

2025-2026

Annual Report

Apostles Raleigh

Our Mission

Our Mission is to be a community in midtown Raleigh that serves as a hub of renewal.
We pursue this by inviting people into our rhythm of life.

Rhythm of Life

Deep Prayer (Ps. 42:7)
Rich Community (Col. 3:16)
Extravagant Hospitality (Ps. 34:8)
Gospel Partnership (Phil. 1:3-5)

Our Niche

We swim in three streams.
We're a community where biblical preaching, Spirit-filled worship, and sacramental worship join as one. The flow of the Word, Spirit, and Sacraments shape our life together.

Here at Apostles

Annual Snapshot

Sunday Attendance

	SEPT '23-'24	**SEPT '24-'25**	**SEPT '25-'26**
average attendance	*2 yrs ago*	*last year*	*current*
total adults (9 & 11)	443	471	531
total kids (9 & 11)	94	97	116
TOTAL	**537**	**568**	**647**

New Members

34

New Births

21

Baptisms

34

Deep Prayer



This Past Year

- Held Prayer Vigils for Kickoff, Holy Week, and Children's Chapel
- Apostles artists created original artworks for Visio Divina guided prayer mornings during Lent

Rich Community



This Past Year

New Event: The Fall Festival

- Young Adults & Community Groups hosted games, crafts, and Trunk-or-Treat
- More than 150 participants came to enjoy the festivities
- Children's Ministry and Student Ministry volunteers helped with set up and clean up

"Fall Festival was so fun! It was a blast to see friends go all out with trunk or treat, watch pumpkins get smashed and leaders get dunked, it was great!"
Mary Stuart Gray

Extravagant Hospitality



This Past Year

- Snow days resulted in a Friday Evening Service and Pizza Party. Everyone pitched in and we ate 100 pizzas after worshiping together in our snow boots!

Gospel Partnership



This Past Year

- Apostles participated in Safe Families' Caring at Christmas Project, raising $29,894 to build circles of support around families
- We hosted Bishop Louis & Marcel from our sister diocese in Rwanda
- A team of 14 visited our mission partner, Potter's House, in Guatemala

"In the OT, when God was doing a work of redemption, the prophets would often picture growth coming out of a desert land. For example, Isaiah states: 'The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. (35:1-2)' This is happening in this desert region of Chiquimula. Potter's House is a beautiful flower blooming in this wonderful yet challenging desert valley."

Doug Peterson *Mission Trip Participant*

Next Generation

We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done. (Psalm 78:4)







This Past Year

- 43 parents, 50 kids, 13 staff & volunteers at Family Camp
- 30 students at Middle School Camp
- 19 students on the High School Mission Trip to Black Mountain, NC
- 3 Next Gen summer interns
- 3 summer camps for Children's Ministry
- New record of 161 children in the Garden on a single Sunday morning!

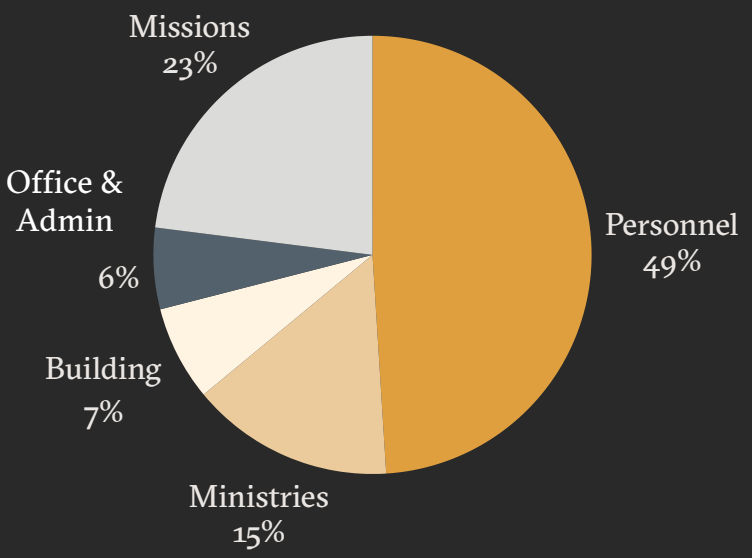
"What really stuck out to me over the course of the trip was how willing God was to use this little bit of time we'd set aside. And I don't mean, oh he had us laying bricks sun up to sun down, I mean that God took us and used us in ways we couldn't have expected, nor orchestrated."

