



2024

KINGDOM IMPACT REPORT

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VISION

For all people to become followers of Jesus

MISSION

Loving God Loving People

Making Disciples of Jesus Together

VALUES

Experiencing God

Creating Community

Reaching Beyond





2024: DEEPER

In 2024 we had the overarching theme of 'Deeper' – seeking the Lord and going deeper in prayer, service, and mission. As a church community, we came before God like David did in Psalm 139 and asked him to “²³ Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. ²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.”

2024 has been a wonderful year of going deeper and joining God in his mission. Some examples of this have been: 32 people putting their trust in Jesus for the first time; 42 people recommitting their lives to Jesus; 2 people being baptised and going public with their faith; 269 Bibles being given out to people in our community who are seeking God; and Clovie Gawler growing as a campus of our church.

In 2024 as we have partnered God across the seas, we sent a team to Indonesia to develop a partnership with Business for Transformation (B4T); we continued to walk with the Baptist World Aid (BWA) to see the Kapilvastu region released from poverty by 2030; and we continued to support our sent missionaries (Jan Boucher, James and Ashleigh Stevens, and Rob and Deb Griffith).

In the pages that follow you will read and engage with numbers and stories that all demonstrate lives transformed by Jesus. I encourage you not to rush as you engage with this impact report, but instead spend time reading the stories, absorbing all of God's activity at Clovie and Pathway, and thanking God for his ongoing work amongst us.

Many blessings,

Pastor Mike Stevens

VISION PRIORITIES



How



Local
National
International



Opportunities to Experience God
Community in Life Groups
Contribute by Serving



Leadership Pathways
Apprenticeship Model
Active Partnerships



Clovia Online
Multisite
Midweek



Innovative Culture
Kingdom Dreaming Team
Respond & Anticipate





2024: REACH

Introducing People to Jesus

32

FIRST TIME
COMMITMENTS

42

RE-COMMITMENTS

269

BIBLES GIVEN

I NO LONGER FEEL ALONE

I first found Clovie when I was searching for help with my marriage and attended the online marriage course. At the same time, I was going through a health journey and the leaders that I was working with were quite faith based and encouraged me to attend a worship session at a conference. I felt more at ease than I had felt in a long time.

I decided to go on this journey because whilst I had lost 40kgs and made significant changes to my physical and mental health, I still felt very alone. I was invited to attend Clovie by Michelle and was given the opportunity to explore through attending the Alpha course. There was no pressure to conform or any expectations of me however I slowly began to learn what Jesus's love was like and felt like I was finding my way again. I learned the basics but found myself wanting to know more and am now attending a Discovery Bible Study with some amazing women from my Alpha course.

What has changed now that I know him? I am taking this journey as a single parent now but myself and my 3 daughters attend Clovie and they are finding Jesus in their own ways, and one has even started serving in kids church. I notice a change in their behaviour and a calm, sense of security, community, peace and love and that's just the start. Best part is I no longer feel alone. I can't wait to watch as we grow with Jesus in our lives.

Bec Bryant | Clovie Modbury North

QUENCH – OUR TEAM

I have heard two words used repeatedly to describe Quench: welcoming and safe. I have heard these words used by both customers and work experience students, one of whom wrote us a letter thanking our team for making him feel comfortable, supported, and happy. Our impact must have been particularly significant that a high school student would go to the effort of writing us a letter also saying that he will come back to visit and volunteer. This will be the third work experience student to continue volunteering after they have finished placement.

This is exactly what I feel God is doing with Quench, inviting people in. Not only are we seeing people wanting to be a part of our Quench community but this year we have also seen at least 1 family and 3 individuals introduced to the Clovie church community through their interaction with Quench. I absolutely love that people come for coffee and find community, this is what blurring the lines between church and community looks like.

8

NEW QUENCH
VOLUNTEERS

42

QUENCH
VOLUNTEERS

GINGERBREAD NIGHT

Our 10th anniversary of Gingerbread Night. 156 ladies registered. 14 grab and go packs were taken and 3 Bibles collected. Noelle Wallis shared a message on hope in our kind God. Hope in his nearness and hope in clinging to him, despite our circumstances.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor

156

LADIES
REGISTERED

14

GRAB & GO
PACKS TAKEN

3

BIBLES
TAKEN



\$43,543

RAISED FOR
MISSIONS
THROUGH H4H

INVESTING IN GOD'S GLOBAL COMMUNITY

This year, we've continued to invest in God's global mission through partnerships with BWA in Kapilvastu and B4T in Indonesia, giving a total of \$43,543 through Heart for the House. Day-to-day, we've supported Jan Boucher (WEC), James and Ashleigh Stevens (YWAM in Marseille), and Deb and Rob Griffith (BMA in Cambodia).

Jan shared, "As WEC's National Director, I've had the privilege of preparing and sending missionaries to West Africa, the Middle East, and Fiji. Our heart is for Christ to be known, loved, and worshiped among the unreached, and I've been blessed to support those in the field and equip new missionaries."

James and Ashleigh reflected, "This year, our Discipleship Training School sent teams to Spain and North Africa. During the Olympics, we hosted outreach teams in France, built a discipleship network, and saw people touched by Jesus. We also ran a Community Development School and regularly shared the gospel in Marseille."

Rob and Deb saw God at work in Cambodia: "This year, we partnered with local restaurant managers to mentor young Khmer people in hospitality, life skills, and English, while sharing our faith. A highlight was witnessing our neighbor, Mr. S., declare his faith in Jesus after years of Bible reading and prayer together."

Through these partnerships, we celebrate how God is transforming lives across the globe!

Michelle Stevens | Executive Pastor





Kids & Family COACH is a mentoring program supporting students and parents facing tough times. A mentor is a friend with a purpose—helping them flourish. COACH: Creating Opportunity and Casting Hope.

While 2024 has brought changes, we're excited about where God is working. After prayer and discernment, Bev Poppleton (Kids COACH leader for four years) and Julianne McDuff (Family COACH leader for two years) feel their time on staff is ending and will finish in the coming months. We are deeply grateful for their contributions and thank them for their investment. We trust God in this next season.

KIDS COACH

After 13 years of serving at The Heights school, they decided not to continue with the KIDS COACH program. While it may have been the end of a season at The Heights school we are excited by the open door we have had into Evanston Gardens Primary School at Gawler. We currently have two

active mentors in the school. We have also been able to meet with two new public schools and they are excited to partner with us in Kids COACH.

"What a blessing it has been to be able to come alongside a child and encourage them, acknowledging their gifts and talents in their school environment.

My student has a very enquiring mind and we spent several minutes recently exploring some leaves on a branch noting the different textures depending on its age, how the older leaf was thicker, stronger and had weathered different seasons.

A joy to see and be part of discovering God's creation."

Rev Judith Carpenter | Kids COACH Mentor

FAMILY COACH

I have been participating as a Family Coach mentor to another mum since the beginning of the year. I have really enjoyed getting to know her and feel privileged that she is happy to share the ups and downs of her life with me. It has been a slow process as we try to meet fortnightly and when that is missed many weeks can go by. But she is committed to coming, as am I, and we are growing in our relationship. It is very rewarding and I look forward to seeing what God has in store for us both in the months to come.

Kirsten Urquhart | Family COACH Mentor

CLOVIE CRAFT

Clovie Craft have had another impacting year of outreach, craft making, raising donations for various organisations and charities, and becoming a community where people can be creative through card making, scrapbooking, knitting, crochet and needlework. Clovie Craft provides opportunities for people to use their creative skills to impact individuals and communities.

Jenny Lewis | Craft Leader

ALPHA COURSE

This year our Alpha course had 11 attendees over the 6 weeks. We were blessed with such rich conversation and connection with people of all different backgrounds. Over the course one of our participants made a commitment to follow Jesus and a number are continuing to explore more about Jesus.

Throughout the course beautiful friendships have formed and we are continuing to meet monthly with those participants who still have many questions about Jesus. As we read the Bible together the Holy Spirit is truly meeting these people where they are at and opening their eyes to Him.

Michelle Stevens | Executive Pastor



Alpha



EASTER

Easter, we remembered there truly is no greater love. Through our Good Friday and Easter Sunday services, Passover and Stations of the Cross we were able to create an opportunity for many to encounter that personal love of God. This year, we opened the Stations of the Cross throughout the week for people from the community to explore, some clearly visibly moved by this great love.

