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Annual Report

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2022 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Submitted by Matt Hughes

Elder/Deacon board chairman Adam Garey called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

Adam verified a quorum of at least 70 members were present in the sanctuary. The meeting was also broadcast by livestream.

Pastor Scott Boerckel spoke briefly on the state of the church over the previous fiscal year and the idea of working and praying toward “conversion growth” and then opened the meeting with prayer. Video vignettes and interviews of various members from the congregation were played.

Minutes of the 2021 annual meeting and an interim meeting in January 2021 were highlighted. Tracey Schmidt motioned for approval of the 2021 annual meeting minutes. Bill Fahrenkrug seconded. Motion carried.

After preliminary comments on the annual report and items to be voted upon later, Adam explained navigating to the voting page on the church website, and we watched some additional video vignettes.

Following Pastor Scott’s comments, Deacon Dan Gott presented the church budget for fiscal year 2021-2022. Dan recognized the Budget Committee (Andrew Woodman, Dave Rowden, Traig Whittaker) and provided an overview of the budget. He gave an overview of the FY summary and confirmed that we continue to meet our annual commitment to missions spending.

Dan Gott also provided an overview of the FY 2022-2023 budget, discussing some specific

items about the delay in delivery of a new shuttle, and a new sabbatical fund. Clarification was made about a partially budgeted salary for a new youth pastor. Floor was opened for questions; no questions were presented.

Bill Fahrenkrug motioned for acceptance of the 2022-2023 annual budget; Jeff Fritzen seconded. Voting was held later in the meeting.

Dan Gott provided some additional details about the parking lot resurfacing project and the delay in the delivery of the previously ordered transit van. The resurfacing work is already budgeted for in a building improvement fund. Harlan Fels motioned to approve ~\$57,000 to move forward with the parking lot resurfacing; Craig Nelson seconded.

Adam Garey recognized one man recommended by the elders to serve as an elder – Dirk May and one to serve as deacon – Ruston Edelman. Adam shared brief biographies of Dirk and Ruston and highlighted that both are recommended to serve as elder and deacon respectively. Voting was held later in the meeting.

Adam then provided instructions on how to vote for each of the four items on the ballot and doing so either online or by paper ballots for any members present who couldn’t vote electronically.

The four items voted on were:

- Dirk May as elder
- Ruston Edelman as deacon
- the proposed FY 2022-2023 budget
- the proposed parking lot project

Following announcement of the voting results, Adam asked for a motion to conclude the meeting. Dave Osenga motioned; Steven Mann seconded. Adam closed the meeting in prayer at 1:05 PM.

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MINISTRY REPORT

Scott Boerckel, Senior Pastor



“You will find rest for your souls” Matthew 11:29

This was a year in which the Lord provided rest, both rest for our church and rest for my soul. We can rest in the comfort of our pastors' good care for us. Pastor Walt provides loving care for our youth and young adults with the assistance of a great team of volunteers. We rest in hope in this season of searching for another pastor to join in the youth ministry. Finding pastors is difficult all over, but we rest in the Lord's strength to provide His man in His good time. We rest well in Pastor Traig's capable leadership of our Christian education ministry for children and adults. This year, we saw just how much we appreciate his service of our church as we saw the possibility of his departure come and, thank the Lord, go. Truly, that was a time to rest in the Lord! We rest in Pastor Justin's guidance of our care ministry, our outreach ministry, and our small groups as we have resumed those ministries in fullness after COVID. We have found rest in Pastor Jeff's ministry to us, bringing a fresh attention to all of our hearts in drawing near unto the Lord in prayer. Truly, our souls find our rest in God alone (Psalm 62:1), and I am grateful that our pastors each draw us to find our rest in the Lord.

Likewise, our amazing staff team helps us to enter into the rest of the Lord. They make the ministry at East White Oak a beautiful invitation to enter the Lord's rest. Monica Ball oversees the daily work as our office manager with a keen eye toward the things that truly matter. Emily Henard directs our church communications in ways that creatively invite us into the rest of the Lord. Shelley Jun serves as our financial secretary in such insightful ways that it helps all of us to be able to focus on finding our rest in the Lord. We shall miss Kris Seifert, our children's ministry director, for many reasons, but perhaps the most important is her thoughtful prayers in

drawing our attention to finding our rest in the Lord Jesus. We will miss her on our staff team, but we are so glad that she continues to serve us all with her gifts. We welcomed Lindsey Studnicki to our staff team this year, and what a delight she has been. With a ready smile, a servant heart, and an amazing skill set, she has helped us all to find rest in the Lord. Bruce Jacobs does so many things that help us all to focus on our rest in Christ. He enables so much to happen that helps us all to fix our attention on Christ rather than on some distraction.

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One way that our pastoral team finds rest in the Lord is by reading books together. This year, we read the following books and discussed them as a staff team:

We finished reading "John Quincy Adams: Militant Spirit" by James Traub. This fills in gaps in our knowledge about American history at the dawning of the 19th century. John Quincy Adams was a remarkable figure who was present at a number of high drama moments in our early history. This is a helpful book to capture the challenges and problems that our early leaders faced and to see how human nature has not changed since that time.



“Why God Makes Sense in a World That Doesn’t: The Beauty of Christian Theism” by Gavin Ortlund. This is an apologetics book, but it has the helpful addition to traditional apologetics in that Ortlund makes an appeal to beauty as an apologetic for the Christian worldview.



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“Humble Roots: How Humility Grounds and Nourishes Your Soul” by Hannah Anderson. Anderson takes her experiences in gardening to draw lessons for the Christian life.

“A Hunger for God: Desiring God Through Fasting and Prayer” by John Piper. We are just starting this book. It is about the part that fasting and prayer have in the life of the believer.

I rested in the Lord through the preaching of the Word. I finished preaching through Genesis 1-11, which are so foundational to finding our rest in the Lord. I also preached through the letter to Titus and began a series in 1 Corinthians. It is not immediately obvious how it is restful to preach, for there is an aspect of hard work to it. However, the privilege of spending deep time in God’s Word is a refreshment for the soul that can only be termed, “rest.”

I also rested in the Lord through those who preached the Word here at East White Oak while I was on sabbatical. It was such a wonderful blessing to know that our fellowship was in such capable hands of teachers and preachers of God’s Word. Thanks be to God for Pastors Justin, Traig, Jeff, and for Steve Mann, Allan Jones, Craig Nelson, Elia Kudari, Matt Hughes, Ron Miller, Richard Verdery, and Wyn Boerckel. Their preaching through some of the great texts of the Bible made us all learn to rest in the Lord, and I knew that I could rest easy that the Word of God would be well proclaimed in my absence.

One important way that my mind is at rest is because of our capable worship leaders, Paul Jones, Doug Kinzinger, Jason Landes, Dave Osenga, and Andrew Thompson. It is so restful to my soul that they will select music that is biblical and God glorifying and then that they will lead our worship teams with maturity and a focus on the grand Object of our worship, rather than upon human boasting.

Living Stone Communities, our church plant in West Bloomington is now in year five of her existence. While we are not yet at the point of complete independence from East White Oak, we are making definite progress. The change of location to “The Junction” at Home Sweet Home has brought many new opportunities for ministry. We look forward to resting and depending upon the Lord for His guidance of this precious ministry.

One way that I did not rest this year was in leading a trip to Israel. We had a busy but amazing time! The country was largely empty of tourists, as the world was just coming out of COVID. This meant that we were able to see and do so much more every day than normal. I was so impressed by the eagerness of each of the participants to join in and to learn as much as they could.

Of course, the main reason for the theme of “rest” for my report is the wonderful opportunity you afforded Carol and me to take a sabbatical. We had such a delightful time. If you want to know all the details, I did present a ten page summary of my sabbatical to our church leaders. Carol and I traveled to Italy and to France, with the primary goal of visiting many of the great art museums of Europe. We were not disappointed! Though our days were filled, they were also so restful in just being together, enjoying art, and experiencing the beauty of our surroundings. We also traveled out west to visit several of our nation’s national parks. The beauty of God’s creation was something that drew both Carol and me to worship and to rest. We spent time with each of our sons and their families.

Coming on the heels of the season of Carol’s breast cancer, we found that the sabbatical was the perfect timing for us to get away. Here are some things that the sabbatical accomplished: The sabbatical drew me nearer to the Lord in worship and fellowship with Him, though not in the expected way. I realized more of my anxieties, and I saw how much I need the Lord to guide me. The sabbatical drew me nearer to my wife in partnership in life and ministry. We had so much fun together. She is so life giving to my soul, and being able to spend sustained time with her was a delight. The sabbatical reengaged my creative juices for future ministry, though, again, not in the expected way. I realized more how much I need to draw out creativity and vision



Scott and Carol in Europe during sabbatical

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in others and be a catalyst for creativity rather than the originator of it. The sabbatical gave me some concrete steps for how I will engage the next chapter in my life. I will be discussing those matters with our elders. I am very glad to serve the Lord here at East White Oak, and the sabbatical served to reaffirm God’s blessing and my own desire to serve our church. The sabbatical reinvigorated my love and passion for serving the Lord Jesus.

Finally, I rest in the Lord for the privilege and responsibility of being your pastor. I cannot do it apart from His strength. I must not do it without resting in our Lord. May we all be such worshippers, maturing in Christ, that we ever and always find our rest in the Lord Jesus Christ.

“You will find rest for your souls”
Pastor Scott

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MINISTRY REPORT

Traig Whittaker, Senior Associate Pastor



“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel...” Philippians 1:3-5, ESV

When the shift manager called for a “12-6-turn-lay,” we knew things were about to get busy. One of my earliest employment experiences was in fast food. I had grease stains on my polyester uniform and golden arches on my paper hat. “Bus!” rang out over the sizzle of hamburgers on the hot griddle and the crackle of french fries in bubbling oil. My team and I sprang into action, each with our own designated responsibility. When the onslaught had faded and each customer had been served, the team celebrated with high fives all around.

Many on the team did not share my stage of life. Those who did went to other high schools or no school at all. But despite our differences we had a fondness for one another produced by our co-laboring. No matter the unlikelihood of our relationships, we shared a bond, a partnership that working together while sharing a common goal had produced.