Zoe Wood
Black Mountain Mission Trip Participant

Budgeting



2025-2026 Actual Expenses

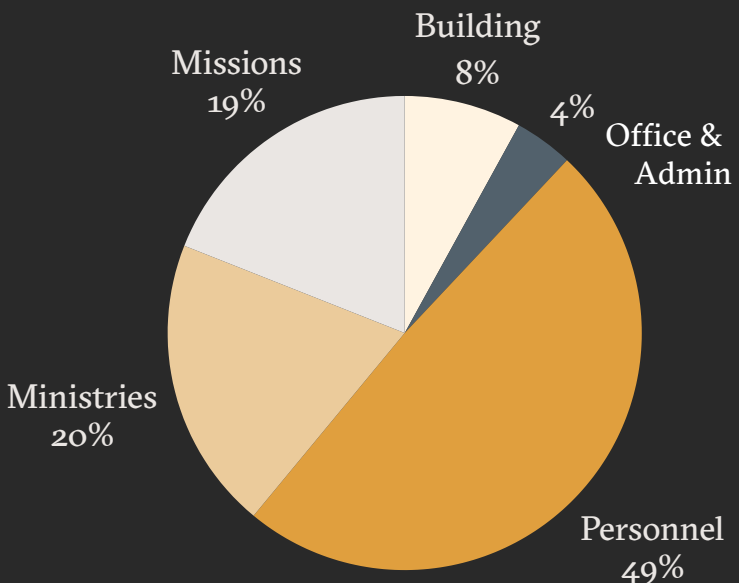


*This graph does not include the surplus

Our projected revenues for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 were $2,533,989. Our actual revenues were $2,779,642.

We stewarded the surplus by building a Campaign Fund for our upcoming capital campaign to improve our facilities.

2026-2027 Budget

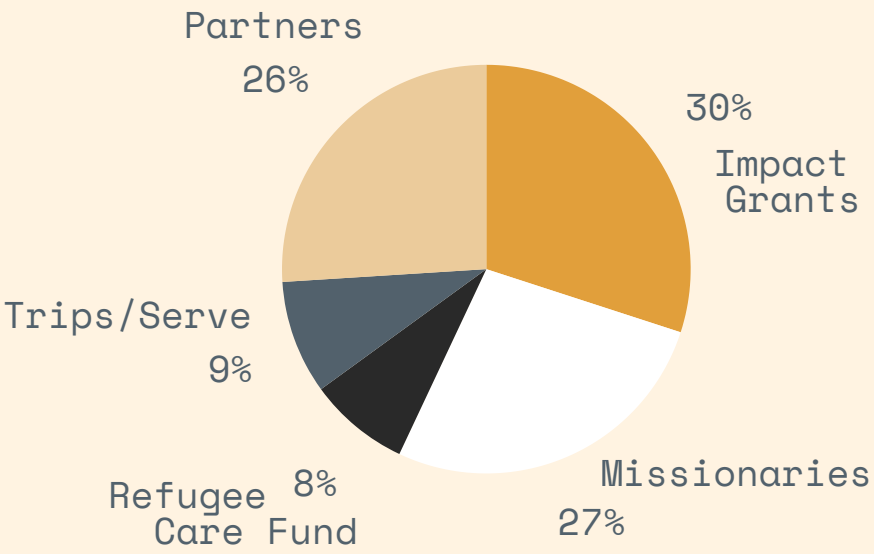


Our projected revenues for the current fiscal year, which began July 1, are $2,818,100. This represents an increase of $38,458 over last year's actual revenues.

Projected expenses for this year are $2,909,115.



Freedom for Mission



In 2015, Apostles launched a campaign to pay off our mortgage and provide greater support for the mission of our church. We completed this initiative in 2018, and began directing **10% of our annual revenue to missions.**

Total Given to Missions: $303,564

Special Offering:

During Advent 2025, we raised $29,894 for Safe Families' Caring at Christmas Project! These funds directly supported families in crisis and helped Safe Families grow their community of volunteers and supporters.



