

2025 ANNUAL REPORT
OPENDOOR CHURCH

A photograph of a church service, framed within a white oval border. The image shows a band performing on a stage with wood-paneled walls. A woman in the center of the band is singing into a microphone with her hand raised. To her right, a man is playing an acoustic guitar. In the foreground, the backs of several audience members' heads are visible as they watch the service. Overlaid on the center of the photograph is the text "Annual Report" in a large, bold, orange serif font.

Annual Report

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YOUR KINGDOM COME



Our Church Elders are a team whose lives reflect humility and holiness. Elders are selected by the current Elders to provide care for the members of the church, provide wise counsel to church leadership, and assist church leadership in discipleship and equipping the church for ministry.

Elder Letter ↘

“What comes first is the natural body, then the spiritual body comes later.”

1 Corinthians 15:46 (NLT)

Over these last few months, we as elders have sensed the Lord speaking clearly to our church family. At first, we believed much of this season was about bringing life back to old buildings, spiritually re-digging wells of living water in forgotten places. What we have come to realize is that it was never merely about buildings. It was about deep wells within people — wells within us, within the people of Opendoor, and within people who have not yet even arrived — wells that over time had slowly been filled with the dirt of familiarity, distraction, and forgetfulness.

One Sunday morning at Immanuel, while teaching through our Romans series on the Spirit-filled life, something significant began stirring within us. It became clear that God was doing more than restoring spaces. He was awakening spiritual hunger again.

As we reflected on what God was doing, we were reminded of the early days of Opendoor.

Opendoor began in the old Parker's Free Will Baptist Church near the Pitt County Fairgrounds during a time when the Holy Spirit was moving powerfully across the nation through what became known as the charismatic movement.

Our founding pastors, Greg and Deana Kennedy, had come out of the Wesleyan denomination during a painful season surrounding the gifts and work of the Holy Spirit. Yet what God had done in their lives would not allow them to stay silent while others debated theology from a distance. They believed God had opened a door, and they chose to walk through it in faith.

From the very beginning, this house was founded upon the promise of Revelation 3:8.

"I know all the things you do, and I have opened a door for you that no one can close." Revelation 3:8

For 40 years, we have watched God remain faithful to that promise. In many ways, the early days of Opendoor looked a lot like our Immanuel campus today — wood grain walls, green carpet, choir lofts, Sunday school rooms, and fellowship halls. Traditional spaces that became holy ground because people encountered the presence of God there.

Those rooms witnessed salvations, baptisms, healing, prayer meetings, worship gatherings that lingered for hours, and lives forever changed by the Spirit of God. Some of us remember when the pews were painted white, when the organ gave way to keyboards, and when fake greenery somehow found its way into nearly every corner of the church. But more than any stylistic change, what mattered was that people were encountering the living presence of God.

It was in those rooms that many were saved.

It was there that people were baptized in water and in the Holy Spirit.

It was there that lifelong callings were formed.

It was there that worship stopped being routine and became transformational.

That history matters. Not because we idolize the past, but because we honor what God formed in those seasons and recognize that many of those moments shaped who we are today as a church family. And while the Immanuel campus has helped anchor us to that history and remember where we came from, we are equally grateful for the Winterville campus and all that it represents. Though different in style and expression, it too is sacred ground where people are encountering Jesus, finding community, and experiencing life transformation. One campus reminds us where God has brought us from. The other reminds us that He is still leading us forward.

Neither is greater.

Both are gifts.

Both are part of the story God is writing at Opendoor.

This year, Opendoor celebrates 40 years as a church.

Forty years of worship.

Forty years of prayer.

Forty years of sacrifice, obedience, discipleship, and life change.

Forty years of God's faithfulness.

And with that history comes something we as elders have been reflecting on deeply: over time, it is easy for any church to drift ever so slightly from its original vision and assignment.

"They will rebuild the ancient ruins, repairing cities destroyed long ago. They will revive them, though they have been deserted for many generations." Isaiah 6:14NLT

We believe this is a season not to abandon who we have become, but to return to what God originally spoke over this house.

"Loving God, loving people, embracing His character and gifts, and going forth to reveal Him to our community and our world."

As elders, we believe this vision is not outdated. We believe it is still deeply prophetic for where God is leading Opendoor in this next season.

*"So I replied by sending this message to them:
I am engaged in a great work, so I can't come." Nehemiah 6:3 NLT*

We believe God is calling us deeper into His presence, deeper into discipleship, deeper into the work of the Holy Spirit, deeper into authentic community, and deeper into reaching people not merely with religion, but with relationship.

