COLLEGE PARK CHURCH

STORIES OF IMPACT

Annual Report

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Igniting a Passion to Follow Jesus

Why does this church family exist?

We exist to passionately follow Jesus with our whole lives.



When Emmanuel and Olivia Flomo moved to Indiana, it was a giant leap of faith. The couple—originally from Liberia—purchased a Noblesville home sight unseen. It was the beginning of what Emmanuel calls a "divine process" that led them to College Park Church.

What the Flomos didn't know at the time was that their new backdoor neighbors were long-time College Park members Dick and Jeannie Niedermeyer. As soon as the Flomos moved in, Dick extended a welcome.

"Whenever someone new moves in, we bring over a loaf of bread and a card," Dick explains. "On the card, we share our contact information, our love for God, and details about College Park."

For over twenty years, Dick and Jeannie have welcomed neighbors this way. Some of the newcomers have become friends, but the Niedermeyers have never had the opportunity to bring new neighbors to College Park. Until now.

Emmanuel contacted Dick and expressed interest in visiting the church. While the family did not know anyone when they moved here from Philadelphia, they were eager to connect with others and grow in their faith. They had begun researching churches even before moving to the area.

“We both grew up Christians,” Emmanuel says.

“Yes,” Olivia agrees. “Our faith has always been important to us.”

Emmanuel and Olivia came to the US separately as young adults. They met through social circles and are now married with two children.

The Flomos’ children are another reason they were so motivated to find a solid church home when they came to Indiana in October 2024.

“Our son began asking a lot of questions about Jesus,” says Olivia. “We had gone to a church in Philadelphia where there was no children’s ministry. He wanted to know more about God.”

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When they visited College Park with the Niedermeyers, Emmanuel and Oliva immediately felt at home. They heard the Word of God proclaimed, saw a robust ministry to children, and found ways to make the big church feel small. The family began attending regularly, even bringing along Olivia's sister and Emmanuel's niece—both of whom live with the family and are now going through the church membership process.

Beyond their family of six, Emmanuel and Oliva have found community in exciting new ways. They have joined the Niedermeyers' small group—it's just a few steps away—and Dick says he and Jeannie already consider the Flomos to be part of their family.

"The community has been very good," Emmanuel confirms. "We are getting deep into the Word. For me, I've seen this in our small group, in Bible studies, and at Heart of a Man."

"Jeannie has taken me to every group she is in," Olivia says with a smile. "If she's in a group, I'm there!" Olivia is also making friends and growing in faith through Moms Connection and Women's Bible Studies.

While moving to a different country and then a different state are challenging transitions, the Flomos didn't hesitate to invest in relationships at church. They know the value of community.

“I’m not an introvert,” Olivia laughs. “What’s always pushed me is knowing that I’m going to want community during hard moments. I am going to need prayer. So, why would I want to just be by myself?”

Emmanuel agrees. “The Bible says we are one family, created by one God. So, spiritually, we are one, and we need each other.”

The Flomos may live far from their biological family, but they say they have found spiritual brothers and sisters in abundance.

“We were praying for somewhere like this,” Emmanuel says. “We are so thankful for our family at College Park.”



Belong

Want to belong at your church?

Become a member and experience leaders who care and a community who is there for you.



Few people have called College Park their church home for as long as Dennis Hardy. When Dennis first visited, the young congregation numbered two hundred and had only recently moved from its first home—Casino Room B at Holiday Inn—to a nearby warehouse on Michigan Road.

While Dennis acknowledges many differences in his thirty-five-plus years at College Park—he used to be one of four ushers—he is notably unphased by the change.

"Here is what I know for sure," he declares. "The Lord has his hand on this church. He has blessed this church ten thousand times beyond what I even know. People come and go in different seasons, but the Lord is always here."

It is that mindset that jolts Dennis out of bed on Sunday mornings. He is up by 5:30 a.m. and arrives at church by 8, eager to greet others.

"I know there are people here who love me," he says, rattling off a list of familiar College Park staff and church members. "It is easy to come early on Sundays, and I know that if I'm early, I will get to talk with these people I love."

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Dennis has seen highs and lows at College Park—just as he has in his own journey with the Lord—but he has never thought about leaving his church family.

"We have so many great leaders—then and now. During that first challenging season, a lot of people did leave. But I knew the Lord had his hand on it. I wasn't going to pull up my stakes. I said, 'No! I'm a member of College Park. This is my home.'"

