



# GLOBAL IMPACT 2023 REPORT

**TOGETHER**

WE START & STRENGTHEN  
CHURCHES

**AROUND THE WORLD**





# WE DO EVERYTHING IN **TEAMS**



## **GROW TEAM**

TEAMS WHO SERVE  
REMOTELY OR  
LOCALLY



## **GIVE TEAM**

TEAMS WHO GIVE  
TO PROJECTS &  
PARTNER



## **GO TEAM**

TEAMS WHO TRAVEL  
STATESIDE OR  
ABROAD

Grow Churches is an international ministry that equips and empowers men and women to fulfill the call on their life. We celebrate all of you who have served, given, and traveled together with a Grow Churches team in 2023. Together you have prayed, administrated, created graphics & videos, journeyed to nations, partnered, given to projects, and more. May God bless the kingdom-minded people on Grow Churches teams.

# TOGETHER WE START...

In 2023, both Jerry and Melanie became certified trainers with an international church planting organization and connected with several worldwide leaders in the group.

The Stones also linked with other church planters in associations in the Middle East, North Africa, and Europe.

Together, we start churches.





# TOGETHER WE START...

## **WE START BY LEADERSHIP TRAINING**

One initiative of Grow Churches is to help teach and train leaders for ministry.

## **BIBLE SCHOOLS**

Grow Churches sent teams to teach at the Rhema Egypt Bible school in February, June, and December. In addition, we were part of leadership training for schools and churches both stateside and abroad.

## **CONNECTIONS**

We ask God to use us to help connect people looking to serve with places in need of teams, both at home and overseas. God has been knitting several people together this year!





# TOGETHER WE STRENGTHEN...

## WE STRENGTHEN THROUGH MINISTRY

Grow Churches teams ministered in churches in the Middle East and North Africa, and Europe. The Word of God was ministered, the manifestations of the Holy Spirit were evident, pastors and their leadership teams were encouraged, and special anointings were imparted. People were saved, healed, filled with the Holy Spirit, and received from their Father God.

We are grateful for the relationships God has given us for His kingdom purpose, and as ONE family, we prepare for Christ's return. Until Jesus comes back, there is much to do, especially in nations that are not reached.





# TOGETHER WE STRENGTHEN...

## WE STRENGTHEN THROUGH GIVING

As teams from Grow Churches travel to places around the world, we encounter pastors and churches who are believing God for needs to be met. These men and women are brothers and sisters to the worldwide church, and as a family, part of the aim of this ministry is to help bring a supply to those in need in other nations.

Together in 2023, YOU gave a keyboard to a Sudanese church in Cairo, you assisted with food for an outreach in Beirut, you aided a missionary get a vehicle for a family of five, you contributed to travel expenses for a missionary, you gave to other ministries, you distributed several books to believers, and much more!

THANK YOU for your generosity. Your gift does not go unnoticed by the Father of us all. He will bless you!





# TOGETHER WE STRENGTHEN...

## **WE STRENGTHEN THROUGH RESOURCES**

In 2023, we developed, uploaded, and shared free resources.

## **COVER TO COVER**

The Cover to Cover Bible Reading plan was rebranded, the annual program and weekly posts were redesigned, and a new team volunteer was positioned for social media management.

## **GROW DEVOTES**

Melanie wrote and added new devotions to the collection of Grow Devote devotions.

## **NEW DOWNLOADS**

Several new downloads were added to the website including "10 Tips for Developing a Missions Minded Church," "Reaching Gen Z," "Winning Your Loved One to Christ," and more.

## **BOOK PROJECT**

Melanie has been working on a new book project on the topic of freedom.





# TOGETHER WE STRENGTHEN...

## WE STRENGTHEN THROUGH TRANSLATIONS

With appreciation to the translation team in Egypt, current resources were translated into Arabic and added to the website for free download.

We also developed a new color sheet for children's ministry and added Arabic text to it.

Because you give, this work can be generated and shared in the Middle East and North Africa.





# TOGETHER WE STRENGTHEN...

## **WE STRENGTHEN THROUGH LINK CHURCHES**

Grow Churches links with pastors, leaders, and churches to provide connection, encouragement, and support. THANK YOU for loving God and loving people!

## **LINK LEADERS**

Jerry was blessed to speak leaders in 2023, sharing principles from the Word leadership. He also led some men's meetings for husband and fathers leading their homes.

## **LINK LEADING LADIES**

Melanie sends out a quarterly newsletter and posts encouragement on social media for Link Leading Ladies who are leading in ministry or the marketplace. Melanie also offers ministry coaching for Christian women leading in ministry.

In 2023, Melanie ministered at women's conferences and has been blessed to get to know many leading ladies around the world.





# AROUND THE WORLD

## THE NEED

In most nations in Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa, Christian evangelicals make up less than 1% of the population.

Over 2 billion people in over 7,000 people groups are unreached. Unreached describes people who haven't heard the Gospel message, met a Christian, or have a church in their area.

85% of the unreached live in the MENA region, and 68% of the MENA population is unreached.

Less than 2% of missions giving goes toward work with unreached people groups. Only 3% of missionaries are serving among the unreached.

In the MENA region, there is only 1 church for every 1 million people.

## THE SOLUTION

God's idea for reaching the world is to send out those to share the Gospel and then start churches.

Grow Churches aims to build teams of people who will help train leaders who will plant and grow churches, especially in nations where people are yet to be reached.





# AROUND THE WORLD

## **ASSOCIATIONS**

We accomplish the vision to start and strengthen churches around the world by working together with established ministries.

### **DYNAMIC CHURCH PLANTING INTERNATIONAL (DCPI)**

Grow Churches works together with DCPI, an international church planting organization. We participate by training potential church planters in various countries. Here's statistics from DCPI:

- 448,150 leaders trained
- 1,120,970 churches started
- 185 countries
- 187 translations

### **RHEMA EUROPE AND MENA**

Grow Churches works together with Rhema for teaching in Bible schools and developing relationships with potential leaders. Here are numbers from Rhema:

- 282 Bible schools
- 54 nations.
- 93,000 graduates
- 3,400 churches

## **OTHER**

Grow Churches connects with other ministries and leaders around the world. We are stronger together!





# 2023 REPORT

## **TOTAL INCOME FOR 2023**

\$62,500.00

## **BUDGET FOR 2023**

Our aim for partnerships was \$120,000.00 or \$10,000 a month.  
In 2023, our partners brought in % of the income.  
The rest came in through giving to projects and trips.

## **OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Besides Jerry and Melanie, board members include:  
Pastor Shane Rhodehamel, Chris Cutliffe, and Rick Nickels.

## **HOW MONEY WAS SPENT IN 2023**

49% Staff salaries  
30% Travel  
15% Operational  
6% Giving

## **FINANCIAL GOALS FOR 2024**

To build monthly partners to \$10,000.00.

Percentages to be:

40% Staff Salaries  
30% Travel  
20% Operational  
10% Giving





# THANK YOU!

## THANKS FOR BEING PART OF THE TEAM!

We can accomplish so much more when we join forces and work TOGETHER. Thanks for being a part of giving God glory with your life and ministry.

*Jerry & Melanie Stone*

