



# ANNUAL REPORT

2025-2026



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## ELDER TEAM

This has been a year of many blessings and some challenges. We want to thank you first of all for your prayers and support. Let me summarize our past year for all of you.

Curt Webb, Chairman  
Stephen Moore, Sr. Pastor  
Bill Christensen, Alan Donald,  
Dave Grooters, Dyle Knifong,  
Roger Tuttle, Jim Watson

We continue to meet at 6:00 AM each Wednesday morning to pray for the needs of our church. On the third Tuesday of each month, we meet for a business meeting. During these meetings, we heard from various ministries of the church. Our goal was to get a sense of their vision and how we could support and pray for them. These verbal reports included representatives from the Deacon Team, Deaconess Team, Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Gathered Worship Ministry, Mission Board, and the Security Team.

Throughout the year, we have prayed for the sick and made hospital visits both locally and out of town. We also met with numerous church members in an effort to answer questions or concerns about policies and/or actions taken by the Elder Team. We have been a part of the monthly leadership class as we studied a book together called *Word-Centered Church*, led by Pastor Stephen. Once a month, we meet with the church staff to pray for the needs of the church and have lunch together. We have also been participants in the monthly all-church prayer group. In addition to this, we are currently studying a book called *The Vine Project*, led by Pastor Stephen. This book is designed to assist us as we develop a new vision and mission statement for our church. We also facilitated two membership classes this past year, in the spring and fall. These classes are four hours in length and are team-taught by members of the Elder Team.

Of late, I have become very aware of the folks who work behind the scenes to make Church work happen. These folks may be unnoticed, but Sunday after Sunday, they work faithfully to make sure everything is in place. We're thankful for our staff who work tirelessly to keep things running smoothly. Thank you also to those who assist in the nursery and with the children's services each week. Thank you to all who greet, help at the welcome center, serve coffee, lead in Communities and Bible studies, maintain our property, volunteer in youth ministry, serve on the chair team, worship teams, Security Team, the Financial Stewardship Team, and pray for God's blessing on our church. We have numerous volunteers. At one point, I counted well over 120 volunteers. If I have left you out, I apologize. Thank you for your time! This "behind the scenes" work matters!

Respectfully submitted,  
Curt Webb, Church Chairman

## OFFICIAL ACTION RECORDS OF THE ELDER TEAM

### August 2025

- Approved purchase of new Communities chairs
- Approved Cody Green as deacon to fill vacancy

### September 2025

- Approved monetary gift to Kirk Nelson who repaired church backflow devices

### October 2025

- Approved sending bylaws draft to 2 different experts with the EFCA Rocky Mountain District

### November 2025

- Approved honoraria for those who filled in during Aaron Leggett's sabbatical

### December 2025

- Approved pastoral housing allowances

### January 2026

- Approved membership applicants to be received at the semi-annual meeting
- Approved additional gift to the Rocky Mountain District pending Mission Board approval

### February 2026

- Approved request form Foster Fremont for a fundraising event for the Leggett adoption

### April 2026

- Approved nomination team for 2026-2027 elder positions
- Approved candidates for deacon team

### May 2026

- Approved Matt Brock to serve as Head Deacon
- Approved mini-sabbatical of one month for Anette Versaw

## MEMBERSHIP ROLL UPDATE

- We added 13 members at our 2025 annual & 2026 semi-annual meetings.
- We removed 20 members at the last annual meeting.
- We mourn the loss of 2 members Bob Shaw and Don Burr.
- Current membership stands at 250.
- Members for removal from the roll will be presented at the congregational meeting.

## SENIOR PASTOR

It is such a joy to serve the Lord as the Senior Pastor here at the Evangelical Free Church of Cañon City. I am so blessed to have the joy of sitting on the front row of God's work in our congregation as we are shaped by the Spirit and Word together.

As I reflected over the past year, there are so many joys that came to mind.

- We witnessed 12 baptisms last fall at our second annual Sunday morning baptism worship service: Tristyn Anderson, Marco Blanco, Mason Cobler, Trey Watts-Griffin, Bret Jones, Clara Kotey, Josephine Kotey, Julius Kotey, Abi Lansdown, Asher Moore, Ceanna Smith, and Krystabelle Wallace. That service is a highlight for me as we celebrated together the work God is doing in the lives of those who were baptized.
- We welcomed into our congregation 13 new members, who covenanted together to be a part of our community: Wyatt Cosat, Jimmy Characky, Dana Foreman, Jeff Jensen, Nancy Jensen, Clara Kotey, Josephine Kotey, JJ, Peter Manfredo, Sheena Rutherford, Dave & Lynn Schlottman, and Anna Belle Zerby.
- And we celebrated the gift of new life as we recognized and prayed over 4 families who dedicated their children to the Lord.

There are so many reasons to give thanks to the Lord.

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*Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He s good; for His steadfast  
love endures forever! 1 Chronicles 16:34*

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It's been a joy to be in God's Word together over this past year. I love my calling to preach God's Word, and I love the way God's Spirit uses that Word to bring transformation to His people. We've seen God do extravagant things in the past year as we've been making our way through the book of 1 Samuel. We confess with Paul that the Old Testament was "written for our instruction" (1 Corinthians 10:11) and "profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16). We only took a slight break from 1 Samuel for our Advent series, A Nicene Nativity. We looked at the fundamental convictions about who Jesus Christ is that has united all Christians. Now, I look forward to a new year, as we finish our 1 Samuel series and anticipate future sermons and how God is going to shape us through them. Again, it is joy to be in God's Word together.

I am thankful for our Elder Board. They continue to encourage me and to be an example to me of godliness and love for our congregation. I thank Curt Webb, Bill Christensen, Alan Donald, Jim Watson, Roger Tuttle, Dave Grooters, and Dyle Knifong for their humble service. Together we have prayed for our membership and congregational needs, met personally with

countless congregants, and taught membership classes. Our Elders have worked their way through the book *The Vine Project* over the past year, to help us think with more clarity about our mission and vision as we wrestle through becoming a more discipleship-focused culture at the Evangelical Free Church of Cañon City. We continue to work at refining mission, vision, and our bylaws; and to invest in future leaders through our new Leadership Class. It is a joy to serve alongside this godly group of men, and it is with sadness that we see Alan Donald and Dyle Knifong step off of the team.

