



# 2017-18 Annual Report

**WEST RIDGE**  
CHURCH

# Leading people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ

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*The mission of West Ridge Church*





If I had to choose a few words to describe this past year of ministry at West Ridge, the words healthiness, growth and life-change immediately come to mind.

We have experienced growth in nearly every one of our ministry areas. Most important, I cannot recall a season of ministry when we have witnessed so many amazing life-change stories.

Furthermore, God, in His faithfulness, has allowed us to experience the best financial year in our church's history.

I am so thankful for the many people who have sacrificed their time, gifts and financial resources to make all of this become a reality. This report not only highlights a memorable time in the life of West Ridge but casts a God-sized vision for your church in the future. Thank you for your faithfulness in giving to West Ridge Church.

For His Glory,

*Brian Bloye*

**BRIAN BLOYE**  
Senior Pastor



# West Ridge Church Stats



**445**

Salvations



**237**

Baptisms



**4,302**

Average Weekly Attendance



• 1,238 First Time Guest Families (YTD)

• 7,681 People attended Christmas at West Ridge

• 10,161 People attended Easter at West Ridge



• 14,622 Sermon podcasts listened to  
• "God Sees & God Knows" in the Exodus Series was the most listened to message



• 13,518 Sermons watched online at westridge.com  
• "When You Are Stuck In A Cul-De-Sac" in the Exodus Series was the most watched message



• 84,889 Unique visitors at westridge.com

• 475,531 Page views at westridge.com

• 10 Million impressions through West Ridge's Facebook page



## TEAM MEMBERS



**924**

Average Weekly Team Members



**1,248**

Pots of coffee drank in Team Member Central



**58,905**

Cars parked by the Parking Team



**403**

New Team Members who began serving on a Team

## GROUPS



**1,282**

Average number of people in Groups per week



**33**

Group Coaches



**209**

Group Leaders



**688**

People attended connecting events



**186**

People attended Next Steps



**86**

Average attendance of Re|Engage



**148**

Groups meeting throughout the community



**121**

Total amount of people who attended a Care Group



## Family Ministries



**789**

Average Attendance for Kids Services



**302**

Team Members Serving in Kids Ministry



**788**

Average Attendance for Student Services



**182**

Team Members Serving in Student Ministry

### ***SURGE***

- 1,439 Campers attended SURGE 2018
- 725 Volunteers at camp
- 17 Pies to Dr. Evilstein's face
- 80 Campers accepted Christ



### ***RUSH***

- 816 Students attended RUSH Camp
- 208 Volunteers at camp
- 105 Students accepted Christ
- 76 Baptisms at camp



**295 Total  
Salvations in our  
Kids & Student  
Ministries**







# Financial Summary 2017-18

*Fiscal Year – July 1, 2017–June 30, 2018*

## 2017-18 Giving Received:

\$6,245,350

## Budgeted Giving:

\$5,700,000

## 2017-18 Budget Surplus:

\$545,350

## Average Weekly Giving Per Person:

\$45.35

## 2017-18 Expenses/Revenues:

\$580,700

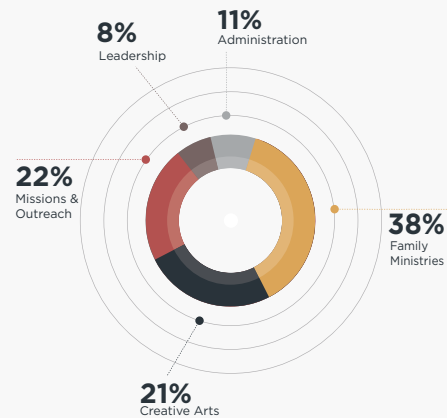
## Giving Family Units:

3,405

## Statement of Functional Expenses

*How the money was spent*

*January 1–December 31, 2017*



## GENEROSITY AT WORK

- \$169,600 invested into community outreach
- \$46,800 invested into international missionaries
- \$57,300 invested into helping internationally
- \$42,000 invested into community partners
- \$143,000 invested into church planters