Dennis' energy is contagious, but it's his testimony of the Lord's faithfulness that rings through his words. It is clear that Dennis is not excited because of a singular person or ministry; he is excited because he sees God at work.

Selfishly, Dennis admits that he wanted Pastor Mark to lead College Park until the Lord called him home.

Selfishly, he also wants a new lead pastor to fill the role soon. At the same time, he is not concerned or anxious.

“Everybody has stepped up during this season,” he says. “It is really amazing.”

For his part, Dennis joyfully spurs them on—one joke or conversation at a time, though he is usually good for at least a few jokes. At eighty, Dennis is a self-professed “kid who never fully grew up.” At the same time, he has the spiritual wisdom of a seasoned saint.

“It has been great growing up with the Lord here,” Dennis grins. “And I’m not done yet! I still have lots of growing to do—with my church family at my side.”



Grow

Where will you grow together with others?

Joining a group, class, or study provides you with the opportunity for community, depth, and care.



Judith Aymond is a lifelong learner. She speaks two languages and holds a PhD in reading research and teaching. She is familiar with public speaking, having taught over six thousand students during her career.

In anticipation of her baptism last June, however, Judith was a nervous wreck.

“I am used to speaking to large groups of people, academically, but this was my personal testimony,” she says. “I almost backed out. But the night before, the Holy Spirit said to me, ‘Judith, this is not about you. Who is the center of all of this?’”

When the sun rose, Judith was focused and calm. Her life is a declaration of God’s goodness, not her own.

Judith’s story begins in Louisiana—a child in a dysfunctional family that was unpleasant at best. To escape the chaos, Judith began visiting a nearby stream when she was five. There, she would spend time with the Lord.

Later, Judith found solace in libraries—“I’m very intense,” she admits with a laugh—reading everything she could, including books about God.

Judith's passion for learning led her to pursue a career in education, as well as join the Roman Catholic Church, at age eighteen. Though she appreciated the liturgy of the Catholic church, she wrestled with her faith over the next few years. "Merely going through the steps and sacraments" left her wanting more.

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Once she returned from an unexpectedly brief teaching job in Africa, Judith stopped going to church altogether. She was grieving her sudden departure and did not find comfort in church. Unsure what to do, she went for her PhD at the University of Florida.

"I was in a spiritual wilderness for fifteen years," she says. "I now realize that many people go through that. We all have different experiences, but I've come out of it going to College Park Church."

Here at College Park, Judith has assumed the role of student rather than teacher. She came with limited knowledge of Scripture, but that only drove her to dive in deeper—taking multiple classes and Bible studies. Currently, she is in the two-year inductive Bible study Precepts offered by College Park Women. It is a rigorous study, and one that Judith knows can intimidate people.

"I think women avoid Precepts because they don't want people to know what they don't know," she explains. "But I'm not ashamed of what I don't know. If I don't ask questions, how will I keep learning?"

Judith spends multiple hours preparing for the weekly meetings, and when the group gathers, she lends her voice to the discussion. This thirst for knowledge, Judith says, keeps life and faith exciting.

"Some people retire and don't know what to do," says Judith, who is now in her late seventies. "Not me. I want to learn everything I can."

Judith's Precept instructor—a woman she endearingly calls her "friend"—once joked that Judith was a toddler in terms of spiritual knowledge. At the end of the first semester of Precepts, she proudly declared that Judith is now a first grader.

Having taught first graders through graduate students, Judith sees this as growth. “Going from a toddler to a first grader is huge. That’s big development!”

The growth is a marker of Judith’s investment in her relationship with the Lord and with others. Since she first visited College Park in November 2024, Judith has intentionally strived to become more like Christ.

“Back in my wilderness days, I became an alcoholic,” she recalls. A few years ago, Judith began decreasing her alcohol consumption with the help of her doctor. She was also open with her Precepts small group. With their support Judith stopped drinking entirely—“It was the Holy Spirit at work.”

“For my entire life, the Holy Spirit has been with me,” Judith shares. “Ever since I went to my stream at five years old, he’s always been there. So, I know God is with me now.”



Multiply

How will God multiply his work through you?

Together, we give to his mission, serve one another, and go across the street and around the world.



Throughout life, God gives us opportunities to meet the needs in our sphere of influence. It is up to us to step up to the challenge though, and as Anghelo Palafox Vertiz has learned: It is one hundred percent worth it.

When Anghelo and his family first came to College Park, they were excited to get connected. As someone of Mexican heritage, though, Anghelo wondered if there was anything for Spanish-speaking individuals.