It's also been a delight to lead our staff through the year. We've had the joy of welcoming new members to our staff: Amy Swantz, our new Administrative Assistant; Amy Anderson, our new part-time Custodian; and Judi Martin, our new Financial Ministry Assistant. We have such a gifted team of people who love God and His church. Our staff has also read through *The Vine Project* as we think and pray over how the Lord might be refining the discipleship culture and ministries of our church. Our weekly time together in God's Word and praying for the congregation is always a highlight.

We've formed a new team of leaders in the past year, the Adult Ministry Team. This team has been aggressively reading *The Vine Project*, praying, and thinking through the second tier adult discipleship ministries of the church (Communities, small groups, Bible studies, etc.). This team has enjoyed a remarkable unity and joy as we've looked forward to the future and how the Lord might be shaping the various adult ministries in our congregation. In addition, we've started a new prayer gathering that meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Alex Ewers, Dan Mendoza, Miles Tuttle, and Joel Rieth lead that time. I look forward with great anticipation to seeing how the Lord blesses that time in prayer both for our congregation and our larger community. A health church is a praying church.

Our congregation continues to stay connected to the broader national Evangelical Free Church of America. We have a few staff members who have or are serving in official capacities in our Rocky Mountain District. In addition, our whole staff attended the Annual Rocky Mountain District Conference in April. In addition, I continue to personally benefit from a monthly gathering of the Colorado Springs Senior Pastors. We are so blessed by our denominational connection.

And finally, a big thank you to the congregation of the Free Church, who love the Lord. You all serve as an example of the tangible love of God as you show your commitment for Christ, love one another, and care for a city that doesn't know Him. I am excited for the coming years of growing deeper in community with you.

Stephen Moore  
Senior Pastor

## GATHERED WORSHIP MINISTRY

July 2025-June 2026 seemed faster than other years. Whatever margin I could find in late July/early August was devoted towards preparing leaders and teams for me to be away on my second sabbatical, which was from mid-August through mid-November. I'm especially grateful for Jerrie McFadyen for taking on weekly platform/stage management, and for Andrew Eubank and Larissa Blackwell for planning and leading all gatherings. In addition to the fullness of their regular lives and jobs, they graciously agreed to step in – because they love the Savior, they love our worship and tech teams, and they love the church for which our Savior died. Sabbatical highlights include walking my then two-year-old daughter down the aisle as a flower girl at my brother's wedding, celebrating our seventeenth anniversary, attending multi-cultural gathered worship settings, and finishing our home study approval process for our second adoption journey.

At our semi-annual meeting in January, I shared that I was starting to meet with Randy Milam and Ethan Freshwater (co-leading Tech Team) to responsibly address our aging sanctuary audio systems. *All of our major gear is 15-30 years old.* Besides wear-and-tear, the primary problem is our room is out of balance. Our current speaker set-up is creating uneven sound throughout our room. In practical terms, what people hear changes depending on where they sit. Some areas experience clarity, while others experience harshness or a lack of definition – through no fault of the sound team. This inconsistency makes it harder for the congregation to stay engaged and clearly hear what is being communicated. Diligently working alongside a professional audio integration company, we agreed on a plan we believe will be truly beneficial – for years to come. We signed contracts in late May, and this fall they will install new speakers, a new sound board, in-ear mixers for worship team, and microphones. I'm excited about what this means for Tech Team leadership and the team's future: finally we'll have a sense of what we're asking people to step into and can soon recruit and grow with freedom.

In March, Anette and I formally switched staff advocate/liaison roles. I had been with Deaconesses since 2017, and I am now instead serving Missions Board. I'm looking forward to more relational investment in the team chair (currently Miles Tuttle), as well as sharing a table and wrestling in prayer alongside the team.

## GATHERED WORSHIP BIRD'S-EYE STATS:

**56** whole-church gatherings (53 Sunday morning, 3 seasonal) **were led in part by 76 different people.**

- **29** on Worship Team
- **8** on Tech Team
- **9** behind the scenes on DT (Discernment Team)
- **33** led prayer in a gathering (19 men, 14 women)
- **15** readers (Advent, Christmas Eve, Good Friday)
- **6** did our welcome & announcements
- **6** preached
- **2** formally shared about mission

We take very seriously that with every song we sing together, we're putting words on the lips, minds, hearts, and *consciences* of our congregation – especially children. So it means a lot when people go out of their way to share stories to simply encourage. Three recent headlines:

- A 6-year-old asked her father *why* people raise hands during singing.
- A 12-year-old asked her piano teacher if she can learn “Promises,” having just sang it in church.
- It's been sweet to hear of *many* young kids in their homes, vans, and children's church rooms singing out: *Who else is worthy? Who else is worthy? There is no one, only You Jesus!*

As we grow together in our understanding and practice of biblical worship, may it be *obvious* to newcomers, *obvious* to unbelievers in our midst that there's no one more glorious, no one more amazing, no one more worthy of worship than our God! Our gathered worship is a demonstration of our unity, a display and witness to each other and the world around us that the word of Christ is beautiful, glorious, and compelling.

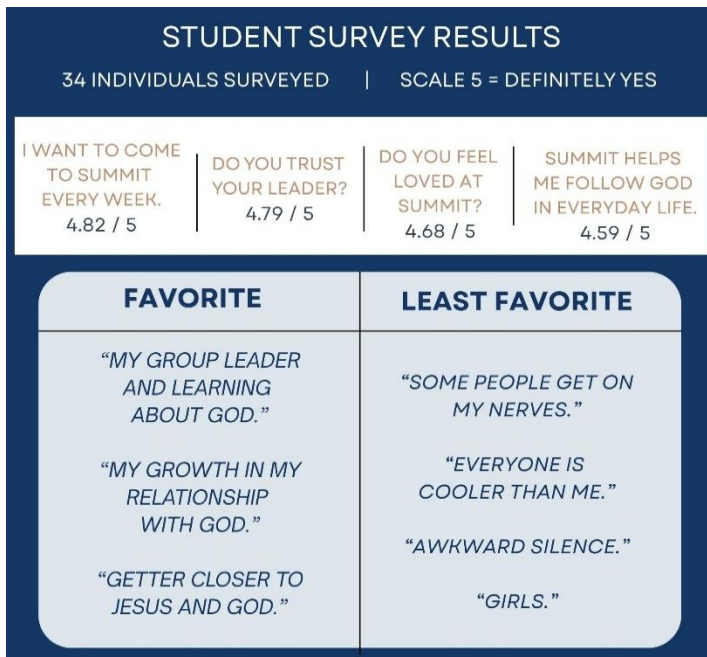
Aaron Leggett,  
Pastor of Gathered Worship

## STUDENT MINISTRY

The Student Ministry seeks to help students know the living God and live like He is real in everyday life. We focus on teaching scripture, prayer, mentoring, partnering with parents, and creating great environments.

