

BUDGET 2023

A Word from Budget & Finance:

Dear Cary First Members,

The Budget and Finance Team is delighted to propose the 2023 general fund budget for your evaluation. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to undertake this task. We believe this budget to be aligned with the direction of the church, based on the purpose and mission statements of Cary First.

We are very pleased for your unceasing faithfulness to give so that we can demonstrate the love and share the good news of Jesus Christ – everyday, everywhere with everyone.

We are inviting you to prayerfully meditate how God is entrusting you for being a good steward with His resources to financially support the efforts of this faith-based budget so that Cary First can prevail in being a light in this hopeless world.

Eleanor Sun

Chairperson of Budget and Finance Committee

Budget Discussion



Business Conference
October 16th @ 4pm

Budget Vote



Special-Called
Conference
October 30th after
8am and 10:30am services

CARY  FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH

A Message from Pastor Pat:

Dear Cary First Baptist family,

Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness in giving financially to the ministry and work of Cary First Baptist Church. You have enabled Cary First to provide ministry in Cary, Wake County, North Carolina, throughout the United States, and around the world.

We are coming out of the Covid pandemic, but things in our world are far from where they were before the pandemic started. Our world is in chaos and now more than ever, the world needs the love and hope of Christ.

Cary First Baptist Church exists to demonstrate the love and share the Good News of Jesus, everyday, everywhere, with everyone.

A vital part of demonstrating the love and sharing the Good News of Jesus is being a good steward of God's resources. As we look forward to 2023, I want to encourage everyone to trust God to do more and not less. When we think about the future of Cary First Baptist Church, we need to remember **Ephesians 3:20-21**, "Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us ²¹ to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever."

When I read **I Corinthians 7:6-11** I am encouraged by what the Apostle Paul wrote to the Church at Corinth, "The person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each person should do as he has decided in his heart—not reluctantly or out of compulsion, since God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make every grace overflow to you, so that in every way, always having everything you need, you may excel in every good work. ⁹ As it is written: He distributed freely; he gave to the poor; his righteousness endures forever. ¹⁰ Now the one who provides seed for the sower and bread for food will also provide and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for all generosity, which produces thanksgiving to God through us." CSB

As we look to the future, let us pray and trust God to accomplish His will in our church. Let us pray and trust God to transform the lives of people in our community. Let us pray and trust God to grow our church. Let us pray and trust God to provide everything we need to accomplish His will and advance His kingdom on the earth.

When we give with a cheerful heart and a generous spirit, we can trust God to provide the financial resources we need to accomplish His will and advance His kingdom.

When we are faithful to give and trust God with our finances, we are proclaiming to God that we trust His ability to provide for us and His church.

It is a joy to serve as your pastor!

May God bless you, and may God bless Cary First Baptist Church as we seek to serve Him!



Pat Kilby

Senior Pastor

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THE 2023 OPERATIONAL BUDGET \$1,834,000

Missions

Includes Cooperative Program, local, US, international outreach & trips, local benevolence, and associational support

Spiritual Development Ministries

Includes education & discipleship ministry, all adult ministries, bereavement, ministry resources, and media center

Personnel

Includes housing, salaries, insurance, retirement, and FICA

Next Gen Ministries

Includes budgets for kids ministry, student ministry, college ministry, Family Life, Weekday Preschool, and scholarships

Worship Ministry

Includes deacon ministry, pulpit supply, as well as all musical, audio/visual, and technical needs for worship-related activities

Pastoral Ministry

Includes leadership training, hospitality, and missions

Administrative

Includes I.T., administrative & office operations, vehicles, new equipment, and professional fees

Facility Upkeep

Includes building and grounds maintenance and decorating expenses

TOTAL

	2022	2023	% Change
Missions	256,409	277,165	8.09%
Spiritual Development Ministries	47,450	55,300	16.54%
Personnel	786,838	907,180	15.29%
Next Gen Ministries	49,535	57,000	15.07%
Worship Ministry	25,600	29,100	13.67%
Pastoral Ministry	18,000	18,000	0.00%
Administrative	188,972	189,255	0.15%
Facility Upkeep	310,780	301,000	(3.15%)
TOTAL	1,683,584	1,834,000	8.93%