

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



GENEROUS CHANCA

WE ARE A GENEROUS CHURCH

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

- 2 Corinthians 9:8-11 (ESV)

God's gifts are not just sufficient — they overflow to enable generosity. Believers are called to be bold in their generosity, sharing not only material resources but also the gospel, reflecting the overflowing love of God to a world in need.

By working together as a congregation, The Woodlands Methodist Church can amplify the impact of our generosity with others, acknowledging that God has provided everything needed for both physical and eternal well-being. The call to gratitude and generosity becomes a testament to the Savior who gave Himself, inspiring overflowing thanksgiving and a commitment to share the transformative message of the gospel.



2023 CHURCH OPERATING FUND

2023 RESULTS*

(IN MILLIONS)

Generosity can't be left up to one person. Our mission is made possible when everyone comes together to give as one body.

Revenue	21.0
Expense	(16.2)
EXCESS**	4.8

- * Based on preliminary data available on 1/10/2024
- ** Excess is used to fund capital and special initiatives as well as to pay down debt

DONATE TODAY

twmc.org/give

MISSIONS

VOLUNTEERS

- **124** Global mission trip participants
- **160** Craft Circle volunteers
- **586** Prison Ministry workers
- **258** UMARMY volunteers
 - **42** Blueprint volunteers
- 697 Serve It Up volunteers
- **375** Local ministry volunteers

MISSIONS GIVING 2023

\$4.2M Total Missions Giving*

\$382,645 Revenue Raised by Craft Circle

\$427,688 Distributed Through Society of St. Stephen

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WE ARE A GUIDED CHURCH

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

- Matthew 6:19-24 (NIV)

At The Woodlands Methodist Church, we recognize the profound wisdom shared by Jesus about the true treasures of life — not earthly possessions and material wealth, but treasures in heaven that are eternal. We understand that what we treasure reflects the essence of our hearts and signifies our true priorities. We strive to make Jesus and His kingdom our ultimate treasure, and we acknowledge Him as Lord of our lives.

In understanding that our true treasure dictates ownership, we actively choose to be owned by the values of Jesus and His kingdom and to be guided by Him. This intentional alignment with Christ's teachings brings glory to the Father and fosters our individual and collective flourishing as a church community.



2023 LIVES GIVEN TO CHRIST

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. – Ephesians 4:4-6 (NIV)

The Woodlands Methodist Church is called to reach more than 365 people a year for Christ. Every day we seek the one person who needs to be saved.

MEMBERSHIP

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP

2021 14,652
2022 13,992
2023 14,113

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED | 919

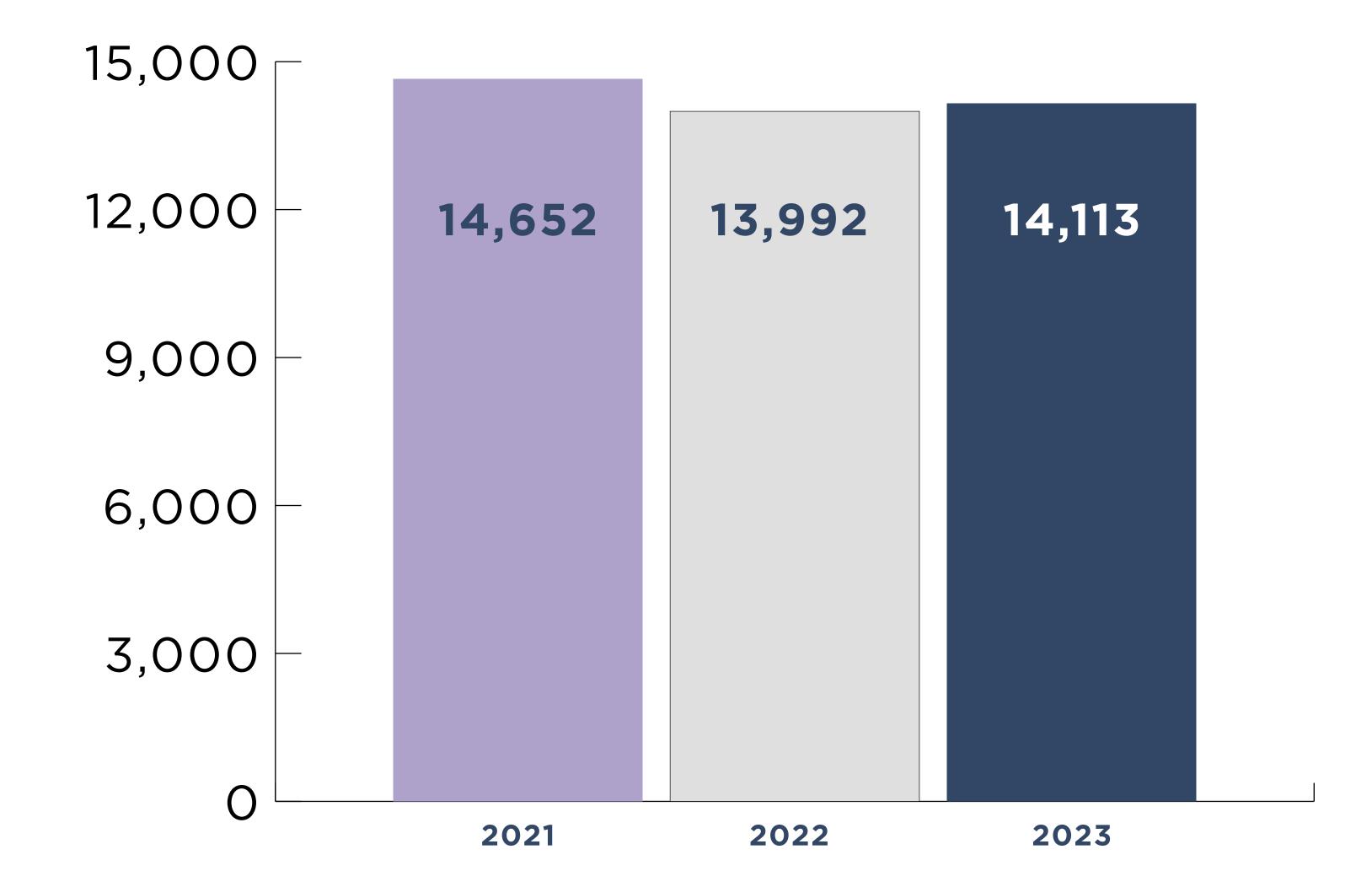
Confirmation 193 (21%)
Professions of Faith 195 (21%)