### Here is a snapshot from June 2025-June 2026:

- 35 core families, representing 50 teens, attend Sunday services.
- 21 adults serve weekly—the irreducible backbone of our ministry.
- 212 teens attended Summit, our Wednesday evening program.  
The average attendance each week was 65 teens.
- 20 teens on average attended Youth Community Hour on Sundays.
- 6 teens were baptized, praise God!
- 34 teens attended the annual camping trip (Ophir Creek in Rye).
- 15 high schoolers served on a mission trip to Camp Hallawasa in Hot Springs, SD.
- 135+ youth from 5 churches attended Winter National at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp.
- The books of John & Genesis were taught, with provided study



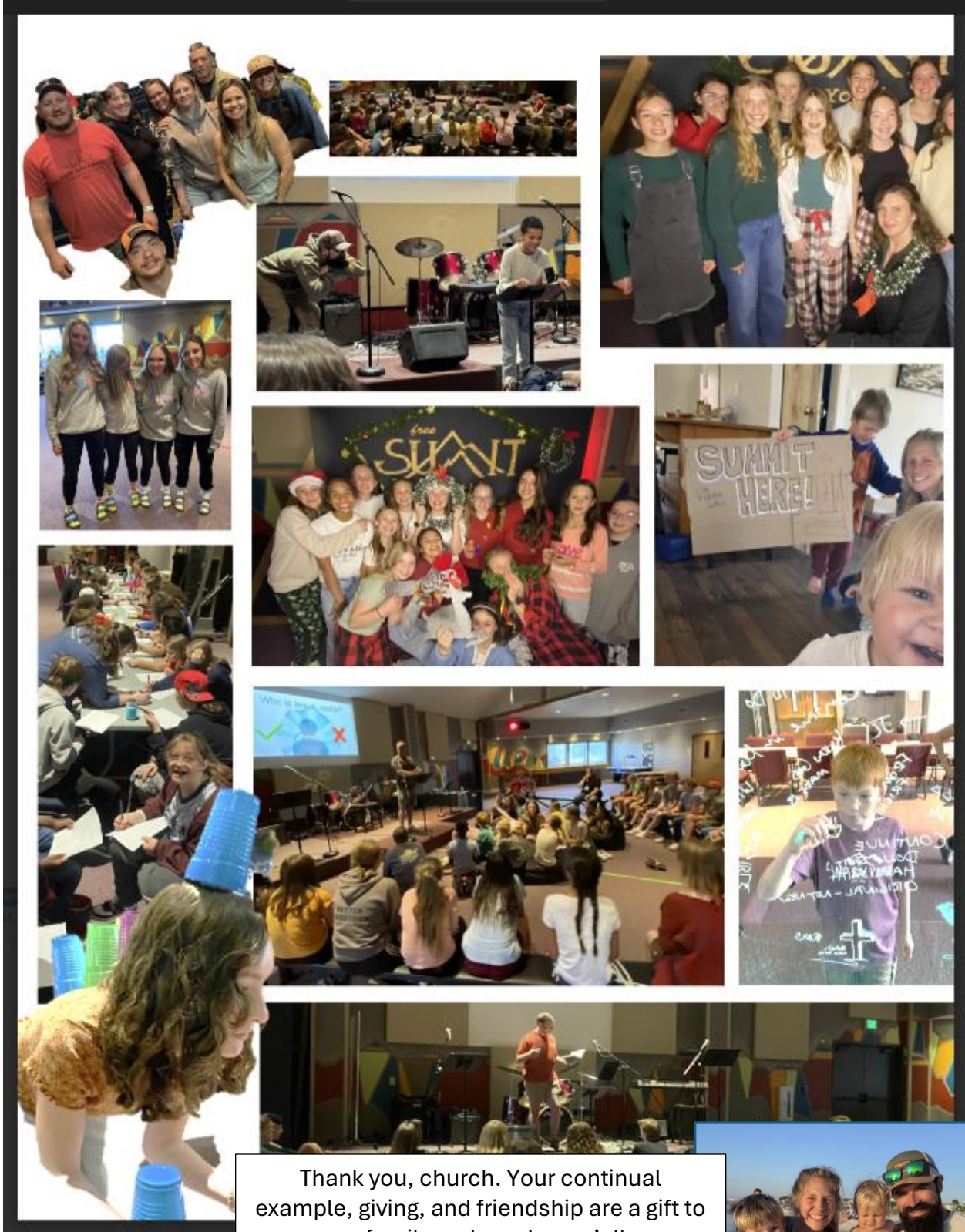
guides and memory verse packs.

- A 10-week “How to Study the Bible” course equipped students.
- Two multi-week series on the Sanctity of Human Life & Justice / Compassion were given on Sundays.
- 19 Families participated in the “Navigating Family” course, an opportunity for parents and teens to learn together.
- 6 outreach events were conducted, with 31 new attendees & clear gospel presentations or testimonies.

- 2 Summit Night Out events took Summit outside church walls.
- 3 leader equipping events were attended, including Ignite, a 2-day conference in COS.
- 8 volunteer teachers shared God’s Word with students.
- 1 huge outreach effort involved coaching at CCHS (no longer so I can focus on family).

### THANK YOU!

Jesse Nine  
Keith Troutman  
Peter Manfredo  
David Webb  
Anna Belle Manfredo  
Katie Brock  
Grace Donald  
Joel Reith  
Matt Brock  
Kendra Brady  
Ruth Ferguson  
Kris Bolkema  
Anna Van Camp  
Sarah Anderson  
Mark Anderson  
Wyatt Cosat  
Matt White  
Seth Murphy  
Lori Brock  
Jerry Jones  
Norah Brock  
Sophia Anderson



Thank you, church. Your continual example, giving, and friendship are a gift to my family and me. Love y'all.

