MINISTRY © IMPACT REPORT



TRANSFORMING LIVES BY CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS, HIS WORD, AND COMMUNITY.



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Dear White Flag Family,

As I reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for your unwavering commitment to the mission of our church. 2024 was a year of extraordinary impact, and none of it would have been possible without your generosity. By putting God first with your finances, you are making an eternal difference.

I want to take a moment to say thank you and invite you to celebrate with us. This report reflects the fruit of our partnership, as we look back at 2024. Each number and story in this report have been touched by your generosity and is a testament to what God can do through a unified and faithful church. We have seen lives transformed, communities reached, and the love of Christ made tangible in so many ways.

As we look forward to the future, I am excited to continue this journey with you. Thank you for your faithfulness, your generosity, and your commitment to advancing God's Kingdom through White Flag. Together, we are making an impact that will last for eternity.

In Christ,

Pastor Paul Wingfield

IMPACT STORY: THE MILLER FAMILY

Brian and Liz Miller started fostering Roman, (then 17 months old), in October of 2023 and quickly knew that they wanted him to forever be a part of their family. His transition into their family wasn't easy, but coming to church on Thursday nights helped.

"We knew he could talk, but he wouldn't," said Liz, "but he became enamored with the wands that the Parking Team would hold and wanted to go see them everytime we came to church. The guys on the team were so great with Roman. They would let him hold the wands and would engage with him. He finally started really opening up around December and I think it was partly because he felt so welcomed and loved by everyone here."

"We got to know all of the guys on the team really well and found out that during service they do a Bible study together. At that time they just so happened to be studying through the book of Romans."



The road to adopting Roman has had its ups and downs and, at one point, the Millers thought that he may be leaving their home and going back to his birth mother. When the Thursday Parking Team heard about this, they went to work. They ordered a kid-sized vest and a wand and asked the staff to make him a name tag. When he arrived at church that night, they made him an official member of the Parking Team.

"If someday he was no longer here, we wanted him to see the vest and the wand and remember the love of God and the people who prayed for him and loved him too," said Brian Berg, Thursday Parking Team lead.

"We have always felt welcomed and loved at White Flag, but this was a whole new level," said Liz. "This team and their wives have become our crew. He loves coming to church and cries anytime we pass it and don't turn in to the parking lot."

"We're still on the rollarcoaster of his adoption being finalized, but we are trusting God and His plan for all of us. Brian is now serving on the Thursday Parking Team and we know that our church family will continue to play a big part in Roman bonding into our family and into our lives."







DECISION PATHWAY

820 New Guests

Attended Starting Point

139 Baptisms

New Partners

Attended WFSTRONG

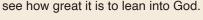
IMPACT STORY: BLAKE BUNTON

"For years I refused to give up the lifestyle I wanted and tried to 'get things in order' before I felt I was good enough for baptism. I would always pray for everyone else, but I rarely prayed for myself. I tried to do it on my own.

In September 2024, I felt overwhelmed with parenting, my relationship with my wife, and everything else that life was throwing at us. I don't think anything was really wrong, but I had a lot of doubts about being good enough as a dad and a husband. I tried to do anything I could to support my family and I just kept feeling like I wasn't doing enough.

I came across John 14:27. It was a verse I heard all the time growing up, but this time I felt my shoulders relax and it hit me that I'd been wanting peace and the only way I can have peace in my life is to accept Jesus. I was exhausted from trying to do it all on my own. I knew I needed help. I knew I needed to give my life to Jesus because I'm nowhere near equipped to do this on my own.

I sent a text to Pastor Steve and it meant a lot that he was the person to baptize me. I've asked him many questions over the years, brought him problems to help me solve, and he always provided the answers that I needed even if I didn't want to hear it. I was blessed to have my wife and kids there to witness my baptism as well because I want to be an example for my family. I hope this was one of many occasions that my family can





After my baptism and going through WFSTRONG, my wife helped push me to serve at church (knowing I'm an introvert), I've joined a men's group on Thursday mornings, and we regularly give. I'm so far from where I want to be, but I never thought I'd be this ingrained in my faith. I get excited to attend church, I look forward to talking with the guys on the Parking Team, and I jump out of bed on Thursday mornings to learn from other men who provide a great example of what it means to be a man of God.



AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

1,513 +16.6% from 2024





IMPACT STORY: JERRY LITTLE

Jerry has served on the 9:00 am Guest Services Team for many years. Over the past couple of years, a few middle-school and high-school aged boys have joined the team. Jerry has become an amazing mentor to these young men and he has set an amazing example with his heart to serve.

When Jerry turned 80 last year he thought he may be getting too old and needed to "retire" from the serving team. When the boys heard about this, the students became the teachers and insisted that he continue serving with them. Jerry is truly making an impact on the future men of White Flag.

"I love serving with Jerry. He's funny and always looking to make people laugh. He loves talking to people and gives great advice. He invests in our lives heavily and genuinely cares about us and our lives. He is very strong in his relationship with the Lord and it is evident in his fruit and his life." - Jackson Black (15yrs, front-right)





CAMERON THOMAS

"I decided to sign up for Sports Camp for the first time last year because I've served in other areas of the church and wanted to see what all of the hype was about. I went in thinking that I was going to be serving kids, but I had no idea of the impact it would have on me. Every day I left feeling like I got more out of it than the kids probably

did. At the end of that week I had a whole new view on serving and my purpose. I joined a serving team in White Flag Kids and can't wait to serve at Sports Camp 2025!"

DONNA FLAHERTY

Knee brace and all, nothing was going to stop Donna from serving at Sports Camp 2024. Little did she know the impact she would make on her group of cheerleaders as well as our missions goal!

"I really loved that the money raised at Sports Camp was going to go to help our church in Ecuador and the girls were excited to help raise money for kids who are just like them but who may have different circumstances and struggles. I challenged them that for every day they showed up, listened and worked hard that I would give each of them \$1. At the end of the week, I gave everyone the money they had earned and with the money they had raised from doing other things like lemonade stands and walking dogs, we were able to put lots of money towards sliming Coach Nikki! It was so much fun and it allowed the girls to recognize that they could play a part in doing something really important. When they put up the amount that was raised, we were all just so surprised and proud. It was truly everyone doing a little part to come together as a big part and that's what a Church is!"

2024 TOTAL GIVING

\$2,909,567.99

589 **GIVING UNITS** 138

FIRST TIME GIVERS

241

RECURRING GIVERS

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

\$171,765.85

2024 MISSIONS SPENDING



\$113,959.39 INTERNATIONAL

DOMESTIC



\$75,272.31 \$64,683.33 RESERVES







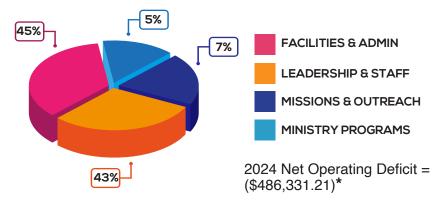
2025 MISSIONS BUDGET

\$290,862

2024 TOTAL EXPENSES

\$3,455,209.71

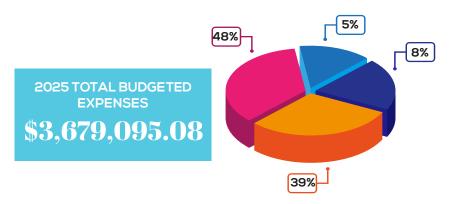
2024 EXPENSE PERCENT OF TOTAL EXPENSES



2025 GIVING GOAL

\$3,679,095.08

2025 EXPENSE PERCENT OF TOTAL EXPENSES



^{*} The good news is, that instead of the expected 3-5 year window of operating loss, we've been able to shorten that to 2-3 years because of your generosity!

