

A photograph of a man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a white long-sleeved shirt, standing in a field of tall, golden-yellow grass. He has his arms raised wide open and is looking upwards with a joyful expression. The background is a clear, light blue sky.

*everyone
born of God
overcomes
the world*

1 JOHN 5:4

2021 ANNUAL REPORT



*Prison Fellowship
Canada*

*faith is the
victory that
has overcome
the world*



“ Trusting even when it appears you have been forsaken; praying when it seems your words are simply entering a vast expanse where no one hears and no voice answers; believing that God's love is complete and that He is aware of your circumstance, even when your world seems to grind on as if setting its own direction and not caring for life or moving one inch in response to your petitions; desiring only what God's hands have planned for you; waiting patiently while seemingly starving to death, with your only fear being that your faith might fail – “this is the victory that has overcome the world” (1 John 5:4); this is genuine faith indeed.

GEORGE MACDONALD

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO & BOARD CHAIR

Augustine was moved by Scripture to emphasize,

“To love the children of God is to love the Son of God; to love the Son of God is to love the Father.

Scripture is clear that this also includes those who are incarcerated, their families, and their victims. Prison Fellowship Canada (PFC) takes this message of Christ and equips the Canadian Church community to respond by bringing the restoration that Christ provides to those affected by crime. In a year filled with conflict and divisiveness, more than ever our faith reminds us that to love God is to extend his love to others - not to a chosen few, but to all.

The conquering power that brings the world to its knees is our faith.

1 JOHN 5:4-5 MSG

In 2021, we glimpsed prisoners experiencing new depths of loneliness and isolation and their families suffering socially, emotionally and financially. We delighted in the response from the Canadian church community to help them with their transformation journey to be reconciled with God and with others. Through this pathway to change, life was breathed into dry bones; what is broken can be restored and those separated from God can become united with Him. Through Him, all things are possible.

As you read the pages ahead may you experience a testimony and witness of God's great love for all and His relentless pursuit through circumstances that do not alter His plans, His purposes or His promises. He is our inspiration, our rock and our unfailing friend in this mission and these years of difficulty have proved to be some of our best in spiritual growth for PFC as a team.

While we collectively battle the powers of darkness, Scripture reminds us to press on. Our

foundation is built on the One who brings chaos to its knees in stillness. While the world may be escalating in conflict, we can speak the hope of Christ to it. This hope comes from faith which produces perseverance, and perseverance leads us to endure, knowing that we are already victorious; we are conquerors through Him. Because He has overcome, we all can joyfully persevere through faith, believing that through Him, we will overcome.



STACEY CAMPBELL
PRESIDENT & CEO



DAVID HUTCHINSON
BOARD CHAIR



VISION, MISSION & VALUES

The universal Church is called to witness to the world about the Good News. It is through the Church that the world can encounter God. Thus, it is the Church's nature to be missional. The fundamental ministry of the missional Church is to reconcile people to God and to each other. Through this reconciliation, the world comes to know the hope and freedom it has in Christ. And when it believes, it learns to forgive and works to combat oppressions and injustices locally, nationally, and globally. At PFC, we profoundly believe in the power of God to heal and transform broken lives.

We are deeply committed to our mission to fulfill the Church's calling of bringing the hope and freedom found in Christ to those in prison, to those affected by crime as well as engage together in this restorative work.



OUR VISION

To be a national community of reconciliation and restoration to offenders, ex-offenders, their families and victims using a faith-based approach to transformation based on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ.



OUR MISSION

To prepare and mobilize the Canadian Christian community in response to the issue of crime and the restoration of offenders.



OUR VALUES



PRAYER



RESPECT FOR ALL



INTEGRITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY



GROWTH



CLARITY



ENCOURAGEMENT

PFC REGIONAL REPORT

PFC staff represent a community that is national but with a local focus.



SHIRLEY BUCHANAN
NATIONAL DIRECTOR,
REGIONS

Recognizing the importance of prayer, the entire PFC team gets together by video call, three times per week to celebrate God's gifts, to bring our cares before Him and to seek His wisdom. We pray regularly over prisoners and their families, ex-prisoners, victims, our volunteers, our church partners, our supporters, and the Corrections and Justice Centres across Canada.

PFC programs are designed at the national level and our volunteers are trained nationally. Relationships are then deepened regionally and locally – where PFC Regional Managers seek to walk closely alongside the many people in the churches and organizations who share this work.