-Daniel Van Camp,  
 Pastor of Student Ministries



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The mission of Children's Ministry at the Free Church is to help children experience and understand God's love for them. From babies all the way to 5<sup>th</sup> graders, these kids are such a precious and loved part of our church family, and ours is a body who invests in and values these young ones. Following is a recap of several highlights from the past year, as well as a look forward.

In July 2025 we enjoyed a month of Free Church Family Nights. This event is meant to be a gathering of generations of God's family fellowshiping, serving, and teaching one another to become more like Jesus. While originally a discipling program for families with young children in the birth-5<sup>th</sup> grade range, it has become a gathering for our whole church family with the broader goals of intergenerational fellowship, discipleship, and personal outreach. Most nights we had somewhere between 100 and 140 people in attendance. We had our first Family Night of summer 2026 just this past Wednesday, with five more opportunities to participate this summer. Come give it a try if you haven't already, and use the opportunity to personally invite someone.

On a joyous Sunday morning last August, several children took the step of choosing to be baptized in the Arkansas River, publicly declaring their faith in Jesus.

We had a fruitful 30<sup>th</sup> year of our kids' AWANA program, led by Amy Fournier, with an average of 100 kids attending every Wednesday evening. AWANA is a program for preschool-5<sup>th</sup> grade children, in which they complete books at their level to memorize Scripture and talk about its meaning, receive Gospel-centered teaching and discipleship, play fun games, and earn awards and "shares" to spend in the AWANA store. This program ministers to kids in our own church family, those from other local churches, and several unchurched kids in our community as well. We joined with Christian Family Fellowship in late February to hold our annual Grand Prix boxcar race, which is always loads of fun. Many came out to fellowship and cheer on the kids.

We've been able to provide separate baby and toddler nurseries all year, which has been such a blessing, considering that we've averaged 17 nursery-aged children during service and 13 during Communities. Amy Anderson, who oversees our nurseries with excellence and care, is always looking for more willing volunteers.

Moving to one service has been sweet in that our kids are all together with their peers, rather than being split into first and second service groups. It does make for larger Children's Church class sizes, but with numbers that are manageable for now. We've averaged 10 in Pre-K and 17 in K-2<sup>nd</sup> Children's Church. We've continued to use the *Explore the Bible* curriculum, and it's been a success to maximize it into the Communities hour as well. For

our Kids Communities, we've averaged 7 in the Pre-K Little Lights Community, 12 in the K-2<sup>nd</sup> Kingdom Kids Community, and 12 in the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Race Runners Community.

I attended the ETCH Next Gen Children's & Youth Ministry conference in Nashville, TN, last October, which is put on through Lifeway. What a wealth of inspiration, equipping, knowledge, and resources I gained!

Families received Advent packets again this year to use through the month of December, with crafts for each week and family lessons that could be done at home together.



As this church family has an evident heart for fostering and adopting, with 28 of our children falling into this category, many of our children's ministry volunteers were offered a special training in March on trauma-informed care, with the intent of ministering well to all of our kids. In addition, this past April, Amy Anderson, Amy Fournier, Daniel Van Camp and I also participated in a 4-session training with a focus in this area designed for ministry staff, called *Empowered to Connect*.

We had our third annual Easter egg hunt, with approximately 115 kids hunting, which included several visitors. We had 29 in the nursery and 42 in Children's Church between our two Easter services. What a joyous day!

In May, 8 precious children were dedicated to the Lord. Families participating were the Marquettes, Redmonds, Chandlers, and Griffins.

In the coming year, we're looking forward to implementing visual schedules in all of the age groups. Musical worship, short lessons, and crafts will be implemented in the nursery. Visual Bible timelines will be going up in the Pre-K, K-2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> rooms, as well as Bible posters of all 66 books in the K-2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> classes. We also intend to bring on more volunteers for those children who need more one-on-one attention and care. I am looking ahead with excited anticipation to what this next year has in store!

Sarah Koch, Director of Children's Ministry

#### **CHILD DEDICATIONS**

*Milo Marquette*

*Anara Redmond*

*Weston Redmond*

*Eloise Redmond*

*Theodore Chandler*

*Oliver Griffin*

*Luca Griffin*

*Liam Griffin*

## CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR

This has been a difficult season of ministry. The Lord has certainly given me His strength in a season of overwhelm. He has shown me His faithfulness over and over again through the encouragement and prayers of this body, the truth and wisdom of His Word, and His perfect timing and provision.

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*For you make me glad by your deeds, LORD; I sing for joy at what your hands have done.  
Psalm 92:4*

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**Custodial Transition:** Our custodian of 15 years had to medically retire last fall. He left a huge pair of shoes to fill! I am grateful for the Lord's provision:

- Wyatt Cosat stepped in temporarily to help for a few months. His willingness to tackle all of the things with a smile and gumption was so appreciated!
- Amy Anderson, already a member of our team as the Childcare Coordinator, added to her role and is our new part-time custodian. She loves Jesus and this church and has a passion for a clean and welcoming space where people will encounter Jesus. She has been a wonderful expression of God's provision.
- Nathan Curtis and his chair team are another expression of God's creative provision. Since the sanctuary is a shared space, the chairs must be taken down and reset almost every week. They make a way for ministry to happen in a big way!
- We have a spring and fall cleanup day each year. The volunteers have made significant improvements to our property. Working together is such an encouragement.
- Matt Micci has been taking care of our lawn and finicky sprinkler system. He has been a gift this year as we try to decide how to best steward our grounds. Thank you, Matt!

**Front Office Transition:** After 3 years, Anna Belle Zerby (now Manfredo) left our employ as the Lord laid out a new path for her last fall. She was just what we needed for a season! Many thanks to Karen Burnett for stepping in to answer phones for us in the interim. In February, the Lord provided a godly woman from our midst to be our new Administrative Assistant. In addition to some amazing giftedness, Amy Swantz brings a calm presence to the office that is life-giving.

**Financial Team Transition:** Our Financial Ministry Assistant, Tracy Matthews, spent 5 years volunteering in this role but has been ready to pass off the baton. The Lord, once again, has provided just the right person to fill her shoes. Just two weeks ago, we hired Judi Martin. She brings a wealth of experience that is just what we need moving forward!

