

# BACK IN TIME

## *Annual Gala*



*BENEFITTING THE CASA VIDA MISSION OF WAHNETA*

*St. John's UMC, Winter Haven  
October 20, 6 p.m.*





WELCOME





# BLESSING OF THE FOOD





The Rev. Danny Bennett

# INTRODUCTION OF THE FOOD

CASA VIDA  
Kitty Walker





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 **CASA  
VIDA**  
Misión Metodista Unida



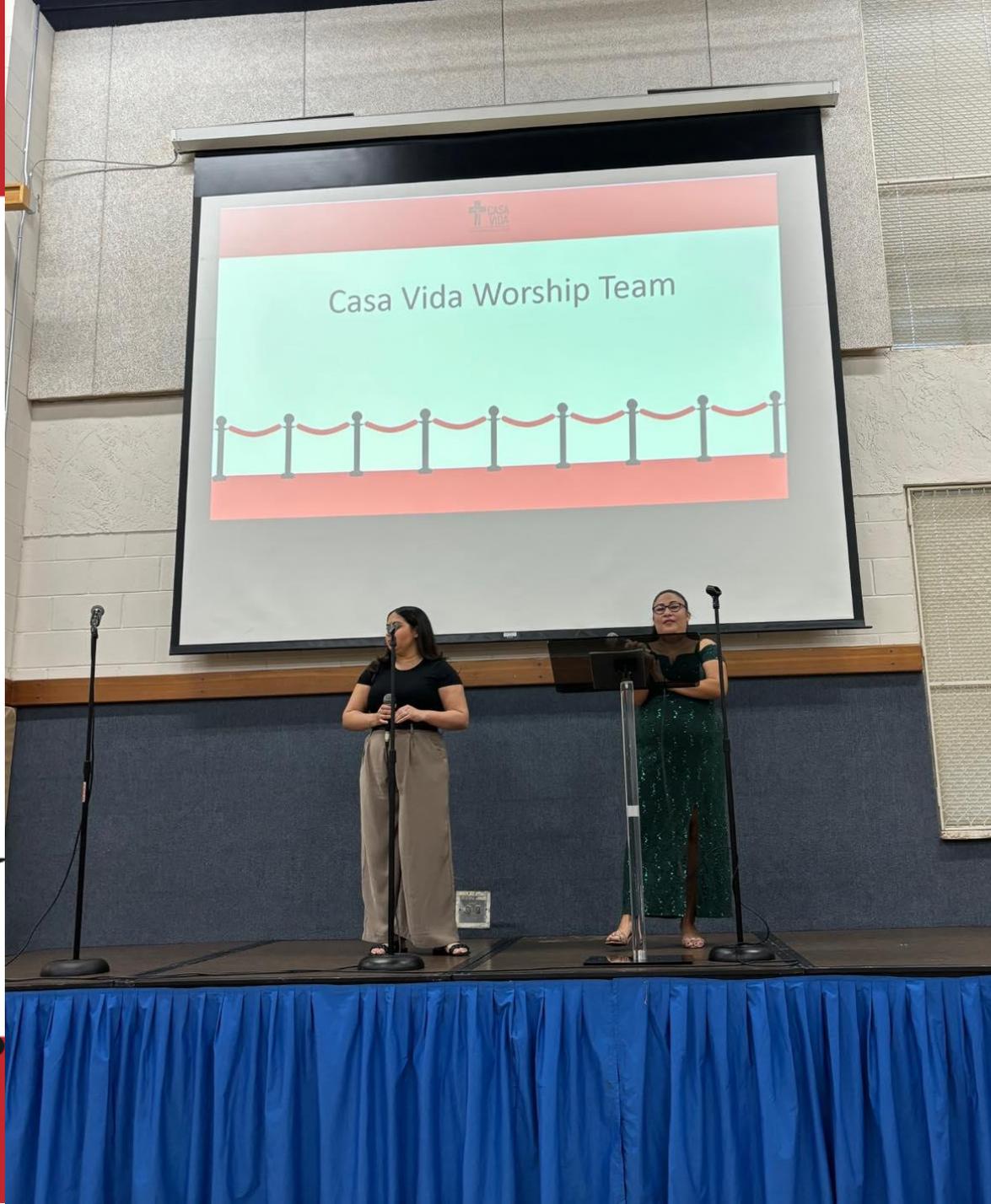




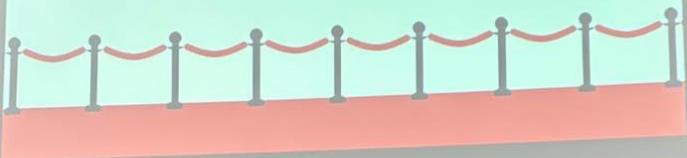


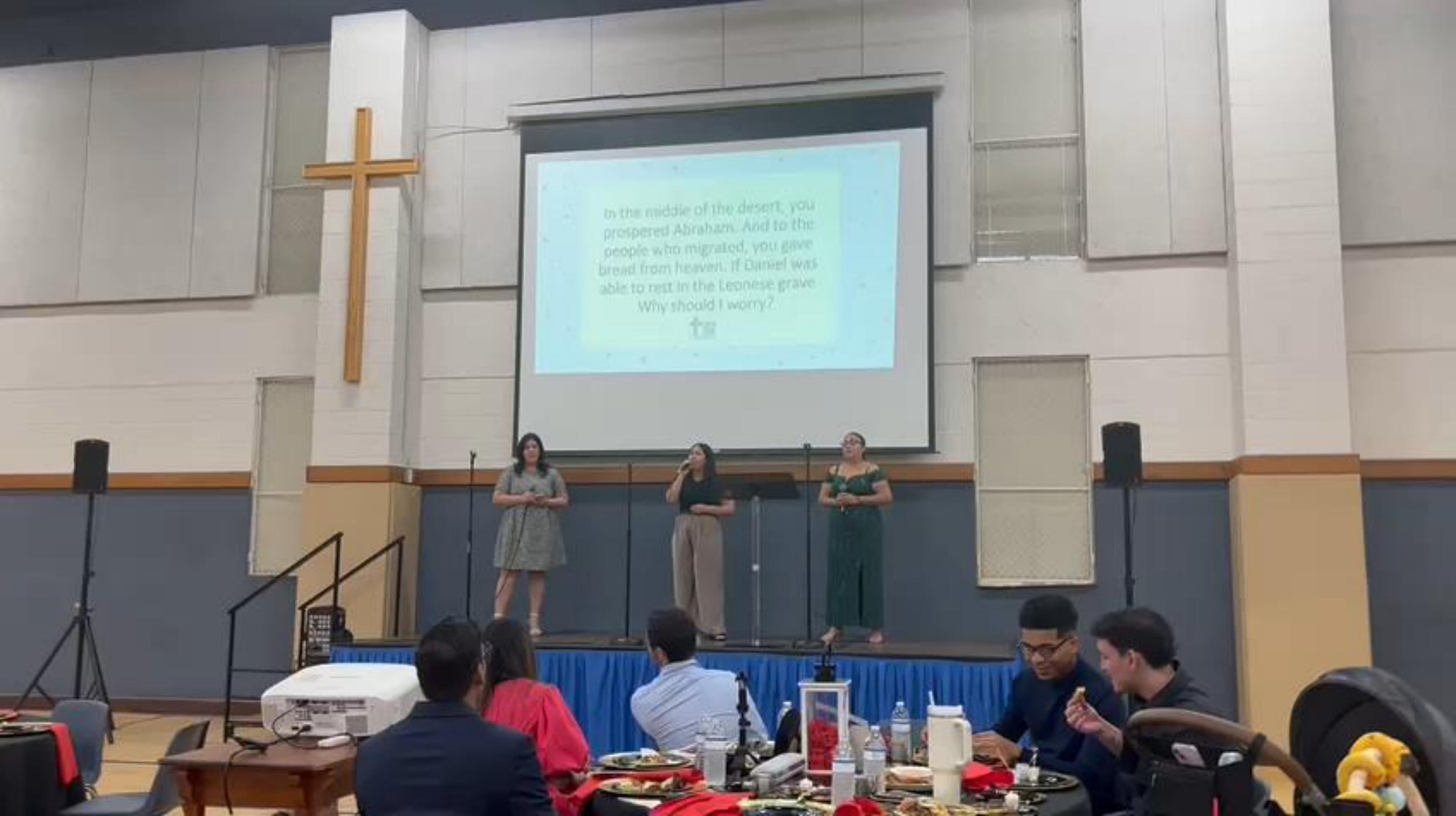
# MUSIC





Casa Vida Worship Team



A church service is taking place in a modern sanctuary. Three women are on stage, each with a microphone. A large projection screen behind them displays a text-based slide. The text on the screen reads: "In the middle of the desert, you prospered Abraham. And to the people who migrated, you gave bread from heaven. If Daniel was able to rest in the Leonese grave Why should I worry?" Below the text is a small icon of a cross with a crossbar. The sanctuary has a large wooden cross on the wall to the left of the stage. In the foreground, several people are seated at tables, eating and talking. A baby stroller is visible in the bottom right corner.