NEW BRUNSWICK, NOVA SCOTIA, PEI, NEWFOUNDLAND



**CYNTHIA
D'ENTREMONT**
REGIONAL MANAGER,
ATLANTIC CANADA

Despite COVID prison lockdowns, fourteen PFC volunteers faithfully connected to prisoners through the PF By Phone lines, serving both French and English-speaking callers. Nova Institution for Women launched Bridgecare with five clients enrolling in the program, sparking a need for more volunteers to add to the sixty-eight in the Maritimes. PFC announced the hiring of a full-time Regional Manager to represent the ministry starting in January 2022 to grow institutional and church engagement. Currently there are thirty-three church partners through active volunteer affiliation, with twelve churches, and six foundations and businesses supporting PFC financially. A highlight was presenting PFC and Restorative Justice to two New Brunswick High School Law Classes.



QUEBEC



LORRAINE DUBOIS
DIRECTEUR
RÉGIONAL / REGIONAL
MANAGER - QUEBEC

Growth in Quebec is steady as PFC builds out the core ministry programs. Five PFC volunteers in Quebec have faithfully contributed to the PF By Phone program, taking French calls from all over the country. The Bridge-care program launched with PFC's first client also participating in our Angel Tree Ride for Hope fundraiser. Introductions to the Regional Chaplain for Quebec, not only provided us with continued permission for Angel Tree, but also helped PFC's Regional Manager, Lorraine Dubois, forge more connections with new institutional chaplains and social workers. PFC completed the full translation of the volunteer orientation training, including handouts, as we continually seek to equip local churches for the ministry. To date, PFC has nine church program partners and two churches supporting us financially.



EASTERN ONTARIO



ROBERT LOGAN
REGIONAL MANAGER,
EASTERN ONTARIO

Institutions have embraced Bridgecare with ten chaplains helping to identify candidates for faith-based community integration. To meet the rapidly growing need, PFC has increased its volunteer base to sixty-seven, at various stages of onboarding – and we are looking for many more churches to join us. Through the Bethel House in Kingston (a Christian transitional house that is stable, secure, drug-and-alcohol-free), PFC runs *The Re-Entry Journey* program where residents will develop positive life skills that are Biblically-based. Sixteen volunteers are actively serving on the national PF By Phone lines. Thirty-two PFC church partners are currently supporting PFC in Eastern Ontario. Four churches provide financial partnership and prayer.



SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO

The southwestern region's 220 volunteers represent their churches and the ministry through Bridgecare, Bridgecare by Phone, PF By Phone and in-prison ministry. Although there were prison shutdowns due to COVID, many of our in-prison volunteers stayed connected to our clients by joining our phone line programs or switching to Bridgecare. Grand Valley Institution for Women in Kitchener, amplified the Bridgecare program by setting up regular check-ins (by phone) for enrolled clients waiting for release. New Bridgecare partnerships were forged with employment recruiters, and counselling services, and we increased our network of parole and probation contacts to thirty-six. PFC staff participated in face-to-face or "Zoom" church presentations in the GTA with preaching or presenting. PFC

participated in the Vanier Women's Centre Volunteer Appreciation and Christmas events. A PFC highlight was also being part of a video series on aftercare for a Knox College course on "chaplaincy in corrections". Currently there are 178 church program partners and twenty-four churches supporting financially.

In May 2021, PFC's CEO, Stacey Campbell presented at a North America wide workshop in Chicago hosted by The Correctional Ministries and Chaplains Association (CMCA). Her presentation, titled *Kingdom-Sighted Restorative Justice*, examined the Theological foundation and objectives for effective restorative justice practices in prisons. Her emphasis to the Church community was to be diligent in keeping the Biblical roots of justice at the forefront of Restorative Justice.

“ Some of the men have strongly expressed their appreciation and gratitude for what we are able to provide them. It's interesting because this comes from persons who have not yet fully benefited from the Bridgecare program. They are thankful not only for the prospect of being in the program, but the way in which we walk with them on their faith journey now.

PFC STAFF



The Lausanne Movement began in 1974 when over 2,400 participants from 150 nations assembled in Lausanne, Switzerland, for the first International Congress on World Evangelism. The Lausanne Movement gathers leaders worldwide with a mission to advance the Gospel. In December 2021, Stacey Campbell, PFC's CEO, was appointed the new leader for the North America Lausanne Strategy Group (SWG) on Incarceration and the Global Lead for developing an issue group in Restorative Justice. The group is responsible to review relevant research while seeking God's will regarding what priorities should be prioritized in the Church's missional plan and works to provide strategic leadership to carry out those plans. In 2022, Stacey will be assembling a North American committee for the issue of incarceration and an international committee for the Church's work in Restorative Justice.



MANITOBA & SASKATCHEWAN



ELIZABETH GREER
REGIONAL MANAGER
PRAIRIES (SK & MB)

PFC has an active program leader base of forty-one volunteers and another seventeen at various stages of the onboarding process. Elizabeth Greer, PFC's Manitoba Representative, added Saskatchewan to her regional responsibilities this year and we saw immediate program growth. This year, PFC added six new Saskatchewan institutions to the PF By Phone line. This Fall, we increased our church sponsor base for the Angel Tree program by six additional churches – which sparks the beginning of local support for years to come. Regina Correctional Centre was open for in-prison programming and our faithful PFC team ran weekly sessions using The Gospel of Mark curriculum. PFC in Manitoba and Saskatchewan has fifty-eight church program partners (including Angel Tree registered churches) and thirteen churches supporting us financially.