The Apostle Paul had a distinct thanksgiving for a partnership that he had with the Philippian church – a gospel partnership. The Greek that I know could be put

in a thimble with room to spare, but the Greek word from which the word “partnership” is translated is one that I think most of you will know. It is “koinonia.” Most often it’s translated “fellowship.” D.A. Carson wrote, “The heart of true fellowship is self-sacrificing conformity to shared vision.” Paul was grateful for the “fellowship” that he shared with the Philippians – a gospel partnership.

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Gospel partnerships are produced between people who share a common relationship with Christ, a common purpose, and a common care for one another. I am so grateful for the gospel partnerships that I have with the teams of servant-hearted leaders at East White Oak who passionately give of themselves in so many ways to point people to Jesus and who create faith-nurturing communities which enrich our worship and grow our spiritual maturity.

Adult Bible Fellowships are served by teachers, leaders, and others who week after week are committed to connecting people in meaningful ways: praying for one another, caring for one another, and studying the Bible together. If you are not actively involved, I hope that you will consider joining one of these communities .

AWANA (Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed / see 2 Timothy 2:15) is our Wednesday night program for children ages 3 years through 6th grade. Our club directors and leaders are fantastic at making meaningful application of the age-appropriate Bible teaching which happens every week and are excellent at getting



T&T AWANA Girls Group

to know our clubbers, which often leads to prayer and care in our AWANA small groups. This year we've experienced a really exciting increase in attendance. It's up 25% over last year.

The East White Oak "Stream Team" is the group of volunteers who make possible the weekly livestream of the worship service. They run video cameras and digital switchers. These servants make participation in Sunday worship possible for those of you who are unable to be with us in person.

I could not have any sort of accurate look back over the past 12 months without recognizing the talented, creative, industrious, humble, flexible, and joy-filled church staff who consistently serve with excellence. In addition to those who have been around for a while: Monica Ball (Office Manager), Emily Henard (Communications), Shelly Jun (Financial Secretary), Bruce Jacobs (Building/Grounds/Tech), and Greg Morgan (Custodial), this year there were a couple of wonderful additions to the team: Lindsey Studnicki (Administrative Assistant) and Donny Spaulding (Custodial).

I have perhaps had no gospel partnership as significant and rewarding as the partnership that I have shared over the past 15 years with Kris Seifert, Director of Sunday Morning Children's Ministries. In January Kris stepped away from her role at the church to serve in another important capacity – grandma. Kris is a multitalented,

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friendly, prayerful, passionate sister in Christ who has given 110% of herself to the task of telling the next generation about the Lord and His great love for them as displayed on the cross. The fruitfulness of her ministry is vast, and her rewards in heaven are many. My gospel partnership with her has been a privilege.



Pastor Traig and Kris Seifert

We had regulars at the fast-food restaurant where I was employed as a teen, and it was always good to see them, but I didn't have a bond with them. My relationship with the customers was not what I had with my coworkers. It had to do with which side of the counter that you were on. Which "side of the counter" are you on at church? Are you a customer, a regular for sure, always glad to see others, happy with what you get there? Maybe this year you would want to find a place where your gospel partnerships can form, and Sunday mornings can become a time when you and your coworkers team up to make the gospel known and the love of Christ felt through "self-sacrificing conformity to a shared vision."

High fives all around.

Your servant for His sake,
Pastor Traig



Non-pastoral Staff

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MINISTRY REPORT

Walt Baertsch, Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults



*And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.
Galatians 6:9 (ESV)*

It's been a good year. God is good and is definitely praiseworthy.

One of my favorite stories:
Last year, one of our students at Normal West really felt like God would have him invite everyone in his math class to come to youth group. So he did. And some of them came! This year one of those students and a couple of his buddies were praying and began asking everyone from the NCWHS soccer team to come to youth group. And a bunch of them have come! Isn't that fantastic? Please be praying as this has been a great year for friends inviting friends to come to youth group. Please pray that the friends would also trust Christ as their savior and get involved in our discipleship pathways.



Sr. High Lead the Cause Trip

In June we took a group of 68 Senior Highers to Lead THE Cause (LTC) which is an evangelism conference in Denver. During the course of LTC all our students and staff were trained in a simple way of sharing their

faith and then were sent out to actually share their faith on the streets of Denver. Several people came to know the Lord that week with some of our teams. Five of our students trusted Christ one night as the gospel was presented during one of the training times. Our students were challenged to come back home and keep praying and sharing their faith. This has spawned a student-led prayer group that meets either before or after Senior High Sunday Nights. We have also taken our students out to Miller Park actively sharing their faith. We've only gone out once so far but hope to do more this spring as well. God is working in our students' lives in big ways.

This year Bryon and Becky Phinney and I have also restarted The Bridge Young Adult Ministries (Bridge/YAM). We meet every Thursday night at the Phinney's home for a hot, home-cooked meal (thank you Becky!) and a Bible study (thank you Bryon!). We had no idea how many students would be interested and/or attend. Our motto was/is "Everything is experimental."

We started in the spring/summer, so while we had the college students back home, we averaged around 30ish during the summer months. As the summer waned and fall loomed with the students leaving to go back to school, we had no idea how many would still be left the next few weeks. We met the next week after the last of the college crew went back to school and we still have had an average of 20 or so per week! We've had a nice blend of East White Oak students who have stayed local, along with non-East White Oak students who have begun to come. So far, we still fit as we all pile into the Phinney's living room. But looking down the line we have 26 Seniors graduating this year! It's a good thing that summer is coming, and we can meet outside!

One of the challenges in the Bridge/YAM area is that currently we have no YAM ABF teacher/program on

Our Winter Retreat this year was also exciting as we had another student trust Christ for the first time!

Sunday mornings as I (Walt) cannot be in two places at the same time. So, we are diligently praying that God would either raise up another youth pastor and/or we would have a great, relational volunteer teacher come alongside of our YAM to lead in this way. So we pray. Please pray with us.

Our Junior High is smaller this year, but is going strong. Our Mission to Michigan this summer was a pretty unique one as there was a bit of confusion as they thought we were coming the following week from when we actually came. Our team did a great job of pulling together to literally open the camp from scratch and it all worked out in the end, but it was kind of exciting for a little while. Our Winter Retreat this year was also exciting (for a much better reason) as we had another student trust Christ for the first time!

Speaking of teams, I am incredibly thankful for our team of youth and young adult leaders and Sherpas (Sr Highers who work with the Jr High). Last year we had some of our key leaders move across country, one “graduated” with our graduates, and two that moved ministries to work with the Young Adults. But again, God was faithful and brought new leaders to the team



EWO Bowl Event

who are doing great things with our small groups and with our large groups.

I am especially thankful for our youth rooms “refresh” as they have turned out great and are very flexible for the various ways we reformat them for the variety of ways that they are used. A huge thank you to the Deacons and particularly to Jesse and Kristi Baird, Bruce Jacobs, and Ruston Edelman and their crews who put a lot of work into the redoing of the rooms. A huge thank you to both of the youth groups as they emptied and refilled and moved around literally everything that was in the rooms a couple of times along with being very flexible meeting in the midst of the chaos for a number of weeks in the process.

We are also thankful for the “Christmas Miracle” of the long awaited new van delivery at Christmastime! It is great and has already been put to use multiple times. Thank you!

So, as you can see, the youth and young adult ministries are very much alive and God is working in our midst. Please keep praying that God would help us to reach the greater Bloomington/Normal area for Christ. We love to see youth and young adults trust Christ for the very first time!

We are very grateful for each of you who make up East White Oak Bible Church and for your amazing support of our Youth and Young Adult Ministries!

Respectfully submitted,
Pastor Walt



updated youth room

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MINISTRY REPORT

Justin Waples, Associate Pastor of Outreach & Discipleship



“And Jesus said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life ... Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.” Luke 12:22, 27-28

Thank you for joining me in “Seeking to be a Worshiper Maturing in Christ” this last year! May God continue to bless the many servants and leaders that made East White Oak so welcoming to the hurt and broken, the lost and wandering, and the family of God right here in our midst. Of course, we could not do any of the ministries here without the Lord’s favor and the deep dedication of our self-sacrificial office staff, deacons, elders, and dozens of ministry leaders and their families.

Only moments after we received our daughter Meredith into our hands this year, we almost lost her. Our baby girl and her birth mom almost lost their lives that day. But, by God’s grace, the first of many miracles happened that day. The medical team worked tirelessly to save them both, and we are overwhelmed with gratitude to them all and our God for sparing their lives!

Ten days later, she ended up in the pediatric intensive care unit with seizures, sepsis, and neurological dam-

age. But God was not done with this “Miracle Merry!” Fast forward nine months, Meredith continues to be home, and we are checking off dozens of doctor visits from the list. We are not overwhelmed or discouraged by her story and what we can’t see inside her little body. On the contrary, we’re so humbled and grateful for the signs of healing, growth, and development that CAN be seen! Instead of reflecting on what we cannot change, we are praising the Giver of Life for her LIFE! There were many times when we thought our baby girl would go to live with Jesus. We are still in awe that we get to love her and watch her grow here in our family on earth. We are so grateful for the support of our church family and the medical teams we have in place to support and encourage her in her health journey and growth. She’s already surpassing the milestones and expectations set by the doctors, and we can’t wait to watch her keep doing that! Throughout our time in the hospital and now home again, I reflect on Jesus’ words from Luke 12:22-34. This is the theme of my report, seen both in what God has done in our family this last year and in our church! Consider Jesus’ question: If He dresses the lilies with beauty and splendor, how much more will He clothe you?

God’s beauty and splendor were shown on my first trip to Israel this year! Visiting many physical locations in the Old and New Testament reinforced the study of the Bible’s historicity and geographical studies. This trip was a dramatic encouragement to my faith. This trip was paid for by my dad’s estate, the last gift he provided to me by way of funding my travels. I forged on in my faith amidst his passing and have felt very grounded in my work with my family and church. I had a resurgence of why I want to serve as a Pastor in God’s church as 1 Timothy 3:1 says, “The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task.” I recalled the story at Tel Arad that there were, at the time, enemies pursuing from every side. It was pointed out that the modern church and those with “itching ears” will find men to teach them



“Miracle Merry”

what they want to hear, just as the Bible-preaching church is also under attack from every side. I am ever encouraged to preach faithfully according to God's Word. Since my return home, I have enjoyed teaching geography to my daughter Karoline during our Bible reading time and breaking out the reference, navigation, and topographical maps charting the course of various historical events.