“We saw it was a big church with amazing teaching, but I thought it was strange there was no Spanish ministry.”

Anghelo connected with the Global Outreach Team with his suggestion. The enthusiasm was there, but there wasn’t someone to spearhead the initiative.

Fast forward six months. That’s when Anghelo applied for and received a position as the ministry resident for College Park’s Adult Discipleship Team. As he stepped into his new role, God began opening doors for ministry to Latinos.

“My experience with Spanish ministries in the US is that it’s something ‘over there,’” Anghelo shares, “The Spanish ministry goes on in a basement or somewhere separate.”

“We didn’t want that. We don’t even want to call it a ‘Spanish ministry,’” he continues. “The desire was for this to be a way to create unity and include Spanish speakers.”

Over time, it became clear that Anghelo was correct: On an average Sunday, those filling the seats at College Park include many Spanish speakers—some who are fluent in English and some who are not. But most of them don’t know they aren’t the only ones.

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The team decided to start with Fiesta Familiar, an event for all, focused on bringing community to Spanish speakers. Fiesta Familiar, which means “Family Party” was true to its name. One attendee said she had prayed for a gathering like this for six years.

For most of those who attended the first Fiesta Familiar, English is a second or third language. It does not hold the memories that Spanish does. This is why someone's first language is often referred to as their "heart language."

"Spanish is their mother tongue," Anghelo explains. "When you hear that heart language, it's like receiving soup from your mom. You can go to other restaurants and try different soups. But those soups will never be the same as when your mom makes it. That is how I describe the value of a heart language."

This is something that has resonated with Colombian native Juliana Cabra as well.

"Since moving to the US, I study in English, talk to friends in English, and sometimes even dream in English," Juliana says. "So, being able to worship God in my native language alongside other Latin believers has felt like coming home."

The first Fiesta Familiar drew ninety people—people from College Park and people from the community. The turnout was so encouraging that a second fiesta was scheduled. In 2026, the team plans to host fiestas bimonthly as well as a monthly sermon discussion group in Spanish.

According to Anghelo, the heart of Fiesta Familiar is to "create a space to connect with Spanish speakers and help them connect with others." By God's grace, that is exactly what is taking place.

"I am so grateful College Park has created this space," Juliana explains. "[It is] bringing Spanish speakers together and building bridges between English and Spanish communities. It is an honor to be a part of it."

"God is doing beautiful things in and through the Spanish speakers in our community," Anghelo agrees. "It's not 'us' and 'them.' It's the church altogether."