ALBERTA



BRENDA HILLING
REGIONAL
COORDINATOR, AB

PFC in Alberta has been blessed with a volunteer leader base of thirty-nine people and an additional forty-eight working through the onboarding process. Sixteen are dedicated team members on the national PF By Phone program. PFC continues to maintain chaplain connections through Bridgecare clients as chaplains reach out when they are looking for in-community life-giving options for ex-prisoners. This year, we partnered with the Salvation Army chaplain who is facilitating PFC's *The Re-Entry Journey* to clients in Lethbridge each Saturday morning. Brenda Hilling, PFC's Regional Coordinator, attended Greater Edmonton Missions (GEM) late Fall to build continued awareness for PFC. Most recently, through Angel Tree, PFC supported 217 children and their families through the generosity of sponsors. PFC in Alberta has forty-one church program partners and five churches who support us financially.



BRITISH COLUMBIA, YUKON, NUNAVUT, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES



STUART TISDALE
REGIONAL MANAGER,
BRITISH COLUMBIA

In March, PFC hired Stuart Tisdale, a dedicated Manager for the region. Along with connecting regularly with chaplains in twenty-one institutions, this year PFC has grown the volunteer base to thirty-six volunteers (at various stages of onboarding) representing eight church communities. PFC has forged relationships in the Victoria area of BC and Northern Canada strengthening church partnership through the Angel Tree program and PFC awareness. Both Bridgecare and PF By Phone programs have begun to take root and grow. PFC in BC has twenty-one church partners including Angel Tree registered churches. Four churches support us financially.



PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

IN-PRISON ACCESS

Ongoing communication with chaplains to find access to the prisoners inside was a big part of 2021 as the lockdowns continued. Within the parameters PFC was given by Corrections, PFC and institutional chaplains came up with some creative solutions. This included the remodelling of select PFC programming into **live video sessions** at Toronto South Detention Centre in Ontario and Alouette Correctional Centre for Women in BC; and the conversion of in-prison materials into **correspondence** courses launched at Quinte Detention Centre in Ontario. **Chaplains have led PFC curriculum sessions** to keep the “seats warm” for our volunteers who could not come in due to COVID lockouts. These programs include the Gospel of Mark at Lethbridge Correctional Centre in Alberta and Brandon Correctional Centre in Manitoba. At Stony Mountain Institution, fifteen to twenty men dug deep into *The Forgiveness Journey* program, realizing God’s love for them and learning to take accountability.

PFC volunteers were ready to jump into in-prison ministry for **institutions that opened** to volunteers between COVID waves – and this included select jails in New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan.

PFC began a Federal Clearance project with **over eighty PF By Phone volunteers** being processed for in-prison and PF By Phone clearance for all Federal Institutions across Canada. PFC volunteers were diligent and faithful in completing applications, and we have equipped Corrections Canada for next steps. The significance of this clearance is that it will enable volunteers to serve on PF By Phone and in-prison for the next ten years. This clearance prepares volunteers for in-prison ministry as soon as institutions are open again.

PFC commissioned the **Gospel of John curriculum** and ***The Forgiveness Journey* DVD video series projects** and the work is well underway and scheduled to be released in Spring of 2022.

PFC completed a **Spanish version** of *The Forgiveness Journey* curriculum to share with our Prison Fellowship friends in Central and South America. We also published a deck of forty-four **Forgiveness Conversations** for our one on one and phone line ministries.

This summer PFC was able to employ two **Canada Summer Job students** to give them exposure to prison ministry through their support of our Bridgecare as well as Angel Tree programs. PFC hopes to continue this internship program, Lord willing. PFC also began our pilot program with **John Knox College** enrolling placement students into our PF By Phone program.

PFC can provide private group training sessions for churches with eight or more participants.

“ *I enjoyed the training yesterday and found it to be the fastest three-hour zoom meeting ever, which is a big compliment to you and your staff.”*

INSTITUTIONAL CHAPLAIN

NEW VOLUNTEERS

WHO COMPLETED PFC TRAINING IN 2021



136 completed orientation
PFC/Canadian Criminal Justice System



115 PF by Phone Training



69 completed Bridgecare
In-Community Bridgecare Training



14 In-Prison Curriculum Training



47 Mental Health Training
First Aid Certifications Training



PFC’s volunteer community grew by 381 people in 2021!



PF BY PHONE

A LIFELINE

The PF By Phone program grew exponentially in 2021 with full provincial jail participation in Ontario, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan and growing call volumes nationwide.