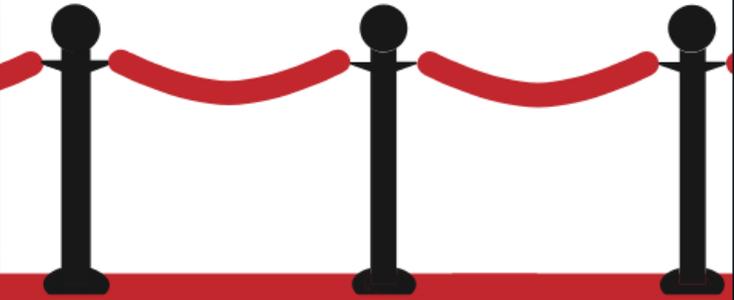
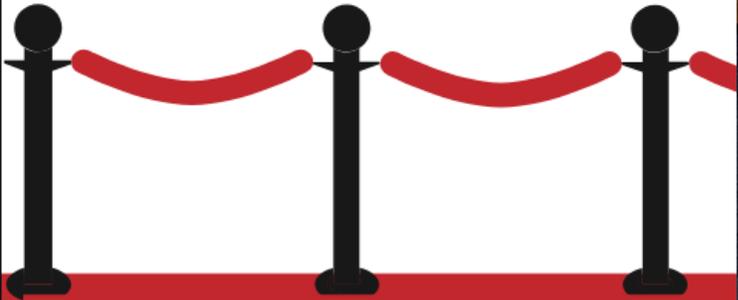
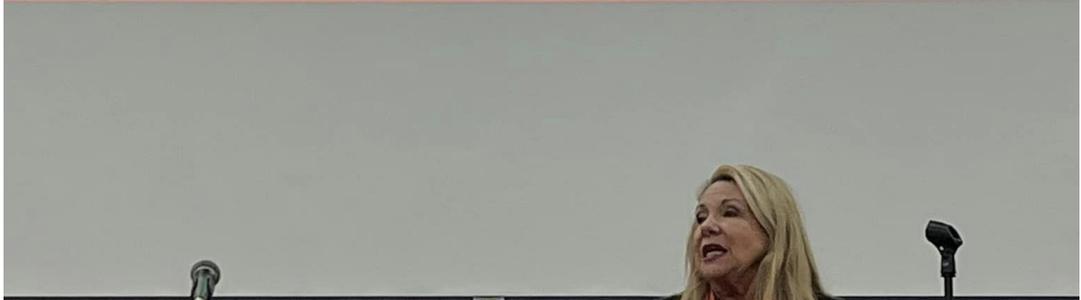
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# KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Teresa Martinez



# CASA VIDA TESTIMONY





Wilkins Rodriguez

# CASA VIDA PASTOR







# St. John's Welcome, Julio 2018



## Isaiah 25:6, 8

**6** On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

**8** He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.



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**DONORS & SPONSORS**

**13%**  
of budget in 2022

DONORS: 59  
SPONSORS: +50  
GRANTS: + 10  
PARTNER CHURCHES: 5  
MEXICAN GOVERNMENT



**& YOU CAN BE A PART OF IT TOO.**

**IMPACT COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

**+5,000**  
people benefited

With the help of  
Partners and Alliances

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- TRANSPORTATION



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**INTERVENTION SERVICES AREAS**

2019 - 2023



**8 of 10**

Legal immigration status, residence and citizens

Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Venezuela.

**WAYS TO DONATE**

YOUR SUPPORT IS CRUCIAL TO OUR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE COMMUNITY AROUND US. WE'D LOVE IT IF YOU COULD MAKE A DONATION TO HELP US ACHIEVE OUR MISSION

**1. CHECK**

You can send your donation check to Casa Vida Mission, P.O. Box 577 Eagle Lake FL 33839-0577

**2. CASHAPP**

\$CasaVidaWahnetta  
863-440-2721

Thank you in advance for your contribution. Your donation will go towards our community programs.

