

ANNUAL  
REPORT

2014

CITYCHURCH

# VISION

**It's been said many times that vision is a picture of the future that produces passion. So what's our vision? What's our picture?**

**Our picture is a spiritually alive New England. Our picture is every major city across six states impacted weekly, daily, hourly by the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our picture is a spiritually cold region transformed into the most spiritually vibrant place on earth in one generation.**

**I don't believe that there has ever been a more exciting time to be alive. And I don't believe that there has ever been a place on earth brimming with more opportunity.**

**New England has one of the richest spiritual histories of any region on earth, and God remembers his promises for 1,000 generations. New England is overflowing with history, art, culture, and higher education. It's the furthest place from the Bible belt and the last stop for every Christian traveling ministry. This positions our land perfectly for a move of God. He seems to have a thing for the last kid picked.**

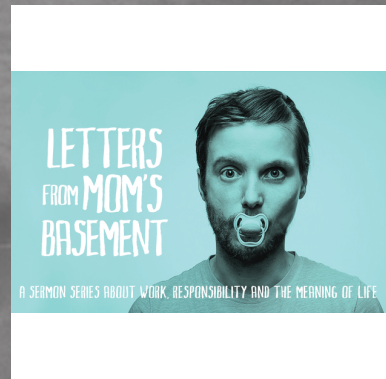
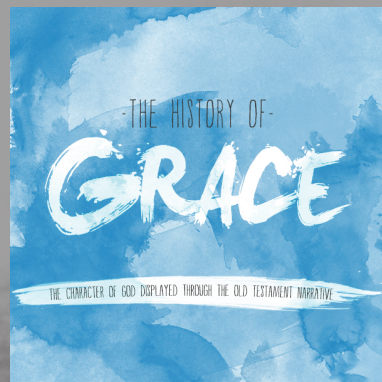
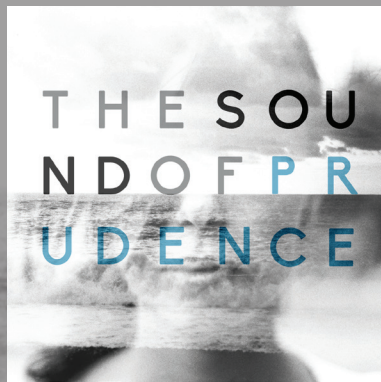
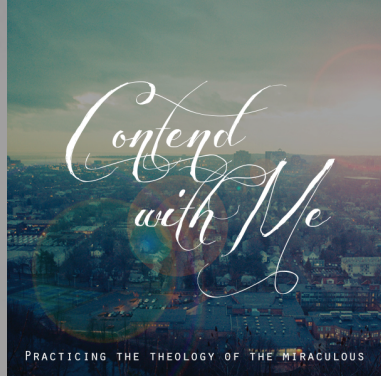
**I see a spiritual awakening void of fanfare and superstars. It's built on the backs of servants and on the prayers of the forgotten. It's fueled by humility, authenticity, and the power of the Gospel of Jesus.**

**I believe that God has great plans for the cities in this region. I believe the best is yet to come. And I am glad that you are with us.**

**Humbly and expectant,**

**Justin Kendrick  
Lead Pastor, City Church**

# SERMONS



# TOUCHING LIVES

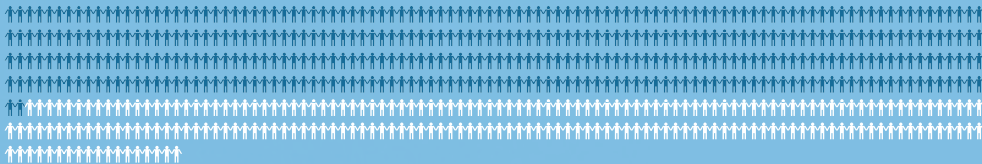


Easter Sunday  
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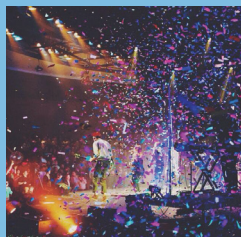
## Total Church Attendance 2014