PFC continues to distribute bookmarks, cards and posters to build prisoner awareness of the line. Prisoners themselves are referring the toll-free numbers to newly incarcerated people and chaplains continue to publicize the number as an extension of their programming. Despite reduced access to the phone banks due to COVID restrictions, the calls keep coming through. Praise God.

This client story brings this verse to mind:

Being confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perform it until the day of Christ.

PHILIPPIANS 1:6

“He found his way to the PF By Phone lines – a Christian prisoner caught in a cycle of recidivism which spanned many years, driven by poor choices, desperation and periodic declines in mental health. For months, he persevered on the line, calling each day to discuss Scripture, healing and asking for prayer. He was encouraged and encouraging. He began ministering to other prisoners. The volunteers referred him to the Bridgecare line and he became a regular caller there too – setting up plans for release and praying. Today, he is walking alongside PFC volunteers in the community and is attending church with them. He has found employment and is looking for a place to live. He continues to work towards a full reunion with his family.

“Another great call with Matthew*. Talked about John 16 and how the Holy Spirit enables us to SEE Jesus. He spoke of how he has been able to witness to other inmates in powerful ways. He is preparing for his release in January and has a church he plans to attend.

PF BY PHONE VOLUNTEER

“Today I received a very positive call from Charles*. He is in awe of God's blessing. He is being released in a month and talked about how God is preparing him to return home. He is connecting with the Bridgecare program and was very appreciative of the ability to call in.

PF BY PHONE VOLUNTEER

*NAMES HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS



45 participating institutions
Provincial institutions to date / Federal program approved for 2022



122 volunteers on the phone lines
placed on lines from church communities



101 church communities
participating throughout Canada



In 2021, churches and volunteers rose to the challenge of providing full coverage of the line:

**9 AM TO 9PM IN ALL TIME ZONES,
7 DAYS PER WEEK**

BRIDGECARE HOLDING ON

Perhaps the deepest part of prison ministry lives in the client homecoming stories. When a person is released, they “get their life back” – and that life has layers and layers of complexity built into it – the turbulence leading up to their crime and the trauma of arrest; the tragedy of being judged and “put away”. The long road within the institution from maximum, medium to minimum; and the eventual exit from the prison or jail with lost years, a criminal record, a lack of confidence and for those left uncared for, debilitating shame, and deeper connections to a life of crime.

Bridgecare steps in at this point, to interrupt a negative cycle, and to help support those on this journey. Through Bridgecare by Phone, those seeking practical referrals to community resources can get help. Through the full Bridgecare program, those interested in Jesus, or who follow Jesus can find the support of PFC volunteers to walk alongside and ultimately find their way to a warm church community where they can learn, grow and thrive in community.

IN 2021, PFC SUPPORTED:



72 enrolled Bridgecare clients



343 callers on Bridgecare line



40 participating institutions



36 parole/probation contacts

Contacts in our network



128 trained Bridgecare leaders

“ She spent six years in prison prior to many ins and outs leading up to her longest stay. Upon being released to a transitional house for several years, she has lots to process and reflect on, as well as many practical things to pull together. From a prison cell, to the “big wide world”, there are unexpected stressors – too little solitude, too much stimulation, difficulty managing material possessions – and an ache for the familiarity of prison...because it is all she really knows. Healthy relationships are tricky because she does not easily trust and her default is self-containment – keeping others out. This is where I see what it means to rest under the shadow of the wing of God Almighty. Her faith is strong and constant – her love for Jesus propels her forward. We connect on this level, being daughters and sisters of the only one who can truly heal.”

A PFC BRIDGECARE FRIEND

“ I am in continuous conversation with my Bridgecare client. I continue to share God’s word and pray with him on a weekly basis. His transition back to civilization has had many challenges especially because of COVID and the restrictions. He has moments of feeling discouraged and alone but he is grateful for this program.”

A PFC BRIDGECARE FRIEND

“ When the Bridgecare client reached out to us to let us know she had breached her probation and was back “inside”, we switched to letter-writing. Although her shame had been very high, she quickly realized that through Christ, the Bridgecare program truly does accept people the way that we find them – no judgement, no abandonment – just Christ’s love.

PFC BRIDGECARE FRIEND

On February 26th, 2020, PFC’s CEO, Stacey Campbell participated in Parliament with the tabling of Bill C-228, a Private Member’s Bill (MP Richard Bragdon, NB) to provide for the development and implementation of a federal framework to reduce recidivism. This will be mandated through the Minister of Public Safety through effective partnerships and in consultation with Indigenous groups and other relevant stakeholders such as non-governmental, non-profit, faith-based and private sector organizations. This is a significant advancement for the ministry as it affirms the expertise of our programs and validates faith-based programming as a significant factor in the transformation of people’s lives. Bill C-228 proceeded through the House and the Senate and was enacted into law through Royal Assent on June 29, 2021.