**SCAN HERE**

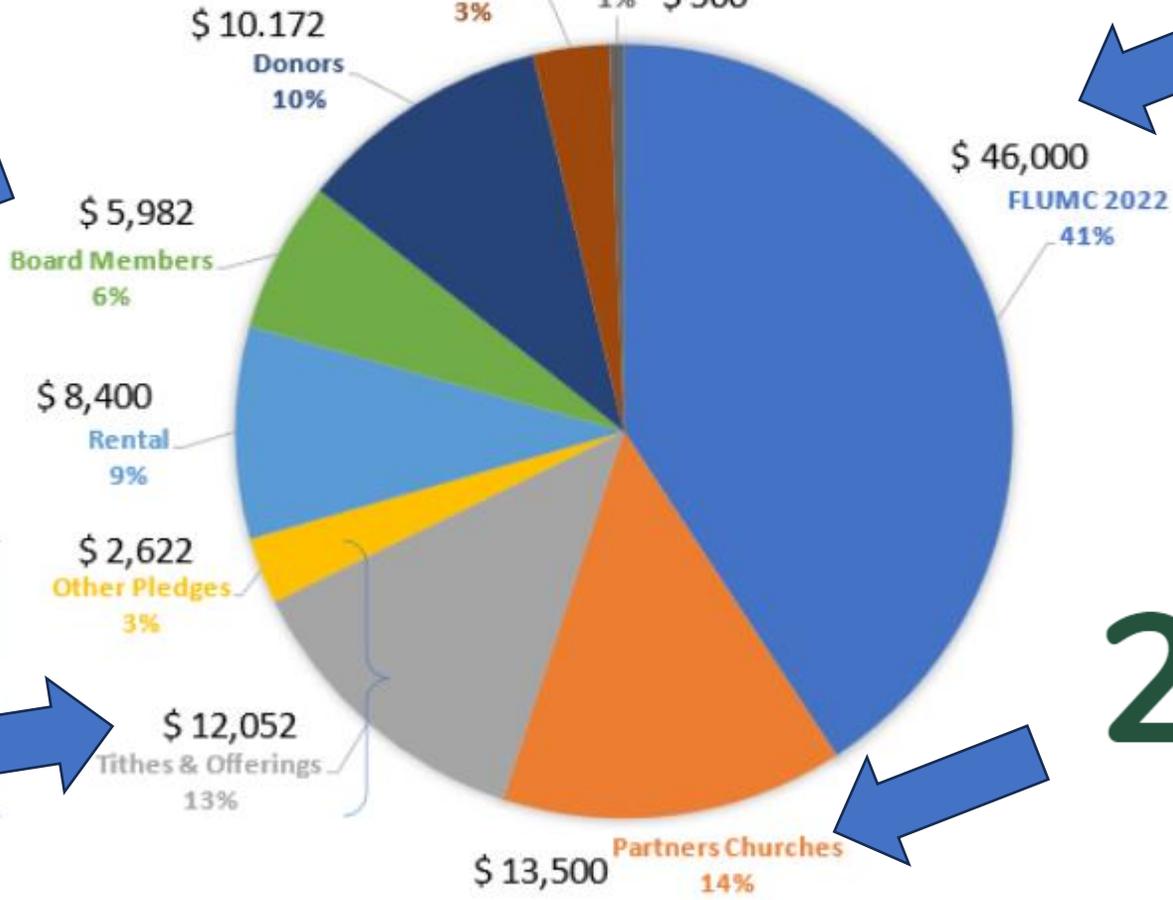
take a look at some of the work being done in the community



13%

*Income 2022.*

INGRESOS  
Sales 1% \$ 560  
Sponsors 3% \$ 3,600



-50%  
of budget in 2024

20%

16%

\$ 14,674



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# BUDGET \$\$\$\$

## \$110,598.96

- 41%** Florida Conference /NCD
- 20%** Mother & Partner Church and members St. John's
- 13%** Donors & Fundraising
- 16%** Hispanic tithers Casa Vida
- 10%** Rents & others