\*Weekly Average 618

53% increase from 2013



100 2013  
153 2014



Christmas Weekend  
1178

## CityKids Attendance 2014

\*Weekly Average 62

77% increase from 2013



35 2013  
62 2014

Salvation Cards

57

IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS OF 2014

Bibles Given

159

Baptisms

22

OUR STORY

First Time Guests

441

*"It is the first time that I have known such genuine transparency and vulnerability among these friends whom I know call brothers and sisters..." - Jeremy Black*

*"I am so grateful that God has called me to this community. I love how City Church expresses the Father's heart and magnifies Jesus in every area (from worship to community to service)."*

- Gabrielle Daniels

*"It was so revitalizing to discover a church that is undeniably alive. The people at City Church are bold, unashamed, raw, honest and they love authentically." - Adam and Rebekah Wagoner*

# OUTREACH

## REACHING OUT ALL AROUND OUR CITIES AND THE WORLD

**Local Missions \$53,210.38**

**Partner Ministries Include**

- Elm City College Prep
- All Nations Christian Academy
- Neighborhood Housing Services
- New Haven Home Recovery
- Friends of Edgewood Park
- Agape Church for the Homeless
- New Haven Youth Tennis & Education
- Dixwell Community Police Substation
- Nehemiah Commission
- Bridgeport Rescue Mission
- Re-Entry Ministries
- Higher Ground
- Bridgeport Parks and Recreation
- Bridgeport Public School
- Cornerstone Community Church
- United Night of Worship

**International Missions \$36,645,45**

**Partner Ministries Include**

- Africa New Life Ministries
- IJM (International Justice Mission)
- Compassion International
- Gospel For Asia
- Dominion Ministries
- YWAM

**\$5,070 Given to IJM to rescue 6-12 young girls from sex trafficking**

**-817 Children were given parasite medication through Compassion International.**

Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honors him.  
-Proverbs 14:31



**112 Mosquito Nets**



**122 Blankets**



**220 Chickens**

# HEART



# \$10,530.32

## Invested in our cities

# 1,005 hours served

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*..from the New Haven Register*

## City Church volunteers give back with "I Heart New Haven" Day

By Pam McLoughlin, New Haven Register  
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NEW HAVEN >>

Hundreds of City Church members fanned out across New Haven Sunday to pick up trash, clear invasive plant species, paint and participate in other community service projects as part of their "I Heart New Haven" initiative.

At Edgewood Park, a band of volunteers from the church painted handrails on footbridges and cleared invasive plant species.

City Church members clad in bright blue T-shirts and armed with bottled water planned to stay three hours — or whatever was needed to get the job done. Their desire to help was tied to love of both New Haven and God. At the same time, City Church's Bridgeport congregation conducted an "I Heart Bridgeport" day of service. Across the two cities, 350 volunteers worked on 20 projects.

Friends of Edgewood Park President Willie Hoffman welcomed the volunteers and said his group more and more relies on such community service days from various organizations and student groups from area colleges and other schools because the city parks budget doesn't cover all the work that needs to be done.

This band of volunteers reported right after church.

"We just love being part of Christ Church and because of our faith in Christ," Justin Towart, an architect, said of he and his wife, Kelly, spending a beautiful Sunday afternoon helping. "He's (Jesus Christ) given so much to us that it's a joy to give back to the city we love. That's how God accepts us — free of charge."

His wife, Kelly, who works as a therapist to juvenile offenders, said, "We love the community we're part of. We want people to have a tangible encounter with Christ."

Another architect from the church, Rebekah Wagoner, said she was there out of her "desire to serve the city and give back."

Church member Megan Machnik, who was there to volunteer with her husband, Chris Machnik, said God has provided them with a means to live and so she wants to give back.

Chris Machnik added, "I want to be able to serve the city and community."



# OFFERINGS

## 2014 City Church Allocation of Funds



## Total Offerings Received

