



December 27, 2023

To the Wonderful Hillside Church Family:

What an incredible journey we've had in 2023! As we look back, our hearts overflow with gratitude for each one of you who has played a role in shaping Hillside Church into the thriving community it is today.

This year has been marked by the powerful presence of God in our midst!

We were thrilled to welcome two additions to our leadership team. Lori as our Supporting Pastor and Marie-Anne as the Hillside Kids Director. Their contributions have truly enriched our church family.

The growth of our church has been nothing short of phenomenal. In September, we transitioned to two Sunday morning worship gatherings, and on Christmas Eve, we celebrated our first THREE service Sunday with over 230 people in attendance! Navigating the rhythm of multiple services has been a journey, but we believe it's a step forward, creating more space for our expanding congregation.

The sense of family within our church is a beautiful tapestry of hearts being knit together.

Here are some highlights from the past year that showcase the impact of our collective efforts:

- 22 salvations/recommitments to Christ
- 11 water baptisms
- 22 new members of Hillside Church
- Sending a missionary team to Costa Rica with over \$13,000.00 to support the missionaries there.
- A successful women's event - Journey To Wholeness
- Tremendous growth in our Hillside Small Group Ministry
- Hosting Foursquare pastors from across our unit



- Two supply drives for families in the Airdrie in partnership with the Airdrie Pregnancy Care Centre with over \$1000 worth of supplies donated
- \$600.00 raised for the Airdrie Pregnancy Care Centre with the Baby Bottle Campaign
- Over 90 shoeboxes packed for Operation Christmas Child
- \$3600.00 donated to The Ubomi Obutsha Centre in South Africa
- Over \$3000 given to support our Hillside and Airdrie community members
- Continued partnerships (in the community and in our building) with other churches, grace soccer, Al-Anon, The Alberta Parkinson's Association, The Brownies, among others.

By being part of this caring and vibrant church family, you are contributing to new growth, increased salvations and baptisms, a thriving children's ministry, and expanding God's Kingdom in the world. We've achieved a lot, but there's more ahead, amen?

As we approach the end of 2023, I invite you to prayerfully consider an end-of-year gift to Hillside Church. Your generosity will enable us to continue our impactful ministries and fulfill God's incredible plans for our community. Conveniently make your contribution on our website at hillsideairdrie.ca under the "give" tab, where instructions for all giving methods are available.

Thank you for your continuous support. It's truly an honor to be your Pastor.

As family we go, forward together!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Bristow", written in a cursive style.

Brad Bristow
Lead Pastor, Hillside Church