

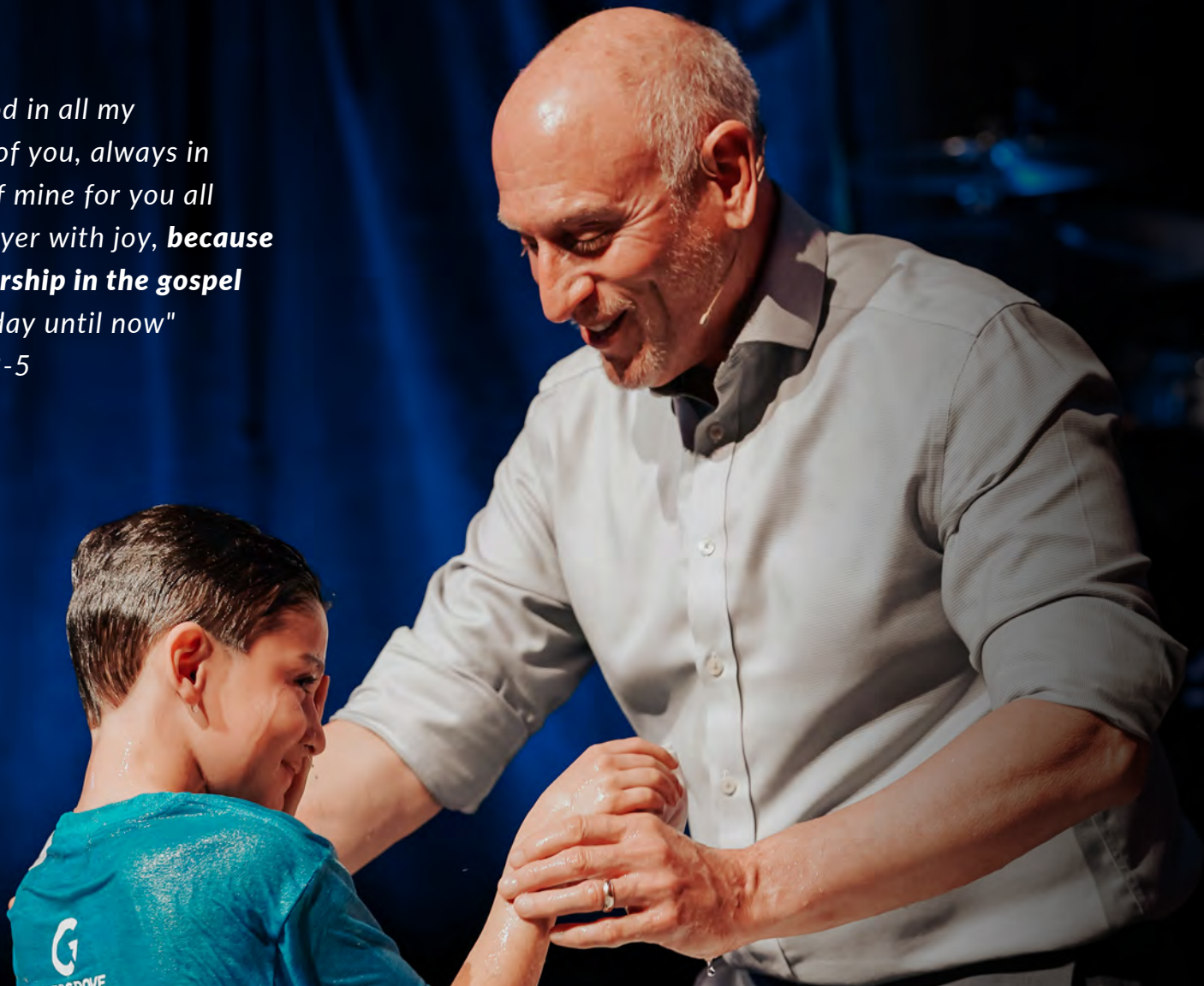
STANDING FACE TO FACE WITH HE WHO DIED AND ROSE AGAIN

# 2024 >> YEAR IN REVIEW

*Center Grove's Annual Partners' Report*



"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**  
from the first day until now"  
Philippians 1:3-5





# A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

*At Center Grove, 2024 was focused on **Loving Jesus and Loving people**. For us, that meant taking new and expanded steps in national and international missions and helping even more people grow in following Jesus – we disciplined another 63 people in thirteen Discipleship Mentoring Groups.*

*2024 also meant a year of the unexpected. At home, we experienced growth in young families and children, with our kids' ministry growing by 30% in 2024! Just beyond us, we watched Hurricane Helene devastate Western North Carolina and found ourselves joining thousands of others heading for the mountains to help and serve in Jesus' name.*

*Throughout the year, Center Grove has loved well, grown much, served well, and shared the gospel in new ways. I am grateful and glad to share this report, highlighting what God accomplished in and through us in 2024.*

*As we enter 2025, join me in taking a moment to pause, reflect, and celebrate what He has done. Let's pray, too, that God will use us to do **even greater things** in the year ahead (John 14.12).*

*Please know how grateful I am for you and your gospel partnership in 2024.*

***Thank you for living and giving to make an eternity's worth of difference in the lives of others!***

***Your friend and pastor,  
Steve Corts***

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**Average On-Campus  
Weekend Attendance**