Our Easter Sunday service had a powerful impact, which was even spoken about months later. In November, someone from the Clovie team was chatting to a visitor who attended an Easter Sunday service. When the visitor found out that the person was from Clovie, their response was, "I loved the opportunity we had to place the paper hearts at the cross. That had a huge impact on me and still does now when I think about that special moment."

Over the weekend, 13 grab & go packs were taken, and our visitors and regular attenders reflected on and celebrated the loving sacrifice Jesus made for each one of us. So grateful for the team who all contributed to make these opportunities so powerful.

Clovie Creative Team



ECHO CARNIVAL



Every year we have an event in the middle of Term 4 called Carnival. This event is such a highlight on our calendar as we invite years 5-12 along for a night of fun, games, food, inflatables, praise worship and an awesome word. Ben Heard shared with us this year around how we can put our faith in God and fix our eyes on him. We had 92 young people at carnival this year and celebrated youth being challenged to point their eyes to Jesus.

Tim Goldney | Youth Pastor

FROM DISCONNECTION TO BAPTISM

Adrian's first time at a Clovie service was at Carols in 2022. He and his wife Michelle were invited by a family member who is a longtime volunteer at Quench Cafe. While they had been part of a church before, around 20 years ago Adrian started to feel disconnected and his faith began to dwindle. A few weeks after Carols, they decided to give church another go and met some of our team at a summer service. As they continued to attend on Sundays, Adrian heard about and signed up for Alpha Online in 2023. Getting back to basics was really helpful, allowing Adrian to wrestle with his questions and who Jesus is. He discovered that Jesus shows us grace and offers life, and life to the full. In May 2024, Adrian was baptised. Praise God! Check out this encouraging snippet from his testimony:

In an Alpha session Ash asked "If Jesus walked up to you right now how would you react?" "... oh man, I thought can't you just ask me something less confrontational like your favourite movie, but no you had to go there. Anyway, we got a few different answers and when it came to my turn to respond, being my authentic self I won't say exactly what was in my head, but I did say something on the lines of you are in a lot of trouble. I thought about that afterwards for a while and it bothered me.

Probably a few days after that session this thought came into my head "Hey, you honestly think I want to simply beat you over the head with a stick when you get outta line? Dude, that's not what it's about – I want to be you best mate, I want to show you the best life you can have, walk with me". It's like Jesus was knocking on the door of my heart again.

This Baptism for me, for the first time in a very long time I have a passion to really get back to my walk with Jesus and I want to publicly affirm it. Man, I can't tell you what that is going to look like and I know obstacles most likely will occur, but I also know I am no longer going on this journey alone. Anyone who might be feeling like a "church kid syndrome" type like I had felt, I cannot encourage you enough - seek Jesus yourself, not simply because this how you were taught to live, but I can tell you from experience, he wants a relationship with you but will never go FBI and kick the door in first.

If you are struggling within yourself to seek him, talk to someone, pray with someone or you are welcome to talk to me. My prayer is that more people come to know Jesus personally, through wanting to have a relationship with Jesus based on one's own decision.

Ashlee Jackson | Online & Young Adults Pastor



Online

\$19,328

RAISED IN 2024

PING-PONG-A-THON 2024

In September, we played 24 hours of Pong and raised a record-breaking total of \$19,328.25. With a mix of groups and individuals signing up to play, we had around 90 people take part. Everyone was committed to raising funds and awareness for the heart-breaking issue of modern-day slavery. These funds will go directly to International Justice Mission (IJM) and their work to fight against slavery in South-East Asia. Pong estimates it costs \$1800 to free 1 person from slavery - so these funds could free 10 lives - thank you to everyone who participated in this fight for freedom!

Ashlee Jackson | Online & Young Adults Pastor



Social Group Paint Night

MAINLY MUSIC

Mainly Music, our preschool outreach program, continues to thrive in its 17th year, drawing families closer to God through music, craft, and story time. Thursday mornings provide a welcoming space for parents, caregivers, and grandparents to connect with their children and each other.

Highlights this year included the Easter story walk-through, Stations of the Cross, Christmas Carols celebrating Jesus as the greatest gift, and events like Mothers' Day, where children crafted mittens and mums enjoyed café-made drinks. The Family Fun Night brought dads into the spotlight, emphasizing that Jesus is our superhero.

A new social group, started by a Mainly Music mum, has deepened connections with activities like bowling and paint nights.

One story of impact stands out: a mum, drawn in by the Mainly Music flag three years ago, has since built meaningful relationships, joined church, and now serves. She shared, "There is something different about this place."

Through Mainly Music, God continues to transform lives, showing us that relationships are the foundation for lasting change.

Julianne McDuff | Mainly Music



DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY IN EVANSTON PARK

This year, I started meeting with a small group of people in my lifestyle village. We've been meeting on a Wednesday afternoon and have been working through 9 Stories of Hope from the book of Luke, with each session revealing something of Jesus' authority over all. By asking several simple questions, it is helping the group consisting of a new Christian and an unsaved friend, to learn what God is saying. It's been encouraging to hear their questions and increasing knowledge of the truth. Will break over the holidays but will recommence in the New Year and hope to invite others to join us as God leads.

Bev Goode | Clovie Gawler

GAWLER CHRISTMAS PARADE

On 30th November 2024, Clovie Gawler celebrated the season at the Gawler Christmas Parade, sharing the true meaning of Christmas with our community.

Our joyful float featured a banner declaring, "Happy Birthday Jesus – Our Greatest Gift." Volunteers dressed as giant presents handed out Christmas tree ornaments with QR codes linking to our "Jesus" page. Kids from Clovie Kids added to the fun, riding in the ute and blowing bubbles, as children from the crowd shouted, "Happy birthday Jesus!"

Jason Lippitt | Clovie Gawler Campus Pastor



CLOVIE GAWLER SERVING HOPE

Every Wednesday and Friday, Clovie Gawler volunteers provide healthy breakfasts at Evanston Gardens Primary School, ensuring children start their day nourished and ready to learn. For many, this meal is a lifeline, and it's been met with gratitude from students, families, and school staff.

Through Pathway Community Centre, we've also extended support to families facing challenges—offering hope to those struggling financially or navigating grief, such as the loss of a parent.

Jason Lippitt | Clovie Gawler Campus Pastor





2024: GROW

*Going deeper with Jesus
and Community*

564

AVERAGE CLOVIE
MODBURY NTH
ATTENDANCE

66

AVERAGE ONLINE
ATTENDANCE

49

AVERAGE
CLOVIE GAWLER
ATTENDANCE

679

TOTAL WEEKLY
AVERAGE
ATTENDANCE

↑ 8.64% FROM 2023

CONNECTING ACROSS GENERATIONS

This year, two couples from our church (the Georges & the Meinels) hosted dinners in their homes to connect Young Adults (YAs) with Seniors from our Clovie community. They invited a handful of young adults and other seniors, and we had a wonderful time of story-sharing and intergenerational community building. Both nights were invaluable opportunities to connect with Clovie's older generation, glean from their wealth of wisdom and be deeply encouraged to invest in a lifelong relationship with God. They were a beautiful opportunity to be inspired and challenged by the diverse life experiences of those older than us, and we got to ask them important questions about faith and life. Moreover, we as young adults got to know each other better, were able to reflect on where God is leading us in life and began to build rich relationships with Clovie's seniors which we look forward to developing in years to come.

Anneliese Coleopy | Young Adult



PRAYER AT CLOVIE

Clovie's prayer and worship nights have been a chance for people to experience God and have been well attended on each of the three nights across this year. I have always believed that the worship of God's people sets the atmosphere for an intimate and impactful prayer time. This year we have experienced powerful times of worship that draw us to the heart of the Father. Great encouragement has come from people who have shared what God has placed on their hearts – often these words will be reflective of deep work, and courageous faith that builds us up and encourages us to be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. (Romans 12:12 (NIV))

While the impact of prayer is often personal and difficult to quantify, we are witnessing its tangible effects within the Clovie community. We have been praying for the people that are not yet part of Clovie but live in our neighbourhoods to be drawn to God, and we have seen so many new faces walking through our doors at Clovie, attending and responding to Him through Alpha, connecting through the café, volunteers attending Discovery Bible Studies and many other ways they connect. The blessings that come from faithful and consistent prayer can sometimes not be seen by our own eyes, yet we have faith in God to do His work, as the Holy Spirit guides us to pray in alignment with His will.