God's beauty and splendor were also shown to me here at East White Oak through our Outreach Ministry and Pathways of Discipleship. I was excited to see the overwhelming response to our Summer Block Parties and the sermon being Placed for a Purpose. We re-



Small group service project

ceived feedback on successful engagements, spiritual conversations, and ongoing follow-up connections. All by way of the Outreach Team and their effort! Our church, throughout the year, took advantage of Gospel Resources, Neighboring guides, Fall S'more events, Christmas Caroling resources, and tracts. One family member shared their testimony stating, "We have lived in this subdivision for six years and recently witnessed a turnover of neighbors. In the last couple of years, we've built friendships with our backyard neighbors... then Pastor Justin mentioned having a neighborhood block party. I grabbed the materials and scheduled a meeting with my neighbor the following weekend. We partnered together and decided to host an ice cream social in our backyards. Twenty-four households were invited, and seventeen families showed up for a total of forty-one people (kids and adults). The event was a success! We're overjoyed by what God has done



First trip to Israel

already. Seeing God at work amidst our neighborhood and block party was exciting and encouraging. I had been praying for Him to bring neighbors with open hearts and for my family to be a light, loving, warm, and inviting to those who showed up. We continue to pray for opportunities to 'water' the seeds planted in the community and ultimately to share the love of Christ with those who don't know him."

Our Small Groups website was redesigned and communicated Small Group sub-types; Traditional Small Groups, Men's and Women's Small Groups, Mentoring and Discipleship Small Groups, and Care and Support Small Groups. Through this, we saw groups like the Men's Discipleship Small Group start (14 men), Women of Grace Mentoring Small Group (17 ladies), and an additional 40 people into our Men's and Women's Bible Studies and Traditional couples/singles Small Groups.

During our church picnic, we all enjoyed being Rooted in Scripture, Growing in Christ, and Making Disciples. Although planned for Comlara Park, we switched to an indoor Sunday Worship service and picnic due to rain. Everything went very smoothly, thanks to many volunteers! Our focus on outreach and encouraging folks to invite their neighbors for the service and baptism is gaining momentum each year. Many new families attended and celebrated baptisms together while listening to Gospel-saturated testimonies!

I oversee several ministries in the church that quietly planned and served in the background. None of these ministries would thrive the way they are if not for a fantastic set of volunteer leaders and weekly servants. Be sure to thank those who help serve with the Care Team, Ushers, Door Greeters, Welcome Center Volunteers, Senior Saints, Web Team, and Sunday Coffee ministries.

Seeking to be a Worshiper Maturing in Christ,
Pastor Justin

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MINISTRY REPORT

Jeff VanGoethem, Pastor of Spiritual Development & Missions



Thank you very much for the continuing privilege of serving as one of your pastors. Karen and I are enjoying the East White Oak fellowship very much. A few comments on my work and activity, from my perspective:

- I continue to attend staff, elder and mission team meetings. Pastor Scott does a wonderful job leading the staff thoughtfully and in an encouraging way. The elders and deacons' meeting are harmonious and focused on the welfare of the church. The missions team is very conscientious in caring for our missionary roster and earnest in its vision to have East White Oak participate in gospel work all around the world.
- I'm pleased that we have three Missions trips on the calendar for the coming year. The Colombia team has returned from their successful trip to assist a Christian soccer ministry in Medellin. We anticipate a team going to Word of Life Bible Institute in Hungary in May for a work project, and organizing efforts are also under way for a multifaceted ministry trip to assist our partners in Tanzania in the month of July.
- It is my joy to lead the prayer meeting each week. We usually have 30 or so people. I would like to see more join us. We worship God and return praise to Him, we



with Dallas Seminary Students

learn about prayer, and also of course join our hearts is seeking the Lord for our own needs and the needs of the broader church and world. There is a lot of variety in the format. All are welcome – we do not put anyone on the spot, but rather encourage an environment in

which all can comfortably learn about prayer. We meet at 6:30pm on Wednesdays and continue to 7:30-7:45 or so. This will continue into the summer months after the AWANA year is finished. Considering the challenges the Lord's work faces in today's world, a robust corporate prayer effort in all of our churches is called for in my view (Acts 1:14). As the devil never takes a rest, neither should praying Christians.

- I continue to be available for pastoral care as needs arise and keep my mind open to ways I can teach and lead within our ministry.
- I also fulfill some ministry assignments outside of East White Oak. I continue to be on the adjunct faculty of Dallas Seminary and Word of Life Bible Institute in Hungary. The latter assignment requires just one trip over there each year to teach a week of Bible to the students. The Dallas Seminary work is a little more involved. The Doctor of Ministry in-residence sessions occur in January and July and require me to be there for a week or so each time. I am also advising students, reading Doctoral Dissertations and supervising a number of independent study courses. I continue to be in touch with numerous pastors around the country who have been my students or interns from our time in Dallas.
- Finally, I do receive some speaking invitations. In this past year, along with the coming year, I have had and will have opportunities at churches, retreats and pastors conferences. Thank you for the freedom to fulfill these invitations.

Thank you all for your prayers and support over the last year. As you may know, I am fitting in two knee replacements in calendar year 2023. I am a few weeks into recovering from the first one. Things have gone well so far.

It is a joy to serve the Lord with you. Let us continue to be prayerfully faithful in the coming years as we fulfill our calling as a local church.

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FUN FACTS

55

The number of nursery volunteers needed to staff our nursery each month

96

The number of Small Group DVD resources available in the church office

27

The number of towns represented by regular attenders of East White Oak

138

The number of children involved in our 2022-2023 AWANA program



Most Common Wedding Anniversary

JANUARY 25

Couples married on that date:

- Kerry & Cheri Meyer
- Jim & Susan Simmons
- Frank & Emily Henard
- Eric & Emily Jenkins
- Josh & Stacy Jett



FURTHEST WEEKLY COMMUTERS

Tony and Terry Podkanowicz / 57 miles each way

CLOSEST WEEKLY COMMUTERS

Pastor Walt & Penny Baertsch / 900 feet each way

According to our RightNow Media report in 2022, “The Slugs & Bugs Show” and “Friends and Heroes” was the most viewed by kids, “Grace of God and Flaws of Men” and “Basics of Studying the Bible” was the most viewed by adults. People logged in a total of 3,267 times using it for an average of 29 minutes per session.



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MINISTRY REPORT

Larry Van Gundy, Living Stone Communities



“The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in Him.” The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.” (Lamentations 3:22-26)

We can give testimony that coming out of the pandemic we have experienced the favor and faithfulness of the LORD! In May 2022, we began gathering on Sundays at The Junction at 301 E. Oakland. This is the community center owned and operated by Home Sweet Home Ministries (HSHM) in the space that used to be their Mission Mart. Many from East White Oak volunteered in the remodeling project that beautifully transformed their building! We are so blessed and thankful for this place and space. A storage room was even built for us to put our equipment and supplies. We are able to utilize all the common area, classroom, and family room on Sunday for our Gathering. The move from Irving to the Junction has given us a chance to sort of reboot. It has given us a fresh look at our mission and vision for making disciples who make disciples. There is great unity and clarity within our church family that God has planted us here for such a time as this. We have found wide open doors for the Gospel.

It was bittersweet when in June we unloaded The Hub. God used that place in so many ways to build bridges into west Bloomington with the Gospel. We thank God for all that happened there. We have so many precious memories of serving, praying, laughing, fellowshiping, and worshipping together there, building relationships and reaching more deeply into the neighborhood to share God’s love. Interestingly enough, Integrity Counseling decided to rent that space, which allowed for a very smooth transition for us to the Junction.

We saw a core family relocate. The Wolfe family, who were an integral part of LSC from the beginning, moved when God led Dave to accept a position at a church in

Eureka. We have greatly missed all of them, but God continues to use their investment in us and has helped us to “step up” in their absence.

In June, we started a new Sunday morning series entitled “Changed Lives.” We looked at individuals in the Bible whose lives were changed by the Gospel. A few of our people also shared their own stories of how God through Jesus changed, and continues to change, their lives. The focus on the power of the Gospel was encouraging and emboldening, and deepened our relationships together. In January we began a new series entitled “The Church Under Construction.” We are looking at “Twenty Basics Every Christian Should Know.” We were able to bless our people with copies of the book “Christian Beliefs” by Wayne Grudem. After the message each week, we like to gather into small groups for more discussion, and this has fostered beautiful open conversation, learning, and awe of God’s truth, whether hearing it for the first time (like some) or being reminded anew.

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Our proximity and partnership with HSH has brought many new faces to us over the last eight months, especially from the HSH Mission, the two Woodhill Towers, and the Woodhill Family Housing units. We have seen with the transitional nature of many in the community, that we often have just a small window to influence and impact those who join us on Sunday and with whom we connect on a daily basis at the Junction.

We have been able to use that space at the Junction to resume Tree House Bible Club, which started up in October. We are so grateful for the folks from East White Oak who have been partnering with us to minister to these children and their families. We offered another session of The Quest for Authentic Manhood, which began last September. We sponsored a Grief Share class on Surviving the Holidays in November, and have offered some Bible studies and a Bible Storytelling study, as well.

There is a growing number in our church family who are members of the Bread of Life Co-op, which sits behind the Junction. This not only aids families' grocery needs, but also provides opportunities to build friendships with others from the community who are at the co-op.

About twenty-five of our people have gone through the HSH training required for volunteering or serving at the Junction, which serves as a community center Monday through Friday, 10:00am-5:00pm. The training included understanding poverty, understanding trauma, and learning about verbal de-escalation skills. A number of us either volunteer to serve during that time or simply go there to hang out and connect with people. God has blessed and encouraged us with many precious conversations with the folks there, hearing some of their stories, and sometimes having opportunities to serve them.

We added another elder this past year, as Todd Billingsley joined our elder team. God has blessed us with a strong preaching team of four men. I continue to do the bulk of the preaching, but these men preach on a regular basis (often one per month) and jump in other times if needed.

There are three GCs (Gospel Communities) that meet regularly, and we're praying, planning, and preparing so that, Lord willing, one of them will multiply this coming year.

During the year, we had an Exploring LSC Class, and we anticipate welcoming some new members to the LSC Covenant Community at our Annual Meeting in March.



worship at Living Stone Communities

God has literally **brought** a number of young people to us that are committed to Christ and are faithfully coming to the Sunday Gatherings, getting "plugged in", and desiring to go deeper with us. We are very thankful for their fellowship and partnership in the Gospel. A couple of these newer folks are planning to be married this year. Our own Jeff Billingsley will be getting married this spring and will be relocating with his bride. We will miss them so much as we release them but pray that God will use them in great ways to expand the Kingdom. This commitment of the next generation is so exciting for our young church. (It's hard to believe LS will turn five years old on April 1, 2023.)