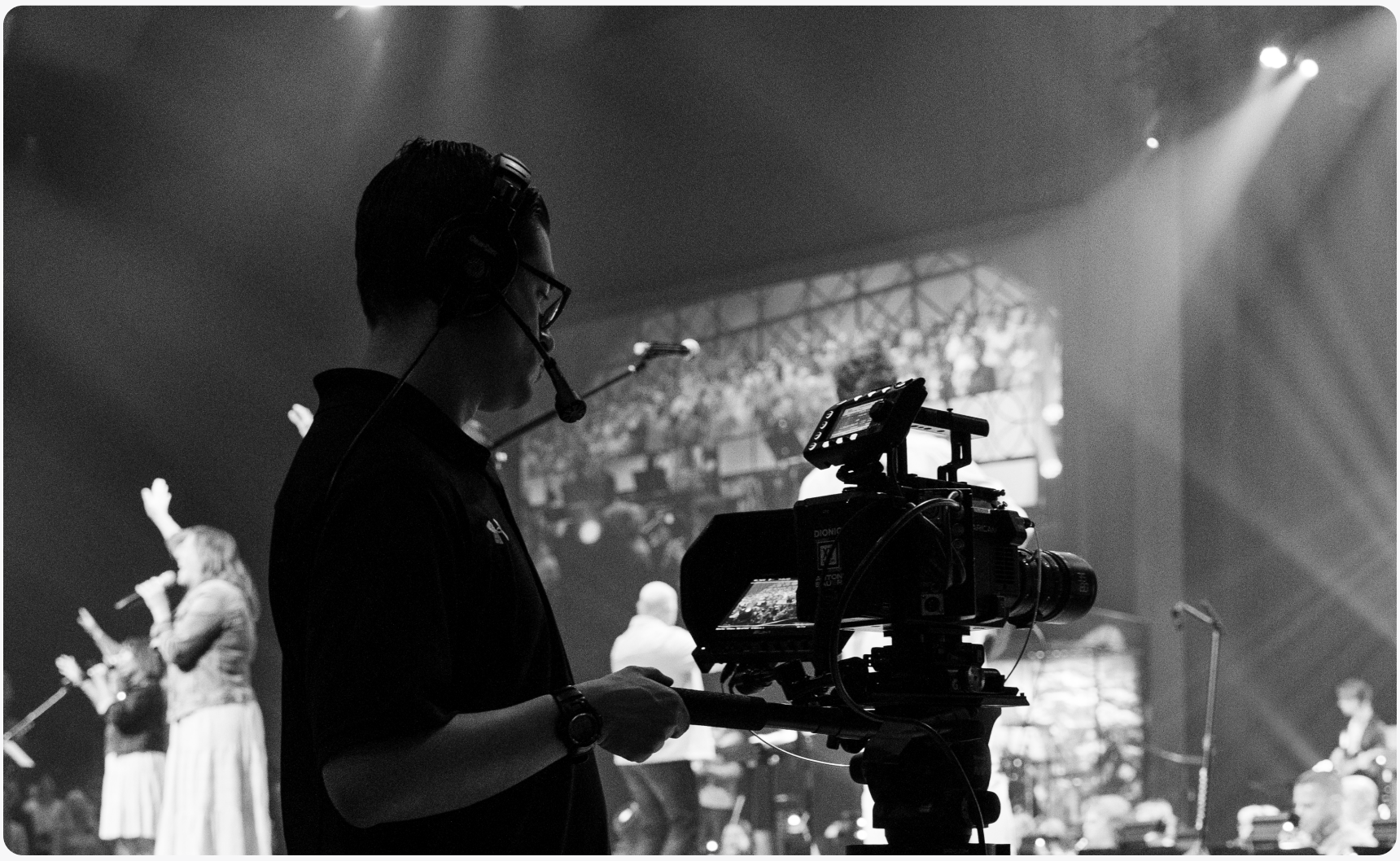


Ministry Impact Stats

9,400+

“This is the approximate number of hours invested by our worship and production volunteers over the course of one year to simply pull off Sunday morning worship services. From those behind the scenes to those on the platform, it truly takes an immense amount of time given so freely by our amazing volunteers.”

SARAH GURLEY, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP



500+

“This is the number of women who participated in a Women’s Bible Study in 2025, learning to ignite a passion to follow Jesus in their own hearts through the study of God’s Word!”

KAREN POURCHO, DIRECTOR OF WOMEN’S MINISTRIES



191

“This is the number of people who went on a Vision Trip in 2025. A total of 23 Vision Trip teams went to 16 countries on 4 continents, making an impact on both the hearts of those who went as well as the people they ministered to.”

RYAN SKINNER, ASSISTANT PASTOR OF GLOBAL OUTREACH



165

“This is the number of new members we welcomed into our church family this year, even while we have been in transition without a lead pastor. What a mark of God’s faithfulness and the reality that a church family on mission involves more than just one person.”

BOB MARTIN, PASTOR OF MEMBERSHIP & CONNECTION

123

“This is the number of students who attended the Student Ministry fall retreat. Because of the generosity of College Park, these students and 32 leaders were able to attend the retreat for free where they had the opportunity to deepen their walk with Jesus and their relationships with one another.”

EVAN COLLISTER, PASTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRY



13

“This is the number of new small groups launched in 2025 through Group Launch. Through these new groups, more than 130 people are now in biblical community and are growing in Christ through intentional relationships.”

MITCH DEPOY, PASTOR OF GROUPS & CLASSES

Fiscal-Year Update

2025-26[1]

Over $1.8 Million

2025 CHRISTMAS OFFERING[3]

$10.4 Million

CORE MINISTRY GIVING

$9.3 Million

CORE MINISTRY SPENDING

1,900+

CORE MINISTRY GIVING UNITS

100+

FIRST-TIME GIVERS

Over $3.7 Million

RESERVE FUND

Over $1.0 Million

NEXT DOOR MISSION FUND

Over $2.8 Million

CHRISTMAS FUND

36%

EXTERNAL SPENDING PERCENTAGE[4]

NOTES

(1) Financial information is as of 12/31/25 unless otherwise noted
(2) Results are preliminary/unaudited
(3) As of 01/25/26
(4) Projected as of 3/31/26
(5) Please see the FY24/25 financial statements at yourchurch.com/finance for additional information

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