As we continue to gather for prayer and worship in 2025, we anticipate and wait in expectation for more of His grace to pray in a way that would encourage greater experience of God, and His mighty hand to impact the lives of people that are touched by the people and ministries of Clovie.

Mel Wallage | Leader for Prayer

CLOVIE KIDS

The truth instilled in children at a young age can stay with them for life.

We pray our Clovie Kids will know each day that they are loved by Jesus and have an identity in him. Children are at the beginning of their faith journey and as a Clovie Kids team we have the privilege of partnering with parents to help them grow relationship with God. Over this past year we have loved pointing our kids to Jesus through opening up God's word and learning together. Reminding our kids that God is real, he has a plan for each of them and wants to help. We enjoyed the 7 I AM's - teaching our kids who Jesus is and why he came. 16 kids chose Jesus to be their best friend for the first time, one little 4 year old boy said "Today Mum I asked Jesus to be my best friend".

We gave away 6 Bibles and devotions and pray God will use his word to show his love and goodness.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor



PASTORAL CARE

I have been overwhelmed by the goodness and kindness that the Church family have shown me during my weeks of hospital recovery from surgery. Many people have either visited me in hospital, or at home, have phoned or sent me text messages, saying they are praying for me and offering practical help if needed. It has been such a blessing to have people praying for me and visiting. I thank God He is blessing me in this way, and I in turn pray that God will bless all those who have been supporting me. Clovercrest Baptist Church really show God's love to His people, and I am truly blessed.

Anthea Addison | Clovie Modbury North

DEDICATIONS

We love celebrating spiritual moments in the life of Clovie. Three infant dedications: thanking God for the gift of children and the blessing they are. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you're at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Duet 6:5-8

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor

MINISTRY FOR SENIORS AND RETIREES

Perspective (Seniors) ministry continue to focus on meeting our seniors and retirees of our Church. It is encouraging to see people invite people to events, to hear stories of God healing older people, of people reaching out and praying for younger generations, and for people to thrive in their later stage of life. People caring for one another, looking out for each other and providing opportunities for them to keep serving and using their gifts and talents to serve the Church. Our seniors are thriving!.

Nathan McDuff | Pastoral Care and Seniors Pastor





CHERISH MINISTRY

Cherish is our additional needs ministry. This year we have 3 new families that we have welcomed into Cherish and have been able to find them a buddy to provide extra support.

It was wonderful to see Lilly Reynolds, who is part of our Clovie Kids & Cherish ministry in year 5, enjoy her first visit to youth when we had a carnival night. The joy on her face captures the blessing Lilly is to us. We are looking to support Lilly into her transition into youth at the end of 2025. God's Kingdom is for everyone.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor

"Cherished has been such a blessing to our family. Jack loves church and always has. But he is busy and would often find church quite overwhelming. We would spend each church service making sure Jack was safe and engaged. For a long time it felt like we would come to church each week, without really getting to listen or participate in church. This year, Jack was diagnosed as living with Autism, which has helped us to make sense of his world a little more. Throughout the process Ann and her team have been extremely supportive. Ann was able to team Jack up with Lucy for support each Sunday. We could not believe how Jack so willingly went into Mini's that first Sunday, but with Lucy being there to support him as his special person he went in and enjoyed his first Mini's. We have loved how Lucy has built such a positive relationship with Jack, and how Jack has gone from just sitting in the space and watching as an on looker to being an engaged participant in Kids Ministry. We know that this is because of the safe, fun and engaging environment Ann and her team have created, and the confidence he has developed through his relationship with Lucy. It has been an extra special gift on Sundays when Jordan is playing in the worship team. We love that Jack is learning about God and building his personal relationship with our King, just as we are released to do in church for ourselves, knowing Jack is supported, loved on and safe. We are grateful for Lucy, Ann and the whole Cherished ministry."

Tess & Jordan Haamann | Clovie Modbury North





Young Adults

YA HEARING GOD'S VOICE

One night in our Young Adults Life Groups, we spent time praying and asking God to give us words of knowledge and prophecy for one another. When we chatted afterwards about how we found the experience, one Young Adult shared that this is something she's struggled with in the past. When she did similar exercises throughout her teen years, she felt like she couldn't hear from God in the same way that other people did. In the months before this exercise at YA, she was diagnosed with Autism, which has helped her to understand that her brain is wired differently. She realised during our prayer time that she normally has racing thoughts, and if something stays in her mind for 30 seconds, then it is probably God. She decided to be courageous and share her picture and words during prayer time, trusting that if it was from God, He would speak to the person she was praying for. I am so encouraged that this YA is learning how God uniquely speaks to her, and how she can be a vessel of encouragement for others.

YA MENTORS

Coming out of our annual Young Adults Retreat, we offered to connect YAs with mentors. I am thrilled to share that this year, we have partnered 11 YAs with mentors from our Clovie community. God has been so faithful in bringing the right people together.

Ashlee Jackson | Online & Young Adults Pastor

I have really appreciated being part of the mentoring program this year. I have been connected with a mentor who I can regularly catch up with and be encouraged and disciplined by, which is something which would have been difficult to have found by myself. My mentor and I have been able to bond over similar interests and she works in a similar field to that which I am about to start studying. I love being able to bring my questions and concerns and receive advice from someone with more experience than me. I am so keen to continue into next year and am so grateful for this opportunity to be mentored!

Erin Horskins | Young Adult



WAY OF THE CROSS

At Easter, our kids experienced different stations, collecting items along the way, each item teaching them a part of the Easter story. It was a special morning of inviting our Clovie Kids into the Easter story in a way they understand. I received an email from one of our MINIS's Mums which was such an encouragement.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor

I just wanted to thank and encourage you for the way you communicated the Easter story to the children yesterday. To share in Charlotte's own words what she remembers:

"I saw Jesus yesterday at Minis, mum. He was wearing a white cardigan and he went running through the leaves and we were flapping them at him. Then he was sad because somebody hit him and he had to carry a cross behind a big, round rock. Then the rock rolled away and he was happy again!" I feel like she got a pretty good grasp of the main themes for a 3-year-old!

It has been on my mind a lot this year how we were going to share the story of Easter with Charlotte as it's the first year she really has any understanding of the importance of the season. Thank you for helping her to understand in an age appropriate way. You're such a blessing to us and to Charlotte.

And as a sweet note to add, she also tells me that Lily is one of her best friends.

Hannah | Clovie Modbury North



ONLINE OPEN HOUSE

It was very kind of Fiona to open her home to members of the online community. It was a great opportunity to meet the people behind the names I see in the online chat every Sunday. I enjoyed hearing everyone's stories and hope that, now that we know something more of each other, we will be able to converse more comfortably in the online chat on a Sunday morning. I hope this will be the first of many get-togethers.

John | Clovie Online





ALL IN WORSHIP

We love our time in Clovie Kids ALL IN - where our Clovie kids band leads us in worship and we have time together as a clovie kids family. During one of these mornings we talked about God's protection, opened up God's word and remembered how we can find security under the shelter of God's love and protection. It was a fun morning.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor



CLOVIE KIDS DISCIPLESHIP

We love partnering with parents in the discipleship of their children. We love providing weekly take homes or craft to help our kids remember in their everyday moments, a God who is with them. This picture is from our series of the 7 I AM's of Jesus. One of our fun crafts that one of our Clovie Kids grew from "I am the resurrection and the life."

We looked at Jesus as the Good Shepherd and spoke about the safety of Jesus and resting in his protection and love. We had 29 kids put up their hand responding to the love of their good shepherd.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor



The Marriage Course

ALPHA MARRIAGE

This is now the third year we have run the Alpha Marriage course online, such a wonderful opportunity to invest in healthy marriages. One of the couples who attended shared that they really enjoyed the course, the topics and the ease of online, no babysitting required! They said the course gave them discussion topics that they had never really spoken about in 11 years of marriage. 'For us, it was great to be able to have open and honest conversations without having any "real issues" that we are dealing with. And we can see how valuable the course would be in a season where people might be having major issues, as the questions and discussion topics were written in such a way that creates a space to be able to talk openly and honestly.' Such a blessing to walk with people.