We are enjoying a growing partnership with HSHM and are anticipating some special Easter offerings with them this year. What a beautiful opportunity to proclaim our resurrected Lord, together, to our mutual neighborhood! We are encouraged by what God is doing in us and through us, and we look to God's continued favor and blessing as we reach out with the transforming message of the Gospel. It is our prayer that we will see men and women, boys and girls come to saving faith in Jesus Christ and grow in discipleship in the coming year.

Thank you again for your prayer for us and this community, your partnership in the Gospel, your financial support, use of your shuttle for THBC, and volunteers who have served at THBC and in other ways, such as offering a finance class and helping out around the Junction. We're grateful for the encouragement and wisdom that the East White Oak leadership continues to provide us. May God bless East White Oak and Living Stone Communities in our spheres of influence, and, as the waters cover the sea, may the knowledge of the glory of God cover McLean County.

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MINISTRY REPORT

Kris Seifert, Children's Ministries



I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.
Psalm 78:2-4

How does our church help boys and girls become worshipers maturing in Christ? In our Children's Bible Fellowships (CBF), we aim to do what Psalm 78:2-4 (see above) says: focus on teaching and reflecting God's ways to our children. What a joy it has been this past year for the Children's Ministries (CM) team to "tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and His might, and the wonders that He has done!"

God has once again blessed East White Oak Bible Church with a faithful, loving, and creative team of vol-



Dan Gott teaching in Children's Bible Fellowship

unteers to do the "telling" from nursery to 6th grade. We have volunteers that serve through the school year and those that serve during the summer. There are volun-

teers who welcome families and help them check in at the computer kiosks. There are volunteers who watch over our physical space to make sure all involved are safe. And there are volunteers who prepare projects for the classrooms in the Resource Room. We also have a dedicated and wonderfully helpful group of Teen Buddies who serve in our preschool and 3rd grade classes.

Each Sunday of the year, these dear volunteers share with their words and their actions the truth of God's Word and the love that He has for His children. They each deeply desire that the East White Oak children know the Lord, trust Him, and grow in living out their lives in a way that honors Him. Our volunteers are a blessing to so many and ministry to children would not happen without them!

Seeing evidence of God at work in the lives of the boys and girls is a CM team member's great joy and encouragement! Here are just a few ways God revealed what He is doing in the lives of our kids.

Toddler Church is a first opportunity for the 2 year olds of our church to learn about worshiping the Lord. Often, these little ones really miss momma and daddy while away from them in Toddler Church! One toddler was doing just that when the teacher asked one of the toddler's friends if she would give the sad little one a hug. This loving toddler held on to the sad little one "like a little momma" and shared that everything would be ok! This calmed the sad little one's anxious heart. It was a precious moment of a 2 year old ministering to another 2 year old, sharing God's comfort with another!

A parent shared how her young elementary aged child is learning about and applying what she learns about how God is always with her. This little one was having trouble obeying mom and dad. After being caught in her disobedience she replied in a remorseful, pitiful

tone “I can’t control my body!” Later she asked her momma “God is with me, right?” After being reassured He is, she prayed “God help me control my body.” This little one is learning God in us gives us the ability to do what we cannot do on our own.

Telling the next generation of the glorious deeds of the Lord and of the wonders He has done takes many hands and hearts doing various things... How thankful we are for each one!

For the last few years, the boys and girls in grades 2 – 6 have been visiting the Missions Fair during the Missions Conference. Each child has a passport that directs him or her to visit various booths and ask questions of the missionaries. The missionaries are so kind and gracious to our kids, engaging them in conversation and helping them better understand how their mission brings Jesus close to others. One missionary shared that there were things that the young ones she was talking to could do to support the mission of the ministry she represented. She suggested that kids could ask mom to purchase items needed for the mission to donate the next time they shopped. They could request that those they invite to their birthday parties bring gifts for the mission instead of presents for themselves. God has taught the boys and girls what missions look like, how people serve in them, and what they could do to support it. They’ve learned that God wants to use them in missions work too!

The CM team often prays that God will give our boys and girls resilient faith, so they are able to stand firmly and boldly for the Lord. Recently God revealed Himself doing this in one of our recent CM graduates (who is now in 7th grade at a non-Christian school). His teacher shared with his mother that the boys and girls in her



Children’s Bible Fellowship

middle school class were to share “something they were passionate about and had a strong belief about.” They were not required to share, but he raised his hand and said, “I believe in Jesus Christ, that He died for our sins, that he rose again and that He is coming back for us.”

In one of our Children’s Ministries classes there are several children with special needs. At times these children need extra help in classroom activities. Some wonderful youth volunteers at East White Oak serve as Teen Buddies to help the boys and girls more easily experience the Lord and all He might have for them in their CBF. The teens help kids stay on task, write out answers to questions, read a Bible passage, or simply model appropriate participation in class activities. They are a blessing to the kids and the teachers in class! One mom shared how God has blessed their adoptive family through the Teen Buddies: “Being a pro-life church means a lot more than having a baby shower when a family fosters or adopts. It includes many things like having teenage volunteers in our CBFs!”

God is good. He sent Jesus to save us from our sins. Believing in Him unleashes God’s lavish grace on us and brings believers into His forever family. Telling the next generation of the glorious deeds of the Lord and of the wonders He has done takes many hands and hearts doing various things! How thankful we are for each one the Lord uses to help boys and girls become worshipers maturing in Christ! And how thankful we are for the Lord’s provision, work and love!

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MISSIONS TEAM REPORT

Ron Miller, for the East White Oak Missions Team

“May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us...that your way may be known on earth. Your saving power among all nations. Let the people praise You, O God; let all the people praise You! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy... God, our God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!”
Psalm 67

The words from Psalm 67 clearly tell about making God known among all the earth. All the nations should know Him and praise Him. That is the driving force behind our Missions Team and the work that happens with our mission outreach.

East White Oak partners with 46 missionaries and 18 mission organizations who are doing a great job as they share and glorify God domestically and around the world. We also have 3 national partners and 17 retired missionaries that we support and stay in contact with. Last year, 23% of the total expenses of the church went to support missions. One area we as team feel strongly about is the care and encouragement of our partners and that we stay connected and engaged as we work together. To that end, we stay in touch as we pray for them and support them spiritually, financially, and emotionally as they serve. Paul tells us to “encourage the saints and bring joy and encouragement that refreshes the hearts of the saints.” (Col. 2:2, Philemon 1:7) This encouragement is very important as our partners are on the front lines of the battle and need our encouragement.

As we pursue this goal, we want to connect with our missionaries on a deeper level, not only for the encouragement of the missionary, but that in the process, members of East White Oak may be able to connect with, minister to, and be challenged by our missionaries.

This year we had the opportunity to host two of our missionary couples for a few days. Matt Hughes provided the use of his guest home for them to stay in so

they could spend time here. The families were Steve and Bekah Orner, who minister on a remote island off Madagascar, and Lucas and Jamie Orner, who minister in Siberia. In this context, our missionaries have the opportunity to become better acquainted with our church family and we are blessed to know them better. They can minister to us and teach in many areas of the church, plus our pastors and leaders teach and train them in local church operations. Hopefully many of you were able to learn from and spend time with these dear families. We are planning and working on having another one of our missionary couples stay with us for an extended time this next year. Stay tuned as we look forward to this special opportunity to connect with another couple.



AWANA kids getting to know our missionaries

It is always encouraging to the Missions Team to see so many folks involved in missions by prayer, giving, and participation in short-term trips. We are resuming short term trips following the complications from Covid. Last spring there was a trip to Cedine Bible Camp in Tennessee. Already in 2023, a group of men have travelled to Colombia to do some construction for the soccer ministry there. Several additional trips are being planned for this year. Cedine Bible Camp again this March. A trip to Hungary led by Pastor Jeff in May. Also, a trip is being planned for mid- to late-July to Tanzania. This trip will serve at NTC, helping Jim and Susan Simmons. The school is taking steps toward becoming accredited and we can help with some of the

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needs. There are opportunities for many ages and skill levels on these trips. Step out in faith and check one out. Stay tuned. There may be more as the year progresses.

We were blessed, encouraged, and challenged by our Missions Conference this past November. Our theme this year was **“Follow Me!”** The theme verse was found in Matthew 16:24. “Then Jesus said, ‘If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.’”

Week One:

“Following, Fishing, and Faith!” Matthew 1:14-20

Week Two:

“The Cost of Disobedience!” I Kings 11-14

Week Three:

“Follow Me Through Peaks and Valleys!” Matt. 16:21-26

We had the pleasure of hearing from RD, JB, and Oscar Campos. We were challenged to make missions a priority in our lives because it is the priority of the Church for discipleship. We were challenged to send and support missionaries, to be willing to see where the Lord wants



Missions Conference
International Dinner



Hearing from our missionaries
during Prayer Meeting

to use us, to step out in faith, deny ourselves, and to follow Him!

Continue to pray for us at East White Oak as we seek what part each of us plays in the grand purpose of the Lord to reach the world with His glory. We are all called to reflect the image and glory of God to a lost and dying world. Our prayer as a team is that each member of East White Oak would become personally engaged in the cause of missions with a heartfelt, God-centered passion. Our aim is not to exalt the missionary, but to exalt God and exalt His mission. The precise nature of engagement in the cause of missions will be different for each of you, whether you go as a missionary or stay as a sender. The primary issue is that whatever you do, do it for the glory of God (I Cor. 10:31), to advance the Kingdom (Matt. 6:33), with the goal to embrace every nation, tribe, and tongue for all to worship the Lord. (Matt. 24:14. Rev. 7:9)

The strength of the team has always been its committed members, whose love for the Lord and heart for missions has bound them together. Team members this year are Ryan Andris, Dennis and Janet Schlagel, Josh Fromme, Julie Horton, Lynda Landes, Jeff Fritzen, Pastor Jeff Van-Goethem, and Ron Miller.

Thanks for your prayers as we seek to do the work of the Lord at East White Oak. Please continue to pray for wisdom to be good ambassadors for the Lord, for good partnerships, and that we are good stewards of the resources with which the Lord has entrusted us. Praise the Lord as He continues to use a little church on the corner of a cornfield in McLean County to further His Kingdom around the world. Thanks for your support both prayerfully and financially.