## 2018-19 Budget:

**\$6.25 Million**



## Global Missions



228

People sent on a Mission Trip



325,639

Total miles flown by short-term missionaries



8

Short-term Mission Trips in 2017-18

*100% of the World Cafe's  
proceeds build clean water  
wells in Burkina Faso, Africa*



- \$28,735 Given to Engage Burkina through the Cafe
- 3,000 People now have access to clean water in Burkina Faso, Africa through the World Cafe



- 3,309 Fruit smoothies blended
- 18,200 Mints given away
- 6,061 Cups of coffee sold in the Cafe



## Global Partner Updates

### Bob & Courtney McGregor

Campus Outreach | Thailand

*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..."*  
**Matthew 28:19**

Bob McGregor began attending West Ridge in 2000 while still in high school, and he later graduated from Berry College.

In the summer of 2007, God planted the seed of Bob and Courtney's ministry while on a short-term mission trip—which also happens to be how they met one another.

"We fell in love with the people and felt burdened to do anything we could to reach more Thais for Christ."

In 2011, Bob and Courtney uprooted their lives and moved halfway across the world to Khon Kaen, in the heart of Thailand.

Now serving in Chiang Mai, Thailand, the McGregors invest their time in building relationships with college-aged Thai students with the goal of ultimately introducing them to the person of Jesus. Many of them know very little, if anything, about Jesus.

In a country where less than 1% profess to be Protestant Christians, the McGregors have made a significant impact for the sake of the Gospel in the community of Chiang Mai, discipling seven Thai students who have come to Christ through their ministry.

"We are the hands and feet of not only Christ, but also of our church home here in Thailand," Bob said. "What we do would not be possible without West Ridge and the rest of our ministry partners praying and caring for us back home."





## GENEROSITY EXPERIMENT

 **\$158,500** | Received during the Generosity Experiment

Last September, we celebrated 20 years of ministry as West Ridge Church. To celebrate, we asked that instead of us receiving gifts, we wanted to give gifts away—resulting in the biggest Generosity Experiment we have ever done! We challenged every person who called West Ridge their church home to give a one-time gift of \$20, and you responded BIG.

### Because of your generosity, we were able to:

- Give five of our Church Planters from all over the United States a total of \$84,000.
- Gift a van to a family who has a daughter with special needs.
- Complete a home renovation for a military veteran who was disabled in the line of duty.
- Send dozens of military veterans to an Atlanta Braves game.
- And many more untold stories of impact and life change that were made possible through your generosity.



Watch the stories of your generosity at [westridge.com/stories](https://westridge.com/stories)



## THE GIFT OFFERING

 **\$320,000** | Received during the 2017 Gift Offering

Some of the greatest miracles we've witnessed as a church over the last 21 years have happened as a result of the Gift Offering.

*The Gift Offering is a yearly challenge to give a gift back to God that is greater than any other gift you give during the Christmas season, in an effort to keep Jesus as the focus of Christmas.*

As we approached last year's Gift Offering, there was one question that was on our hearts. "What are the pressing issues in our community that West Ridge Church needs to tackle?"

### Because of your generosity, these ministry initiatives were able to happen:

- Night To Shine 2018
- Sending two local football teams to FCA Camp
- Launching a church plant in Edinburgh, Scotland on Easter Sunday
- Placing local students with mentors from West Ridge
- Recording an original West Ridge Worship Album
- Global Partner Retreat\*

*\* Scheduled for October 2018*



## Church Planter Updates

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**Garth Leno**

The Gathering Church | Windsor, Ontario

I may be the most reluctant church planter on the planet, but God is at work in spite of my reservations. Because you gave, and because you prayed for me and for our church planting ministry, I have had the incredible privilege of planting a church in Windsor, Ontario, Canada and watching God change lives!

**We're praying that God would bless West Ridge as they continue to invest in Church Planters to make the name of Jesus famous.**

At our recent fourth anniversary celebration (June 3, 2018) we had 327 people in attendance, many of whom do not know Jesus yet! Thank you for your encouragement, generosity, and support! You are helping make it happen!





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