

ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." -Colossians 3:16



A NOTE FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

For those who have been engaged with our ministry through the years, you have seen us transition through different seasons. I personally have experienced this transition alongside you all going from an "as needed" volunteer, to podcast host/coordinator, to taking a pause during our ministry sabbatical, to now serving as our first board president. It has been a joy to see God's faithful provision in the ministry at work even in my own weaknesses.

As we re-entered active ministry endeavors post-sabbatical, one of the major shifts involved our structure and introducing an advisory board. I had recently entered a new season of obedience myself in entering into single foster motherhood and wasn't sure how my commitments to the ministry might need to shift as I reevaluated what being obedient in that area would mean for my yes's in other areas. When Jillian asked me to prayerfully consider serving on the board, it was a definite answer to that prayer of what the right "yes" for my role in DWITW might be.

I have been so grateful to be able to see God at work through my role as a general board member and now as board president. God has brought together a unique group of ladies of diverse backgrounds, giftings, and seasons of life and I learn from them at every board meeting. I've also seen God work as there have been numerous times where we sought to discern His will for the ministry without a clear foreknowledge of how He might provide and as our text message group often exclaims – won't He do it?! And He HAS!

Throughout the Old Testament, God instructs the Israelites to place stones of remembrance because He knows how forgetful His people are and how often we need to be reminded of His power and provision. My prayer is that this report serves as a stone of remembrance for our ministry – not highlighting what we've done, but highlighting what He has invited us into. I look forward with eager expectations of grace for what He will do in 2023 because, after all, won't He do it?

Bethany SibbittDWITW Board President



A NOTE FROM OUR TEAM LEAD

As Team Lead, I have the privilege of working with each leader in our ministry, witnessing firsthand the growth God is cultivating in each leader's heart and how that overflows to each area of ministry. We emphasize as a leadership team that we must abide in the vine and the fruit comes from that abiding. God used a global pandemic to prune our ministry and our leadership team to abide first and foremost, and the fruit from our Savior is evident, through the example of each leader to every woman we interact with in our ministry.

We have seen a ministry team reject striving to become dependent on the Holy Spirit to work through them. We joyfully and faithfully serve our teams from a heart place of rest and true reassurance that God is the one doing the work. He has been so good to invite us to be a part. As a result of this confidence and peace, our team is thriving and the impact is felt by the women we serve. Our job is to cling to Christ and invite others to do the same. It's a grace-filled and Holy Spirit powered approach and we are embracing it more and more each day.

We have created system wide rhythms on our leadership team that embrace this message of abiding. We pray. A lot. We listen. A lot. We discern whether to speed up or slow down with our board. We talk weekly as a team about what God is speaking to us through our own time in the Word and through our pastor's messages on Sundays. We Sabbath, celebrate what God is doing, celebrate the beautiful image bearers on our team, and hold hands with other women who are ready to live their lives like Christ, full of God's grace and truth.

Jillian Vincent

DWITW Team Lead

WHO WE ARE

VISION

That the women of Dayton, Ohio and the surrounding areas might become mighty, awe-filled women of God who know, believe and share God's Word in their areas of influence.

MISSION

Our mission is to purposefully present women with the Word of God; giving them the encouragement to behold it, the tools to understand it and the training to share it.

VALUES

- **Purposeful Presentation of the Word:** We believe that God uses the Scriptures to produce awe, wisdom, belief and willingness in women to share the gospel of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. We will work to present God's Word as true and authoritative and trust the Holy Spirit to illuminate its specific applications.
- **Encouragement to Behold:** We acknowledge that we ourselves cannot create change in women, but interacting with God through his Word can. We commit to calling women into deeper relationship with Jesus by interacting with the Bible.
- **Tools to Understand:** The Word is powerful, but it is not always easy to understand. We are committed to spreading biblical literacy among women by teaching inductive Bible study tools.
- **Training to Share:** The heart of the mission of God is to make disciples. We will intentionally train women to teach the Bible to the people in their influence and encourage them to do so in a local church setting.

