

2025
Annual Report



**WE EXIST TO GATHER
PEOPLE AROUND
JESUS AND ONE ANOTHER**



dear gathering church family,

When Rahel and I moved to Asheville in 2016 with a small team and a big vision, we believed God wanted to build something special here—a church where people could encounter Jesus, find real community, and discover their purpose. A church where faith wasn't just something you practiced on Sundays, but something you lived every day.

Looking back on 2025, I'm overwhelmed with gratitude for what God has done in and through our church family.

This year felt like a turning point for The Gathering. We saw our church step into a new season with grace, momentum, and a growing sense of expectation for what God wants to do next. Over the course of the year our average attendance grew to **309 people**, and in the fall we experienced an exciting surge that resulted in **42% numerical growth** as new families and individuals found their way into our community.

But what excites me most isn't just the growth—it's the depth behind it.

This year **13 people publicly declared their faith through baptism**, and more people than ever took steps toward connection and discipleship. Our **groups ministry grew to 16 groups with 146 people involved**, meaning over **40% of our church family is now connected in biblical community**. That matters because real life change happens when people walk through life together.

We also saw incredible engagement in serving. Today **144 people serve on the Dream Team**, with **23 new members joining this year**, meaning nearly **half of our church is actively serving**. That's the kind of culture that builds a strong church—where people don't just attend, they take ownership of the mission.

Another highlight this year was watching new people find their place at The Gathering. **100 first time guests filled out connect cards**, and **85 completed Step One**, taking their first steps toward belonging and involvement in the life of the church.

And then there's generosity.

One of the things I'm most proud of about our church is your heart to serve people beyond our walls. In 2025, through your generosity, we were able to give away **over \$332,000 to ministry partners and relief efforts**. When crisis hit our region, you responded in an extraordinary way—giving nearly **\$918,000 toward relief efforts** and helping us bring real hope and help to people in need.

We also saw **209 people give financially this year, including 100 new givers**, which is a powerful sign that the culture of generosity continues to grow in our church.

When you step back and look at these numbers, they tell a story. A story of people finding Jesus. A story of people finding community. A story of a church stepping forward in faith to serve its city.

But as exciting as this year has been, I truly believe it's just the beginning.

For the past decade, God has been preparing our church for the next chapter. We believe the future holds even greater impact—more people reached, more lives changed, more families restored, and one day a permanent home that will allow us to serve this city for generations to come.

The momentum we experienced in 2025 reminds us that God is building something here. Our calling now is to keep leaning into that mission—continuing to gather people around Jesus and around one another.

Thank you for believing in this vision. Thank you for serving, giving, inviting, and loving this city so well. It is an incredible honor to pastor this church and watch what God is doing through you.

With love and gratitude,



PASTOR JOHN MARK REDWINE
Lead Pastor, The Gathering Church

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SECTION ONE

*...and the Lord will add to their numbers
daily those who were being saved.
Acts 2:47*