This is a season to remember what God has spoken, to realign ourselves with the vision He entrusted to this house, and to believe Him again for all He desires to do in and through Opendoor. The story is not finished.

In many ways, we believe we are just beginning. As we reflect on all God has done, we are filled with gratitude.

The following pages tell the story of this past year at Opendoor: stories of lives changed, people discipled, ministries strengthened, and opportunities to serve our community and world. They represent more than numbers and accomplishments; they are reminders of God's faithfulness and the fruit of a church family committed to His mission.

None of this happens through the efforts of a few. It happens because so many of you have faithfully invested your time, talents, prayers, and resources into what God is building through this house. To every volunteer, ministry leader, staff member, giver, prayer warrior, and faithful member of our church family—thank you. Your faithfulness has helped make ministry possible and has allowed us to continue the work God has entrusted to Opendoor.

As you read through this report, our prayer is that you would celebrate God's faithfulness with us, be encouraged by what He has done, and be filled with expectation for all that He still desires to do in the days ahead.

***Thank you for being a part of what God is doing
and what He is building.***

GROW

Whether we realize it or not, all of us are being formed. The world around us constantly shapes us, through habits that pull us away from what matters and through messages that fuel anxiety instead of peace. But following Jesus means choosing a different way.

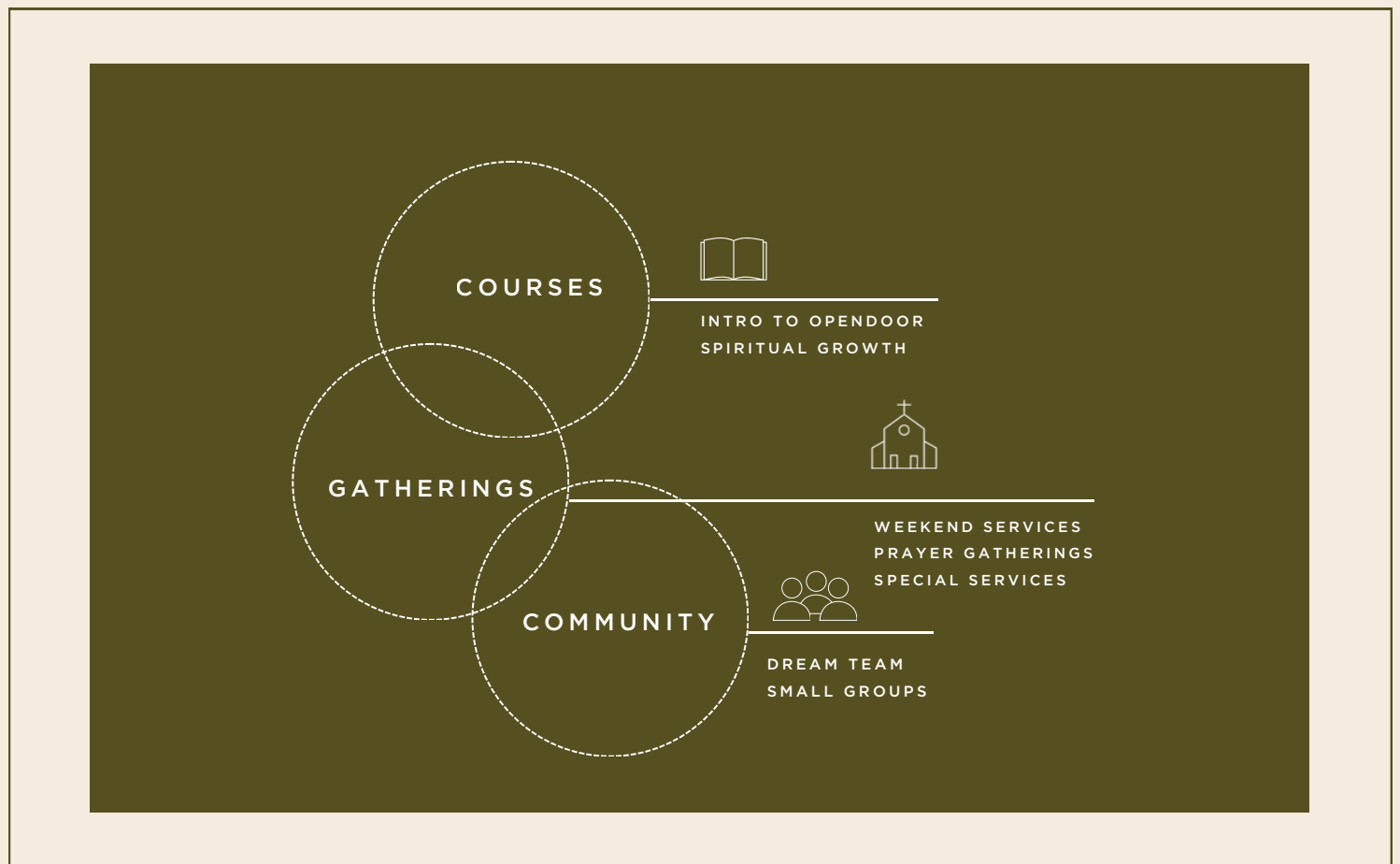
It means being intentional about who we're becoming. That's why we need spiritual practices that help us live out our faith, biblical truth that reshapes the stories we believe, and godly relationships that anchor us in community.

