

Dear Watermark Family,

It is with humble gratitude, weighty responsibility, and eager anticipation that we share the budget for our 2025–2026 fiscal year (beginning July 1, 2025). Every dollar stewarded will go directly toward pursuing Watermark’s vision and 10 markers.

VISION

**Abiding in Jesus,
we are making disciples
together.**

10 MARKERS

**A Gospel-Saturated Church
A Praying Church
A Spirit-Led Church
A Bible-Revering Church**

ABIDING IN JESUS

**A Missional Church
A Maturing Church
A Sending Church**

MAKING DISCIPLES

**A Shepherding Church
A Community Church
A Unifying Church**

ENJOYING LIFE TOGETHER

As you review this information, our prayer is that you would participate with us through giving however God leads, and that you would see beyond percentages to the people being ministered to in the name of the gospel. The gospel—working through your generosity to Watermark—is making disciples, changing lives, restoring marriages, freeing people from harmful cycles, and bringing hope and healing to thousands in Dallas-Fort Worth and beyond.

We believe God wants to do much in and through our church. And while we’re 25 years in, we believe we are just getting started. Let’s go, church!

The Elders of Watermark Community Church

Todd Anders, Timothy “TA” Ateek, Ben Caldwell, Mickey Friedrich, Blake Holmes, Rob Thomas

Watermark Community Church

ANNUAL BUDGET 2025–2026

TOTAL 2025–2026 OPERATING BUDGET **\$34,464,733** **100%**



FISCAL YEAR: JULY 1, 2025–JUNE 30, 2026

MINISTRIES & DISCIPLESHIP		56%
Community, Equipping & Care	9,226,395	27%
Life Stage Ministries	5,416,996	16%
Worship, Production & Communications	4,494,913	13%
MISSIONS & OUTREACH		13%
Local & Global Missions	2,920,799	8%
Watermark Resources	958,708	3%
Watermark Institute	684,563	2%
FACILITIES & OPERATIONS		31%
Facilities, Maintenance & Security	5,997,397	17%
Operations & Administration	4,724,962	14%

Updated on July 1, 2025

Note: Totals reflect a combination of personnel and ministry expenses

Financial FAQ

HOW DOES THE '25–'26 BUDGET COMPARE TO LAST YEAR'S BUDGET?

This year's budget represents a 3.9 percent increase year-over-year, driven primarily by strategic investments in initiatives related to sending, church planting, and discipleship, and the rising cost of living for our staff.

HOW WILL WE END THE '24–'25 FISCAL YEAR?

We are projected to end the 2024–2025 fiscal year (ending June 30, 2025) with a \$500,000 deficit. This deficit will be covered by limited cash reserves.

IF WE ARE ENDING OUR '24–'25 FISCAL YEAR WITH A DEFICIT, WHY IS OUR '25–'26 BUDGET INCREASING SLIGHTLY?

While we are projecting a deficit for the '24–'25 budget, our Business Advisory Team feels confident that the resources to cover the newly approved budget exist within our body if we clarify our needs with our members and God prompts their release. We believe this is an opportunity to invite you, our members, to help meet this need. We ask that every member seek God's leading about contributing financially to Watermark's mission. We will continue monitoring giving and spending closely in the new fiscal year, and we will adjust ministry activity as needed if the deficit continues or increases.

IF GOD INCREASED GIVING AMONG OUR MEMBERS, WHAT WOULD WATERMARK FOCUS ON?

If God released more funds from our body, the elders would use those funds to accelerate initiatives in church planting, international missions, and sending. Increased giving would also allow us to move more nimbly as the Holy Spirit continues to lead us to further implement Watermark's vision and 10 markers.

WHAT IS THE MOST HELPFUL WAY TO GIVE?

Recurring donations (i.e., automatic monthly payments) help us plan better and steward our resources most effectively. You can set up or update recurring payments through our giving portal at watermark.org/give.

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