**The Lord is good!** At a time when I could hardly put one foot in front of the other, a group of ladies from our church brought in a basket filled with so many of my favorite things. The encouragement from these women was such a balm to my soul - another tangible evidence of God's goodness. And, through it all, my husband Grant has shown patience and support in ways that reflect God's grace.

I've enjoyed serving on the bylaws revision committee for our church. I am liaison to the deacon and deaconess teams and oversee the Financial Stewardship, Facilities, and Risk Assessment teams – though some teams have taken a backseat to transition this year! I'm grateful for their grace and

patience. I enjoy my role on the District Leadership Team, especially the weekly 30-minute Zoom calls to pray for our District churches.

Even in hard times, it remains a joy to serve the Lord and His church with the gifts that He has given me. I look forward to another year of ministry and the goodness and provision of the Lord in and through His people!

Anette Versaw  
Church Administrator



The **DEACON TEAM** enters its own season of transition after Head Deacon Joel Rieth moved to Tennessee. Thank you to Matt Brock for stepping in to provide leadership of this team.

The **DEACONESS TEAM** will be led by Janice Morton this year, stepping in after Katie Brock has completed her terms of service. Thank you for you serving the Lord and His people with care and consideration. I look forward to working with these ladies in the year to come!

**RISK ASSESSMENT TEAM:** John Sporleder, Chair; Arlin Bolkema, Justin Ensinger, Darryl Nelson, and Joel Rieth, who has left us to serve a new body of believers in Tennessee. We have been operating at status quo this year. Our goal for the coming year is to put together a comprehensive emergency plan. Darryl Nelson also oversees and trains our

**FACILITIES TEAM:** Arlin Bolkema continues to lead this team. Judy Lohnes, Matt Micci, and David Reynolds continue to look at ways to best care for our aging facility and grounds. We will be working on an inventory of our assets and putting together a long-term replacement plan in the coming year.

Arlin also oversees our maintenance team: Bret Batson, Dave Grooters, Matt Micci, and Grant Versaw. We are grateful for their willingness to use their time and talents to keep the church in working order!

**SECURITY TEAM.** We are grateful for their watchful eyes, serving with discretion and grace. In the instances of medical emergencies this year, the Security Team and medical volunteers have served with grace and discretion.



## MISSION BOARD

### Board Members

Mike Moline | Ruth Ferguson | Kendra Brady | Miles Tuttle

### Year in Review

During the past year, the Mission Board maintained its emphasis on broadening the congregation's awareness and involvement alongside efforts to formalize internal guidelines and operational procedures.

- **Housekeeping**
  - Created evaluation rubric
  - Created team covenant
  - Refreshed the Prayer Guide
- **Focused Advent Giving on Loaves & Fishes and Abundant Life Crisis Pregnancy Center**
  - Raised \$3,635 for Loaves and Fishes
  - Raised \$2,473 for ALPCPC
- **Supported Resources for Kids at New Horizons Youth Camp**
  - Purchased compasses for 17-18 kids at a New Horizons Youth Camp. Kids attending this camp have incarcerated parents. These compasses are tied to the "Journey" theme of the camp to serve as a reminder of what they learned.
- **Bridge to Missions Events:**
  - November 16, 2025 - Global overview of God's Plan for the Nations, including an invitation to consider taking the "Perspectives on the World Christian Movement" class
  - March 8 & 15, 2026: Hosted Journey Quest and Loaves and Fishes for Bridge to Mission Sundays
- **Promoted Diaper Drive - Mother's Day to Father's Day 2026**
- **Missionary Spotlights - Hosting Annie Schomaker (Eden's Glory) for a missionary spotlight luncheon on June 21, 2026**
- **Hosted a community Internet Safety Training event (June 23, 2026)**
  - Widely publicized to the Florence/Canon City/Penrose communities

## **Budget Overview**

The Mission Board manages approximately 10% of the church's annual budget. Due to budget adjustments necessitated by the church's broader financial context, we implemented a 25% reduction for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. This meant cutting slightly more than \$25,000 by pausing financial support for Loaves and Fishes and the Pregnancy Center. The missions budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year remains unchanged. As a Mission Board, we unanimously voted to maintain funding of missionaries and ministries at the same level as the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Starting in the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the Board of Elders has pledged to allocate a subset of one-time donations to the church into a fund overseen by the Mission Board with the primary intent of supporting local ministries.

## **Future Planning and Goals**

Looking forward, the Mission Board seeks to:

- Reinststate support for previously supported local missions as resources allow.
- Continue enhancing congregational education through various initiatives.
- Continue to increase transparency and visibility of missions activities, particularly through regular updates, missions highlights, and events.
- Increase board membership. We aim to add at least three members to broaden our experience and expertise, and distribute the increased responsibilities associated with new initiatives.

We invite continued prayers and active participation as we strive to fulfill the Great Commission locally, nationally, and globally. We appreciate your prayers and support as we steward the resources entrusted to us for advancing the Gospel.


On the following pages is our prayer guide, which details the missionaries and ministries our church supports. Note that although the Pregnancy Center and Loaves and Fishes are not financially supported for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, our church continues to support these ministries through prayer and promotional efforts. The Financial Oversight Committee has committed to giving a portion of excess monthly giving to the Mission Board for distribution to ministries.