After years of praying, studying, and seeking God's direction, we believe He is calling us to focus on three essential areas of growth at Opendoor:

Courses | Where we dive into God's truth, discover what it means to truly live it out, and take steps forward in our spiritual growth.

Gatherings | Where we come together in weekend services, prayer gatherings, and special services to passionately worship and create space for God to move.

Community | Where life change goes deeper through Small Groups and serving together, building authentic, life-giving relationships.



Courses

"God has been healing areas in me that I didn't even realize needed healing, and He has been gently drawing me closer to Him through community, worship, and His Word. This course helped reignite something inside of me showing me that He can use every part of my story for His glory. I am walking away with a clearer sense of identity, a deeper connection to God, and a renewed excitement for the purpose He is calling me into."

VALERIE

Spiritual Growth

89 2025
REGISTERED
ATTENDEES

Intro To Opendoor

92 2025
REGISTERED
ATTENDEES



Water Baptism



"I got baptized because I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal savior; it represents the sin getting washed away, I was adopted to Christ's family...I was born again."

Norah Firtha

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DECISIONS TO BE WATER BAPTIZED

WE KNOW CHURCH IS FOR ME, NOT ABOUT ME |
IT'S ABOUT REACHING PEOPLE AND SERVING OTHERS

Dream Team

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER | IT'S ABOUT TEAMWORK
AND BEING RELATIONALLY CENTERED

"I always look forward to the privilege of serving on the Dream Team because of the knowledge that my feeble effort, if done well, can prepare a heart to receive the word the Holy Spirit has prepared specifically for that person."

VAUGHN CRAGO | GUEST SERVICES

877

DREAM TEAM
MEMBERS IN 2025



SMALL GROUPS

1,497

TOTAL PEOPLE
IN SMALL GROUPS



BILLY BODETTE | SMALL GROUP LEADER

"Small Groups for me have become a huge part of my life. It's helped me walk through new seasons, hard seasons and normal seasons with other people who are learning to love Jesus. Whether I'm leading a group or a part of one, I've learned more about myself and more about how God sees me. Opendoor has felt big at times and maybe even overwhelming, but Small Groups has slowed things down, created space to grow, and opened up new friendships and community for me and my family. "

Ministry Highlights

Ministries are the heartbeat of Opendoor and the best way to find community and encouragement designed specifically for each season of life.



As 3 John 1:4 says, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." One of the sweetest joys of serving in Opendoor Youth has been witnessing these students grow in their faith and spiritual maturity. I am so encouraged by their hearts for Jesus, their desire to be in God's Word, and the way they are honest about the distractions that can pull them away from Him. I am so grateful for the relationships God has built, for the privilege of walking alongside these students, and for the way He continues to work not only in their lives, but in mine, too.

ASHLEY KELLY
YOUTH | MIDDLE LEADER

Kids

Average Weekend Service Attendance

70 Immanuel Campus

299 Winterville Campus

Youth

158 YOUTH Camp Students

76 YOUTH Camp Leaders

College

66 College Night | Average Attendance

WE ARE A GENERATIONAL HOUSE | IT'S ABOUT HONORING THE PAST AND INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

Digital Reach



16,133 DEVOTION VIEWS

The Opendoor Devotional, featuring heartfelt reflections, scripture, and encouragement from our staff, elders, and Dream Team guest authors, is delivered straight to the subscriber's inbox five days a week.

