

# Classical Conversations Foundation

Annual Report 2022

You are the light of the world . . .  
Matthew 5:14 (NIV)

## The Light of the World

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says that we are the light of the world and to let our light shine so that people may see our good works and give praise to our heavenly Father (Matthew 5:14–16). God has indeed called us, as Christians, to be the light of the world.

## Our Mission

The Classical Conversations Foundation is letting our light shine throughout the world. Our mission is to know God and to make Him known. In turn, we are working to influence the world for Christ through global missions, Christian education, and religious freedom initiatives.

## Some of our key activities include:

- Providing mission trip grants to homeschool students through our Homeschool Families on Missions program
- Hosting Public Reading of Scripture meetings and other initiatives designed to improve biblical literacy among students and families
- Lending our voice in support of international religious freedom initiatives to help eliminate violence and persecution against Christians
- Working to encourage pastors and other workers in Christian ministry with our Clergy Appreciation program
- Conducting National Conference and Commencement events to celebrate and encourage Christian homeschool families

**Homeschool Families on Missions Program:  
Supporting Homeschool Students to  
Serve on Short-Term Mission Trips -  
Letting Their Light Shine!**



*Sawyer Wiersma (far right), age 18, spent last summer serving as a staff member of the Boardwalk Chapel in Wildwood, New Jersey. His position involved daily evangelism training, Bible study, and sharing the gospel with tourists and those in the community.*



*The Jones family, including Liz (mother), Donald (father), and children Lydia and Nora, traveled to the Dominican Republic last summer to work with local missionaries in sharing the gospel with a small farming community. They helped conduct Vacation Bible School. The building they are pictured in was previously constructed by their church for the community to have a gathering place for worship.*

## Your Support Helps Our Light Shine throughout the World.

We greatly appreciate the support that we receive from so many generous individuals. This includes those who join the Mission Partner Campaign, participate in our National Conference and Commencement events, and give through the Clergy Appreciation program. Together, we let our light shine throughout the world.

## Letting our Light Shine—Homeschool Families on Missions

Last year we provided missions trip grants to sixty homeschool students and families through the Homeschool Families on Missions program. Students served on trips in the U.S. as well as in many countries throughout the world.

In fact, some students and families served in countries that are designated by one or more organizations as being hostile to the Christian faith. Below are some of the countries where students served on short-term mission trips.

### Europe and West Asia

Azerbaijan\*  
Czech Republic  
Lithuania  
Turkey\*

### Africa

Egypt\*  
South Africa  
Togo  
Uganda\*  
Zambia

### Central and South America

Costa Rica  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
Honduras  
Mexico  
Nicaragua\*  
Peru



*Aspen Edalgo, age 15, served in South Africa this past summer with Teen Missions International. She was able to share the love of Jesus through kids' camps, teaching English, and work projects at host churches.*



*Congratulations to all of the homeschool students and families who are letting their light shine and influencing the world for Christ!*

\*Countries designated as being hostile to the Christian faith by one or more organizations, such as The Voice of the Martyrs and the US Commission on International Religious Freedom.

# Annual Report 2022 Numbers

January 1 – December 31, 2022

Income		
4000	Contributions	4,239.42
4200	Other, Grants & Miscellaneous	17,324.90
6000	Event Advertising, Exhibits, and Sponsorships	73,750.00
6100	Event Registration Fees	37,474.92
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>132,789.24</b>

Expense		
5100	Bank Fees	1.22
5400	Office Supplies	87.16
5500	Printing and Materials (Non-Campaign and Non-Event)	95.68
8000	Software Applications	1,865.72
5600	Clergy Appreciation Printing, Publications, Postage, and Shipping	296.76
5650	Clergy Appreciation Advertising	228.93
5690	Clergy Appreciation Other	200.99
7000	Event Venues	500.00
7100	Event Services	19,551.90
7150	Event Rental Equipment	9,121.57
7200	Event Printing, Publications, Postage, and Shipping	15,628.81
7300	Event Food and Beverage	5,778.99
7400	Event Travel and Lodging	2,948.00
9000	Homeschool Families on Missions	29,575.00
9200	Other	10,080.07
<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>95,960.80</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>		<b>36,828.44</b>

Summary	
Beginning Fund Balance	38,178.61
+ Other Fund Balance Movements	0.00
+ Net Income / (Loss)	36,828.44
<b>= Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>75,007.05</b>

## Board of Directors

Brian R. Gilpin – President  
Sherry Swigart – Chairperson  
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Thank you for your prayers and generous gifts.  
You are helping us to influence the world for Christ!

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