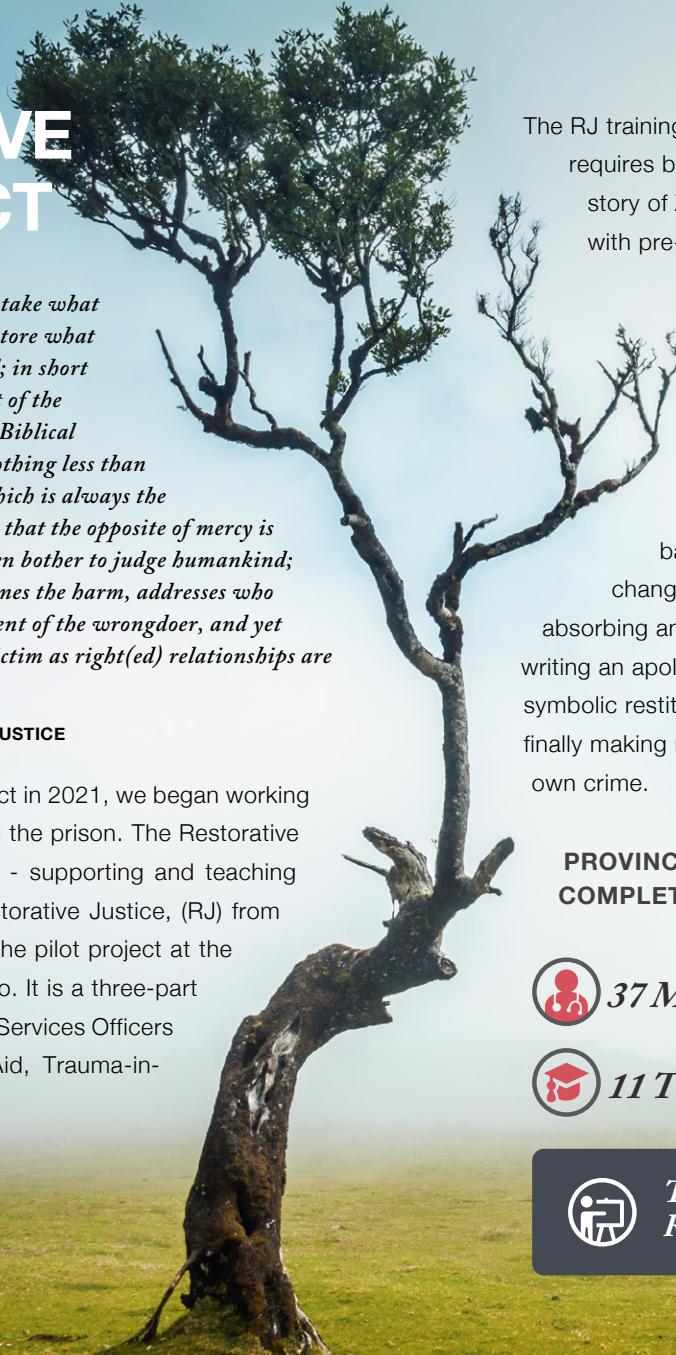


THE RESTORATIVE PRISON PROJECT

“The concept of Justice, in Scripture, means to take what has fallen over and to set it up straight; to restore what is currently disordered; to right what is now capsized; in short to ‘rightwise’ or effect right relationships in the midst of the dysfunctional and deadly. Restorative Justice from a Biblical perspective, then, is God seeking to effect ‘shalom’ – nothing less than creation healed. God’s first step here is judgement, which is always the converse of his mercy. (We must be aware at all times that the opposite of mercy is indifference. Were God not merciful he would not even bother to judge humankind; he would simply abandon us.) Restorative Justice names the harm, addresses who is responsible for the harm and supports the punishment of the wrongdoer, and yet ultimately seeks the restoration of the offender and victim as right(ed) relationships are achieved and seen.

STACEY CAMPBELL / KINGDOM SIGHTED RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

When PFC launched the Restorative Prison Project in 2021, we began working on not only restoring the prisoners, but restoring the prison. The Restorative Prison project looks at an institution holistically - supporting and teaching both staff and residents in the principles of Restorative Justice, (RJ) from a biblical perspective. This year, PFC launched the pilot project at the Roy McMurtry Youth Centre in Brampton, Ontario. It is a three-part training process that equips and prepares Youth Services Officers (YSOs) and Managers in Mental Health First Aid, Trauma-informed care, and Restorative Justice training.