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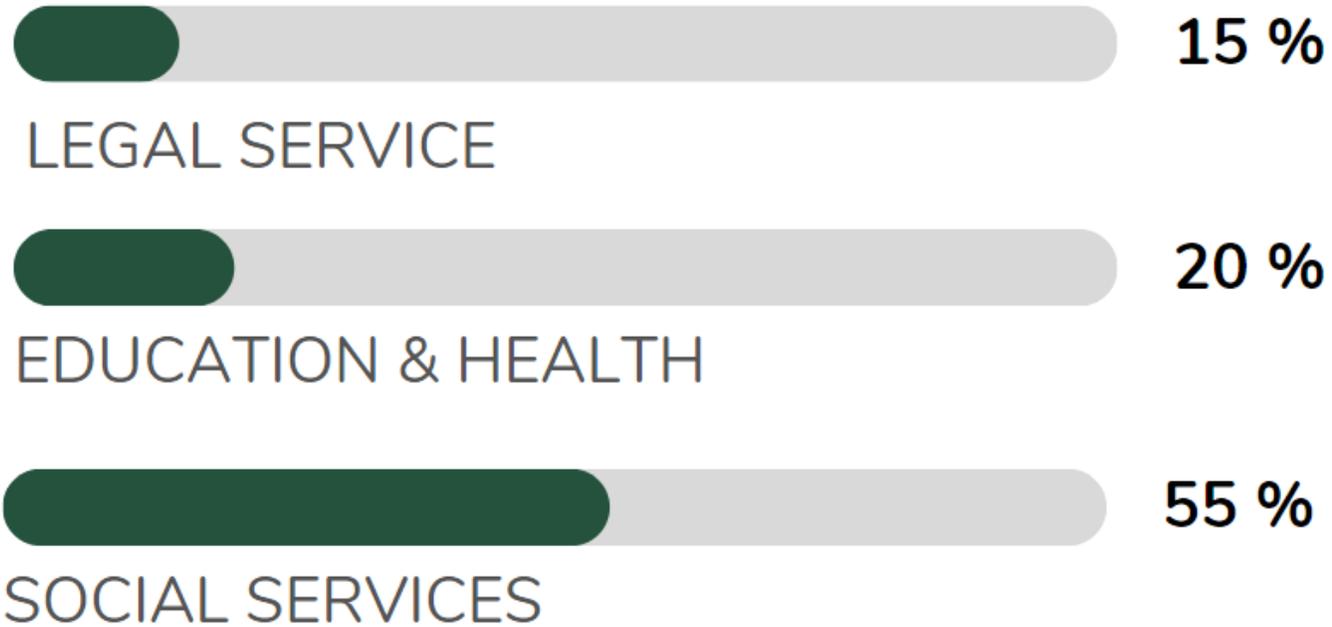
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Walking with God's grace alongside people from various cultures who suffer from limitations in the Wahneta community and beyond; especially Hispanic immigrants limited growth due to cultural, educational, social, relational, language and legal barriers.



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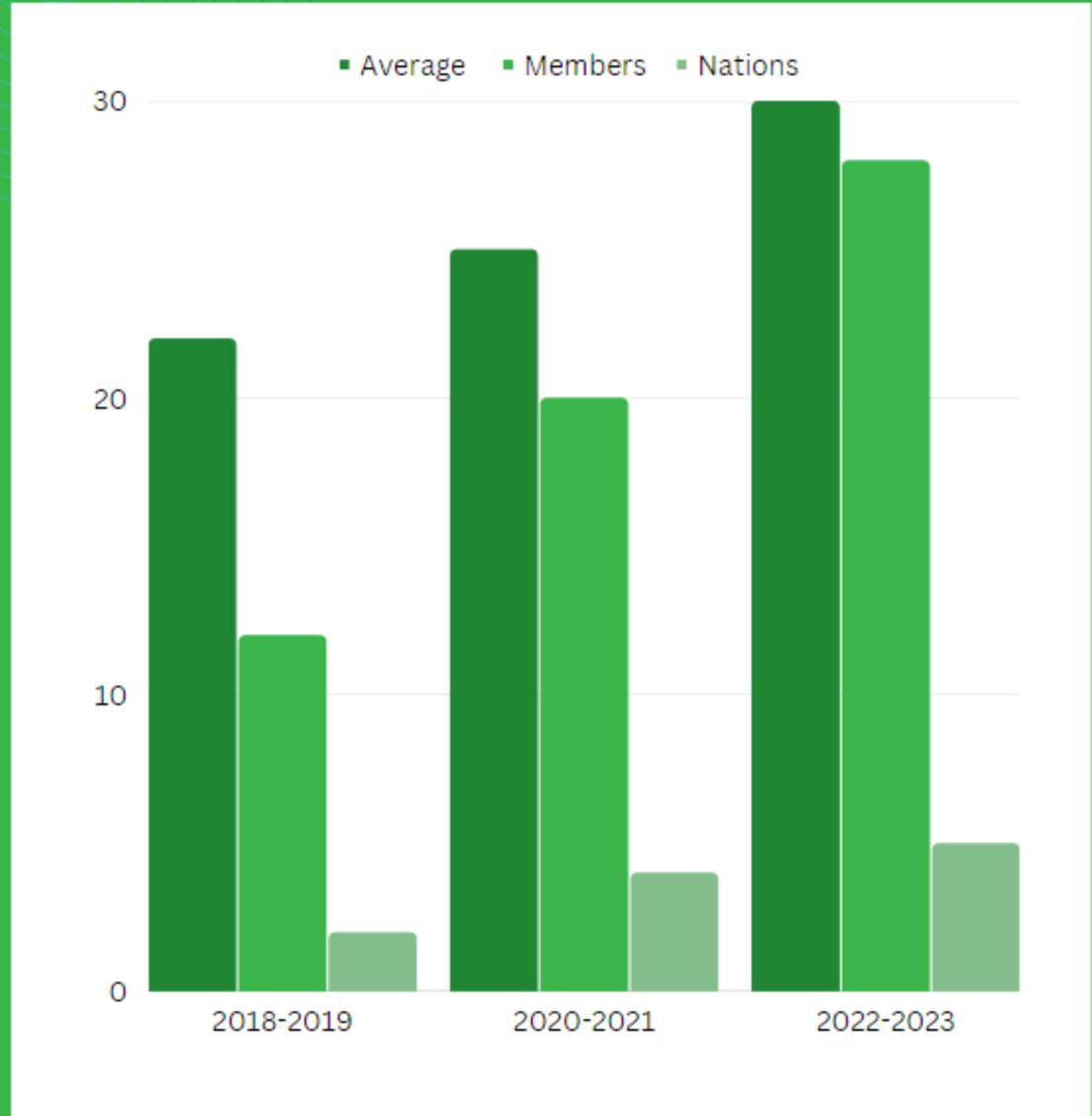