OUR 2022 TEAM

JILLIAN VINCENT Team Staff Lead

HEIDI LENZO Fundraising Staff Lead

MEGAN RUND Communications Staff Lead

KELLY MCGARRY St. Vincent's Pillar Lead

LAURA SWAIN Open Bible Night Pillar Lead

LAUREN STECKLING Intensive Pillar Lead

OUR 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BETHANY SIBBIT Board President

ERIKA BRUBAKER Board Secretary

AMANDA SALIBA Board Treasurer

LISA MEINERS Board Member

MARY THOMAS Board Member

TIFFANI DECKER Board Member

2022 TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS: 2,993.75 HOURS

1,492 HOURS- STAFF LEADS 256.5 HOURS- BOARD MEMBERS 665.25 HOURS- PILLAR LEADS 580 HOURS- VOLUNTEERS

ST. VINCENT'S PILLAR

Dayton Women in the Word hosted a weekly Bible study on Thursday mornings for the women staying at St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Shelter.

God has worked mightily in this area of ministry to draw close to Him women who are facing difficult situations. Our St. V's team held four rounds of study each year, with 8 sessions per round. Additionally, the team hosted two special holiday Bible Study sessions in November and December.

Each week, our St. V's team welcomed the guests of the shelter to attend the study. They set a welcoming environment, setting a place at the table for each participant with a Bible they could take with them, a prayer bookmark, a name tag, and 3x5 card to write out their prayer requests. The team brought snacks, water, coffee, and something sweet to eat.

The Bible Study hour itself had a rhythm. They utilized a whiteboard to capture gratitudes to begin the study, as well as to share the passage for the day, the questions covered, and prayer requests. Our study focused on the gospels, so each woman could experience the words of Jesus and the good news of the gospel.

- Studied the book of John
- 6 Women surrendered their lives to Christ Jesus
- Average 25 women per Thursday session, with 5-10 new women each week
- Average 30 children for the year
- Average yearly reach of 350 women at St. V's
- Gave 30 Bibles during each session
- Gave 8 Jesus Storybook Bibles for children
- Gifted donuts, chips, coffee, treats and more





OPEN BIBLE NIGHT PILLAR

Open Bible Night is an opportunity to gather in person for training and encouragement as we open the Word together and learn from one another. These monthly workshops are designed to be an active experience where one will feel a fire lit in their heart around the why and get detailed training (and practice, too!) around the how. In 2022 the topics rotated to include:

2 How to Study the Bible Sessions: Women learned how to use study tools to dig deeper into Scripture and yield to the transformational power of the Spirit working in the Word. These sessions aimed to help women who felt intimidated to open their Bible by themself or were in a dry season spiritually.

2 How to Disciple Sessions: Women learned how to pass the baton of the faith as they discipled informally or through a portion of Scripture in a Bible study format. Session content addressed how to lead well in the Kingdom (without sacrificing family time or responsibilities). Women were empowered to map out a discipleship plan and left with certainty knowing disciples are grown through the Holy Spirit.

6 Teaching Collective Sessions: Women learned how to prepare a talk to communicate scriptural truth in their areas of influence - then practiced what they learned and received feedback from their peers. Women who felt the Lord's call to hone their teaching skill or even just receive teaching from sisters in Christ were invited to attend. Our hope for everyone at Teaching Collective was for women to grow in courage, commit to sharing God's Word, and build a rhythm of learning and teaching.

1 Discovery Bible Method Session: Both women and men with hearts for evangelism were invited to learn what it looks like to facilitate a Bible discussion that is accessible and perfect for new or future believers.