Partners

- Potter's House Association in Guatemala
- The Anglican Church in Rwanda
- Safe Families for Children
- Refugee Hope Partners
- Neighbor to Neighbor

Ministries

- Gateway Women's Care
- NeighborHealth Center
- The Encouraging Place
- YoungLife Central Raleigh
- YoungLife North Raleigh
- JourneyMates
- CCX Ukraine

Missionaries

- Amy Moreau
- Brian Mann
- Bill Finley
- Cindy Finley
- John Farwell
- Laura Prewitt
- Raquel Rogers
- Rich Benson
- Robin Bolash
- Terri Shell

Anglican Ministry Fund

Spotlight: Rwanda Partnership

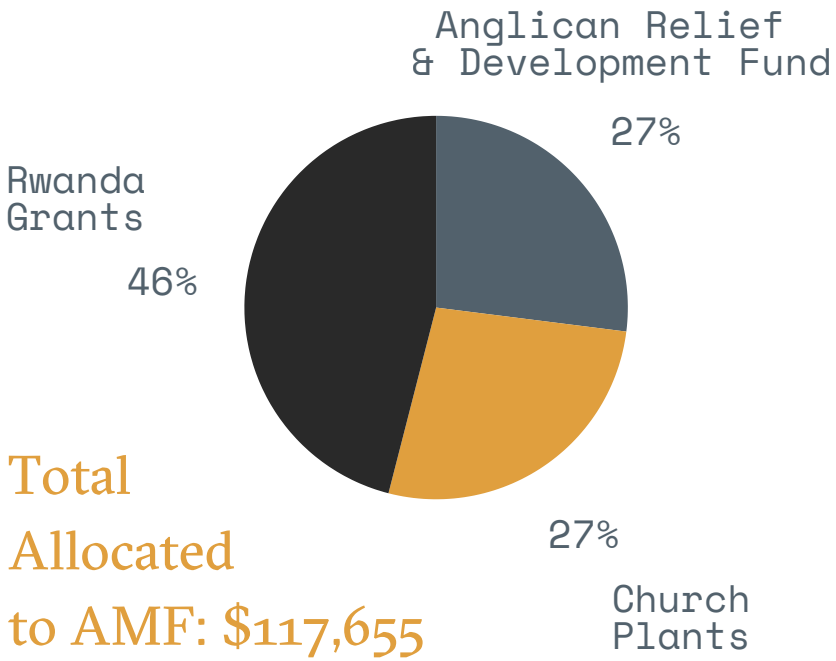
From the beginning, Apostles has tithed 10% of its revenue to our diocese. However, the Diocese of the Carolinas caps diocesan contributions at $117,000. To steward the surplus of our tithe, Apostles created an Anglican Ministry Fund team in 2023 to distribute the remaining funds throughout the Anglican world to church plants, Anglican relief and development projects, and our partnership with the Anglican Church in Rwanda.

This year we were able to fund the Kabuba Water Access project, which brought a safe and reliable water source to the entire hillside community surrounding Kabuba Chapel in Rwanda.

Apostles also gave 10 students scholarships this past year to complete their training at the Shyogwe Technical Secondary School. All 10 students graduated in June with completed degrees.

Our partnership with the Anglican Church in Rwanda was strengthened, not only by funding projects like these, but also by Apostles hosting Bishop Louis and Marcel for a visit to Raleigh in August. It was a joy to worship in person with Bishop Louis and Marcel and be reminded of the ways that we are one united global church and body of believers.





Total Allocated to AMF: $117,655

Leadership Council

Apostles is led by the senior pastor, who is assisted by the Leadership Council.

The Council is an elected group of men and women who are responsible for the business and legal affairs of the church. They also serve as an advisory council to the senior pastor in matters of mission and ministry and big-picture issues facing the church.

Current Council Members

Nick Comiskey
Ben Smith
Billy Williams
Jon Horner
Daniel Alexander
Robin Williams
Matt Young