Michelle Stevens | Executive Pastor

NOURISHED BIBLE STUDY

We became Nourished Bible Study this year to better represent our group and why we gather. A group of us from Clovie Gawler meet each week, either for a shared meal or Bible Study (alternating fortnightly) for a balance of both spiritual and physical nourishment. We've looked at and discussed Hebrews and Revelation in depth this year. The opportunity to share and learn about books that we haven't studied deeply in the past has been a blessing and a challenge, with plenty to discuss. Though we have had some interruptions to routine this year, we are grateful for all that God is doing in our group and for the opportunity to share and grow together.

Shamiah Tiller | Clovie Gawler

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PEOPLE
CONNECTED IN
LIFE GROUPS

24

NEW
MEMBERS





Restore Courses



RESTORE 2024

This year, Restore continued to provide support and hope through three impactful courses:

THE BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY

This six-week course helps people process grief in a safe, supportive environment. Eleven participants shared their stories, finding comfort and hope while rebuilding after loss. The course is inclusive of those without a Christian faith, with an optional sixth week addressing Christian perspectives.

Feedback included:

"Amazing course, thank you!"

"Well-structured and welcoming."

"The group facilitators ensured a comfortable space."

DIVORCECARE

A 13-week course supporting those facing the challenges of separation and divorce. This year, 12 participants—many from outside Clovie—found healing and progress in a supportive group setting.

Feedback included:

"Meeting others on this journey has been incredibly helpful."

"I feel I can make a new start."

"The forgiveness night was a turning point for me."

In addition, ongoing social and Bible study groups formed by past participants have created lasting connections and community.

Restore continues to provide a lifeline to those navigating life's most difficult transitions.

Lee and Cathy Haakmeester | Leaders for Restore Courses





CLOVIE KIDS TO ECHO TRANSITIONS

In Next Gen, we're passionate about helping young people transition smoothly into their next stage of life.

This year, 12 Clovie Kids year 6s moved into Youth. Four Clovie Kids leaders also felt called to Youth leadership, making the transition even stronger. Many year 6s have invited friends, with one saying, "My life group is like an extension of my family."

For year 12s, the Young Adults team gave each a 'study survival pack' for exams and eleven have engaged with YA.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor

This term, I've had the privilege of becoming a youth leader for the year 6 girls. Many of these girls were part of Clovie Kids who I've led for some time, which made their transition into youth smoother. Having a relationship with them helped them feel more comfortable and gave me the opportunity to encourage their excitement for youth.

It's been amazing to witness their growth as they adjust to youth, meet new people, and bring along their friends. It is so cool that I have had the opportunity to lead them since they were in year 1 and will continue walking this journey with them as they grow deeper in their faith.

Erin Horskins | Clovie Kids and Echo Youth Leader

FAITH & FRIENDSHIP

I've attended Echo Youth since year 6. I tried to attend both life group and Live nights, despite a level of anxiety surrounding those

nights, and the associated expectations and noises. However, during year 7, I stopped aiming to attend Live nights, and over time it became the norm that my friends didn't expect to see me there. It took nearly 2 years before I fully trusted the girls in my life group, but they were all very patient as I slowly shared more about the challenges I was facing, particularly regarding my health. It was in senior school when I really started building my relationship with God at youth. I began to look forward to life groups, because I knew I'd have a community to support me, whether I'd had a good fortnight or a bad one. My health continued to fluctuate, and at times I'd miss upwards of 4 weeks of youth but I always felt welcomed back, even if I'd not been seen for weeks. Life groups really helped me have a safe space to question and grow my relationship with God and build bonds that won't end just because I'm graduating.

Clarissa Boucher | 2024 year 12

YOUTH CAMP

Youth camp was a huge success this year! With a new location at Port Hughes, 75 youth attended. Many called it their youth highlight, encountering God in meaningful ways. Stronger connections were built, and extended worship on the last night left a lasting impact. Many expressed a renewed love for God or a desire to recommit their lives to Him.

Isaac Mann | Echo Youth Leader

SOCIAL NIGHTS

This year at Echo Youth, we introduced social nights each term, creating a safe, fun environment for connection and community. These nights are perfect for youth to invite friends who may not yet know Jesus or be part of a Christian community. The relaxed vibe offers a smooth introduction to youth ministry while providing a reset for regular attendees. With fun, creativity, and meaningful connection, these nights help build deeper relationships and offer a welcoming space for youth of all ages and faith stages to grow together.

Brodie Rimmer | Echo Youth



2024: MULTIPLY

Raising and Releasing Leaders

STEP 7 PROGRAM

Step 7 is a program that we run for those in year 7 who have graduated from Clovie Kids to Echo. Step 7 is an introduction to serving where the youth choose to serve in an area of Clovie. I meet with the youth 5 times throughout the year and do some teaching around the act of serving. We had a total of 8 youth begin serving this year through Step 7 in Clovie kids, Quench and Production. Each student has grown in their leadership skills and capabilities. Throughout this year I have watched them grow and learn how to serve and why it is important. I think of one leader who was really shy at the beginning and is now shining as they have grown and become more comfortable. There are some great young leaders being grown here at Clovie.

Tim Goldney | Youth Pastor



YEAR 12 TAKEOVER

For me, the year 12 takeover made two forms of impact, personal and outreach. Personally, I was able to experience a whole new side of youth ministry. I learned more about how it is run and organised and all the work put in to make our nights possible. This gave me a new appreciation for leaders and pastors and the work they do for me. I was also part of the worship team and preaching crew and strengthened my faith through worship, teaching and learning. The year 12 takeover has equipped me and excited me to attend youth ministry after school.

During the night of the year 12 takeover, we saw many new faces coming into our youth ministry to support us year 12s and learn more about Jesus. We noticed so many smiles and everyone getting around our games and encouraging each other. After the night we got a lot of feedback about the way we shared the topics we shared (The names of God) and how certain parts stuck with the youth and encouraged them.

God used the year 12 takeover to grow our year 12s in faith and encourage us through youth ministry. We also experienced God use us to speak and plant seeds in many youths' lives.

Josh Boxall | 2024 year 12 / Youth and Kids Leader

CLOVIE GROUPS



Life Group



***Discovery Bible
Study Group***



Prayer Group



***Work Related
Life Group***

Growing and developing leaders is essential and one way this has been achieved is through our annual Groups Leaders Seminar. This year we gathered our Groups Leaders over dinner, shared stories and heard from Fleur Tucker, counselor and part of our Clovie Gawler Campus, about self-care in serving.

One of our leaders reflected the value of this seminar, acknowledging the significance of needing to lead and serve from a healthy space. They shared the areas that resonated with them:

- Recognise you are not God... I can't take responsibility for another person's problems and try and fix them.
- Set some boundaries – add margin... I need to make sure that I am continually aware of my limitations, time restraints and personal commitment so I don't overload myself... Time out is important
- Check my priorities... I need to reflect again and make sure that I am aligned with God's call and direction and that my focus is on what is important not just what is urgent.
- Cultivate gratitude ... Look for the unexpected moments in our lives that bring joy.

Caring for and developing our volunteers and leaders is a value we want to continue to invest in. We look forward to 2025 and gathering once a term for Team Clovie Discipleship.

Chris Partington | Leader for Clovie Groups



Online

ONLINE HOSTING

I am enjoying being a part of the Clovie online ministry and serving as an online host for our Sunday services. We connect with people who are unable to attend church in person for various reasons. Through the online ministry, these people can still grow in faith from Clovie's Spirit-led sermons whilst also maintaining an important interactive connection to the body. I certainly enjoy meeting people and connecting with them. I am grateful that my Lord Jesus knows me well and that he opened the door to this ministry role which fits well with my particular skills and abilities. I have grown in an understanding that each member not only has a relational and spiritual connection to Jesus our Lord and Saviour, but also with each other whereby gaining support, prayer, love, acceptance, and unity in purpose and direction. Through spiritual and relational connections, the church can become a living temple of God, impacting the communities around us.