- Held the first Tuesdays of each month
- 11 Open Bible Night Workshops
- Average 200 yearly registrants
- 10 Women practiced teaching the Bible
- 2 Guest teachers







BIBLE STUDY TOOLS INTENSIVE PILLAR

The Bible Study Tools Intensive was a Saturday full of fellowship, teaching, workshops, and study. It was a day when the focus rested wholly upon seeking the LORD in His Word. Women learned and practiced using nine Bible study tools — seven in interactive workshops, and two as part of opening and closing keynotes — as they dug into a portion of Scripture together. They left feeling more confident in their personal study skills, and more in love with God after studying His word together.

Dayton Women in the Word hosted its first annual Tools Intensive in November 2022, where women used their new Bible study skills to specifically study in-depth Psalm 90: The Prayer of Moses. Our hope and prayer for those in attendance were for them to leave with three things:

- 1. A greater confidence in their ability to understand, interpret, and apply God's Word in their personal study;
- 2. Growth in their ability to study Scripture in a way that is faithful to the meaning and intent of the original author; and
- 3. A deeper understanding of the workshop scripture passage.
- 79 Attendees, 43 of whom were new to DWITW
- 36 Churches represented
- 9 Speakers/facilitators
- 30 women were new to the Bible study tools
- Event Collaborators: Chick-fil-A, Coffee Hub, and NoonDay
- 91% of Attendees felt more confident in using the study tools in their own personal study time
- 88% of Attendees had greater confidence in their ability to understand, interpret, and apply God's Word to their personal study
- 98% of Attendees left the workshop encouraged

Survey Responses: What was your favorite part of Intensive 2022?

"Time to just sit and be in the Word!" "All of the different churches represented and how this could impact them!" "By far my favorite DWITW event I've attended. The level of instruction has been wonderful and encouraging." "I felt very welcome. This event was put on with excellence!"



BY THE NUMBERS

In 2022, Dayton Women in the Word was able to make an impact through several platforms to encourage, train, support, and present God's Word to women of Dayton, Ohio and the surrounding areas.



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

- 1,338 Subscribers
- 45.51% Average Open Rate
- 93 Per Month Average Subscribe Rate



INSTAGRAM

- 1,521 Subscribers: 94% women; 6% men
- 21,510 Reach (Up 281.1%)
- Top Follower Age Range: 25-44 Yrs. Old
- 157 Posts (Up 106.6%)
- 500+ Stories
- Top City Audience: Dayton & Kettering



YOUTUBE

- 102 Videos; 15 Playlists
- 171 Subscribers
- 1.284 Total Video Views in 2022
- 12.495 Total Video Views
- 1,065.204 Hours Total Watchtime
- 78,611 Total Impressions



FACEBOOK

- 1,498 Subscribers: 97% women; 3% men
- 15,622 Reach (Up 162.8%)
- Top Follower Age Range: 25-44 Yrs. Old
- 135 Posts (Up 104.5%)
- Top City Audience: Dayton & Kettering



SPOTIFY

- 155 Subscribers
- 14 Playlists



SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- 1 Bible Teaching at Stillwater Church
- 50 Women Audience Reach



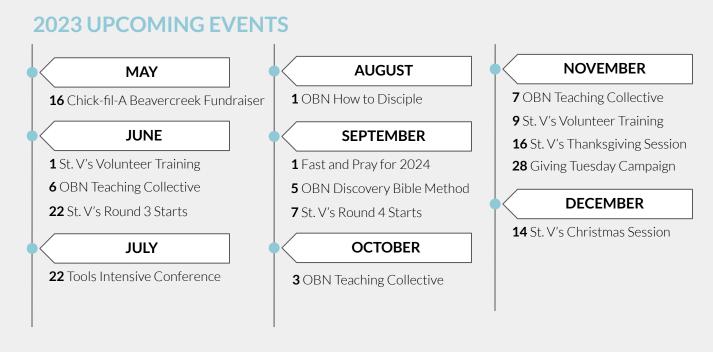
WEBSITE DOWNLOADS

- 66 Dwell Richly Plan: Deuteronomy (48 Facebook Group Participants)
- 64 Shema Group Bible Study

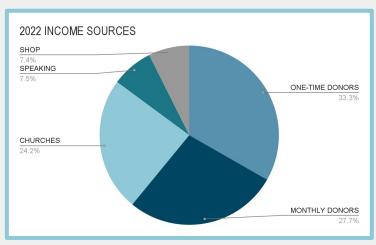
STRATEGIC FIVE YEAR GOALS (2023-2028)

As Dayton Women in the Word continues to carry out its mission, the Board as well as Staff and Pillar Leads envision the following nine goals for growing and strengthening the ministry over the next five years.