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WOMEN'S MINISTRY REPORT

Jen Gerber, for the East White Oak Women's Ministry Team

Seeking to Become Worshipers Maturing in Christ. In efforts to simply and clearly align with the focus of East White Oak Bible Church, Women's Ministry has made their focus "Encouraging and Equipping Women to be Worshipers Maturing in Christ." We do this through one-time events and Small Group Bible Studies, with the 3 vital signs always in mind. We pray that every opportunity we offer will support and help women to be rooted in Scripture, growing in Christ, and making disciples.

Our team did not have any changes this year. The members are as follows:

- Jen Gerber – Director of Women's Ministry
- Sue Jackson – Discipleship Coordinator
- Renee Miller – Bible Studies Coordinator
- Pam Scott – Prayer Coordinator
- Miriam Ulrich – Events Coordinator

We continue to pray for God to call someone with the passion to lead a ministry for young moms.

The former Apples of Gold mentoring opportunity got a face-lift this year. Donna Osenga and Sue Jackson found a similar study called Women of Grace that better fits our needs and they enlisted a team of mentors in the fall. We opened up registration but did not get the response we had hoped for. Through the counsel of pastors and much prayer, some changes were made. When offered again in late winter, the response was overwhelming and the openings filled quickly. Hosted in a different mentor's home each week, the 9-week program includes demos, dinner together, and a Bible study based on Titus 2. We are excited to see what God will do!

Bible studies continued to reach many women, at East White Oak and beyond. The Precept studies, hosted on Zoom, met through the spring, summer, and fall, but have taken a break this winter and spring due to the leader's difficult health journey. In the fall, we were excited to offer a new Bible study for beginners, created by Diane Fahrenkrug. Also new since before the pandemic, we offered childcare during our summer morning study. The efforts were definitely worthwhile, even though only a few children attended each week. We currently do not have any High Quest groups meeting, as the new group that started last year was not able to continue.



Women's Bible Study Social Gathering

We added a new event to our calendar that served as our spring event. It was a night of praise, prayer, and worship we called Lift Up. Becky Phinney shared hard things that God has taught her about and through prayer, and then led us in personal, small group, and corporate prayer times. Worship songs, led by Addison White and Emily Henard, were interspersed through the evening. It was a beautiful, God-focused, unifying time and many women expressed they would like to have more in the future. We decided to host one in the fall and another is planned for March.

We continue to hear stories of how God has placed people together at tables in His perfect ways resulting in sweet connection, sharing, support, and encouragement.

After a few Saturday morning Gathers with lower attendance, we decided to try one on a week night. About 60 women attended on a Tuesday night! Praise God! Each Gather includes a meal, a short devotion and then a guided discussion time. We continue to hear stories of

how God has placed people together at tables in His perfect ways resulting in sweet connection, sharing, support, and encouragement.

The Mission's Dessert had a little South American flair this year, including mate (ma-tay) tea and decorations from Argentina. We hope Debbie Miller felt at home as she shared stories with us about women God has brought close over the years and the gift it has been to walk through seasons of life with them. The Christmas season kicked off with our annual Tea. The gym did not look like a gym with 18 beautifully and creatively decorated tables, trees, lights, and candles. The program included worshipful songs and a powerful message of God's redemption, grace, and glory from Kim Williamson. We pray that the visiting friends and family, as well as our East White Oak family, were moved to draw near to Jesus, the Savior.

We would like to extend our deep gratitude to every woman who says "yes"! Every woman who says "yes" to attending an event or Bible study, to sharing a devotion, to leading a worship time through prayer or singing or playing an instrument, to helping with food



Ladies' Dessert Night during Missions Conference

or decorations or programming, to hosting a table, to leading a Bible study.... your "yes" blesses us more than you know and it blesses every woman around you. We pray it has blessed you, too! To God be the glory!!

Grateful, prayerful, and expectant,

Jen Gerber on behalf of the East White Oak Women's Ministry Team



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MEN'S MINISTRY REPORT

Calvin Fehr, for the East White Oak Men's Ministry Team

"And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also." 2 Timothy 2:2

Men's Ministry is thankful for growth provided by the Lord over this past year. Growth in the sense that a new event and a new men's Small Group were formed. But more importantly, for the spiritual growth of men as new connections were made and bonds were formed. This growth is difficult to quantify but is critically important as we are called to be leaders in our family, church, community, and workplace.

In last year's Annual Report we introduced the concept of the Men's Ministry discipleship conveyor belt. This conveyor casts a wide net at the beginning in the sea of men who need Christ, and ends in a disciple who is deeply rooted in scripture and supported through involvement in our church pathways (small group, ABF). We were thankful this year for events that invited a wide audience, and small groups that met to go deep into scripture.

We were blessed in June to again have the Sportsman's Small Group host a Clay Shoot, and in August to feed over 120 men at the Chalk Talk Grille Men's Steak Fry. Both of these events have been staples on the Men's Ministry calendar and we look forward to, Lord willing, many more years for these events. At the Steak Fry, we welcomed Steve Merriman, current pitching coach for the Michigan Wolverines, to speak on his faith and his life in baseball. Then, in November, the Men's Ministry team hosted a Missions Month breakfast where we welcomed Bill Miller to speak about his life in missions.

A special highlight this year was the (return for some, new for others) Men's Retreat. Big shout out to Pastor Jeff VanGoethem for leading the planning and execution of this retreat. Pastor Jeff led everyone in large group discussions on discipleship that moved to smaller breakout discussions. These breakout groups facili-



tated new connections and bonds between the men at the event. Of course delicious food and some healthy competition only added to the fun. Over 40 men attended the retreat.

We are continually thankful for all the men involved in Small Groups who are meeting together to go deep in God's Word and become rooted in scripture. The Sportsman's Small Group had a winter study on "The Book of John," a video series by Dr. Tony Evans, among other studies throughout the year. We were also very excited for a new Small Group discipleship study that is meeting early in the morning to go over Book 1 in the 2:7 series "Growing Strong in God's Family."

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As we close out on the past year and move into the next, please pray that the Men's Ministry could continue to serve the men of our church by making disciples, growing in Christ together, and becoming rooted in scripture through deep relationships developed through Small Groups and ABF's.

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SAFE SECURE TEAM REPORT

Dan Howerton

The East White Oak Bible Church Safe-Secure Team was started on Oct 6, 2019 to be a presence on the grounds during services.

Focused quarterly training in technical and medical skills has served to further mature this team. We now have members lending their own expertise by developing and administering training to the team resulting in significant cost savings to the church. Work continues in developing policy around team behavior to make us as invisible, yet accessible, as possible by the congregation. Our mission is to maintain a ministering mindset to East White Oak Bible Church attenders by serving as greeters and being available to discover, report and/or assist with medical or any type of emergencies as needed.



Red lanyards designate a member of the Safe Secure Team.



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SENIOR SAINTS MINISTRY REPORT

Kim Smith, for the East White Oak Senior Saints Team

We were indeed blessed to enjoy the 26th year of Senior Saints at East White Oak.

What a blessing to have the support and love for our seniors that the church provided us. Our Planning Committee met on February 21, 2022, to plan the year. We opened in prayer, enjoyed lunch, and reviewed the past year's successes and problems. The group brainstormed new ideas and then planned each month. It was exciting to see the members eagerly agreeing to chair a month or serve on a committee. Each chairman led their group to plan and orchestrate their month. It worked very well as the seniors took ownership of the monthly meetings and did an amazing job.



Senior Saints enjoy a meal in the Banquet Room

We kicked off our year in March in the church Banquet Room. *Those Guys from Carlock* treated us to special music. Lunch was catered by Dave's in Fairbury. Our group was so excited to be back together again.

Casey's Garden Shop sent us an expert in April for an up-close look at different plant varieties. It was a hands-on program with our seniors all receiving their own plant. Dave's in Fairbury again provided us a delicious meal.

We headed south in May to Amish Country. Lunch at Yoder's Kitchen, followed by lots of shopping. We strolled the streets of Arthur to enjoy antique and specialty shops. Our day ended at Beachy's Bulk Foods. Our seniors and our vans were full as we made our way back to East White Oak.

Our seniors love celebrating America and God's blessings on America. Our own Anna Meyer treated us to special music at our June event. We had a delicious indoor picnic prepared by men from our congregation. We finished our day by recognizing those who had served our country.

In July we were on another road trip and this time it was to Goodfield. We enjoyed lunch at Busy Corner and then toured Homeway Homes. It was a very informative and interesting tour. Lunch was wonderful and the Barnharts treated everyone to a piece of Busy Corner pie! Many of our seniors were not able to take the tour because of mobility issues but they were able to enjoy lunch with us beforehand.

Steve "Mac" McNair, the Director of Development at Salem4youth visited us in August. He shared about one of their vocational programs, Bee Keeping. We learned how beehives are maintained, how honey is harvested, and how caring for bees creates an atmosphere for building relationships and changing lives. The seniors enjoyed the program and had many questions for Mac. Dave's provided us with another delicious meal.

Pastor Walt and the Sr. High Youth Group spoiled us with a wonderful banquet in September. We enjoyed a delicious dinner, fantastic music, testimonies from the students, and great fellowship. It was especially nice that two students sat at each table mingling with our seniors. The banquet has always been a special treat for our seniors. Many relationships are made with the high schoolers that continue for years.

Dave Osenga had planted the idea of visiting the Funk Prairie Home and Gem Museum many years ago. It became a reality for us in October. We traveled to the Dixie Family Restaurant for a home cooked buffet meal



Kim Smith leads the Senior Saints ministry

before heading to Shirley. Half of our group toured the Funk Home while the other half toured the museum. We then switched places so everyone had a chance to see both. Our tour guides were extremely enthusiastic and did a great job of educating us on the Funk Family.

Oscar and Ana Maria Campos joined us in November for a Thanksgiving feast at the church catered by Dave's. We were excited to hear about Oscar and Ana Maria's life and ministry. They are a special couple to us and it was good to have them with us. We collected \$700 to buy gifts for Project Angel Tree. The seniors are always so generous in their giving to Angel Tree.

Our last meeting of the year was a Christmas lunch at the church. Food was catered by Dave's Market in Fairbury. We had a special time of Christmas music. We had gifts to thank our committee chairmen and the committee members. After Christmas, Raymond and Linda Miller presented a Cajun Christmas program to us. It was a fun time of enjoying Christmas snacks and learning about the Cajuns. These two celebrations were a great way to close our year.