The RJ training builds on *The Sycamore Tree* curriculum and requires both individual and circle work based on the story of Zaccheus. The Restorative Justice work starts with pre-contemplative work such as understanding the history, scope and application of RJ, understanding the relationship between crime, individual sin, collective sin and harm as well as a meaningful experience with victim empathy. The work continues at the contemplative level as participants work through active versus passive responsibility, barriers to confession, truth telling, behavioural change (repentance), hearing the victim's story, absorbing and understanding the impact of the victim's story, writing an apology, sharing their own story, making amends, symbolic restitution, peace-building and peacekeeping, and finally making meaning through reflection and learning of their own crime.

PROVINCIAL YOUTH SERVICES OFFICERS WHO COMPLETED OUR 3-PART PFC TRAINING



37 Mental Health First Aid Certifications



11 Trauma-informed Care Graduates



To begin in early 2022:
Restorative Justice Training

ANGEL TREE RIDE FOR HOPE

A COMMON GOAL

*In September 2021,
supporters of PFC's Angel
Tree initiative joined
together in six provinces
to participate in the Angel
Tree Ride for Hope.*

Registrants collected sponsorships and got exercise, all in support of PFC's Angel Tree programs for children with incarcerated parents. This event was not only a financial blessing, but it strengthened the PFC community and created awareness about PFC and those whom we are blessed to serve.

The gathering in Winnipeg had over seventy participants, from infants in bike trailers to those in their eighties; walkers were joined by bikes, strollers, ebikes, and electric scooters. Some

of the participants included recently-released citizens, demonstrating their gratitude for PFC programs.

Returning citizens were, likewise, a highlight in the Quebec event, as two of the volunteers and a participant were returning citizens. They testified that PFC gave them hope while they were incarcerated. The ripples of positive change continued, as the regional representative was later invited to address one of the ex-prisoner's churches – inspiring the congregants to sponsor Angel Tree Christmas children.

In Kingston, the gathering had a surprising last-minute registrant; a youthful octogenarian had collected forty-six different sponsorships in her senior's residence. With her family to support her, she rode twenty-five kilometres on her bike, crossing the finish line to cheers from fellow participants.

Each event across the country sparked conversations – with friends, neighbours, and strangers on the street. At a time when pandemic restrictions were causing separation, the Ride for Hope provided a safe way to faithfully come together for a common goal.



ANGEL TREE CAMPING

THE UNSTOPPABLE JOY OF CAMP

After another year of COVID isolation, the joy of Angel Tree Camping came at the perfect time. In God's faithfulness, camps across the country opened their doors and welcomed kids for a life-changing week of community and adventure.

Institutions embraced the program enthusiastically. Forty institutions, compared to twenty-two last year, enrolled in Angel Tree – making the program more accessible than ever to incarcerated parents for their children. PFC had eighteen active camp partners across Canada in 2021.

“Thank you for sending me to camp! I learned that no matter what, God never gives up on me and He will always love me.”

ANGEL TREE CAMPER

For children unable to go to in-person camp, PFC staff prepared customized Camp-In-A-Box kits which were delivered coast to coast. Kits included daily devotionals, Bibles, sports equipment, craft supplies, games and treats, which ensured a memorable week for all.



PFC STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS PACKING AND DELIVERING CAMP-IN-A-BOX PACKAGES.

“We've all enjoyed the activities you gave the kids! I cannot thank your organization enough for this, it has made their summer bright. We've loved playing sports as a family.”

ANGEL TREE CAREGIVER

This past year, in some areas, camps opened but transportation was unavailable. PFC staff and volunteers stepped in coordinating rides to camp. On the drive home, it was an unexpected blessing to find out firsthand from kids fresh from their week, how much they loved their time.

The experience of camp is truly like no other. Participation at camp, in-person and at home, provides children with the opportunity to make friends, develop skills and enjoy memories in the outdoors. Most importantly, Angel Tree kids learn how much God loves them and wants a relationship with them.

“You have no idea how happy this makes them. It is a huge blessing for them. We are grateful beyond words. Thank you for the love you have for all these children and their parents.”

ANGEL TREE CAREGIVER





ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS

HOLDING FAMILIES CLOSE

This year, like 2020, brought its own complexity and beauty to the Angel Tree Christmas season. From COVID restrictions and supply chain shortages, to natural disasters in British Columbia, nothing could stop the faithful love of Jesus from reaching **3,424** Angel Tree children.