# 1. Average Attendance

## 2. Members

### 3. Hispanic Nations in Casa Vida\*

- Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Venezuela.



# LEGAL STATUS STATISTICS

80%

Legal immigration status, residence and citizens



20%

Legal papers in procedures / illegal.







ESPECIAL  
CANTADO  
REV. GARY GARAY





JESUS





















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# MISSIONAL CHURCH

- At the last meeting of the Executive Leadership Team of Casa Vida\* on November 8, 2022 with D.S. Rev. Dr. Bob Bushong came up with an appropriate definition term and other considerations:
- 1. This ministry in Wahneta, Florida shall be known as **Casa Vida Mission Church**, a United Methodist Ministry.



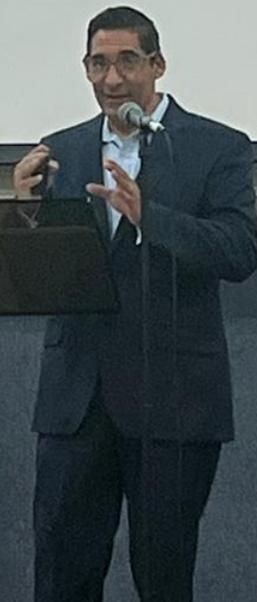
## MISSIONAL CHURCH\*

- \*"Missional churches see themselves primarily as servant disciples engaged in outward evangelism and service to a community. Instead of focusing primarily on internal programs, missional churches are always looking out to the community they serve and will seek to be the hands and feet of Christ to that community. Because of their focus primarily on mission as well as their presence in less affluent communities, missional churches may not develop into traditional large-member congregations and may continue to rely on financial support from their conference or planting partners to continue their services".

\*Strategies for Planting New Churches & Faith Communities\*. Published by Discipleship Ministry (Path1.UM.Global Church Planting.Report2021).



# CASA VIDA PASTOR



“With your help, we want to continue growing to serve the Wahneta community. “Our team generates actions, initiatives and is involved in bringing the gospel beyond Wahneta.”