Clovie Online Host

PRODUCTION TEAM

A change in employment gave me the opportunity to serve at church, as my weekends became free. Choosing how to serve was easy—I've always loved worshiping God, especially in a congregation, led by talented musicians and singers. However, without musical skills beyond beginner-level ukulele, I wanted to contribute in a meaningful way, so I volunteered as a projection operator as part of the production team almost a year ago.

In this role, I'm honored to play a part in creating an atmosphere of worship on Sunday mornings, supporting the sermon, and assisting with streaming. Getting started was simple—I watched the projection operator for a few services and then took on the role myself, with Harry always nearby to offer guidance. Before long, I felt like a part of the team.

Working with the sound and camera crew has been a great experience. We encourage each other, lend a hand when needed, and share plenty of laughs. If you're considering serving, I highly recommend joining the production team. No prior experience is necessary—just a heart for service and a willingness to learn!

Luke Cellier | Production Team





CLOVIE GAWLER WORSHIP TEAM GROWTH

As we at Clovie Gawler journey together, we are thrilled to witness the new faces among us. Each individual brings a unique story and adds to the tapestry of our community. It's encouraging to see our family expanding and welcoming new people and diverse talents into our fold. One area that has seen remarkable growth is our worship team. We've been blessed with the addition of new singers and musicians, enriching our worship experience and sense of community. We are so grateful for Peter George for his leadership and tireless dedication in this space.

Jason Lippitt | Clovie Gawler Campus Pastor

GREEN TEAM

Serving at the 2024 Schoolies Festival was a truly joy-filled experience. As support leaders, we had the privilege of spending the weekend mentoring, emotionally and spiritually supporting the team leaders, and engaging with school leavers. From meaningful faith conversations to standing alongside the team during challenging moments, we are deeply grateful to God and our church family for their support.



Shannon Cornish | Clovie Gawler





2024: EXPAND

One Church, Many Gatherings

ONLINE PRAYER

Earlier this year, a lady who usually attends at Modbury North reached out in our online chat. She had extreme pain in her knee and was unable to walk. She was struggling to find a doctor to visit her over the weekend, and this was quite distressing. Myself and another member of our online community responded, praying for her and offering care. A few days later, I was able to follow her up on the phone. Praise God, she saw a doctor on Monday morning, had an X-ray in the afternoon, and saw the physio by the next morning. They swiftly diagnosed the issue, and she was already walking again with only mild pain. She is certain that God heard our prayers and intervened, providing the medical care she needed.

What a wonderful story of the blessing of hybrid ministry – without online, this member of our church community would have missed church on Sunday and missed an opportunity to share about her pain and receive prayers and an offer of support. I am grateful for our team of Clovie Online hosts, who seek to create an environment where we can welcome and care for people every Sunday, no matter their circumstance.

Ashlee Jackson | Online & Young Adults Pastor



Online





QUENCHCAFE

WORKING TOGETHER

It has been great this year to work together with other churches in our area. This year we have been able to bless Hope Valley Church, lending them a grinder when theirs was broken and also Tea Tree Gully Church is borrowing our coffee machine from our coffee cart while theirs is in for repair. Both churches have shared how much of a blessing it is to their community sharing hospitality.

We have also continued our relationship with Soul Food Christian Community and have started selling their signature Pear and Raspberry bread with \$2.50 from the sale of each one going to support their Community Meals Program. So far in the two months of doing this we have been able to donate \$142.50 to help them teach people how to cook and provide meals for those experiencing hardship.

Phillip Davids | Quench Cafe Manager





CLOVIE GAWLER OPEN HOUSE

On Wednesday nights, my wife Ang and I have had the joy of opening our home for Open House, creating a space for fellowship, encouragement, and shared meals. Everyone from Clovie Gawler and beyond is welcome, and we encourage people to bring their friends and family along. Each week, everyone brings a plate of food to share, and together we've experienced the beauty of community.

Open House has flourished this year, becoming a warm and inviting environment where people from all walks of life can come as they are. It's been a privilege to see new faces joining us, sharing in life's highs and lows, and lifting each other up in prayer.

This year, Clovie Modbury North also adopted the Open House model for the first time with great success! These gatherings created the same warm atmosphere of connection, spiritual growth, and community, with new relationships formed and lives touched.

Around the table, we've built deeper relationships and seen the power of God's love in action—through conversations, laughter, and the support of a caring community.

We're so grateful for everyone who has been part of this journey, and we look forward to the continued growth and connection that happens when we gather together.

Jason Lippitt | Clovie Gawler Campus Pastor





CLOVIE GAWLER PASSOVER MEAL

This Easter, our Gawler church community gathered at Café Nova for our annual Passover Meal, a meaningful time to reflect on the sacrifice Jesus made for us on the cross. Sharing this sacred tradition together brought a deeper connection to the heart of the Easter story and to one another as a church family.

We were also thrilled to see Clovie Modbury North host their own Passover Meal for the first time, beautifully coordinated by Ann Hughes. It's been a joy to see this tradition expand, helping more of our church community experience the richness and significance of the Passover in light of Christ's ultimate sacrifice.

Moments like these remind us of the deep unity we share as believers, centered on the hope we have in Jesus.

Jason Lippitt | Clovie Gawler Campus Pastor





2024: INNOVATE

Daring to Dream

OPEN HOUSES: CLOVIE MODBURY NORTH

This year we tried a new initiative to create community and grow connections, Open Houses, where people were invited to sign up and enjoy a pot luck meal together with others in our Clovie community. Joshua, Amanda and Theodore Baldwin share their experience,

‘We had the privilege of visiting the Wallis home. Hosted by Noelle and Mark, we had the opportunity to connect with people from the Clovie community we wouldn’t normally have the chance to engage with on a Sunday.

We were greeted with such hospitality, not just from Noelle and Mark but everyone who had attended, all sharing the goal to grow community and get to know one another. With people from different generations and walks of life we had many different conversations, learning new things and seeing fresh perspectives (including some solicited parenting advice!).

What surprised us were the areas of commonality with people we’d never met before, whether common interests, mutual connections or simply similar paths trodden. A reminder community is God designed.’

Michelle Stevens | Executive Pastor





PASSOVER MEAL: CLOVIE MODBURY NORTH

On the Wednesday before Easter we held a Passover meal for 120 people spread down the long foyer. It was such a wonderful time of connection across generations, eating and sharing together and learning more about God's story. Taking the time to walk through the steps of Passover and see how our Lord and Saviour is the Lamb who made a way truly helped to grow an appreciation for how we are connected into God's big story. Closing the evening together with worship to our King was a truly significant and holy moment. This was such a beautiful event which we look forward to hosting again next year.

Ann Hughes | Next Gen Pastor



EASTER IN THE PARK AT CLOVIE GAWLER

This Easter, with our usual meeting space in use for the election, Clovie Gawler took the opportunity to celebrate in the park next to the church—and it was a wonderful experience!

We shared in worship and fellowship surrounded by God's creation, enjoyed hot cross buns, and watched the kids dive into an Easter scavenger hunt that brought the story of Jesus to life.

The outdoor setting added a fresh and meaningful touch to our Easter celebration, reminding us of the joy and hope we have in Jesus, no matter where we gather.

Ang Lippitt | Clovie Gawler





ECHO EXTRAS

This year at echo youth we began a program called 'Echo Extras'. Echo extras was aimed at our year 11 and 12 students with the goal of tackling big topics and deepening faith. Over the year we talked out topics like busyness, faith outside of school and transitioning from year to year. The time we spent in this group allowed for building a strong community of youth. This time provided space for deep conversations with our youth, to be real and give them practical advice. Many youth have expressed how valuable they found this time.

Emma Goldney | Echo Youth



QUENCHCAFE

CAFE INNOVATION

Quench exists to serve our community and other ministries, both with our space and atmosphere but also through providing discounts to help other ministries bless their team and people they're working with.

So far this year we have saved other ministries over \$1300 in value provided through discounts so we can work together as one church. We have also given away \$370 worth of meals to those experiencing homelessness or hardship.