Diane Fels prepared birthday gifts each month for our seniors. This is a huge job, and she has served us well for many years. She will be retiring from that position this year. We have made some changes to how the birthdays will be handled going forward. Sherry Rutledge will oversee the birthday ministry and the changes should simplify her job. Becky Gustine sent birthday

and anniversary cards to our seniors each month. She has done a great job with our Card Ministry and has agreed to continue. Committee members did all the planning for our monthly events. They took care of decorations, table favors, food and entertainment. I open our meetings with prayer and a Bible verse.

Our focus has been to reach the seniors who do not yet know the Lord and to encourage our seniors that they are never too old to be used by the Lord. We have enjoyed increased attendance in 2022, which we believe had a lot to do with the end of Covid's "solitary confinement". The field trips are less well attended due to the mobility issues of some of our members. We do feel it is important to have a couple of field trips for our younger and more active seniors. This year we had more outings than we had originally planned and feel that was not the best plan as this causes some of our seniors to miss several months. The plan for the future is to limit the outings to 2 per year.

Our focus has been to reach the seniors who do not yet know the Lord and to encourage our seniors that they are never too old to be used by the Lord.

The church's wonderful support to us has been greatly appreciated. It has been great to have our different pastors visit with us from time to time. The seniors love meeting them and getting to know them. I believe it reminds them that they are valued and loved. Pastor Justin offered us his guidance and support. Pastor Walt continues to love on the seniors by driving for our field trips and spoiling us with the banquet each year.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of such a supportive church and to serve our seniors.

LEADERS WHO SERVED

2022 – 2023

PASTORS

Scott Boerckel	January, 2011	Senior Pastor
Traig Whittaker	March, 2000	Senior Associate Pastor
Walt Baertsch	December, 2003	Youth Ministries
Jeff VanGoethem	October, 2021	Spiritual Development & Missions
Justin Waples	September, 2018	Outreach & Discipleship

ELDERS

	<u>1st Term</u>	<u>2nd Term</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
Jeff Fritzen	2018-2021	2021-2024	Making Disciples (Missions)
Adam Garey	2018-2020	2020-2023	Growing in Christ
Todd Haynes	2021-2023		Growing in Christ
Matt Hughes	2021-2024		Making Disciples (Outreach)
Steven Mann	2018-2021	2021-2024	Growing in Christ (Worship)
Dirk May	2022-2025		Chairman Youth Pastor Search Team
Dave Rowden	2019-2022	2022-2025	Chair/Rooted in Scripture

DEACONS

Jessie Baird	2020-2023		<u>Assignments</u> Technology, Vehicles
Ruston Edelman	2022-2025		Building & Grounds
Dan Gott	2018-2021	2021-2024	Communion/Benevolence
Dan Howerton	2019-2022	2022-2025	Vice Chair/Security
Andy Wallgren	2017-2020	2020-2023	Chair/ Security
Andrew Woodman	2017-2020	2020-2023	Finance/Technology

Children's Ministries

Children's Ministry	Kris Seifert
Nursery Coordinator	Stacey Spaulding

AWANA

Cubbies Director	Maura Crittenden
Sparks Director	Lindsay Weidler
Girls Truth & Training Director	Sarah Masters
Boys Truth and Training Director	Eric Herbst

Men's Ministry

Calvin Fehr

Women's Ministry

Jennifer Gerber

Missions

Ron Miller

Senior Saints

Kim Smith

Safe-Secure Team

Dan Howerton

VITAL STATISTICS

March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023

Membership as of March 1, 2022 – 461

Members Added – 10

Murphy, Patrick	5-15-2022	Harris, Sandie	12-11-2022
Quinn-Murphy, Judy	5-15-2022	Hoefler, John	12-11-2022
Congdon, David	8-28-2022	Hoefler, Gretchen	12-11-2022
Somers, Ruth	8-28-2022	Wolf, Gary	12-11-2022
Harris, David	12-11-2022	Wolf, Jean	12-11-2022

Memberships Removed by Request (13)

Deaths - 6

Sparks, Marjorie	3-6-2022	Spaulding, Don	10-24-2022
Gerst, Joleen	4-23-2022	Dietz, Mel	1-10-2023
Bethea, Lisa	7-30-2022	Tomlinson, Glen	2-2-2023

Membership as of February 28, 2023 – 452

Births from March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023

<u>Child</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Parents</u>
Jude Phillips	3-25-2022	Jake & Tori Phillips
Bentley Ulrich	4-9-2022	Brandis & Miriam Ulrich
Lydia Turton	5-31-2022	John & Gina Turton
Meredith Waples	6-9-2022	Justin & Abigail Waples
Sophie Nussbaum	7-27-2022	Reid & Amy Nussbaum
Adler Mueller	8-19-2022	Dan & Ashley Mueller
Riley Knapp	9-28-2022	Brandon & Ashley Knapp
Hannah Lacey	10-19-2022	Corey & Maggie Lacey
Ledger Leman	11-4-2022	Jesse & Tara Leman
Harbor Moran	12-19-2022	Mike & Jessica Moran

Baptisms from March 1, 2022– February 28, 2023

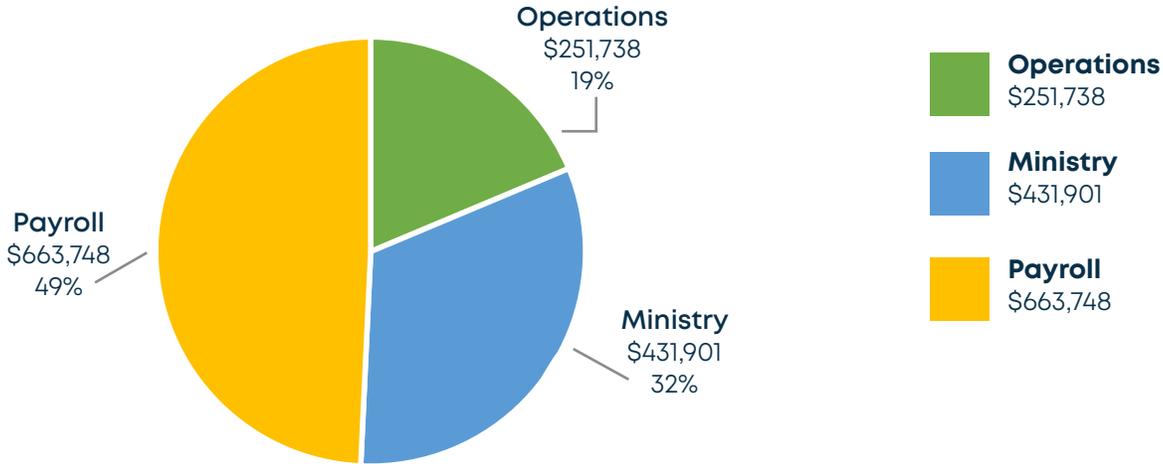
Herbst, Isaiah	4-11-2022	Risinger, Annika	9-11-2022
Kobulnicky, Trent	4-11-2022	Shearin, Will	9-11-2022
Quinn-Murphy, Judy	4-11-2022	Toland, Kessa	9-11-2022
Hoefler, John	9-11-2022	Toland, Kyah	9-11-2022
Hoefler, Gretchen	9-11-2022	Wallgren, Ella	9-11-2022
Hoefler, Margaret	9-11-2022		

Average Sunday morning attendance March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023:

In person – 559; Livestream – 35 viewers/family groups; Facebook live - 6

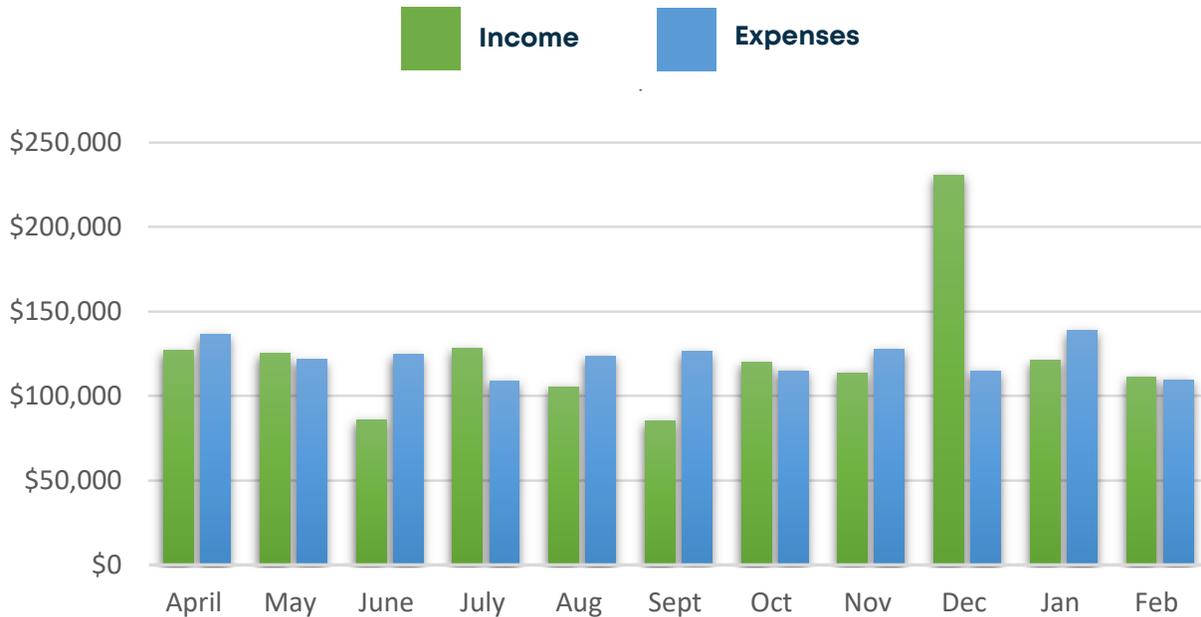
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES

April 2022 - February 2023



INCOME TO EXPENSES

April 2022 - February 2023



FINANCIAL REPORT

Summary of Cash Account April 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023