*- Rodolfo Martínez, Pastor*

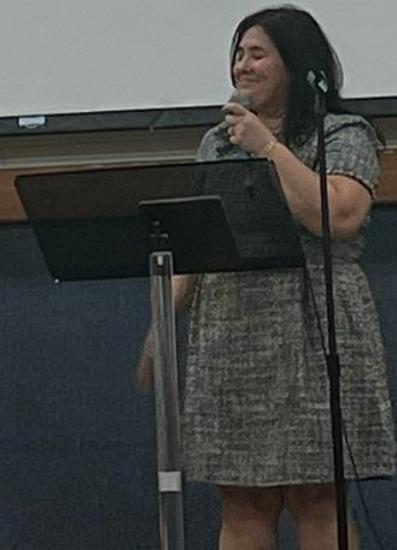
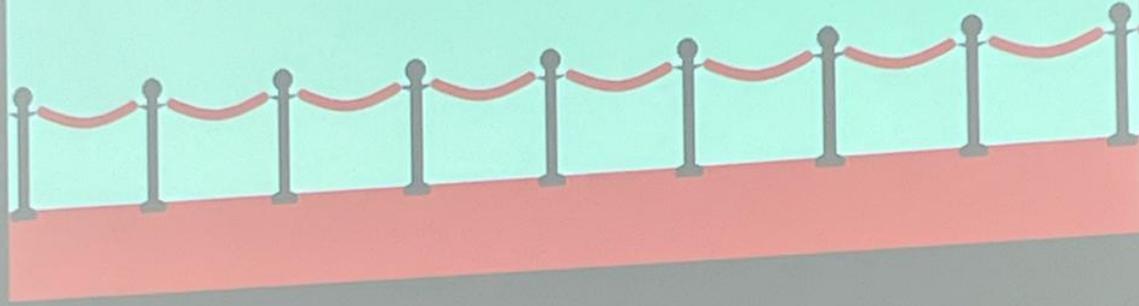


# SUPPORTING THE NEED



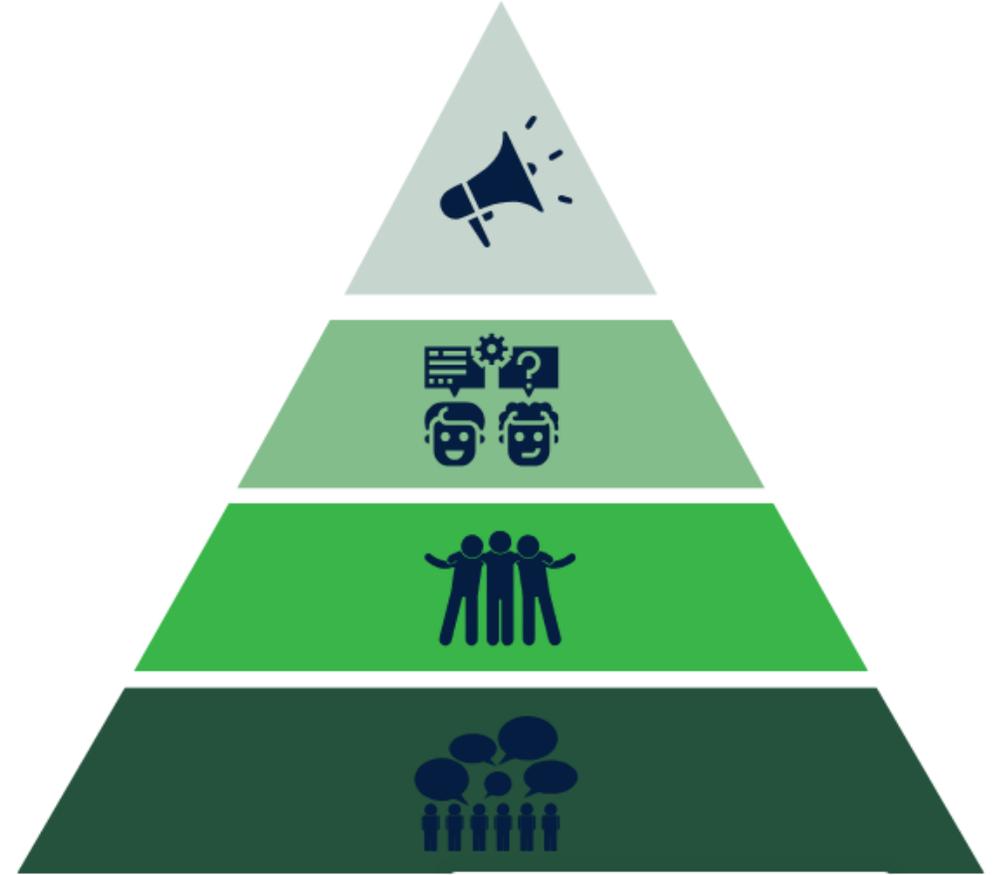


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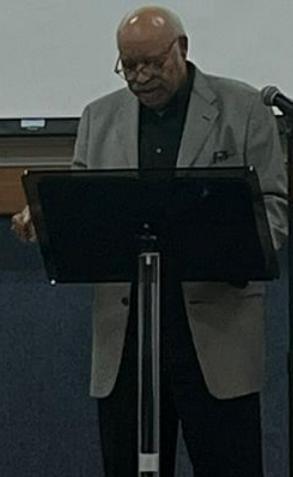
- A new scenario -21% Jun/Jul. 2024 (50% - Pastor Salary)
- A continuous challenge to be sustainable and pay expenses.
- A conscious responsibility to give Casa Vida its facts.
- A generous attitude and faith.
- A financial commitment to tithe and offering.