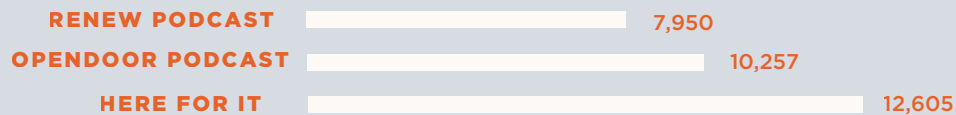


85,719 MEDIA PLAYS

New media content is released each weekend, including service messages, interactive message notes, and an audio podcast, all available through our app and website. We believe in the power of the Gospel message to transform lives and bring hope. Especially during difficult times, these resources serve as a beacon of encouragement and truth for people around the world.



30,812 PODCAST PLAYS



In-Person Reach

WINTERVILLE CAMPUS

1,960

AVERAGE WEEKEND
ATTENDANCE

IMMANUEL CAMPUS

452

AVERAGE WEEKEND
ATTENDANCE



Local Impact

PITT COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING	\$30,000
ACES FOR AUTISM	\$9,000
BUILDING HOPE	\$6,000
CARENET COUNSELING	\$9,000
EMBRACE GRACE	\$200
CAROLINA PREGNANCY CENTER	\$15,000
HOPE OF GLORY	\$12,500
RAISING YOUNG MEN	\$11,400
PC SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS	\$6,000
THE NEHEMIAH INITIATIVE	\$24,000
HOPE IS ALIVE	\$6,300
EAST CAROLINA STUDY CENTER	\$6,100

TOTAL GIVEN AWAY

\$135,500

Offered financial support and through donating containers of diapers, packages of wipes, clothing, and baby care items.



Offered financial support, stocked the pantry multiple times a year, and provided pastoral support to students.



WE WILL BE DEFINED BY OUR GENEROSITY | IT'S ABOUT TRUSTING GOD AND BEING GRATEFUL

TOY DRIVE



We believe in being faithful stewards of everything God puts into our hands, and our annual Holiday Cheer Toy Drive was a beautiful reflection of that core value. Our church family stepped up in faith to share God's love with our community, partnering with the Pitt County DSS and other local outreach ministries. Together, we collected new, unwrapped toys and games, ensuring that local children experienced the joy and wonder of a very special Christmas. This initiative was a powerful testament to what happens when we prayerfully come together, and we are deeply grateful to everyone who gave generously to bring hope and holiday cheer to our community this year.

National Impact

MATTHEW LILLEY

\$9,000

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP

\$33,900

KRISTI OVERTON MINISTRIES

\$24,000

TOTAL GIVEN AWAY

\$66,900

Global Impact

YWAM

\$10,800

MIDDLE EAST MISSIONARIES

\$24,000

SURE FOUNDATIONS

\$6,000

TOGETHER FOR ISRAEL

\$52,265

CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD (UKRAINE)