	4/1/2022			2/28/2023
	Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
General Account - Undesignated Funds	\$ 633,379	\$ 1,377,340	\$ (1,387,394)	\$ 623,325
Building Fund	45,878	6,235	(3,800)	48,313
Vehicle Fund	127,626	13,750	(50,230)	91,146
Building Improvement/Maintenance Fund	164,425	59,583	(78,261)	145,747
Benevolence Fund	28,883	5,385	(2,160)	32,107
Adoption/Orphan Fund	13,074	0	(452)	12,622
Missions Fund	169,513	96,097	(91,702)	173,908
Equipment Fund	58,821	12,833	(9,100)	62,554
Memorials	5,200	1,360	0	6,560
Sabbatical Fund		43,667	(20,814)	22,853
Zehr Scholarship Trust Fund	18,403	78	0	18,481
	<u>\$ 1,265,201</u>	<u>\$ 1,616,328</u>	<u>\$ (1,643,914)</u>	<u>\$ 1,237,615</u>

Cash/Investment Holdings February 28, 2023

Checking account and Sweep	543,331
Certificates of Deposit	17,837
Lifesong Fund	6,378
Goldman Sachs accounts	670,069
	<u>\$ 1,237,615</u>

General Account Activity

Balance April 1, 2022		\$ 633,379
Additions:		
Offerings April 2022 - February 2023	1,353,319	
Facility Fees	9,334	
Interest income	14,687	1,377,340
Expenditures:		
Board Authorized Establishment of Sabbatical Fund		(40,000)
General Undesignated Expenditures	(1,347,394)	(1,347,394)
Balance as of February 28, 2023		<u>\$ 623,325</u>

Building Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022		\$ 45,878
Designated Offerings April 2022 - February 2023		6,235
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023		(3,800)
Balance as of February 28, 2023		<u>\$ 48,313</u>

Vehicle Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022		\$ 127,626
Board Authorized Transfer to Vehicle Fund		13,750
Designated Offerings April 2022 - February 2023		0
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023		(50,230)
Balance as of February 28, 2023		<u>\$ 91,146</u>

FINANCIAL REPORT

Summary of Cash Account April 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023

Building Improvement/Maintenance Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022	\$ 164,425
Board Authorized Transfer to Bldg Improvement Fund	59,583
Designated Offerings April 2022 - February 2023	0
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023	<u>(78,261)</u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 145,747</u>

Benevolence Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022	\$ 28,883
Designated Offerings April 2022 - February 2023	5,385
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023	<u>(2,160)</u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 32,107</u>

Adoption/Orphan Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022	\$ 13,074
Designated Offerings April 2022 - February 2023	0
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023	<u>(452)</u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 12,622</u>

Missions Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022	\$ 169,513
Additions:	
Offerings April 2022 - February 2023	
Designated	21,205
Undesignated	73,753
Interest income	1,139
Expenditures:	<u>96,097</u>
	<u>(91,702)</u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 173,908</u>

Equipment Fund Activity

Balance April 1, 2022	\$ 58,821
Board Authorized Transfer to Equipment Fund	12,833
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023	<u>(9,100)</u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 62,554</u>

Memorial Fund

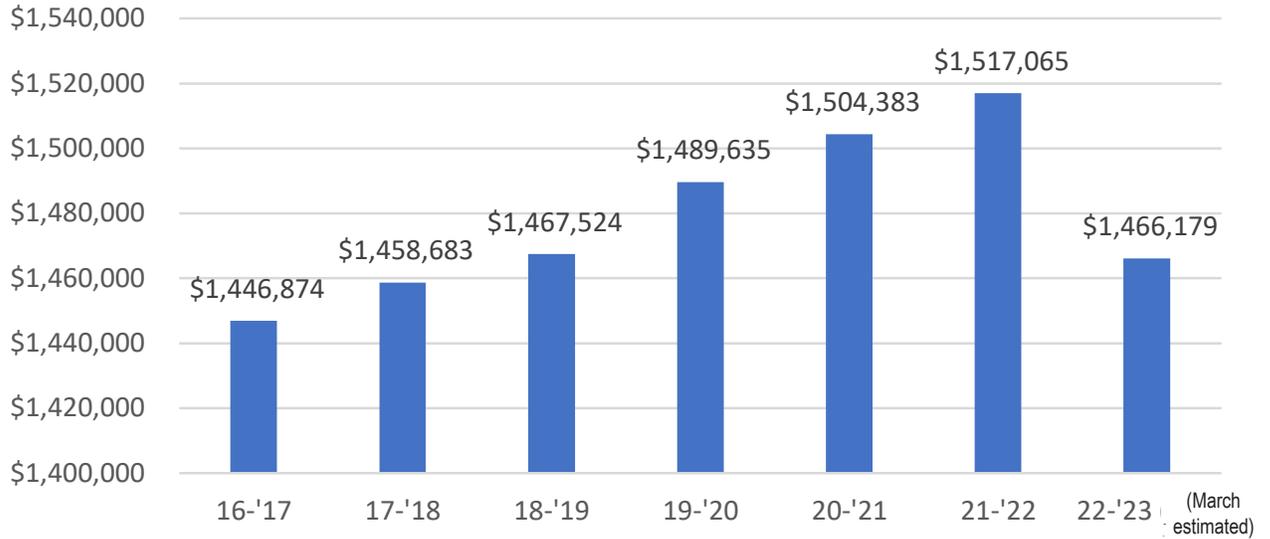
Balance April 1, 2022	\$ 5,200
Designated Offerings April 2022 - February 2023	1,360
Expenditures April 2022 - February 2023	<u> </u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 6,560</u>

Sabbatical Fund

Balance April 1, 2022	\$ -
Board Authorized Establishment of Fund	\$ 40,000
Board Authorized Transfer to Sabbatical Fund	\$ 3,667
Expenditures April 2022-February 2023	<u>\$ (20,814)</u>
Balance as of February 28, 2023	<u>\$ 22,853</u>

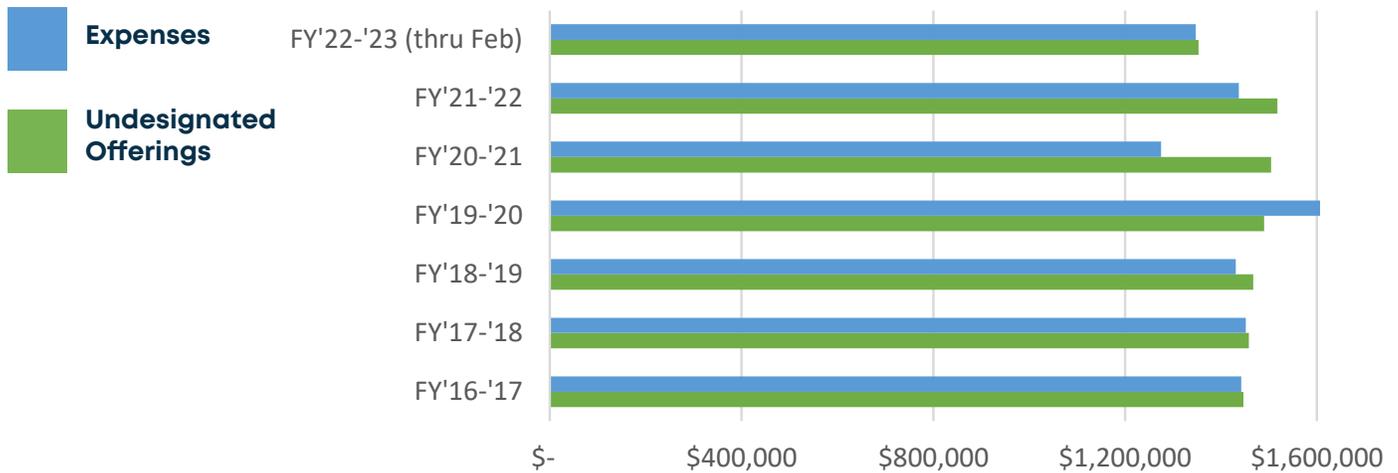
UNDESIGNATED OFFERINGS

Fiscal Year 2016-2017 to Fiscal Year 2022-2023



EXPENSES TO INCOME

7 Fiscal Years



PROPOSED BUDGET

General Budget 2023 - 2024

2022-2023 expenditures through
February 28, 2023

	2022-2023	2022-2023 Fiscal YTD		2023-2024	2023-2024	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>% Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% Increase/Decrease</u>	
OPERATIONS						
5211	Repairs/Maintenance - Facility	42,150	21,271	50.5%	55,500	31.7%
5212	Repairs/Maintenance - Equipment	12,900	11,091	86.0%	14,000	8.5%
5221	Utilities - Church	41,200	44,387	107.7%	49,650	20.5%
5230	Insurance	34,800	33,234	95.5%	35,300	1.4%
5250	Equipment Purchases - (<\$2,500)					
52503	Computer/AV	2,050	1,637	79.9%	4,455	117.3%
52505	Youth Ministry	3,000	2,802	93.4%	3,000	0.0%
5255	Equipment Fund	14,000	12,833	91.7%	14,000	0.0%
5260	Capital Outlay - (>\$2,500)					
5261	General Facility	12,750	5,545	43.5%	0	-100.0%
5262	Computer/AV	3,400	3,929	115.6%	0	-100.0%
5311	Supplies - Kitchen	2,500	1,094	43.8%	1,300	-48.0%
5312	Supplies - Office	2,500	2,091	83.6%	2,800	12.0%
5315	Supplies - Custodial	3,450	3,306	95.8%	4,000	15.9%
5320	Visibility	2,000	46	2.3%	4,500	125.0%
5325	Software & Subscription Services	17,407	15,068	86.6%	16,975	-2.5%
5330	Professional Fees	210	385	183.3%	435	107.1%
5340	Bank Fees	4,800	6,843	142.6%	6,480	35.0%
5350	Postage & Delivery	719	617	85.8%	739	2.8%
5361	Printing Costs	2,940	1,959	66.6%	2,720	-7.5%
5370	Vehicle Expense	6,000	10,267	171.1%	8,000	33.3%
5375	Vehicle Fund	15,000	13,750	91.7%	15,000	0.0%
5388	Building Improvement/Maintenance Fund	65,000	59,583	91.7%	53,850	-20.7%
	OPERATIONS Total	\$288,776	\$251,738	87.2%	\$292,704	1.4%
MINISTRY						
5140	Ministerial Expense - Pastors	13,525	12,663	93.6%	15,525	14.8%
5150	Conference Expense - Pastors	9,150	4,251	46.5%	9,850	7.1%
5180	Leadership Development	500	446	89.2%	500	0.0%
5190	Sabbatical Fund	4,000	3,667	91.7%	4,000	0.0%
5313	Library	900	917	101.9%	1,000	11.1%
5420	Evangelistic Outreach	9,200	3,829	41.6%	8,500	-7.6%

