

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024



7 YEARS OF INVESTING IN LOCAL LEADERS,  
LEADING STRATEGIC CHURCHES,  
IN SIGNIFICANT PLACES.



SPRING '24, WATER'S EDGE CONFERENCE.

Captured here was a special moment of unity and celebration over what God has done through the lives of these international pastors over the last year. God is moving powerfully as we witness and step out in faith for what He has in store next.





The church is many things, but it is nothing without the Lord Jesus working through his people to extend the Father's rule and reign to the lost and hurting.

I remember starting off as a young pastor in Hamburg Germany, passionate about the work God was doing through my local church family, but overwhelmed with the growing needs of shepherding and teaching alongside the tasks of leading a church.

Now, every time I travel to be present with one of our pastors thousands of miles away, I'm brought back to that very moment, and I see the weight they carry. The holy burden to bring hope and life to the hurting and lost. To shepherd them well. I'm so encouraged every time I see how God has worked through Water's Edge to provide support to these local leaders.

At Water's Edge, we are a family of kingdom-minded, missionally motivated churches working together to amplify the hope and life of Jesus to everyone, everywhere.

As we celebrate 7 years of seeing God move in Water's Edge, we want to share **7 key areas** where Water's Edge has made an impact this past year. Look what the Lord has done!

- Pastor Craig Rees, Founder of Water's Edge





In the past year,  
we've **witnessed...**



**588**  
BAPTISMS



Since 2017, when Water's  
Edge began, we have  
seen **4,526 salvations**  
and **1,906 baptisms**







**1,126**  
SALVATIONS



**8,887**  
WEEKLY ATTENDANCE



**\$16,554,799**  
ANNUAL BUDGET (USA)







# LIFE

## *transformations*

SALVATIONS

**1, 126**

BAPTISMS

**588**





# STRATEGIC *Locations*



ATTENDANCE

**8,887**

Filling heaven as we  
create space for the  
kingdom to grow on earth.







# GEOGRAPHIC *Reach*



Short term mission trips to  
Guatemala, Peru & Jamaica



Humanitarian aid +  
support for Ukraine.



The launch of Captivate's  
2nd campus in La Jolla, CA



Secured a larger facility for The  
Local Church in Grand Rapids





# EXPANDING *Spaces*



Hope + Life Church - Cambodia



Pangrango Church - Indonesia



La Iglesia Ciudad - Peru



The Well - Tennessee





# WATER'S EDGE

## Worship

**3 NEW SONGS**  
released

**291,000 TOTAL**  
streams







It is our hope to inspire the worship of the living God in our regions and beyond. Water's Edge Worship is a collective of songwriters and worship leaders based out of the churches in the Water's Edge Family we serve to be a soundtrack of what God is doing in our local churches. This year alone we've seen 7 worship nights led at 5 locations.





# Generosity

## *Tithes & Offerings*

GIVING (USA LOCATIONS)

**\$16,554,799**







# VISION

*For the future*

## **BUT THE WORK IS NOT DONE.**

Over the past year alone we've seen over 1,000 salvations. With this growth, however, comes the need to support another growing movement that keeps up with the pace of God's desire to both strengthen His children and mobilize them to share the gospel. We seek to partner with Jesus as He builds His church by:

### **1 | ACCELERATING CHURCH BUILDING.**

Christ is building His church. We join God in building reproducing churches that promote reconciliation with God. We do this by removing the capacity barriers that limit local leaders from advancing the gospel in areas they already have influence and relationships in.



## **2 | MOBILIZING GENEROSITY.**

Through our local initiatives, we mobilize your generosity to preserve the strength and integrity of the churches through the support and equipping of our leaders and pastors. The gospel of Jesus Christ is carried out by the workers in the field, shepherding and teaching, and our position is to deploy them well and remain with them and their churches in supporting local initiatives led by local leaders.

## **3 | PROVIDING SYSTEMS AND SUPPORT.**

God is bringing growth, influence, and opportunity to advance the gospel globally, and it is our unwavering mission to deeply invest in those churches through the systems that support those leaders. To grow our impact, we must first grow our leaders and ensure a sustainable strategy of support that equips them for the long haul of ministry and the character to sustain the growth that unfolds.





God has continued to bless the Water's Edge Family of Churches around the world and it is through the generosity of many who have given to see their local Churches grow and impact their communities.

From the inception of Water's Edge in 2015, the founding location, Central Holland, has invested over \$12.5 million in gifts, grants, and loans so that The Church of Jesus would be built.

Central Holland celebrates \$0.25 of every dollar that comes in is sent out to help to see lives transformed through our Family of Churches. Our goal is to continue to see this missional generosity infused into every Water's Edge church.

As we step into this next fiscal year we are gearing up for an amazing fruitful season at all of our Churches. Thank you for sacrificially giving to further this exciting multiplying movement forward.

Would you prayerfully consider investing in the Water's Edge Family of Churches by connecting with our team at [give@watersedge.org](mailto:give@watersedge.org) or click Give on our website for a safe and easy online giving platform.

-Pastor Travis Rea, Water's Edge COO







Investing in local pastors, leading strategic churches in significant places around the world.



MAP OF OUR FAMILY OF CHURCHES WORLDWIDE