2022 ANNUAL REPORT



CBS at a Glance

Where we have been

1840 - Founded in Chicago. 1871 - Provided Bibles to the city after the Great Fire.

1876 - Started Chicago Bible Work with Dwight Moody

1892 - Chicago Bible House founded by Emma Dryer 1952 - Gutenberg Award established

What we are doing

- 2,186 jail inmates enrolled in small group Bible study
- 235 inner-city school children learn to read using the Bible in the first year
- 40 churches & ministries in partnerships to reach their community with the Bible
- 3,974 Scripture resources provided to jails, hospitals, schools and churches this year

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Partnering with Chaplains Changing Lives with the Bible

For Chicago Bible Society, partnership is the key. We partner with Chaplains for Christ and Kolbe House Catholic Ministry to provide Bibles to inmates at the Cook County Jail, and with chaplains at both Will County and DuPage County Jail. We also partner with major Bible publishers, such as the American Bible Society, Tyndale House and Bible League to provide materials for programs, including Bibles for Jails and Project Philip.

This past year, Chicago Bible Society provided 1,152 Bibles to the county jails. We also provided 472 Bibles free of charge to local ministries as well as 2,280 Scripture portions, reading guides and other



literature. We worked with a number of churches to help them acquire Bibles at cost for their ministries. In total, we provided 3,974 Scripture resources with a total value of \$10,047.00

In our discount Bible program, we mostly partnered with small city churches to help them fill their Scripture

needs at the lowest cost possible. We also work with suburban churches to help them with their outreach ministries. For example, we worked with one church to start an outreach to those in their community struggling with addiction by acquiring Life Recovery Bibles.

A NEW VENTURE FOR PROJECT PHILIP

Sixteen years ago, Chicago Bible Society stepped outside its comfort zone and started something new – Project Philip at Cook County Jail. Now after 2,353 inmates enrolled and 1,943 graduating, we can see how God used the Bible Society to have a big impact on the lives of these inmates through teaching the Bible in a small group setting. Starting in 2023, we are taking another step forward.

Building on the relationships that we have with our Project Philip graduates, we are reaching out to their families to share the Good News of the Bible with them. The new program is called Family Connection and Care, and we seek to show God's love by addressing their physical and spiritual needs. We connect the families to supportive services such as food pantries to meet physical needs and we connect them to local churches and parishes to help with their spiritual needs. And we give the family a Bible.

2023 is our pilot program, and we will share the news with you as we go through the year.

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GUTENBERG AWARD RECOGNIZES CHERRYL THOMAS AND ART NELSON



Michael Renetzky was M.C. for the luncheon

Seventy years ago, the Chicago Bible Society awarded the first Gutenberg Award to General Douglas MacArthur. Except for two years (1956 and 2005), the Gutenberg Award has been given to those who have exemplified Christian leadership in the promotion of the Bible and in their service to the church and the community.

This past year, the Gutenberg Awards were given to Rev. Dr. Arthur Nelson and Ms. Cherryl Thomas. Dr. Nelson was recognized for his leadership in educating pastors at North Park Theological Seminary, where he served as Dean, and his service as Pastor at Winnetka Covenant, North Park Church, and LaSalle Street Church. Ms. Thomas was recognized for her work with Big Shoulders, Marquette University and Loyola University, and her Christian witness to the civic community in Chicago.

Watch Gutenberg Video Online

The 2022 Gutenberg Awards can be viewed online at: **ChicagoBibleSociety.org/ Gutenberg**



Rev. Dr. Arthur Nelson



Ms. Cherryl Thomas

PROJECT PHILIP

	English	Spanish	Women	totals	percent
current year					
total enrolled	49	58	60	167	100%
faith commitment	72	86	76	234	
mid-point	47	54	58	159	95.2%
graduates	46	49	54	149	89.2%
Cumulative (since 20	008)				
total enrolled	1,262	851	240	2,353	100%
faith commitment				1,733	
graduates				1,943	82.6%

Project Philip by the Numbers

The chart on the left shows the progress of Project Philip at Cook County Jail. The current year had 167 enrolled and 149 graduating. The cumulative total covers the entire program since 2008.

The category "English" is English speaking men, "Spanish" is Spanish speaking men. The women's groups are mixed English and Spanish.

Faith commitment represent all faith commitments reported – both those inmates in the program and others in their circle of friends. This is due to the desire of these inmates to share their faith with other inmates.

2017 was the first year for the women's program. The cumulative total under English includes the former boot camp program, which was discontinued in 2014.

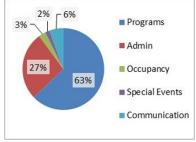
2022 FINANCIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

Chicago Bible Society again finished the year in good financial health, reflecting the financial stability shown in 2021.

Donations from individuals continue to be an important part of our support. The Gutenberg Awards has helped us grow our overall contribution level. In addition we received grants and major donor gifts totaling \$136,100.

Unlike last year, we did not receive the PPP forgivable loan or other government assistance. Administrative costs grew slightly as we included a full audit of our finances.

Our new Family Connection and Care program will be reflected in next year's report. Special Events covers the cost of the Gutenberg Awards.



Use of funds

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12 Months Ending	D	ec. 31, 2022
Revenue & Support		
Donations	\$	90,198
Grants & Maj Dnr		136,100
Other		9,054
	\$	235,352
Expenses		
Programs	\$	127,767
Administration		54,940
Occupancy		5,702
Special Events		11,243
Communication		3,533
	\$	203,785