The Numbers

love

PEOPLE WHO
WERE BAPTIZED
THIS YEAR

09
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People are our Priority

**people in
small groups**

129

*20 Small Group Leaders
16 Groups*

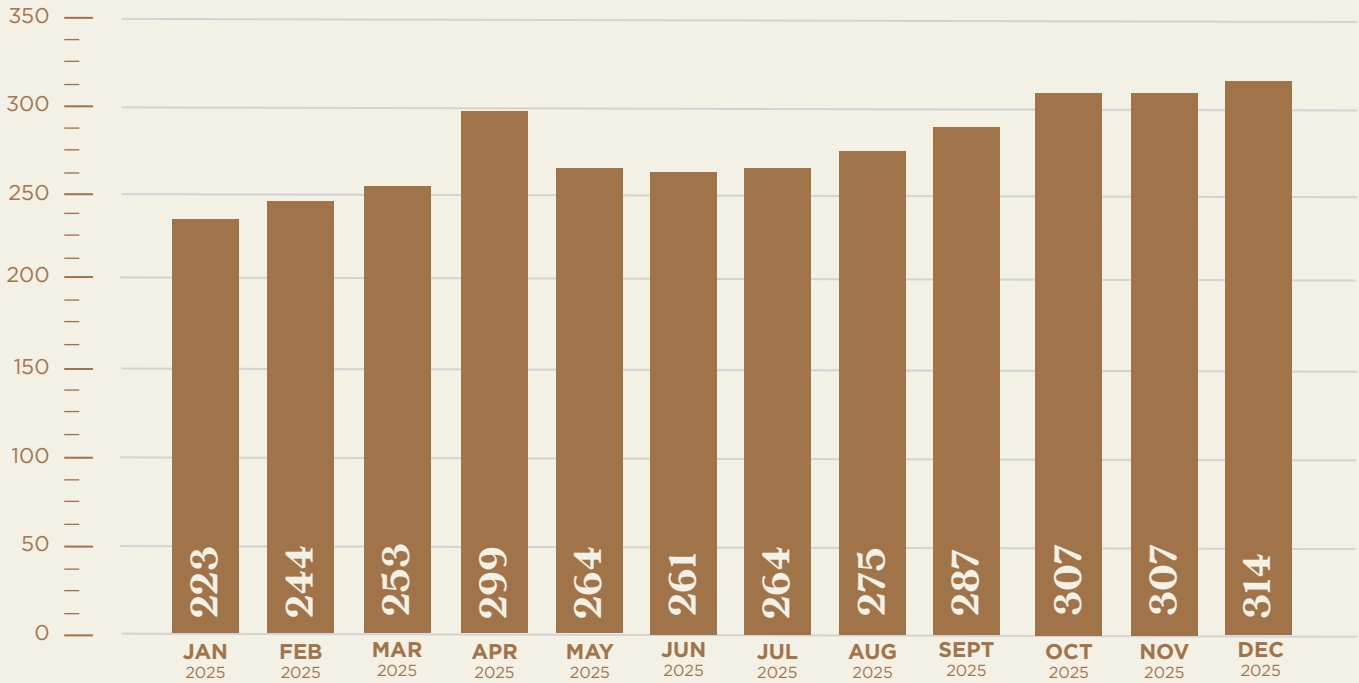
41% of attenders were in a small group

**people on the
dream team**

144

*23 New Team Members
46% of our attenders serve
on the Dream Team*

Attendance



20% growth in attendance over 2024



first-time guests

100

attended step one

85

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SECTION TWO

Now you should finish what you started. Let the eagerness you showed in the beginning be matched by how you are giving.

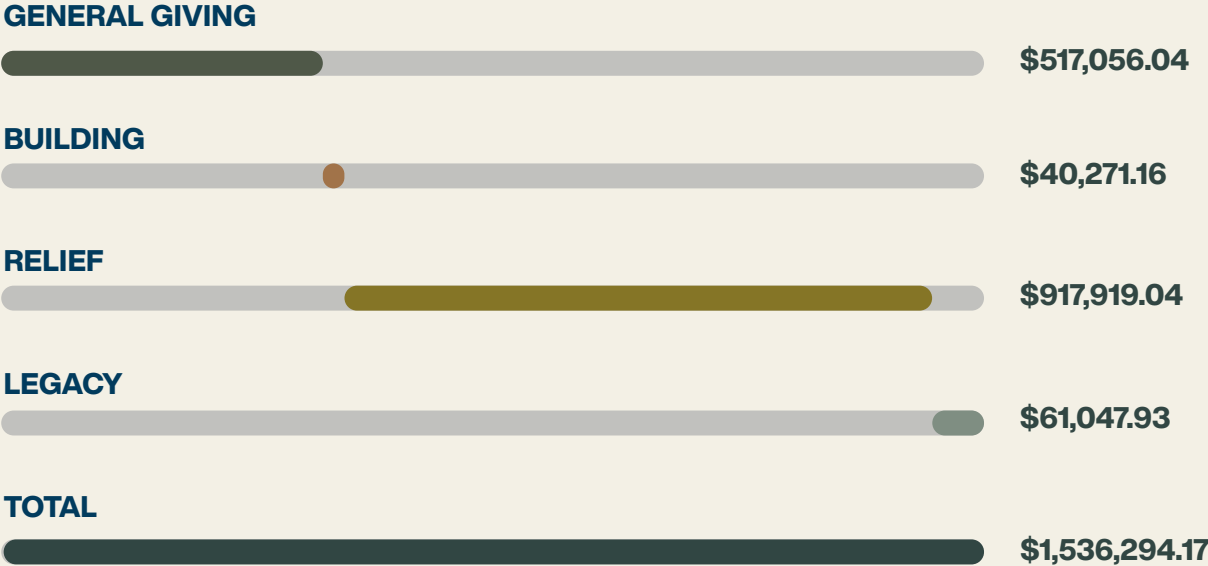
2 Corinthians 8:11



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INCOME



BUILDING FUND

As of April 2026, we have \$631,207 toward our goal of \$1,000,000.

unique givers

209

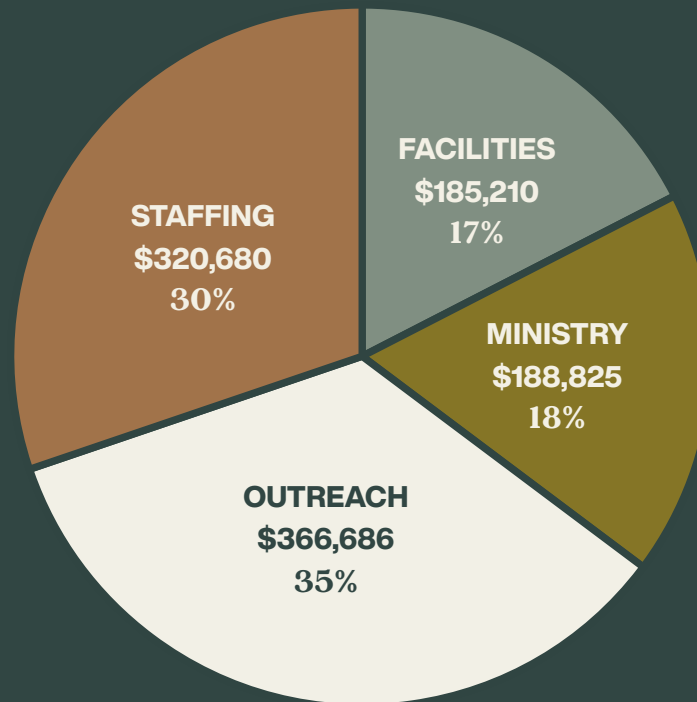
new givers

100





OPERATIONAL COSTS



we gave \$332,863 away to relief 8 ministry partners



THE GATHERING
CHURCH

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