# 1596

**Easter Sunday  
Attendance**

# 61

**Baptisms**



## ***Did You Know?***

*In 2024, most guests reported that they found CG in one of two ways:*

*They heard about us from a friend or family member, or they found us online. 68% of all new guests found us because they were invited or encouraged by you!*





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## Discipleship

VineU

155 Participants

5 Classes Offered

### Discipleship Mentoring Groups:

13 Groups | 63 Participants

*65% of adult CG members and  
attenders engaged in a Life Group,  
DMG, or VineU in 2024.*



## Groups

Life Groups:

27 Groups | 336 Participants

### New Life Group Participants:

60 Participants | 5 Groups  
(8% increase)



Average Attendance: 196

Growth over 2023: 29%

Professions of Faith: 19

Summer Adventure:

175 Kids

115 Volunteers



Average Attendance:  
106

336 WKND Attendance:

126 Students

27 Leaders



## Did You Know?

**In 2024,  
67% of  
those seeking  
membership  
at CG were  
young adults  
and young  
families.**





# *In the* **AFTERMATH**

*"Serving in Western North Carolina was a real blessing of an experience for my wife and me. You don't immediately think that the work you're doing is Mission Work, just clean up. For the better part of about six hours we were shoveling mud and removing debris from a home that had been completely flooded by Hurricane Helene. What we saw that day can only be described as "other-worldly" and "heartbreaking." The real gospel moments came after we finished for the day. My wife and I spent some time in Black Mountain to visit a coffee place and a few stores we knew we loved. Baptists on Mission provided us T-shirts at the beginning of the day that I almost declined, but glad I didn't. One older woman came up to me, hugging me and crying, thanking us for being there. We spent about ten minutes talking about the devastation, how thankful she was that people like us were coming up and doing manual work that folks like her couldn't, and what an amazing witness it is to respond with our time like this."*

*John Secrest*

*Served 11/16/24*



"Serving in Swannanoa gave me a sense of fulfillment yet sadness knowing that we were helping clean up all the damage done by the storm, but the sadness I felt came from knowing that these people were not going to be able to move back in anytime soon. The work was dirty and physical, having to shovel a few feet of mud out of the lowest levels of people's homes and removing destroyed furniture, personal belongings, electronics, and the everyday items found in your home. By the end of the day nearly everyone that went there was covered in mud and was physically exhausted. In the end it felt like we made an impact knowing that our contribution is putting those affected by the storm one step closer to returning home."

Jason Clore

Served 11/16/24

"My trip with Center Grove to Western NC was a wonderful opportunity to serve in Jesus' name. When we arrived at the condo in Asheville, it was devastating. I had never mudded out a house or seen anything like it. The condo where I helped had nothing done to it so far. The floor was covered in thick mud and insulation because the ceiling had fallen down. We worked all day removing items from the condo first and then shoveling out mud. By the end of the day, we were able to clear out five rooms. I am thankful for my opportunity to serve with Center Grove and continue to pray for the people in western NC. I look forward to more opportunities in the future to serve."

Greta Haggstrom (pictured left)

Served 11/9/24

"While getting the opportunity to serve in Asheville for hurricane relief through NC Baptist Missions, I was able to witness the devastation of nature but also saw a community of faithful servants come together to put a dent in the massive amount of necessary recovery needed in the area. We were tasked with shoveling out mud that washed in from the nearby river. Working in a single house, we were attempting to salvage personal items that the homeowners would want restored. A large amount of their belongings were thrown to the curb to be trashed. This was a strong reminder that our possessions are temporary but having a community of believers around you is invaluable."

Susan Kendall

Served 11/16/24



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17 | 405

*Serve Teams | Individuals Serving  
at Center Grove Church*

**3000+**  
**Hours Spent Serving**

*OUTSIDE OF CG*

**April 20, 2024**

148 Volunteers Participated  
in Church-Wide Project

**August 2024**

200+ Outfits and \$6294  
Donated for Foster Kids  
Through the FFRC

**180+**  
**Volunteers Sent**

*STATE-WIDE*

**October - December 2024**

3 Teams | 29 Volunteers  
Sent to the WNC Relief Effort

**Member Care**

73 CG Members Impacted in 2024

**10 Local Ministry Partners  
Served by CG Life Groups**



***Did You  
Know?***

***In 2024,  
Tar Heel Center  
for Pastoral  
Leadership  
served 24  
churches and  
pastors,  
enabling them  
to better share  
the Gospel  
in their  
communities.***





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## Local Impact

People Trained in  
Personal Evangelism: 94  
1st Time Guests: 297



## National Impact

People Sent: 45  
*Boston, Glen Rose, New  
Bern, Swannanoa,  
Waynesville*



## International Impact

People Sent: 25  
*Cambodia, Canada, Honduras,  
Malaysia, South Sudan*







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**\$3,070,000**

**Total Receipts 2024**  
*(3.3% increase over 2023)*

**\$113,743**

**Season of Giving 2024**  
*(\$23,743 over goal)*

## **Benevolence and Impact Giving**



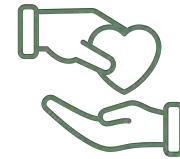
**Benevolence:**

**\$36,775**



**Missions Giving:**

**\$307,681**



***Did You Know?***

*In 2024,  
560 Households  
partnered with  
us in the Gospel  
by giving to  
CG and 79 new  
households  
gave for the  
first time.*

*Your Generosity Fuels the Mission*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR **IMPACT** >>

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