\$1,000

IM HOUSE MISSION TRAVEL

\$1,600

IMPACT AFRICA

\$6,000

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST IN KRAKOW

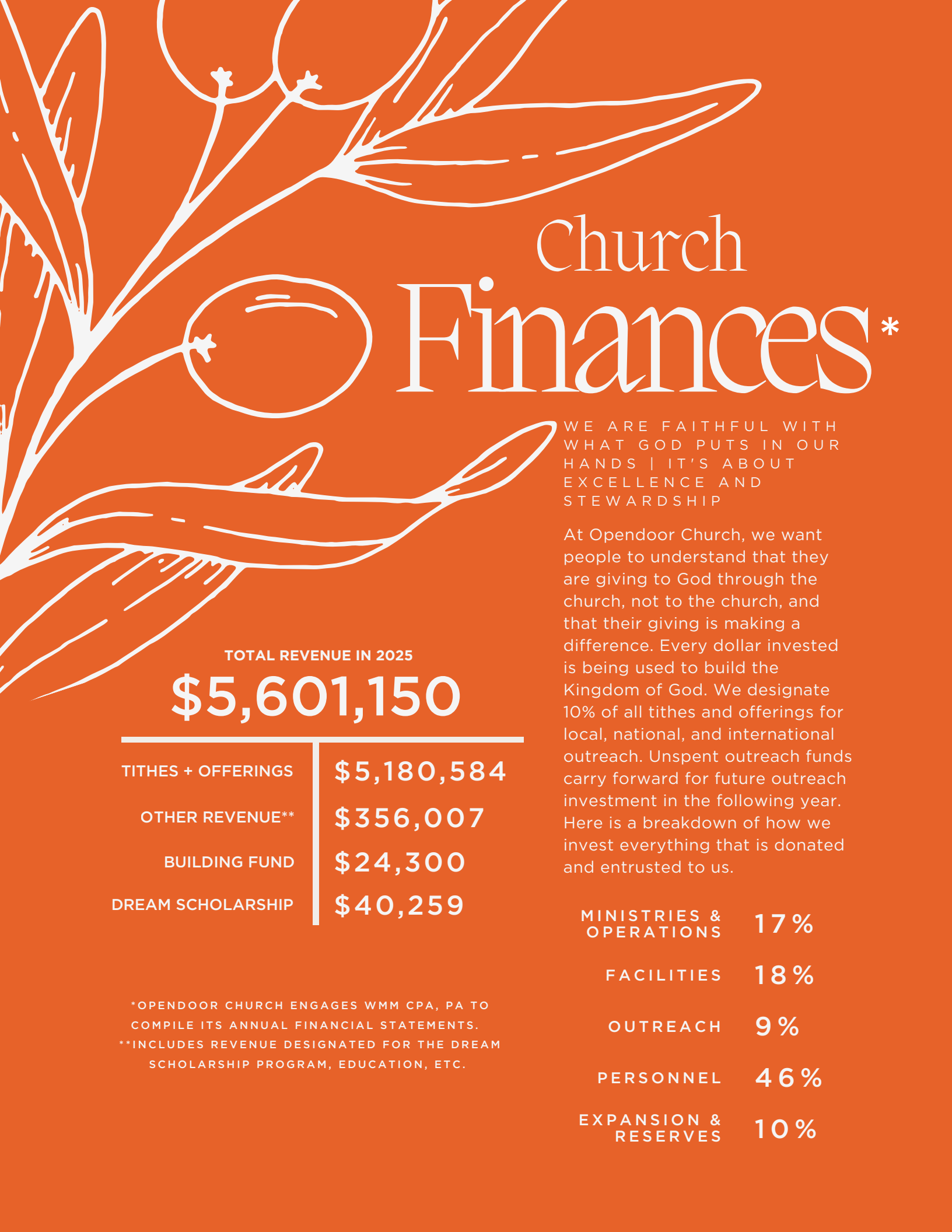
\$6,000

TOTAL GIVEN AWAY

\$107,665



1% of all tithes and offerings go to support spreading the gospel in Israel.



Church Finances*

WE ARE FAITHFUL WITH
WHAT GOD PUTS IN OUR
HANDS | IT'S ABOUT
EXCELLENCE AND
STEWARDSHIP

At Opendoor Church, we want people to understand that they are giving to God through the church, not to the church, and that their giving is making a difference. Every dollar invested is being used to build the Kingdom of God. We designate 10% of all tithes and offerings for local, national, and international outreach. Unspent outreach funds carry forward for future outreach investment in the following year. Here is a breakdown of how we invest everything that is donated and entrusted to us.

TOTAL REVENUE IN 2025

\$5,601,150

TITHES + OFFERINGS	\$5,180,584
OTHER REVENUE**	\$356,007
BUILDING FUND	\$24,300
DREAM SCHOLARSHIP	\$40,259

*OPENDOOR CHURCH ENGAGES WMM CPA, PA TO
COMPILE ITS ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
**INCLUDES REVENUE DESIGNATED FOR THE DREAM
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, EDUCATION, ETC.

MINISTRIES &
OPERATIONS 17%

FACILITIES 18%

OUTREACH 9%

PERSONNEL 46%

EXPANSION &
RESERVES 10%



Opendoor
EDUCATION

We are a generational house, and that's why Opendoor Education is such an important part of our ministry. Opendoor Education provides a safe environment where children can be challenged academically while developing into the person who God wants them to be. From infant to 8th grade, our goal is to shape tomorrow's leaders through a biblical foundation by increasing wisdom, knowledge, and a spiritual understanding of God's Word.