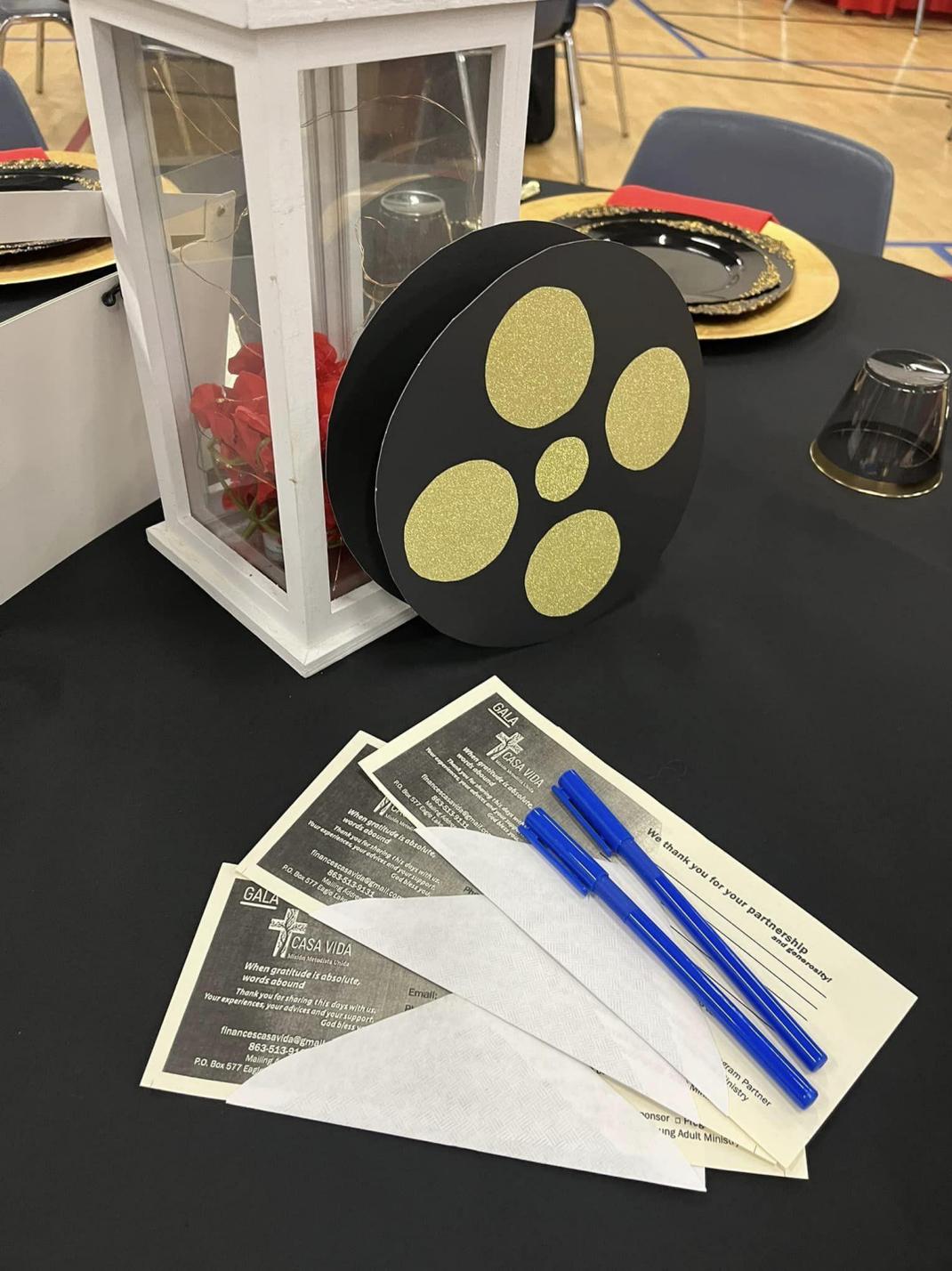


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# FUNDRAISING 2023

- **TOTAL ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BUDGET: \$12,528.00**
- **GALA 2023: \$6,000**
- **RAISED: \$5,831 (expect other income this week for deposit \$600)**
- **Other sales in the year for empanadas \$3000**
- **TOTAL ANNUAL RAISED: \$9,000 (Approximate)**
- **Deficit of -\$3,000**

THANK YOU!

