

2023 ADULT MINISTRIES REPORT

WOMENS MINISTRIES

WOVEN Women's Ministries desires to facilitate environments, opportunities, and tools that help support women as they come to know, believe, and live out who they are created to be and what they are created to do. We aim to equip and empower women to know who God is, walk freely in the identity they have in Jesus, and, as guided by the Holy Spirit, help others do the same. Here are some of the ways WOVEN did this in 2023.

WOVEN Women's Ministries began 2023 by launching a new opportunity for the Women of Kansas to connect. The LOCALLY WOVEN tour made its debut in April. This tour was made up of 5 stops across the state that provided a chance for women in local churches to gather with other women in the same area of the state. The LOCALLY WOVEN tour also allowed women to hear more about the vision of WOVEN Women's Ministries while also allowing attendees to share what the current ministry to women in their local church looks like. Mary Bell, AGK Girls Ministry Coordinator, joined me on each tour stop and shared the importance of ministering to girls. The tour ministered to about 175 women who attended from approximately 30 churches from across the state. I look forward to The LOCALLY WOVEN Tour continuing to grow each year and facilitating the opportunity for women to be WOVEN together on the local level all year long.

In October, the annual WOVEN Women's Conference was held in Wichita. October 6th and 7th, approximately 280 women from 50 churches across the state gathered at Evangel for FASHIONED: Created for Purpose. The entire weekend reinforced the truth of Ephesians 2:10, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." We experienced spirit-led worship, biblical teaching, and authentic conversations. There have continued to be reports of the impact this weekend made on the lives of the women of Kansas. Impacts that I believe will cause a ripple effect that continues to impact homes, communities, and churches all across the state. Additionally, during the Friday afternoon conference session, we took time to recognize Pastor Karen Yancey and honor the foundation she laid for each of us. We are grateful for the lasting fruit that has come from her leadership in the AGK Ministry Network.

THREADS, the financial arm of WOVEN Women's Ministries, contributes to World missions, U.S. missions, Kansas-specific ministry efforts, and administrative needs. These four strands are WOVEN together to create a beautiful tapestry of women co-laboring for the Kingdom. By the end of 2023, through funds given to THREADS, WOVEN Women's Ministries was able to provide a total of \$15,000 towards our very own AGK Girls Ministry, Kansas Missionaries, a Pastors Wives event, and Light the Way for Project Rescue. Because of the faithful giving of Kansas women, THREADS continues to be a tangible tool used by women, for women, right here in Kansas and all across the world.

MENS MINISTRIES

We've all seen pictures of the places where men go to find rest and relaxation (R&R), known as "man caves." These places are often filled with sports memorabilia, video games, TVs, and other tools that help men unwind. While man caves can be a fun escape from the pressures of everyday life, they can also be unhealthy if they distract from personal responsibilities and detract from our Kingdom Purpose. However, the Kansas Men's Conference 2023 provided a different kind of man cave for over 250 men. Instead of physical distractions, the conference offered a spiritual retreat where men could find great fun and lasting peace in the presence of Jesus. The conference was attended by men of all ages, races, and socioeconomic backgrounds, united by a passion for the Holy Spirit. The conference was a great success, with many activities and attractions that brought men together. We even had our first-ever hole-in-one shot during the golf tournament. We consumed a record-breaking amount of steak (244lbs) and raised over \$2,000 for Light for the Lost. Renowned author, pastor, and speaker Chase Replogle also gave a powerful message that challenged and inspired every man in attendance. Hearts were transformed, and lives were changed! None of this would have been possible without the support and leadership of our Kansas Men's Lead Team and the ZAIK Church serve teams. We also received generous donations from companies across Kansas who believe in our cause. We're already anticipating an even greater Kansas Men's Conference on September 13-14th 2024.

Our Men's Director, Stephen Luna, has established 5 priorities for the AGK Men's Ministry:

1. Implement the National 360 Model Disciple, Equip, and Go.
2. Develop greater synergy between Men's Ministry and other AGK departments.
3. Ensure every church develops healthy Men's Ministries by helping Pastors engage, ignite, and deploy their own local men's team.
4. Reprioritize LFTL as the mission's arm of Kansas Men's Ministry.
5. Host an incredible annual AGK Men's Conference and Regional events.

