



BEECH HAVEN CHURCH

Dear Beech Haven Family,

Every year about this time, I pause to thank God for the unmistakable ways His hand is at work in and through our church. And this year, that gratitude runs especially deep.

We're seeing it in the baptisms—3 in 2023, 9 in 2024, and already 17 so far this year. Each one represents a story of God's grace, a soul made new in Christ. We're seeing it in the people—average Sunday attendance has grown nearly 20% in three years, from 382 in 2022 to 455 in 2025, with multiple Sundays now exceeding 500. We're seeing it in the generations—preschool classrooms bursting with life, fresh momentum in our student ministry, college students and young families filling our halls, and senior adults faithfully anchoring our ministry with prayer and presence. We're further seeing it in gospel conversations, now marked by hundreds of pins on the map, and in more than 61 new memberships in 2024 and 2025.

In other words, Beech Haven is thriving, by God's grace, and growth brings both opportunity and responsibility. Our facilities, especially parking and preschool space, are nearing capacity. Our ministries are multiplying and leaning into growth plans. And our calling remains the same—to cultivate the unwavering hope of Jesus in every generation.

That's why our proposed 2026 budget reflects both gratitude for what God has done and faith for what He will do. If approved, here are some examples of budget impact:

- Missions – We'll increase our missions giving by approximately \$20,000, which means 10.6% of every dollar given will go directly to local, national, and global missions. We want to be a sending and serving church, generous in both heart and resources.
- Family Discipleship – Our kids and student ministries budget will get healthy increases as we look to reach new families and expanding our discipleship efforts for kids and parents.
- Adult Discipleship – We'll add a new staff position to help lead our growing adult ministry. As more people connect through groups, classes, and service, we want to make sure everyone has a clear path to grow deeper in Christ.
- Facilities & Future Growth – We'll continue to steward our property and resources wisely, and our Master Planning Task Force is helping us discern how best to support this growth with strategic space planning and wise financial management.

We are financially healthy—debt-free, with nearly \$3 million in holdings—but our greatest resource remains you: the people of Beech Haven, faithfully giving, serving, and sharing the gospel.

I'm inviting you to pray and participate as we step into another year of ministry together. Every gift fuels the mission. Every act of generosity helps us reach more people with the hope of Jesus.

Let's continue to walk by faith, give with joy, and believe that the best is yet to come.

With gratitude and hope,
Pastor Rob