## MISSION PRAYER GUIDE

- **SUNDAY** Abundant Life, Hope House
- **MONDAY** Journey Quest, Eden's Glory
- **TUESDAY** Loaves & Fishes, NCI, Connections Prison Ministries
- **WEDNESDAY** EFCA, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
- **THURSDAY** Benjamin & Heidi, Becci Rohrer
- **FRIDAY** S & A, K & M
- **SATURDAY** Kendra Brady


Local

PRAYER GUIDE 2025



FREE CHURCH

**ABUNDANT LIFE PREGNANCY & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER**



- Clients as they make the ultimate decision to choose life for their unborn—especially the high number of teen moms we're seeing this year
- Biblical marriages & parenting skills for client families
- Protection over the center, staff, & volunteers

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**HOPE HOUSE CAÑON CITY**


Residential & Community Programming for Teen Moms



- Needs for staffing & finances to serve moms well
- Courage & perseverance for our moms as they learn new ways of doing life
- Salvation for Hope House moms—may they be drawn to Christ & come to know Him

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**JOURNEY QUEST CHRIST CENTERED ADVENTURES**




- Gospel hope clearly heard by each person on every trip
- Staffing for the coming season—a team excited to care for guests & share the truth we have in Christ
- Spatial provisions as we've outgrown our current facility & need a new building; affordable, well-located spaces for our ministry are scarce

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**LOAVES & FISHES MINISTRIES & NEW CREATIONS INN**

Providing basic needs to the poor in our community



L&F

MINISTRIES

**Loaves & Fishes**

- Wisdom & clarity in creating an employment program
- Freedom from the strongholds of mental health & substance abuse
- Continued spiritual growth for L&F staff as they learn to lean & trust Him in the work they're called

**New Creations Inn**

- Praise for a new program director
- Minor maintenance issues resolved quickly
- Residents drawing near to Jesus & living lives for Him

### CONNECTIONS PRISON MINISTRY

Post Incarceration & Re-entry Support



- Praises for a blessed summer of fellowship gatherings, countless meetings with parolees, & abundant resources
- Continued presence, partnerships, & provisions for ministry
- Increased financial support to sustain this mission as we share the gospel through relationships, prayer, accountability, & Scripture

### EDEN'S GLORY, *Annie Schomaker, Co-Founder*

Combatting Human Trafficking and Restoring Survivors



- Financial provision amid startling decline in funding; we are about 40% behind our needs
- Sustaining & protection for our team through various enemy attacks in their personal lives
- Healing journey for current survivors & those yet to come: 4 women, 15 children & families, 6 alumni, & a huge influx of referrals

### EFCA NATIONAL & ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Multiplying transformational churches among all people for His glory



- Guidance & help in making disciples, leading churches, extending ministries, planting churches, reaching all people, & engaging the intersection of church & culture

### TRINITY EVANGELICAL DIVINITY SCHOOL, EFCA

Educating students to engage in God's redemptive work in the world



- Support for students as they learn & prepare to lead others
- Faculty as they influence the next generation of leaders
- Unity in our diverse community of cultures, church traditions, ideas, experiences, & stories
- Guidance in joining faith & learning to benefit students & advance the kingdom
- Help in our collective desire to worship faithfully, mentor in hope, & build bridges in love as we pursue academic excellence



**Kendra Brady, Apex Missions, EFCA**

- God's call to the next generation to step into long-term missions, boldly sharing the gospel with faith & courage
- Support through financial provision & prayer partners
- Healing & renewed strength
- Seven students from our student ministry to be called & equipped by the Holy Spirit for global evangelism in the next seven years



**S & A, SEND International, Taiwan**

- Guidance & provision as we transition from Taiwan to Central Asia, specifically for visa complications
- Wisdom, connections, & shepherding in leading current youth students
- Keeping Christ close & glorifying Him wherever we are and whatever we do



**K & M ReachGlobal, Closed Country**

- God's protection while living, traveling, & training believers in closed countries
- Language fluency; God's empowerment for the believers to use what they learn in training
- Wisdom in modifying & improving trainings



**Becci Rohrer, ReachGlobal, Cameroon**

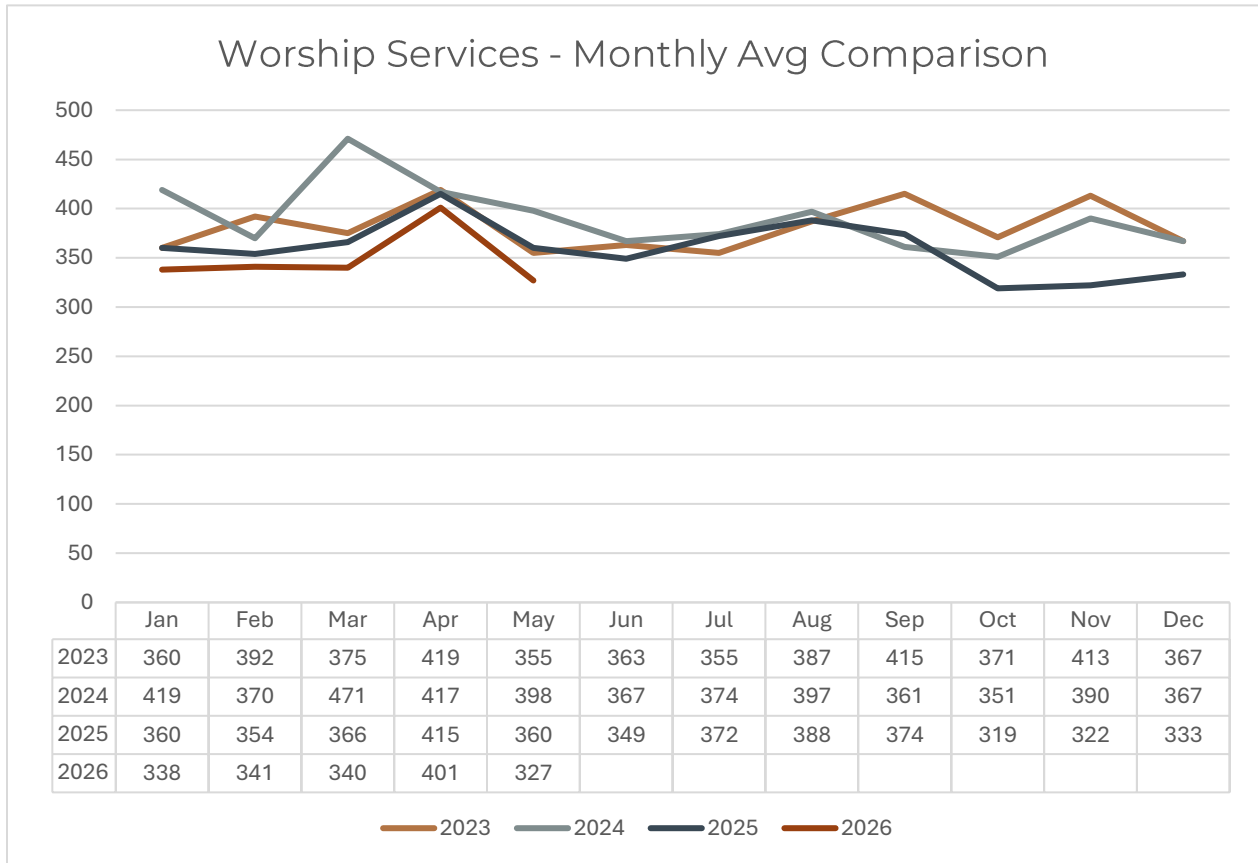
- Wisdom, patience, & guidance in teaching & coaching
- Good connection & opportunities for building relationships in my neighborhood & local church
- God's provision & wisdom in the outreach ministry: calling more laborers & seeing many hear & respond to the gospel of Jesus