LIGHT FOR THE LOST

It's all about celebrating what Jesus has done in the lives of people through LFTL and people like you. In 2023 Kansas Light for the Lost (LFTL) helped millions of people hear the gospel of Jesus through the evangelism resources you helped provide for our Kansas missionaries and missionary partners. In the past five years Kansas LFTL has provided almost \$400,000 in evangelist resource. 2023 Kansas LFTL giving was \$83,071 and nationally giving was \$9,410,174. Let's Celebrate!

Our 2023 Light for the Lost Celebration tour was a big success. We want to thank everyone that helped. We celebrated at Humboldt, Garden City, Great Bend, Maize, Ottawa, Osborne, Oswego, Topeka, and Winfield churches. Our McPherson and Garden City LFTL Steak Team provided their famous LFTL Steak Dinner. Our speakers Dr Jimmy White, Dan Kersten and Greg Perkins shared the exciting things that God is doing through LFTL. Most of all we want to thank those who came to help us celebrate.

Light for the Lost is helping share the gospel worldwide, no matter the language, culture or location, by providing critically needed evangelism resources such as:

- Printed literature, Bibles and tracts
- Audio devices and language-specific programs
- Video presentations, programs and films
- Internet-based and -compatible technologies
- Apps created in local heart languages

Every Second, of Every Minute, of Every Day. Someone, Somewhere Uses a Light for the Lost Resource! Kansas LFTL helped provide each Kansas Chi Alpha student with a Chi Alpha Fire Bible which Light for the Lost was proud to have funded 100% for our nation's youth.

In addition to providing our Kansas World and U.S. Missionaries with evangelistic resources, we were able provided Fire Bible, Global University, Network 211, Royal Ranger International, Global Initiative, National Youth Ministry, I.M.M., Act 2, and others with evangelistic resources.

We Still Believe in our mandate to tell every person on earth about Jesus. Our goal in 2024 is to make sure our missionaries are equipped with the evangelistic resources they need.

The AGK network working together can help fulfill sending the gospel to the ends of the Earth. You can help provide our Kansas Missionaries with evangelistic resource by showing one of the 16 "Celebrate the Light" short videos showing how missionaries are using LFTL to reach the lost. <https://lftl.ag.org/Celebrate-the-Light/What-is-CTL> and taking an offering.

Thank you for continuing to partnering with us.

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KID MIN

Kids ministry in Kansas was amazing this last year! BGMC hit our second highest giving year ever at \$86,317.14. That makes the last three years the highest giving years we have ever had! At kids' camp, kids learned that Jesus came so that they can "have life and have it to the full." We even had 43 kids say they felt a call into ministry. At Kid Con, kids learned that they were created for a purpose and that God made them perfectly for the calling God has for them. We cannot wait to see what God has in store for the kids of Kansas in 2024 and how they will walk out those callings this year!

GIRLS MINISTRIES

Girls Ministries in the AGK started the year off with Teen Girl Retreat in Augusta where teen girls were encouraged in their relationships with Jesus and other girls around the state. Woven Women's Ministries invited us to join them in a tour of Kansas to personally connect with women and share our vision for women mentoring girls. It was a time of great fellowship as new friendships were established and others were sweetly renewed. In the month following we partnered with GracePointe in August who hosted our annual Girls Camp. Girls were able to participate in games, small group sessions, great worship and life-changing altar times. We also participated in a fundraising opportunity in Lincoln, NE where we managed a fireworks tent. From our new partnership with Woven to new fundraising opportunities, 2023 was a year of new beginnings, but the greatest ones were what we witnessed in changed lives as women prayed with girls at their point of need.

KYM

2023 was an incredible year for Kansas Youth Ministries! Throughout the year we were able to connect with thousands of students and leaders across the state through our events and visits to local churches. We launched several new events and initiatives, including the Speed the Light Dream Day, Youth Camp, and Spring Breakaway. As we challenged students to dream for God to do "more than we could ask or imagine" (Eph. 3:20-21), we saw hundreds of students called to ministry, receive healing, make a first-time decision to follow Jesus, and give generously to missions. Thanks to that generosity, we broke the all-time Speed the Light giving record as churches gave over \$298,000 to fund important missions projects around the world! We know that God is on the move in the hearts of the next generation and we look forward to what he will continue to do in 2024!