Being a teacher at Opendoor has been more than just a job for me, it has truly been a calling placed on my life. Every single day, I have the opportunity to pour into the lives of my students, not only academically but spiritually and emotionally as well. One of the best parts about my job has been seeing my students on fire for Jesus. Watching their faith grow, hearing them talk about Him, and seeing their excitement when they learn something new about God, it fills my heart. Those moments remind me that what we are doing at Opendoor goes far beyond lessons and curriculum, what we are doing has eternal impact. Working at Opendoor has been such a blessing. I am surrounded by coworkers who are encouraging, supportive, and who truly carry the light of Jesus in everything they do. It is so special to be part of a team that not only works together but also uplifts one another in Christ. I am so thankful that God has placed me in this position, in this workplace, and surrounded me with these students and coworkers. It is an honor to serve, to love, and to be used by Him right where I am.

VICTORIA CLARK | WINTERVILLE PRESCHOOL TEACHER

At Opendoor Preschool, we provide an engaged and inspired learning environment that encourages development and builds confidence. Our caring, experienced teachers focus on the needs of the child and provide developmentally appropriate activities, but they also develop the whole child: physically, intellectually, emotionally, socially, and spiritually. By embracing the whole family, we ensure a child's success and enhance growth. We are passionate about unleashing the child's full potential to lay the foundation for a future leader. We have two locations: Simpson and Winterville.

Simpson, NC

28

TEACHERS EMPLOYED
IN 2025



89

STUDENTS IN 2025



Winterville, NC

40

TEACHERS EMPLOYED
IN 2025



146

STUDENTS IN 2025





Opendoor
SCHOOL



Opendoor Education has been such an answered prayer for our family. We knew we wanted our girls to have quality education that included meeting Jesus everyday in the classroom, Opendoor has given us just that. We have watched our girls learn how to read, we see them actively worshiping God at school and in our home and they are growing in their faith daily. We appreciate the intentionality that the school puts into all that the girls experience and are exposed to. The teachers go above and beyond to show the love of Jesus each and every day. As parents, it gives us absolute peace knowing our girls are under the care of Opendoor Education.

Eric and Sue-L Cohen | Education Parents

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TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN 2025

256 

STUDENTS IN 2025

At Opendoor Education, we believe that a child's elementary years set the tone for a lifetime of learning and success. We cherish the opportunity to educate and inspire young learners and provide our K-8th grade students with a well-rounded, biblically-based academic program. Diligently stewarding our resources, we employ highly qualified, passionate teachers and administrators who are life-long learners and will faithfully set a godly example as they build spiritual integrity, academic excellence, and a strong work ethic in our student body. Each student will leave Opendoor Education instilled with academic and spiritual vitality and equipped to become local, national, and global leaders, as they achieve their God-given potential and impact the world around them with the truth of Christ.



"We are beyond blessed to call Opendoor After School a part of our family. From the administration to the helpers, we have nothing but the best to say about the way our son Carter is loved. Thank you Opendoor After School, for making the hustle of life feel a little less like a burden with all you offer."

THE TOMPKINS FAMILY

Opendoor After School is a ministry opportunity designed to reach out to our community and purposefully invest in the next generation by providing a safe environment for students so parents can feel confident that their children are in good hands while they are at work. We provide families with homework assistance, physical activity, and personal care, all with a faith-based emphasis.

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TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN 2025

129 

STUDENTS IN 2025

WE ARE SPIRIT-FILLED | IT'S ABOUT HEARING GOD
AND OBEYING WHAT HE SAID



TAQUILA SMITH | DREAM SCHOLARSHIP PARENT

This scholarship program has truly been a blessing from God for my grandchildren and our family. We are so grateful for how He has used this opportunity to provide support, and encourage them to grow in both faith and education. It has strengthened their confidence and reminded us of God's provision and perfect timing. Thank you for being a vessel of His love and generosity—your impact is deeply appreciated and will never be forgotten.

"And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." — Philippians 4:19

Here at Opendoor, we believe it's important that we invest in the next generation, and there is no better way to do that than the Dream Scholarship Program. This incredible program exists to help students overcome the academic, social, and emotional effects of financial hardship through a God-centered, After School program. Through partnership with Pitt County Schools, this program is both an extension of the school system and Opendoor After School. Students are offered the opportunity to participate based on our heart to fulfill James 1:27 and through our partnership with the Pitt County School Social Workers. It is because of the generosity of our church family that the Dream Scholarship Program exists and continues to touch the lives of families in our community.

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TEACHERS
EMPLOYED IN
2025

20 

STUDENTS
IN 2025

Thank You.

OUR MISSION IS TO LEAD PEOPLE INTO A LIFE-GIVING COMMUNITY
OF FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST WHO WORSHIP
HIM PASSIONATELY AND UNASHAMEDLY

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