Beth Finneran *(outgoing)*
Emily Smith *(outgoing)*
Jared Miedema *(outgoing)*

Current Treasurer

Brandon Newhouse

Slate of Council Nominees



Anna Farmer

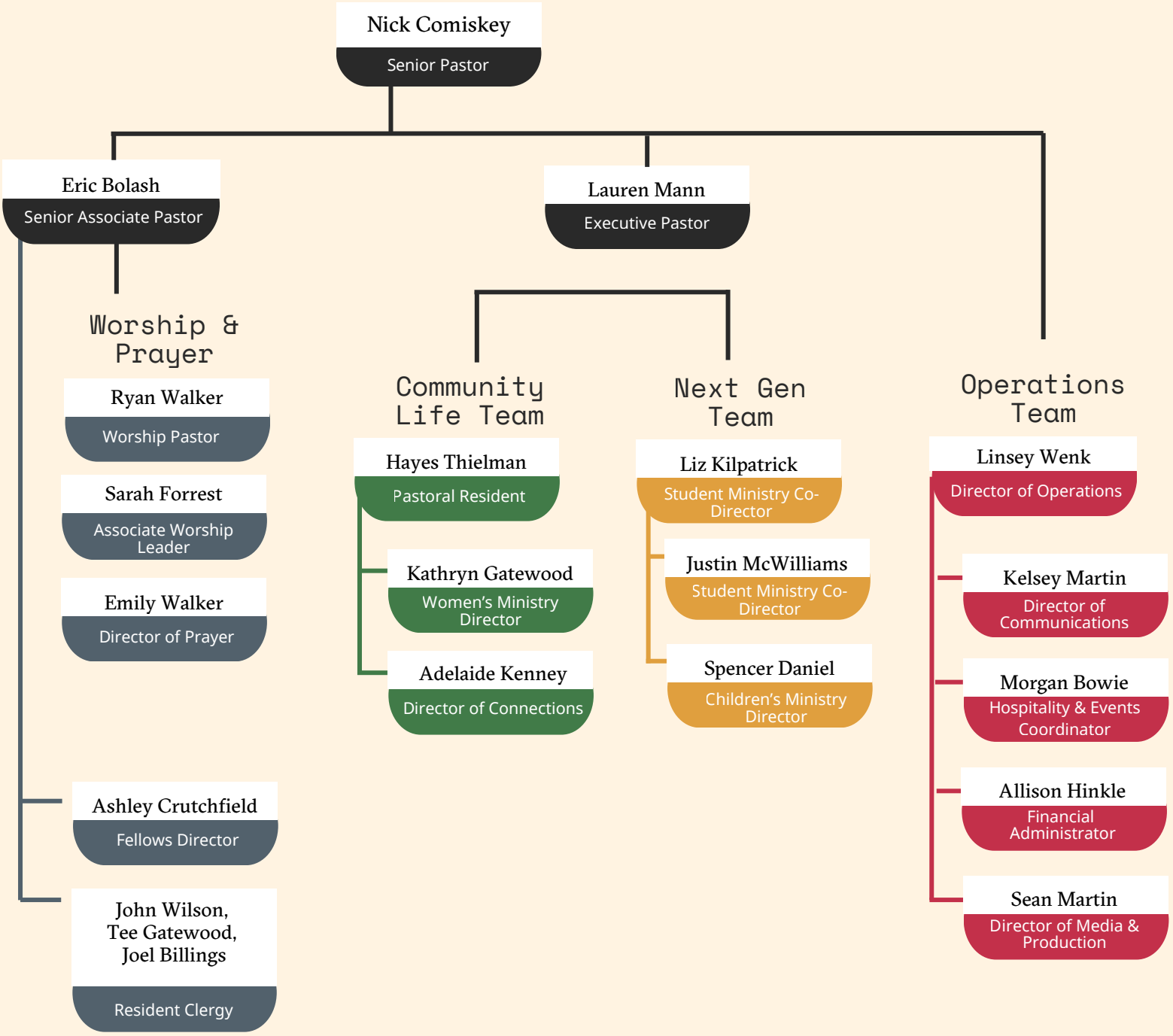


Bradley Hearn



Emily Smith

Apostles Staff





God is pouring out more than we can hold

"Water From the Rock" is a campaign to expand our facilities and establish a seed fund for church multiplication. It focuses on four key areas:

Expanded spaces to gather and worship

Room for the next generation to grow

Outdoor spaces for community

A vision for church planting

Progress to Date

Listening and Discerning

The Leadership Council has spent the last two years developing a plan for our facilities, driven by three things: using what we already have well, keeping costs down, and opening our campus to the neighborhood. Before the campaign launches, we want to bring this plan to our church family. Over the next two months we'll gather feedback through 1:1 conversations, small groups, town halls, and a survey open to the whole congregation.
We want to know what resonates, what doesn't, and what questions people are sitting with. What we hear will shape the campaign we'll launch next year.

November 15 *from 1-2pm*
November 16 *from 8-7pm*
November 22 *from 1-2pm*

Attend a Town Hall →

In Celebration

These members of Apostles joined the Lord this past year.

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: deal graciously with those who mourn. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ralph Michael Selmont, Jr.	*January 23, 1953 - March 2, 2026*
Patricia Trower “Pat” Garrett	*October 2, 1939 - March 29, 2026*
Robert David “Bob” Eggebeen	*April 26, 1935 - May 10, 2026*