YOU! We pray this report encourages and motivates us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, knowing that great things happen through His power at work within us. May we continue to be bold and unashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are in awe of all that He has done! Let's keep living generous lives!

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