Phillip Davids | Quench Cafe Manager

\$1300

**VALUE
SAVED**

\$370

**HARDSHIP
MEALS**





RED FROGS

This year we started a partnership with Red Frogs, an organisation that creates opportunities for us to serve local university students, particularly those living in a student accommodation in Mawson Lakes. Red Frogs is all about serving and connecting with students, to provide opportunities for real connection and combat loneliness, especially for international students who are living far from home. Our hope is that our team of Red Frogs volunteers will be able to form genuine and authentic friendships with these students, that might one day lead to conversations about Jesus. Since July, we have hosted monthly social events at the student residence, offering food, games, and conversation. The Boucher Life Group generously volunteer their time to serve us delicious food like pancakes and tacos, which releases our YA volunteers to make conversation and connections. In our short time at the residence so far, one student has already expressed interest in reading the Bible. Another student has become friends with one of our team, opening up about the hardships of studying abroad. They have started to catch up outside of our residence events. Two students have accepted invitations to Clovie Carols, and one of them is going to join the family of a YA volunteer for Christmas! We also sent a team of volunteers to the Uni SA Mawson Lakes mid-year O Week, and they connected with over 100 students! Thirteen students then accepted an invitation to a YA Community Dinner a few days later. We are dreaming about different ways we can connect with students beyond residence events, especially those we met at O Week who live in private accommodation and don't attend our residence events. God has opened a wonderful door that allows us to serve uni students in our local community through this new partnership with Red Frogs, and we look forward to the work He will continue to do through this ministry.

Ashlee Jackson | Online & Young Adults Pastor

100+

UNI SA O WEEK
STUDENTS

13

ACCEPTED INVITE
TO YA DINNER



Clovie Groups



Life Group



***Discovery Bible
Study Group***



Prayer Group



***Work Related
Life Group***

CLOVIE GATEWAY

Clovie Gateway has been a recent innovation to ensure new people have a place to connect whilst they are still finding their fit here. This ministry provides connection points and follow up for those who have attended our Meet and Greet but are yet to find a Group. One of the team of Clovie Gateway has said, 'Being a part of Clovie Gateway has given me the opportunity to connect with others and build relationships. I have felt a real sense of community, belonging and purpose as I've supported the team in this ministry through serving in 'Meet and Greet', setting up for different events and being involved in the life group seminars. It has been a blessing to be a part of God's mission for Clovie through this group.

Chris Partington | Leader for Clovie Groups



FAITH & WORK GROUP

This year we began to consider how whole of life discipleship can be viewed through our Faith & Work experiences, from employed roles, to stay at home parents, to volunteers. A few highlights from the year were our focused series on Faith & Work in June that included individual and panel interviews. The theme has continued with occasional interviews on where 'will you be 24 hours from now'. Currently there are two WhatsApp groups for the Education and Health sector, staying connected through encouragement, requesting prayer and devotional thoughts. A great reminder for all that we are on mission wherever God has placed us.

Chris Partington | Leader for Clovie Groups



CLOVERCREST BAPTIST CHURCH FINANCIALS

Average Weekly Offering:

\$19,410

5.6% increase from 2023

Total Giving:

\$1,009,312

Other Income:

\$529,740

Total Operating Revenue: **\$1,539,052***



Giving Total:
\$175,429

Home | Quench:

\$24,252

World | BWA:

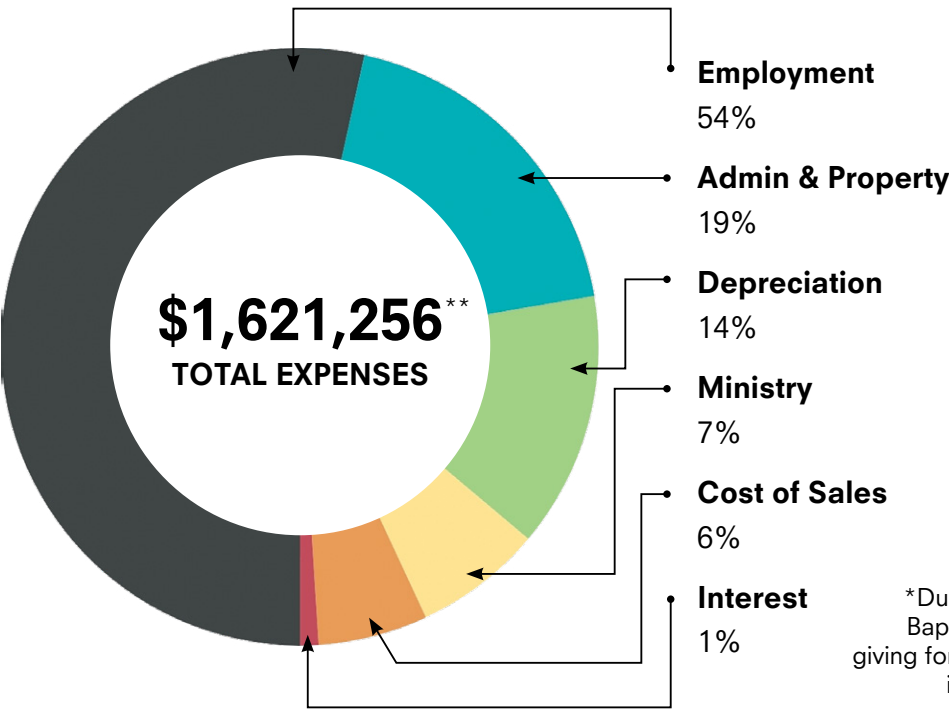
\$20,524

Backyard | Pathway:

\$107,634

World | B4T:

\$23,019



*Due to tax deductibility status Baptist World Aid and Pathway giving for Heart for the House is not included in 'Total Revenue'.

**The figures on this page are to be confirmed by our external reviewer.





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183

PATHWAY
VOLUNTEERS

21

PLACEMENT
STUDENTS

43,664

HAMPERS
DISTRIBUTED

1210

NEW PATHWAY
CLIENTS

PATHWAY IMPACT REPORT 2024



The cost-of-living crisis has hit families hard in 2024. We have more clients who share that they are living in fear of becoming homeless and those who have become homeless as rental prices and the cost of necessities continue to soar. One client shared, "Pathway has been an amazing help – keeping fresh fruit and bread available to my kids and I during our homelessness journey." – Anonymous | Pathway Client

Our clients have been struck by the rising costs of rent and interest rates. Many struggle to pay their bills and often have little to no money left for food. Another client shared, "I am very grateful for this service because it has made a big difference to my family during the weeks of struggling to pay all the bills that need to be paid." – Anonymous | Pathway Client

In 2024, we've had 1210 new clients come to Pathway seeking assistance, in addition to the nearly 1000 households we already provide food relief to each week. During the year, we also distributed over 43,664 hampers in the community.

We hear from so many clients that they are relying on our services to survive. Some can no longer afford to purchase meat, with the only meat their families eat coming from Pathway. Amanda, one of our clients, shared, "Pathway has had a profound impact on me, not only for the example they give but for the assistance they provide, without which I would not be able to survive. Thank you."

Our clients have shared that domestic violence, isolation, and insufficient mental health support have contributed to the pressures they're facing this year. Many have had the courage to leave domestic violence situations and are living in emergency accommodation, on their own or with their children. One client shared, "Pathway has been an amazing support. Having four children and suffering domestic violence, it was a lifesaver to keep my family going." – Amanda

Noelle Wallis | Pathway Director



2024: PATHWAY REACH

Introducing People to Jesus

PATHWAY DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY LIFE GROUP

This year we began a Discovery Bible Study with our team from Pathway, including many who had participated in Alpha last year. We regularly have around 15 people attend. It has been a safe place for people to share about their lives and ask questions as they explore faith. It's been a joy to grow in God's Word together. Some of our team have shared that they never imagined that they'd be able to read the Bible and understand it for themselves.





PATHWAY: COMMUNITY AND GROWTH

Life Groups are an important part of Clovie's values: Experiencing God and Creating Community. While they sounded appealing, the thought of sharing our beliefs and emotions with strangers felt daunting—especially when you assume everyone else has it all together.

Joining a group wasn't something we had considered, but in July, Noelle invited Mike and me to hers. With no expectations, we began our "Book Club" journey. We thought it would focus on understanding the Bible, but we didn't anticipate how personal and open the discussions would become.

Our group meets fortnightly in a relaxed and welcoming space. Friendships have grown, creating a safe environment to share questions and struggles. Mark, Noelle, or Aaron lead our sessions with deep biblical insight.