**Benjamin & Heidi, Pioneers, Croatia**

- God's work through evangelism, relationships, & weekly church ministries
- Wisdom & godly leadership as Area Leaders
- Strength & refreshment for the family; for our daughters to come to know Christ personally
- Grief following the loss of Heidi's mom this past fall

## ATTENDANCE STATISTICS



*These numbers include our babies, Children’s Church attenders, and adults sitting in the Sanctuary and the Corner area. Peaks are due to Easter Sunday attendance.*

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

Hebrews 10:24-25

## 2025-2026 YTD STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (May 31, 2026)

	May 31, 26	May 31, 25	\$ Change
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
<b>Checking/Savings</b>			
11100 · Sunflower Bank - Gen Checking	0.00	26,605.77	-26,605.77
11105 · Sunflower Bank Savings Account	0.00	100.03	-100.03
11110 · Money Market Savings	0.00	100.01	-100.01
11115 · High Country Bank- Gen Checking	84,383.74	77,277.74	7,106.00
<b>11116 · HCB - Designated Checking</b>			
11117 · Youth Fund Checking	18,068.97	0.00	18,068.97
11118 · AWANA Fund Checking	1,442.40	0.00	1,442.40
11116 · HCB - Designated Checking - Other	1.92	0.00	1.92
<b>Total 11116 · HCB - Designated Checking</b>	<b>19,513.29</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>19,513.29</b>
<b>11120 · HCB - Designated Savings</b>			
11121 · Deacon Fund	19,121.26	0.00	19,121.26
11123 · Worship Gear Fund	75,000.00	0.00	75,000.00
11124 · Youth Benevolent Fund	4,692.00	0.00	4,692.00
11125 · Mission Fund	7,536.12	0.00	7,536.12
11126 · Building Equip Replacement Fund	60,633.24	0.00	60,633.24
11127 · Awana Funds	104.53	0.00	104.53
11120 · HCB - Designated Savings - Other	152.91	100.00	52.91
<b>Total 11120 · HCB - Designated Savings</b>	<b>167,240.06</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>167,140.06</b>
11130 · High Country Bank - Contingency	53,007.96	100.00	52,907.96
11400 · CI CD 000987561 (Contingency)	12,273.27	12,094.05	179.22
11705 · NCI Expansion Fund CD 005015771	10,427.05	10,000.00	427.05
11710 · Christian Inv CD 005015789	41,373.97	39,679.46	1,694.51
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<b>388,219.34</b>	<b>166,057.06</b>	<b>222,162.28</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>388,219.34</b>	<b>166,057.06</b>	<b>222,162.28</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
<b>12100 · Buildings and Improvements</b>			
12110 · Church and Grounds	3,467,000.00	3,467,000.00	0.00
12120 · New Creations Inn	389,280.00	399,280.00	-10,000.00
<b>Total 12100 · Buildings and Improvements</b>	<b>3,856,280.00</b>	<b>3,866,280.00</b>	<b>-10,000.00</b>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>3,856,280.00</b>	<b>3,866,280.00</b>	<b>-10,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>4,244,499.34</b>	<b>4,032,337.06</b>	<b>212,162.28</b>

*We switched banks this year, increasing our interest earnings and decreasing fees.  
The **Financial Stewardship Team** members this last year were Bill Christensen, Church Treasurer; Norm Cooling, Financial Secretary; Tracy Matthews, Financial Ministry Assistant; Anette Versaw, Church Administrator, and Bob Gilchrist, member-at-large.*

<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>			
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
<b>Credit Cards</b>			
Ramp	-49,009.12	0.00	-49,009.12
Ramp Card	48,284.67	0.00	48,284.67
<b>Total Credit Cards</b>	<b>-724.45</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-724.45</b>
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>			
23000 · Payroll Liabilities	1,697.34	656.88	1,040.46
<b>42000 · Special Funds</b>			
42002 · Office Equip Replacement Fund	0.00	620.53	-620.53
42003 · Deacon Fund	0.00	16,746.10	-16,746.10
42007 · Mission Fund	0.00	4,950.12	-4,950.12
42013 · Youth Fund	0.00	9,516.23	-9,516.23
42016 · Building Equipment Replacement	0.00	55,012.71	-55,012.71
42026 · NCI Phase II	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00
42100 · Gathered Worship Gear Fund	0.00	25,849.88	-25,849.88
42300 · Youth Benevolent Fund	0.00	4,692.00	-4,692.00
<b>Total 42000 · Special Funds</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>127,387.57</b>	<b>-127,387.57</b>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>1,697.34</b>	<b>128,044.45</b>	<b>-126,347.11</b>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>972.89</b>	<b>128,044.45</b>	<b>-127,071.56</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>972.89</b>	<b>128,044.45</b>	<b>-127,071.56</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
29000 · Opening Bal Equity	2,858,470.50	2,819,967.13	38,503.37
29900 · Retained Earnings	1,093,799.61	1,092,110.11	1,689.50
Net Income	291,256.34	-7,784.63	299,040.97
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>4,243,526.45</b>	<b>3,904,292.61</b>	<b>339,233.84</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>4,244,499.34</b>	<b>4,032,337.06</b>	<b>212,162.28</b>

*The Stewardship Team has looked at the bank balance at the end of each month to determine how much we could put into designated funds. Due to God's faithfulness and the generous giving of this body, we are fully funded each of our previously depleted ministry funds, as well as our contingency fund. Praise the Lord!*

*June is a heavy spending month due to the timing of certain ministry events, and summer giving is less than it usually is during the school year. However, we anticipate ending the year in a healthy financial position.*