ONE	Build a Healthy and Vibrant Staff Team and Board
TWO	Develop Ministry Programming in Addition to Current Pillars
THREE	Scale Open Bible Night Pillar
FOUR	Scale Tools Intensive Pillar
FIVE	Scale St. Vincent's Pillar
SIX	Develop Strategic Ministry Partnerships and Collaborations
SEVEN	Secure Targeted Infrastructures
EIGHT	Advance Ministry Technology
NINE	Diversify Funding Income



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

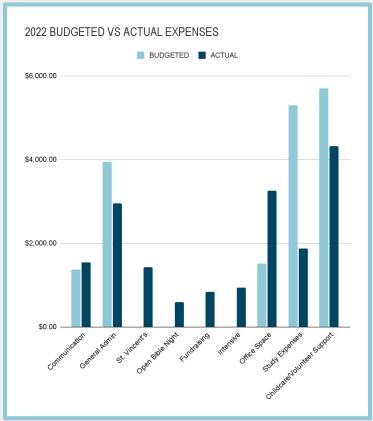


2022 OPERATING REVENUE: \$13,353.10 2022 OPERATING EXPENSES: \$17,719.34 2023 INCOME GOAL: \$37,627

2022 Fundraisers:

Spring Drive: \$1,014.38

Giving Tuesday Campaign: \$15,078.89



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*Communications Staff Lead

*Board Treasurer

*Pillar Volunteers

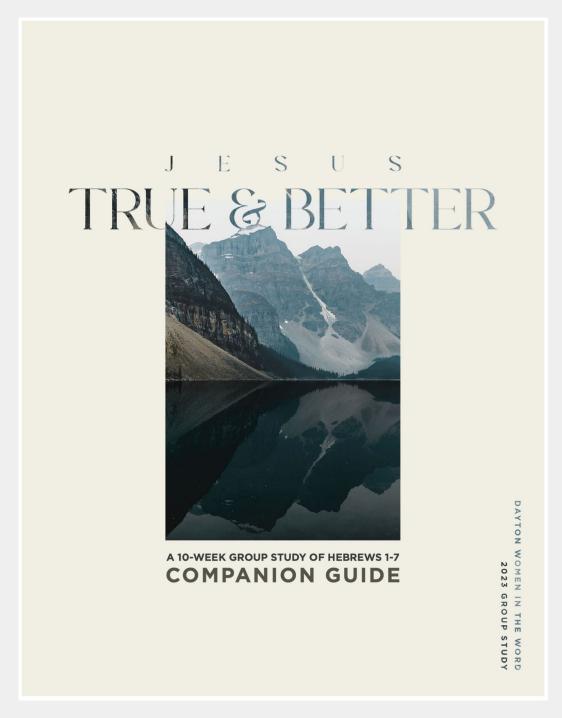
*Grant Writers

*Childcare Support

AVAILABLE NOW!

GRAB YOUR COPY OF THE NEW HEBREWS GROUP BIBLE STUDY NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE:

https://www.daytonwomenintheword.com/hebrews



This Bible study is designed specifically to come alongside women desiring to grow in their Bible study skills. Throughout the study women will learn and utilize Bible study tools to help them understand, interpret, and apply Scripture. The companion guide also includes the entire book of Hebrews in the English Standard Version at the back, so women can mark it up with all the note-taking their hearts desire!