Each gathering begins with coffee, snacks, and an icebreaker to help us connect. A Gospel passage is read in advance, and discussions are open and encouraging. No question feels too silly, and everyone's input is valued. These conversations often leave us with fresh perspectives or new questions to explore.

What started as "nothing to lose" has turned into an incredible experience. Thank you, Noelle and Mark, for your guidance, invitation, and hospitality.

Clare & Mike

BREAKING BARRIERS & SHARING JESUS' LOVE THROUGH TREASURED

Running Treasured out of the church building at the end of 2023 has broken down barriers. Our volunteers have become more engaged with Clovie and Quench Café, creating opportunities to pray for and support each other.

We showed the love of Jesus to a woman who lost everything in a house fire. Two days after the fire, she came to us with only the clothes she was wearing. We provided clothing, toiletries, household items, and other essentials. Among these was a brand-new dressing gown and matching nightdress in her size. When we gave it to her, she cried, deeply touched by the kindness and care shown to her.

Val D'Arcy | Treasured Manager





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**PATHWAY
VOLUNTEERS**

2024: PATHWAY GROW

Going deeper with Jesus and Community

FLOURISH

Psalm 92:12-13 says: "But the godly will flourish like palm trees and grow strong like the cedars of Lebanon. For they are transplanted to the LORD's own house. They flourish in the courts of our God."

The word God gave us for Pathway, Treasured, Food Services, and the Wellbeing Centre was Flourish.

Janice Eames, a talented artist on our team, painted a cedar of Lebanon at the entrance to Food Services, symbolizing the hope and calling of Pathway. While providing food relief to families is vital, we aim to help clients flourish spiritually, emotionally, and in all areas of their lives.

One client shared that after leaving a domestic violence situation, Pathway was an incredible support, helping her feed her family during a heartbreaking time. She was thrilled to see we now offer free financial counseling on-site through Anglicare.

We celebrate the unity between Pathway and Clovie. A Clovie Life Group regularly serves Pathway by washing windows, cleaning vehicles, and assisting with Saturday clean-up.

Pathway connects with church events like Clovie Team Night, Pong, Gingerbread Night, and Clovie Carols. More volunteers are attending services and becoming part of the Clovie community.

Noelle | Pathway Director

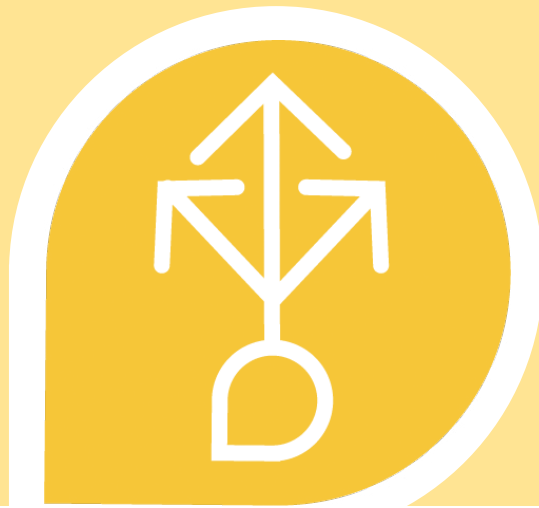


TREASURED VOLUNTEERS EXPLORING FAITH

Some of our Treasured volunteers are asking questions and exploring faith. A few have joined the Pathway Discovery Bible Study. More volunteers are engaging with church through events like Clovie Team Night, Pong, Gingerbread Night and Clovie Carols.

Val D'Arcy | Treasured Manager





2024: PATHWAY MULTIPLY

Raising and Releasing Leaders

ABOVE AND BEYOND

We have an extraordinary volunteer team, across all areas of Pathway, who go above and beyond in their service and care for our community.

We value every volunteer. We have invested in our volunteers by offering opportunities for training and development. Some of our team leaders have taken on greater responsibility this year and have focused on specialised areas. A volunteer now runs all our new volunteer inductions, which supports the continuous growth and improvement that we are striving for. Another volunteer oversees our admin and ensures our data is accurately collected and collated.

We do a comprehensive interview for all new clients, so we can better support them holistically. This allows us to not just offer food relief, but to refer them to other services that will be able to help them to flourish in all areas of their lives. Uniting Communities offer training to all volunteers who conduct the interviews and has offered ongoing support to us throughout the year. One of our volunteers has developed the computer program we use to record and collect new client data and also helps to support IT across the organisation.

Noelle Wallis | Pathway Director





"I have been volunteering at Pathway Community Centre for the last 5 and a half months. I made the decision to work there after approaching Noelle to see if Pathway could help with a school breakfast program, as the source we were currently using advised us that they could no longer facilitate us. Noelle and her team were more than happy to help and supplied us with abundance.

I commenced the induction through Pathway and started volunteering one week later. Since volunteering at Pathway I have realised how many people are in need, no matter what reason or what age. I am 75 years old and feel so fortunate as I see people in my age group coming through for food parcels, it is so sad and such an eye opener.

I feel greatly privileged to be able to volunteer my time at Pathway, to be able to help people who are not as fortunate, it is like a family to me, we work hard together, laugh together and even cry together. I look forward to my time volunteering and it has definitely given me a new outlook on life. I thank God for Pathway."

Pauline | Pathway Volunteer

I first came in contact with Pathway when I approached them for support for a local school breakfast club. I was given a tour of the facility and was blown away by the enormity of the operation. On a daily basis a team of volunteers work together to collect, sort and pack food to distribute to a broad demographic of clients who are doing it tough in these challenging economic times. Pathway is more than a food distribution center; it is a hub where people meet (clients and volunteers) to support, respect and care for each other. I was so impressed by that first meeting that I am now a volunteer. I consider it a privilege to be part of the Pathway community and know that I have been blessed through the connections I have made and the knowledge that in some small way I am contributing to the overall benefit Pathway brings into the life of the people it serves.

Anne | Pathway Volunteer



COHESIVE TEAM AT TREASURED

At Treasured, our cohesive volunteer team works together to support one another, the community, and Pathway's ministry.

We focus on releasing volunteers to operate in their strengths. By quickly identifying what they enjoy, we create targeted opportunities for them. For example, those excelling in customer service spend most of their time on the floor and behind the register, making customers feel welcome and valued. Volunteers gifted in styling keep the shop fresh and bright, boosting stock turnover and sales. Others focus on sorting specific areas, ensuring consistency in quality and pricing.

By celebrating and empowering each team member's strengths, both the team and Treasured thrive.

"I have enjoyed every part of my volunteering, especially decorating Treasured. Meeting the wonderful people that come through the door has been a true blessing. The team is so friendly and kind, and I honestly get excited when I volunteer. I feel I have received more than I can give!"

Irini (Volunteer)



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HAMPERS GIVEN
THROUGH
ORGANISATIONS

2024: PATHWAY EXPAND

One Church, Many Gatherings

EXPANDING SUPPORT THROUGH COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Through our connections with Uniting Communities, Anglicare, MarionLIFE and Baptist Care, we have been able to expand our services and greatly increase the support for our clients. When we meet with new clients, we are not only offering them food relief but regularly connecting them with services that will help them to flourish in all areas of their lives. Anglicare runs a fortnightly pop up stand at Pathway where our clients have the opportunity to connect with a wider range of financial services to support their wellbeing. Anglicare has also placed a financial counselor at Pathway, which is a wonderful support for our clients. Baptist Care runs a program

to help individuals and families who are isolated to find support and connect into community and we regularly refer clients to this program. Uniting Communities offers expanded services to our clients who are struggling. When we know a client needs more immediate relief than we can offer, we are able to refer them to Uniting Communities for increased support.



Through the continued support of our key partners, we have been able to continue to serve our community, even in the midst of unprecedented need. We are grateful to Aldi, SecondBite and OzHarvest for their generosity and commitment to provide food relief to those doing it tough.

We are also grateful for the increased support from generous and caring individuals within the community. For over a year, Coles at St Agnes have set up donations bins for non-perishable items that we can then collect weekly. Tea Tree Gardens Retirement Village ran a fundraiser to support the work of Pathway. The Tea Tree Gully Social Club selected Pathway as the charity they supported in 2024 and have chosen to continue supporting us into 2025. Hope Christian School has again supported Pathway through collecting non-perishable items leading up to Christmas.



