

WHITTIER AREA COMMUNITY CHURCH



ANNUAL REPORT 2025

JESUS TO PEOPLE AND PEOPLE TO JESUS



Dear Church Family,

Author Ann Voskamp once wrote, "Every minute of faithfulness is a seed that God will faithfully grow into profound change."

As I look back at 2025, I am inspired at how God has used the seeds of your faithfulness to bring about profound life-change for so many people. During this past year, we have witnessed **354 people** publicly declare their faith in Jesus through baptism. WACC welcomed an average of **4,300 people** each Sunday to worship God and to hear about the grace of Jesus. There were almost **2,000 people** who were disciplined in small groups, **2,414 people** in our church family who stepped out to serve in ministry, in a new way, and **140 kids** who made a first-time decision to follow Jesus at VBS. On top of all this, we have seen our WACC en Español ministry, Access ministry, and Young Adult ministry all grow and expand in exciting ways.

Church, thank you once again for your obedience, intentionality, and sacrifice to join God in His great work! I pray that the contents of this annual report will inspire you and remind you that God is using the investment of your time, talents, and treasure to bring profound change, both in our community and across the globe.

God bless you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JR" or "John Riley".

John Riley

GATHER

Gather



AVERAGE ADULT
SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

4,300

13,004

EASTER WEEKEND
ATTENDANCE

6,814

CHRISTMAS SERVICE
ATTENDANCE

69,667

ONLINE CHURCH
STREAMS



TOTAL DONATIONS GIVEN TO
THE MINISTRY OF WACC IN 2025

\$7,378,436

\$233,534

DISPERSED THROUGH
THE BENEVOLENT FUND
TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED

\$114,729

GIVEN TOWARDS
CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE RELIEF



NEXT STEPS

600

GUESTS IN GUEST CENTRAL

119

PEOPLE ATTENDED NEXT STEPS
TO GET MORE CONNECTED &
CONTINUE GROWING IN THEIR FAITH

2,414

TIMES PEOPLE SIGNED UP TO
VOLUNTEER IN A NEW WAY



After 15 years away from God, Aaron felt called to return. He took eight Sundays off work to find a church, visiting four before discovering WACC. From his first visit, he felt something different, a genuine warmth and welcome. Encouraged to attend Next Steps, he returned each week, growing in faith and connection. Since then, Aaron has begun serving in several ministries, joined a Rooted group, and found his home in the WACC family.



GATHER



Rose started attending WACC in 2025 after being away from the church for over a decade. When she visited WACC, she experienced the Gospel in a new way and gave her life to Jesus. Rose had also been recently diagnosed with Parkinson's and her newfound relationship with Jesus brought a peace to her body and spirit. Rose then decided to be baptized as the next step in her discipleship journey.

"My relationship with Jesus grew more than ever and my prayers are more heartfelt and He has always blessed me despite trials and tribulations. With Jesus, I've always endured."

354

BAPTISMS IN 2025

WACC EN ESPAÑOL

165
20

AVERAGE SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

BAPTISMS

YOUNG ADULTS

80
50

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AT
YA SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE

VOLUNTEERING
REGULARLY AT WACC



GROW

Grow

SUPPORT GROUPS

140

AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Every Monday night, **13** different support groups gather on our campus for those pursuing healing, hope, and connection. Each week, around **140 people** walk through the doors of WACC seeking more than just community. They come to be known and to be reminded that God sees them, even in the midst of struggle.



CODE 4

This year we hosted Code 4, a retreat for first responders and their families. This experience created a safe and supportive space for those serving on the front lines to receive emotional care, physical refreshment, and meaningful encouragement for the whole family.

GROW GROUPS

1,952

PEOPLE IN GROUPS AT WACC

536

COMMUNITY GROUPS

210

MOMCO

140

COUPLES AT MARRIAGE
CONNECTION DATE NIGHTS

45

WACC EN ESPAÑOL
BIBLE STUDY

\$455,505

DEBT PAID THROUGH
FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

WOMEN

Women's Ministry Spring Retreat returned after a 5 year pause! **84 women** gathered at Forest Home for a weekend full of worship, laughter, and community. God moved powerfully deepening faith and drawing women closer to Jesus.

MEN

Over the past year, Men's Ministry hosted live storytelling events for an average of **150 men**, where personal stories of triumph, struggle, and healing brought men together and reminded them they are not alone.





389

NEW
VOLUNTEERS
AT WACC



LOCAL

\$19,037

IN NEEDS MET FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES
IN CRISIS THROUGH CARE PORTAL

GLOBAL

\$ 358,050

GIVEN TO GLOBAL MISSIONS
IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

400

STUDENTS RECEIVED BACK
TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES

714

LESS RESOURCED FAMILIES WHO
SHOPPED AT THE RACK AT WACC

79

GO SERVE LOVE PROJECTS
SERVED OUR COMMUNITY

100

DONATED EASTER BASKETS FOR
FAMILIES SERVED BY THE WHOLE
CHILD DURING GO SERVE LOVE

800

PEOPLE VOLUNTEERED OR
DONATED DURING GO SERVE LOVE

30

NEWLY HOUSED FAMILIES
SHOPPED AT WELCOME HOME

65

GRADUATING FOSTER YOUTH
WHO WERE CELEBRATED AND
RECEIVED GIFTS

177

KIDS RECEIVED A CHRISTMAS GIFT
ON BEHALF OF INCARCERATED
PARENTS THROUGH ANGEL TREE

31

GLOBAL PARTNERS AND MISSIONARIES
SERVING AROUND THE WORLD

53

PEOPLE WENT ON
SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIPS



After 25 years of considering a mission trip, Ernie finally joined WACC on a life-changing journey to Malawi. However, just a week before leaving, he and his wife Natalie faced the unexpected loss of a close family member. While in Malawi, God used the people they came to serve to actually minister to Ernie and Natalie, offering them a glimpse of heaven in their time of grief.

ACCESS

213

NIGHT TO SHINE GUESTS

650

NIGHT TO SHINE VOLUNTEERS

NEXTGEN

NextGen



VBS

681

KIDS ATTENDED VBS

463

VOLUNTEERS HELPED WITH VBS

140

KIDS MADE A FIRST TIME DECISION TO FOLLOW JESUS



JR. HIGH

348

STUDENTS AT FAD

50

JH AND HS STUDENTS BAPTIZED

KIDS

400

CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO 5TH GRADE IN WACC KIDS WEEKLY

427

NEW FAMILIES HAVE ATTENDED ON SUNDAY MORNINGS SINCE JANUARY

86

NEW VOLUNTEERS HAVE JOINED THE SUNDAY TEAM



CLUB 45

STARTED THIS YEAR CREATING A MID WEEK SMALL GROUP EXPERIENCE FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS!



HIGH SCHOOL

54

STUDENTS SERVING REGULARLY AT WACC

318

STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED AT LEAST ONCE IN 2025



274

STUDENTS 4TH-12TH GRADE ATTENDED CAMP

SPORTS

192

VOLUNTEERS

375

KIDS IN YOUTH HOOPS

275

KIDS IN YOUTH KICKS

120

KIDS IN VOLLEYBALL

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“The growth that I've seen in both of our children who have been involved in WACC Sports, from the scriptures and to the talks the coaches have been amazing in helping to navigate the emotions that come from losing or competition. Sports where God is put first, you don't get that anywhere else. It led to Aria, my daughter, getting baptized and I cherish that.”

The Hayes Family