Across the country, sponsors and churches connected with Angel Tree families, taking time to get to know them, their interests, and their stories. In Quebec, after a sponsor dropped off the gift, the caregiver expressed her son's gratitude:

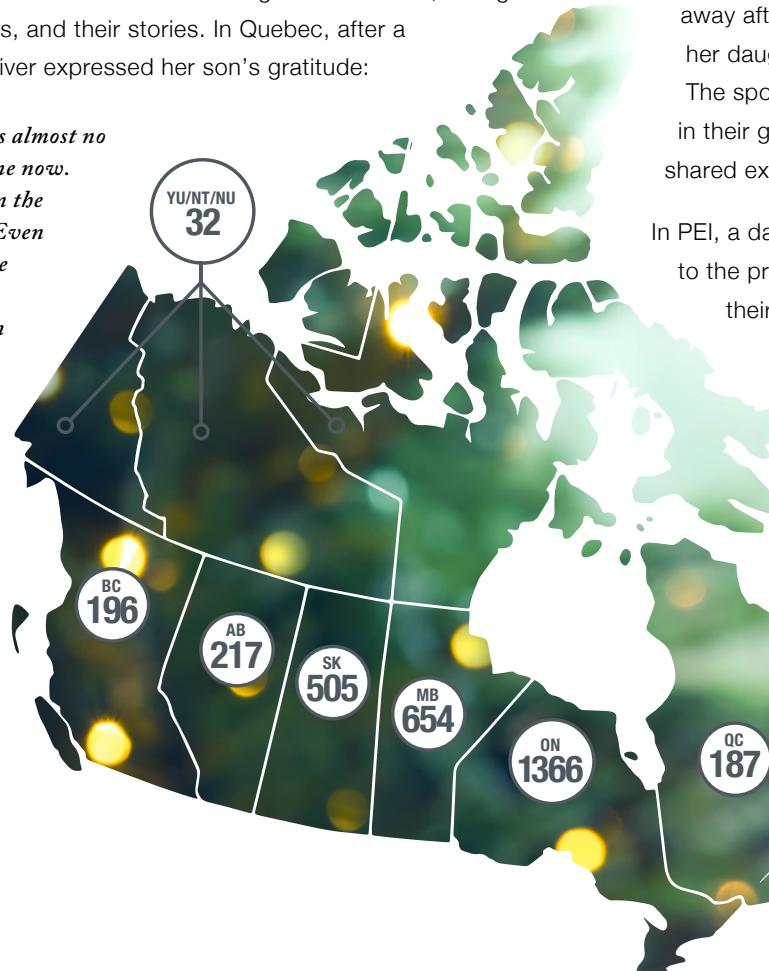
“My son is sixteen years-old and has almost no contact with his Dad for a long time now. But you should have seen his reaction when the woman brought him a gift from his Dad. Even if he appreciated the gift, he was even more impressed by the little message written by his Dad. He was trying to hide his emotion but I can see in his eyes that he was really moved.”

MOTHER OF ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS RECIPIENT

PFC received a letter after Christmas from a prisoner in Ontario:

“Just hearing how happy my children were made my heart melt and brought so much joy to me that I was crying because I was able to share my love with them through your program.”

PRISONER



In Eastern Ontario, a previous Angel Tree child of many years wanted to be a sponsor for someone else:

“Angel Tree has meant so much to my kids being on the receiving end for many years. For my daughter, it's about sharing a moment with her Dad when she opens the gift on the phone with him. She really wanted to make that happen for someone else this year.”

MOTHER OF ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS RECIPIENT

In BC, a grandmother's incarcerated daughter had passed away after enrolling in Angel Tree. Her gift request for her daughter was therefore especially and deeply felt. The sponsor was able to sit with the caregiver and child in their grief, and will stay connected to them after this shared experience.

In PEI, a day was arranged so that sponsors could give gifts to the prisoners and they in turn could give these gifts to their children themselves. In Newfoundland, fifty-three kids received gifts directly from their church

*Angel Tree
Kids across
Canada*



communities. In New Brunswick, a church rallied around grandparents who were caring for the five children (ages 3 to 14) of their son's wife who is in jail. They accepted the help of grocery gift cards for the holiday season. In Alberta, a family was recovering from the cost of a fire in their apartment. The child was told she had to pick between birthday and Christmas presents this year. She chose birthday, and through Angel Tree the father was able to provide for Christmas!



In the Prairies we were blessed with a number of partners who helped make the Angel Tree Christmas program successful. A special thanks to the Brandon Area Community Foundation for their generous gift of \$1,500. towards the Angel Tree Program. We are also grateful to Perimeter Aviation and Thompson Bus Lines for their generous discounts that helped us ship Angel Tree Christmas gifts to the Northern Canada communities.

Angel Tree is about creating a connection point for families, building and maintaining a lasting relationship between parents and children. It's about bringing communities in contact with those who are going through tough times, hidden and

alone. This year in particular, we saw how God used Angel Tree to hold families close - to each other and to the greater church community.

Here is a sponsor report from Manitoba:

“The father of a 15-year old boy had handwritten on his application that he did not want to use the gift tags as he believed it would make his son sad. That touched me in a special way. The gift suggestion was a Winnipeg Jets shirt. I found a beautiful hoodie, in the boy's size with the indigenous logo that the team had recently unveiled. It was more than the suggested price, but I wanted this young man to know that his father really did care.