EXPANDED REACH AT TREASURED

We have expanded our reach to the vulnerable across Adelaide through regularly donating high quality clothing to a women's shelter as well as a local mothers and baby group that cares for vulnerable families.

We continue to donate blankets and men's clothing to Whitmore Square for their outreach to those experiencing homelessness in Adelaide. One of the men who recently received a brand new jumper was so overwhelmed with gratefulness he was beaming with joy and hugged the volunteer who had given him the jumper.

"Elizabeth South Community Centre has been the recipients of beautiful quality clothes from Treasured.

As the cost of living has risen our community has really appreciated having the opportunity to buy such quality and well priced clothing.

We also regularly give away clothes and the amazing new and second clothes we have been able to give out to people has really blessed so many!

It's amazing the impact something like clothing can have. Whether it is a homeless person, a family that is struggling, new migrants, or people in their time of need. We are blessed to have the support for our community!"

Michelle | Elizabeth South Community Centre





2024: PATHWAY INNOVATE

Daring to Dream

A NEW CHAPTER

We began January 2024 operating out of brand new Op-Shop and food services areas. It had been the dream for over ten years to see these areas upgraded. It was a true joy to step into the fulfillment of the dream that so many had prayed for, given towards and worked towards for so many years. The newly renovated Treasured is a beautiful single shop that is a bright and welcoming store, as well as a safe place for many clients. The new Pathway food services area is a functional space with improved safety and flow, enabling us to better care for our volunteers through streamlining and improve processes across all areas of food services.

We have seen God's extraordinary provision through the generosity of Clovie and supporters of Pathway. In the 2024 H4H offering, Clovie raised over \$107,000 for the building of the Wellbeing Centre. With other donations

and income we raised another \$118,000 totaling over \$225,000 available funds to build the Pathway Wellbeing Centre. We are also grateful to have received \$30,000 for an accessible toilet for the Wellbeing Centre. This has enabled us to begin the renovations to realise the dream God has given us to open a Wellbeing Centre that offers holistic support and wrap around services to our clients. Through the addition of the Wellbeing Centre to the existing Pathway Food Services and Treasured Op-Shop, our focus will no longer be on just food relief. We will continue to offer food relief and that will continue to be a core part of what we offer clients, but it will be one part. Our focus will be on connecting our clients with holistic services to support them to flourish in all areas of their lives.



"I joined the Pathway family just over a year ago, when I was looking for something to fill my days after the death of my husband. I thought I could be useful and give something back to the community but what I have found has been so much more. Not only has Pathway allowed me to feel useful, but it has also provided me with joy, purpose, friendship and a renewal of self-worth.

It is a joy to turn up to do my shift, because of the fellowship and friendship that has been willingly given to me by other volunteers and management. While working, we get to share our stories, our highs and lows, knowing that we are being listened to in a loving and accepting way.

I have the privileged of being part of the Client Registration team and the gratitude which is constantly received from Pathway's clients when they are handed a food hamper, provides a sense of purpose, knowing that as I am sorting food, I am ensuring that clients are receiving the best possible produce we can provide, as well as supporting those in need at their most vulnerable times.

Recently I have been able to spend time with Bachelor of Community Studies/ Counselling students on placement, a special and unique service provided by Pathway. Not only are these students developing their communication abilities in English but are learning new skills in working with the vulnerable in our community, developing empathy and understanding as they interact with other volunteers and sit in on client interviews.

Most people in the community see Pathway as a place where they can get food support when they are struggling, but as I have discovered it is so much more. It truly is a family, a place where everyone is welcome, everyone is valued. It doesn't matter if you are a worker or a client, you are treated with respect and dignity and I feel honoured to be part of the Pathway team."

Margaret | Pathway Volunteer



INNOVATIVE SERVING AT TREASURED

We continue to find innovative ways to serve the community.

We have expanded our "Free Wall" to ensure everyday there are a variety of free items for clients to choose from. This is something that is valued and loved by our clients and it also stops items from going into landfill.

We have moved our 50 cent shop to become a 50 cent area, where clients can purchase a variety of bargains for 50 cents or less. This is something unique to Treasured and appreciated by our community.

We now have a special discount area in the shop where we have donated items that are brand new that we are unable to sell but can receive a donation for. We ask people to make a generous donation, as all money raised goes to Pathway. This has been a great success, both profitable for Pathway and also a blessing to our community. Clients have expressed that they look forward to seeing what special items will be in that area, as the stock is varied and changes daily.

Val Darcy | Treasured Manager



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We have had twenty-one students do their placement at Pathway throughout 2024. We wanted to increase the support we give them and better equip them for their future careers in serving the vulnerable. One of our volunteers, Margaret is a retired social worker. She has come alongside the students offering additional training and instruction to help equip them and expand their education while they are with us at Pathway.

TREASURED'S BRAND-NEW RENOVATED SHOP!

The Treasured team began 2024 in our brand-new, renovated shop! After years of planning, saving, and trusting God's timing, we opened on January 8th, fulfilling a long-held dream.

Twelve months later, we're still smiling! The renovation has transformed the shop for both our team and customers. Having professional fittings while maintaining realistic prices has been a blessing, especially as we explain to customers that prices remain unchanged thanks to years of saving by our church family.

The new canopy is another great addition, allowing us to display extra stock in any weather.

We're so grateful to everyone who made this renovation possible and remain committed to making Treasured a welcoming, valued space for all.

Val D'Arcy | Treasured Manager

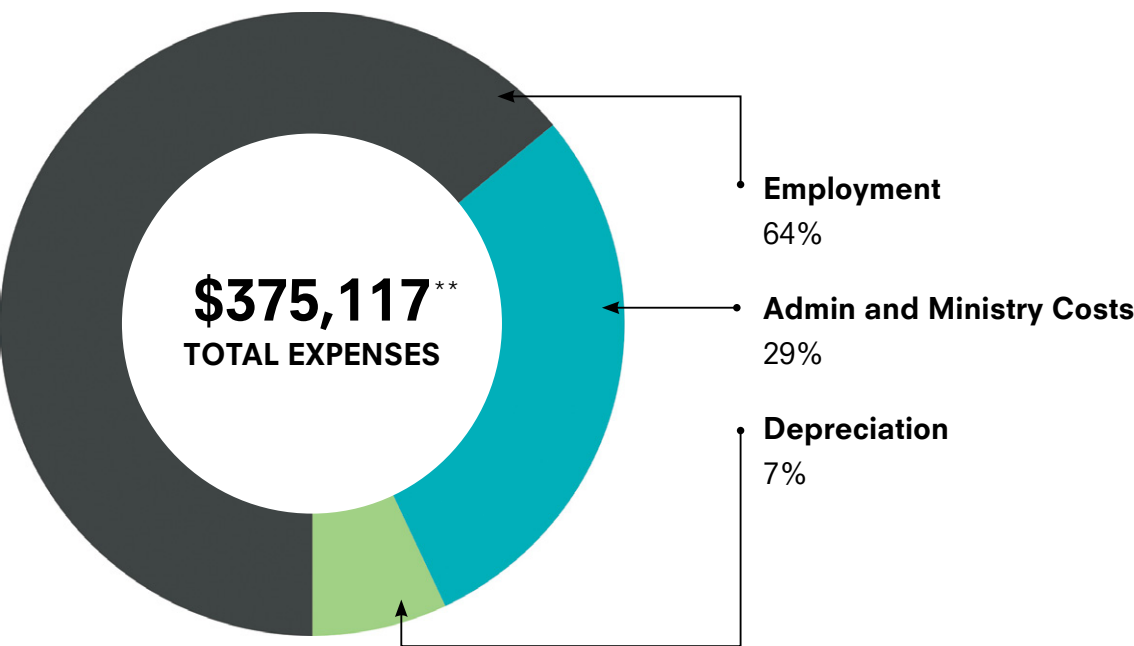


PATHWAY FINANCIALS 2024

Treasured Revenue:	Donations:	Other Income:
\$224,903	\$231,558	\$109,217

Total Operating Revenue: **\$458,044***

19% increase from 2023 | * Heart for The House Donations of \$107,634 are not included.



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