*We welcome Judi Martin to the Stewardship Team and look forward to how the Lord will use her for His purposes on the Stewardship Team as our new Financial Ministry Assistant.*

## 2025-2026 BUDGET PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

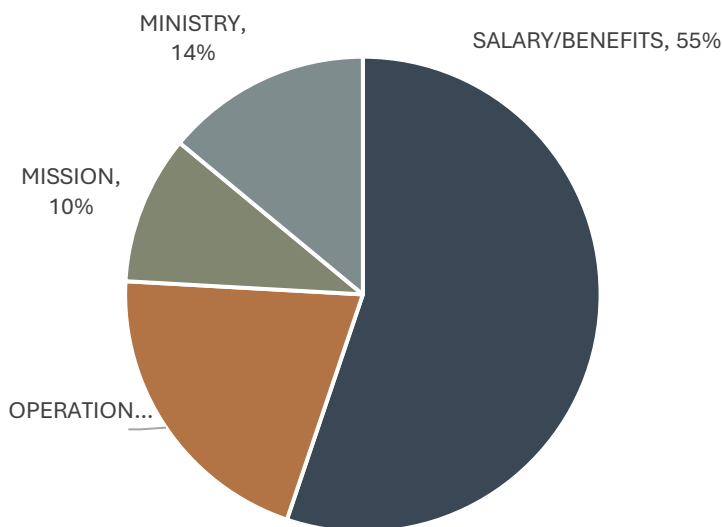
	Jul '25 - May '26	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>		
41100 · General Fund - Contributions	871,047.95	864,590.00
41105 · Worship Fund - Contributions	25,000.00	0.00
41110 · Building Fund - Contributions	60,633.24	0.00
41115 · Deacon Fund - Contribution	4,305.16	0.00
41120 · Awana Fund - Contribution	9,933.82	0.00
41125 · Youth Fund - Contribution	21,524.54	0.00
<b>44000 · Interest Earned</b>		
44200 · CD's	1,883.92	0.00
44000 · Interest Earned - Other	323.19	0.00
<b>Total 44000 · Interest Earned</b>	<b>2,207.11</b>	<b>0.00</b>
46000 · Building Rental Income	1,715.00	0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>996,366.82</b>	<b>864,590.00</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>996,366.82</b>	<b>864,590.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Salary & Housing Allowance	349,219.96	401,746.26
52000 · Pensions	19,230.75	24,519.40
53000 · Small Group Medical Insurance	33,310.81	43,800.00
54000 · Workers Comp Ins.	2,322.00	4,124.00
55000 · Payroll Liabilities Expense	11,203.76	12,000.00
60000 · Expense Reimbursements	1,697.65	2,600.00
61000 · Office Expenses	12,437.09	18,450.00
62000 · EFCA Event Expenses	3,763.61	6,100.00
63000 · Administration Expenses	11,393.43	17,250.00
64000 · Elders' Expenses	9,302.83	51,916.34
65000 · Worship Expenses	5,273.09	11,000.00
66000 · Facility Expenses	88,617.30	111,925.00
66500 · Custodial Expenses	3,226.87	4,000.00
67000 · Deaconess' Expenses	4,568.70	8,500.00
68000 · Technical Expenses	15,667.43	21,700.00
72000 · Student Ministries	27,685.95	17,200.00
74000 · Adult Ministry Expenses	8,939.64	10,250.00
76000 · Children's Ministries	16,454.37	10,050.00
78000 · Missions Expenses	80,796.14	87,459.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>705,111.38</b>	<b>864,590.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>291,255.44</b>	<b>0.00</b>

*The overage in expense line items for Student and Children's Ministries was offset by registration fees collected for AWANA and Student Ministry, as well as fundraising activities. Thank you to all who have generously given to support ministry to our children and teens!*

## 2026-2027 PROPOSED SPENDING PLAN

	2025-2026	YTD	Proposed 26-27
Salary & Benefits	\$ 470,065.66	\$ 401,761.52	\$ 465,043.91
Workers Comp	\$ 4,124.00	\$ 2,322.00	\$ 3,000.00
Payroll Liabilities	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 11,203.76	\$ 12,000.00
Expense Reimbursements	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 1,697.65	\$ 2,600.00
Office	\$ 18,450.00	\$ 12,437.09	\$ 18,450.00
EFCA Event	\$ 6,100.00	\$ 3,763.61	\$ 6,100.00
Administration	\$ 17,250.00	\$ 11,393.43	\$ 16,250.00
Elders	\$ 51,916.34	\$ 3,222.83	\$ 55,322.09
Worship	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 5,273.09	\$ 11,000.00
Facilities	\$ 111,925.00	\$ 88,617.30	\$ 111,925.00
Custodial	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,226.87	\$ 4,000.00
Deaconess	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 4,568.70	\$ 8,500.00
Technology/Computers	\$ 21,700.00	\$ 15,667.43	\$ 25,440.00
Student Ministry	\$ 17,200.00	\$ 14,265.45	\$ 17,200.00
Adult Ministry	\$ 10,250.00	\$ 8,939.64	\$ 10,250.00
Children's Ministry	\$ 10,050.00	\$ 8,126.53	\$ 10,050.00
Missions	\$ 87,459.00	\$ 80,796.14	\$ 87,459.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 864,590.00</b>	<b>\$ 677,283.04</b>	<b>\$ 864,590.00</b>

- One month of spending remains. YTD figures are as of 05/31/2026.
- Target for spending plan was calculated on actual giving over the previous 2 years rounded down.



### Changes in Salary/Benefits

- Increase in insurance costs
- Changes in eligibility status reduce HSA contributions
- Decrease in FT staff ( less benefit expenses)
  - FT to part-time administrative assistant in office
  - FT to part-time custodian
- Addition of wages for bookkeeper and Worldview intern
- Minor adjustments due to cost of living/minimum wage increase

## ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING AGENDA – JUNE 14, 2026

The Annual Membership Meeting will be in the Sanctuary starting at 4:30 PM with a dessert potluck to follow.

- Opening prayer & Comments
- Membership Roll Updates
- Reports from Church Ministry Leadership
- Elder Vote
  - Elder candidates are Alex Ewers and Dan Mendoza
- Financial Report & Vote on 2026-2027 Spending Plan
- Update on Church Bylaws revision
- Final Recognitions
- Closing Prayer