54312	Ministry - Assimilation	10,000	11,560	115.6%	13,500	35.0%
54314	Small Groups	2,000	994	49.7%	1,500	-25.0%
54332	Children's Ministry	6,867	4,046	58.9%	5,800	-15.5%
5434	Men's Ministry	5,000	1,652	33.0%	4,050	-19.0%
5435	Women's Ministry	6,200	2,845	45.9%	5,550	-10.5%
5436	Senior High Youth Ministry	37,250	34,292	92.1%	41,020	10.1%
5437	Junior High Youth Ministry	20,415	15,603	76.4%	21,960	7.6%
5438	Senior Saints Ministry	7,200	5,243	72.8%	6,050	-16.0%
5439	AWANA - Clubs	5,200	2,365	45.5%	5,200	0.0%
54396	Singles/Young Adult Ministry	9,500	5,551	58.4%	10,700	12.6%
54397	Prayer Ministry	500	50	10.0%	1,000	100.0%
5440	Safety & Security	5,600	3,057	54.6%	2,975	-46.9%
5445	Music	2,500	3,139	125.6%	3,500	40.0%
54502	Missions Support	291,000	242,283	83.3%	290,100	-0.3%
54503	Missions - Ministry Expense	4,000	3,015	75.4%	4,800	20.0%
54506	Missions - Short-Term Missions	2,500	0	0.0%	2,500	0.0%
54507	Missions Conference	15,000	13,469	89.8%	15,000	0.0%
5460	Living Stone Communities	22,720	23,198	102.1%	0	-100.0%
5475	Zehr Scholarships	600	400	66.7%	0	-100.0%
5480	Christian Education	3,055	1,177	38.5%	2,650	-13.3%
5512	Socials/Special Events	29,450	32,189	109.3%	32,925	11.8%
5513	Legacy Generation Ministry	3,500	0	0.0%	500	-85.7%

MINISTRY Total	\$527,332	\$431,901	81.9%	\$510,655	-3.2%
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STAFF & PAYROLL

Pastoral Staff	462,300	393,278	85.1%	476,170	3.0%
Non-Pastoral Staff	190,485	155,422	81.6%	196,200	3.0%
5114 Interns-Non-pastoral-youth	0		0.0%	3,000	100.0%
5122 Personnel - Staff Health Insurance	135,000	102,917	76.2%	135,000	0.0%
51303 Personnel - Moving Expenses	5,000	0		5,000	0.0%
51301 Payroll Taxes	14,572	11,840	81.3%	15,000	2.9%
5131 Personnel Search Expense	2,000	291	14.6%	2,000	0.0%

STAFF & PAYROLL Total	\$809,357	\$663,748	82.0%	\$832,370	2.8%
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Total Expenses	\$1,625,465	\$1,347,387	82.9%	\$1,635,729	0.6%
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Notes to General Budget Expenses:

1. Time period for 2022-2023 expended figures is 11 months (4/1/22-2/28/2023).
2. 2023-2024 Budget figures (number in parentheses is change from previous year):
 - a) Operations Total is 18% of Total Expenses (1.4%)
 - b) Ministry Total is 31% of Total Expenses (-3.2%)
 - c) Staff & Payroll Total is 51% of Total Expenses (2.8%)

PROPOSED MISSIONS BUDGET

Missions Budget Detail 2023-2024

	2022-2023 Budget	2023-2024 Proposed Budget
INDIVIDUALS		
AIM		
Orner, Doug & Lisa	8,400	8,400
Orner, Steve & Bekah	12,000	12,000
Simmons, Jim & Susan	30,000	30,000
Brazil Gospel Fellowship Mission		
Eldert, Nancy	3,600	3,600
Christar		
Campos, Dr. Oscar & Dr. Ana Maria	9,000	9,000
Cedine Bible Mission		
Zimmerman, Dwight & Phyllis	4,800	4,800
CRU		
Kent, Matt & Michelle	9,600	9,600
Soliday, Laurie	5,400	5,400
CTEN		
D, R & T	16,800	16,800
FamilyLife		
Blunier, Gary & Cindy	3,600	4,800
Maurer, Bruce & Cindy	9,600	9,600
Fellowship of Christian Farmers		
Schlagel, Dennis & Janet	9,000	9,000
Missional Made Simple		
Morr, Todd & Hannah	5,400	5,400
Global Service Network		
Miller, Bill and Debbie	3,600	4,800
His Mansion		
Jenkins, Josh & Amelia	4,200	4,200
InterAct Ministries		
Orner, Lucas & Jamie	9,000	10,200
International Students, Inc.		
TBD	3,600	-
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship		
Klouse, Jenny	7,200	9,000
Kids Alive International		
Johnson, Doug & Sara	9,000	9,000
RHMA		
Bagley, Bill & Gloria	4,200	4,200
Salem4youth		
Steve McNair	3,000	3,000
Josiah Venture		
Yates, Josh and Katie	6,000	7,800
The Navigators		
Weakly, Josh & Rachael	3,600	3,600
Trans World Radio		
Dobos, Kalman & Annamarie	4,200	4,200
World Outreach Ministries		
Kuzdas, Mark & Meg	3,600	3,600
Wycliffe Bible Translators		
Roberts, Jim & Paula	5,000	5,000
New Additions	-	-

	<u>2022-2023 Budget</u>	<u>2023-2024 Proposed Budget</u>
NATIONAL MINISTRY PARTNERS	19,000	19,000
Total Individual Support	\$ 212,400	\$ 216,000
RETIRED MINISTRY PARTNERS		
Dilworth, Sheila	2,400	2,400
Estep, Don & Nancy	1,200	-
Howard, Chuck & Anita	1,500	1,500
Kenney, LeRoy & Barbara	1,200	1,200
Kunz, Mel & Marian	2,400	-
Loewen, Dave & JoAnn	2,400	2,400
Noden, Dave & Darlene	6,000	6,000
Orner, Gloria	7,200	7,200
Sharp, John & Pat	2,400	2,400
Zimmerman, Eunice	900	-
Goodman, Leroy & Carol	1,200	1,200
Total Retired	\$ 28,800	\$ 24,300
ORGANIZATIONS		
As Our Own	3,600	3,600
Calvary Evangelistic Mission (Janet Lutrell)	1,200	1,200
Local Campus Ministries	1,800	1,800
Child Evangelism Fellowship	2,400	2,400
Cornerstone Christian Academy	2,400	2,400
EWO Sight Ministries (Jeff Huettemann)	1,800	1,800
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	3,600	3,600
Home Sweet Home Mission	3,600	3,600
Interim Ministries (Ron Workman)	600	600
Lake Waubesa Bible Camp	3,600	3,600
Ministry & More	2,400	2,400
Nassa Theological College	2,400	2,400
Pregnancy Resource Center	4,800	4,800
RHMA (Rural Home Missionary Association)	4,800	4,800
Salvation Army-Safe Harbor	600	600
Spread Truth Ministries	3,600	3,600
Tanzania Childrens Rescue Center	4,800	4,800
Young Life - McLean County	1,800	1,800
Total Organizations	\$ 49,800	\$ 49,800
TOTAL MISSIONS SUPPORT	<u>\$291,000</u>	<u>\$290,100</u>

MISSIONS SPECIAL GIVING

Disbursements Fiscal Year 2022-2023 through March 8, 2023

To: EWO Supported Missionaries

	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jim & Susan Simmons	Travel expenses	\$ 2,500
Josh & Katie Yates	Travel expenses	\$ 5,000
All supported	Christmas gifts	\$ 19,500
Jenny Klouse	Encouragement	\$ 3,000
Dave & Darlene Noden	Housing expenses	\$ 5,000

To: EWO Supported Organizations

Salem4youth	Fundraisers (golf & annual)	\$ 2,000
Global Radio Outreach	Fundraiser	\$ 1,000
Child Evangelism Fellowship	Fundraiser	\$ 1,000
Pregnancy Resource Clinic	Fundraiser (annual & Deeper Still)	\$ 6,000
Spread Truth	Fundraiser	\$ 1,000
Cedine Bible Mission	Short term trip projects	\$ 5,000

To: National Ministry Partners

Hope Ministries	Transportation needs	\$ 2,500
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To: "Other" Special Giving

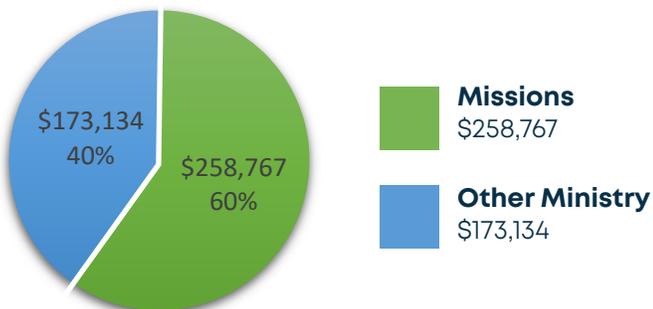
Misc. Individual ministry gifts <= \$1000		\$ 500
Oakdale Elementary	L.I.F.E. Club	\$ 1,200
Christ Seminary	Schooling for Zimbabwe students	\$ 5,000
EWO Columbia Team	Soccer field project costs	\$ 5,000
Christar	Turkey earthquake relief	\$ 10,000

Total \$ 75,200

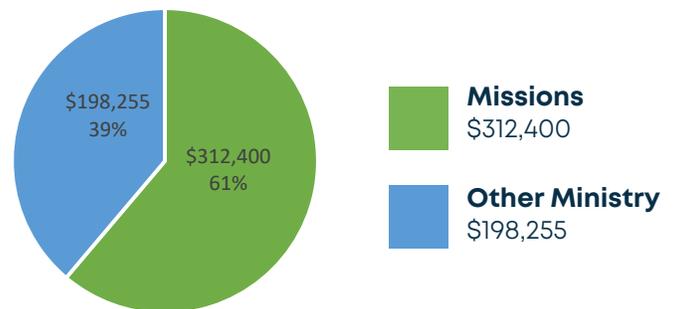
MISSIONS TO MINISTRY

Expended '22-'23, Budgeted '23-'24

Expended Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023



Budgeted Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024





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