

Church Finances 101: Did you know...?

Your donations and commitment to give matter deeply to ESG

- **100% Self-Funded:** ESG relies entirely on donations, space rentals, events, investment income, and grants to support our mission.
- **Congregational Giving = \$574K or 44% of Revenue:** Your donations fund nearly half our budget—making ministry, staffing, and programs possible.
- **Giving Has Evolved:** Weekly envelopes are less common. Monthly giving is now the most helpful and sustainable.
- **Monthly Giving = Impact:** Your donation is automatically withdrawn from your bank account each month — simple, secure & impactful — allowing ESG to plan confidently.
- **An Annual Pledge = Your Promise to Give:** Choose when to give — monthly, quarterly, or annually. Choose how to give by securities, cheque, credit card, or e-transfer, so we can budget responsibly.

Our Goal: Predictable Giving.

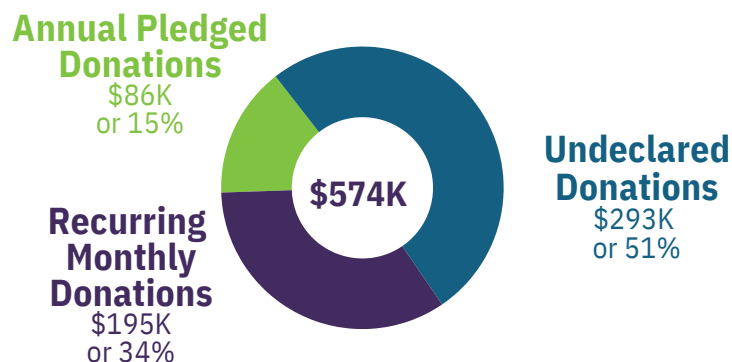
We aim to grow Recurring Monthly and Annual Pledged donations from 49% to 60%—giving ESG consistent donations to build our vibrant future.

2026 Donation Goal of \$563,000

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2025 Fiscal year-end donation results



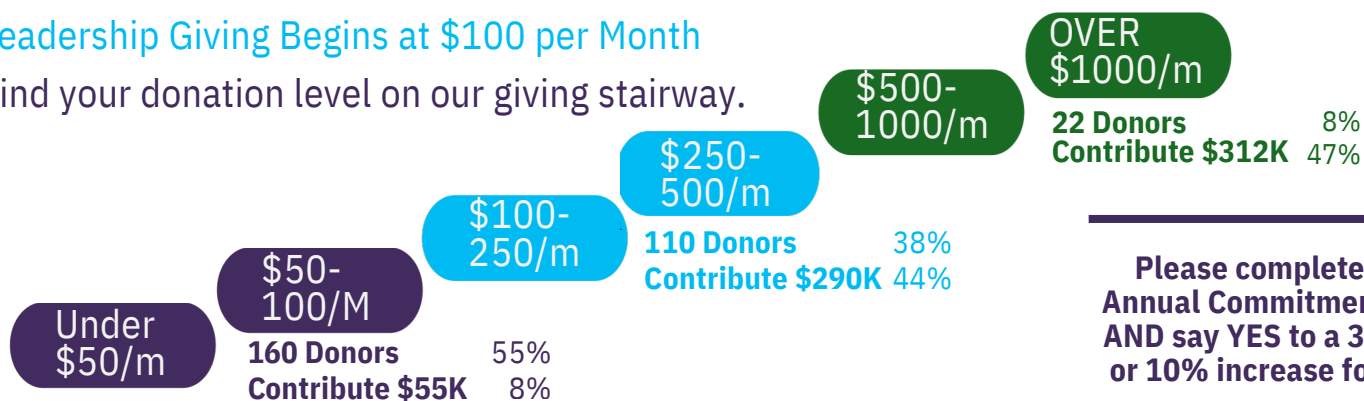
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Will you take a step up in your 2026 donations?

Leadership Giving Begins at \$100 per Month

Find your donation level on our giving stairway.



Please complete your Annual Commitment Card AND say YES to a 3%, 5%, or 10% increase for 2026

Unity is not uniformity. It is harmony in diversity.

Desmond Tutu, a South African Anglican cleric who received the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1984 for his role in the opposition to apartheid in South Africa.



ESG Volunteers Make a Difference

- **Thank You!** Your time and care change lives.
- **Out of the Cold:** 100+ volunteers served 800 homemade meals downtown.
- **We Care Kits:** 40+ volunteers delivered 750 survival kits to shelters.
- **Little Free Pantry:** 30+ volunteers stocked food daily—soups, staples, and care.
- **Second Tuesday Breakfast:** A new program serving 30 guests monthly.
- **Beyond Volunteering:** ESG also funds frontline poverty agencies.

Thank You to Our Valued Rental Partners

- **\$282K in Rental Income** supports 21% of ESG's budget.
- We welcome tenants for **music, celebrations, meetings, and film crews.**
- ESG strives to offer an **excellent experience** in our beautiful, versatile space.

OUR LONG-TERM PARTNERS

Blyth
ACADEMY

ELMER
ISELER
SINGERS

Happy Korean
Presbyterian Church
행복한 한인장로교회

 amadeus
choir

 CANADIAN
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

 covenant
-baptist church

Leave a Lasting Legacy at ESG

- **Grateful for Generosity:** In 2024, ESG received \$260K in estate gifts, with \$130K directly supporting vibrant new ministry opportunities.
- **Legacy Fund Growth:** Thanks to strong governance, ESG's Legacy Fund now exceeds \$1 million, enabling strategic ministry expansion.
- **Estate Gifts Make an Immediate Impact:**
 - 20% to fund Annual Operations
 - 20% to Property Reserve
 - 5% to fund Outreach Projects
 - 5% to National UCC Missions
 - 50% remains invested for long-term ministry
- **Flexible Giving Options:** Ontario law allows bequests, trusts, life insurance, securities, and donor-advised funds—each offering tax benefits and alignment with your values.

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**Our fingerprints
do not fade
from the lives
we touch.**