ANGEL TREE SPONSOR

3,424 Angel Tree children

1,479 sponsors purchased gifts

113 sponsor churches

115 institutions participated

18 new institutions
enrolled in Angel Tree in 2021

1,700+ families included



THE PFC BRAND LOOKING FORWARD

In 2021, PFC underwent a strategic exercise to strengthen the brand. This process and the resulting work were gifted to PFC by a national Brand Strategy company. They examined our position in the market and looked at the prison landscape in Canada to ensure that we are positioning ourselves and our brand in a way that remains loyal to our (and the church's) mission.

As a result of this exercise, PFC will be launching a new look to the brand in early 2022. This change will better communicate the work done by PFC—equipping the Christian community in providing support, spiritual friendship, and spiritual transformation to our clients.

PFC's new tagline "Pathway to Change" aligns clearly to PFC's identity to restore hope and transform lives through the forgiveness-based teachings of Jesus. We walk with prisoners on a journey to healing and restoration. Their transformation, like ours, is not instant but a progressive one. We believe the pathway to change can begin at the moment of incarceration. PFC meets with those who desire change and through local church communities we walk with them throughout their renewal - in prison, leaving prison, in community and within our churches – leading them to be renewed in Christ, healed by Christ, and their dignity restored.



*Stay tuned for
our exciting new look
in the early part
of 2022!*

*to pathway
to change*

*We remain committed to our mission to
prepare and mobilize the Canadian
Christian community in response to the
issue of crime and the restoration of offenders
based on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ.*

2022 GOALS

As we look at 2022, we are excited for the plans God is putting on our hearts. This year our focus will be on the following categories:

CHURCH ENGAGEMENT

Because of the nature of the Church to be a reconciliation agent, increasing Church partnerships is crucial to our goals. We will work with churches to equip them and train them to be able to carry out the work in their community. We are tracking church engagement by volunteer affiliation, Angel Tree church sponsorship and financial partnership.

*PFC seeks to grow from
372 church partners in
2021 to 540 in 2022.*

INSTITUTION ENGAGEMENT

The more Canadian institutions recognize the importance of PFC's restorative work to the Canadian community, the more we can reach prisoner's and their families. As such, we are working on introducing PFC's Bible Study curriculums to more institutions. In addition as the Restorative Prison project pilot continues, more institutions are projected to take part in it.

COMMUNITY AND FUNDRAISING ENGAGEMENT

This year we plan to hold two events to increase community engagement and celebrate the hope the world can have in Christ. In the Spring of 2022, we plan to hold a Spring event in various regions to gather the community in prayer and praise. In Fall 2022 we will hold PFC's Ride For Hope which will take place in various locations nationally. The Ride For Hope brings the community together to raise both awareness and funds for PFC's Angel Tree Camping program.

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FINANCIALS |

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR
THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30.
↑/↓ 2020-21 YEAR COMPARISON

REVENUES

2021 2020

Contributions	\$ 1,100,348 ↑	\$ 1,015,636
Investment Income	804 ↓	1,429
	\$ 1,101,152 ↑	\$ 1,017,065

EXPENSES

Ministry Programs	\$ 821,289 ↑	\$ 754,015
Public Ministry	69,014 ↑	57,506
Ministry Development	27,154 ↑	5,517
Total Ministry Programs	\$ 917,457 ↑	\$ 817,038
Administration and Overhead	129,696 ↑	121,765
Fundraising	50,946 ↓	74,357
	\$ 1,098,099 ↑	\$ 1,013,160

EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES BEFORE THE FOLLOWING

Net Profit	\$ 3,053 ↓	\$ 3,905
Gain (loss) on Foreign Exchange	(2,238) ↓	24
	\$ 815 ↓	\$ 3,929
NET ASSETS – Beginning	\$ 261,218 ↑	\$ 257,289
NET ASSETS – Ending	\$ 262,033 ↑	\$ 261,218

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“I can't believe it, it was five years ago last week that I was arrested and started coming to your bible studies. At times when I felt like I didn't matter to anyone you always reminded me that I mattered to you and Jesus. Until I was released a year and a half ago I was only surviving, but in June of last year I started seeking Him and myself with my whole heart. I've spent my whole life separated from both. Oh the miracle of finding both in my heart. I spent the year taking inventory of the past, confessing to God my sins and weakness, asking Jesus to wash away the sins that corrupted my soul and asking the Holy Spirit to heal the pains I've caused. I asked Jesus to break the chains that kept me in bondage to my sin... I'm sure I have found "the One" that I chased my whole life, all the way to jail and insanity. His ways are higher than my ways.

A CANADIAN PRISONER



But You, Lord,
are a shield around
me, my glory, the
One who lifts
my head high.

PSALM 3:3 (NIV)

Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.

HEBREWS 12:1-2



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