Through Baptism

Transfer from UMC 219 (24%)

Transfer from another 312 (34%)

denomination



2023 DISCIPLESHIP NUMBERS

Opportunities to "Gather in Community" across all campuses

Participants

1,881

Serve Team opportunities

People who served, including participants in eight global mission trips

2,196

Leadership Development Initiative Launched

Leaders trained and equipped



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WE ARE A GRATEFUL CHURCH

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

- 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (ESV)

As a grateful church, we strive to understand that our generosity reflects the gratitude we feel for the immeasurable love and sacrifice demonstrated by Him who gave His life for us. We recognize the profound call to give of ourselves, willingly offering our time, talents and resources in the service of Christ.

Inspired by the selfless example set before us through Jesus Christ, we extend our generosity not only within the confines of our local community but also throughout our nation and around the globe. Our commitment to advancing the cause of Christ's gospel is reflected in our financial contributions and also in our dedication to making a positive impact wherever the need arises. In this way, we embrace a culture of gratitude that transforms our church into a beacon of love, compassion and unwavering devotion to the mission of spreading the message of Christ.



2023 NEXT GENERATION LEADER HIGHLIGHT



Marley Miller

It is so evident that Jesus is working through the student leadership teams in NextGen Students. I am honored to be a part of the teaching team, and to have the opportunity to witness God instilling confidence in all of us to go on stage and preach His word is just something different. I am so endlessly blessed to call that team my family, to call this church my family. The student leadership teams allow students of all ages and hobbies to pursue what they are passionate about, whether it be discipling, working with confirmands, welcoming us into the building, mission work, doing all the behind-the-scenes media or leading us in worship. NextGen Students has given us such a wonderful place to grow in our faith, and I will forever be thankful.



Peyton Reeves

NextGen has helped form me by giving me opportunities, such as leading confirmation on the confirmation student leadership team, by empowering leaders to become discipleship group leaders, and by empowering them to lead others and strengthen their faith. It has also allowed me to go to events such as Edge Camp where the Lord has equipped me by calling me to teach the Word and surrender everything I have to Him. I see Jesus working over the seniors. I feel and I've seen this past semester at NextGen Students that Jesus is equipping seniors by showing others what it looks like to be all in for Jesus in the church.



Ashton Wendell

NextGen gave me a beginning to my relationship with Jesus when I was little, and I continue to feel it now. I see Jesus working through me and my friends every single day. I see Him changing lives in both the NextGen students and their parents. I get to go home after every NextGen service and share with my parents what I've learned, but I also get the gift of seeing how it has changed the younger generations. I get to work in Sunday school with the Early Childhood-aged kids, and it is such a joy seeing their faces light up while memorizing Scripture or how excited they are to be a part of reenacting stories from the Bible, like Jonah in the whale or Jesus' birth.

123

Student leaders across all campuses

15

Students went on Costa Rica mission trip

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WE ARE A GROWING CHURCH

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42-47 (NIV)

As a community bound together by a shared dedication to the foundational truths of the Christian faith and a spirit of mutual service, we, at The Woodlands Methodist Church, strive to serve as a testament to the church found in Acts 2.

A vibrant, growing church happens when believers are committed to the transformative power of the Holy Spirit. A commitment to Scripture, fellowship, the breaking of bread and prayer creates a foundation that reflects that power.

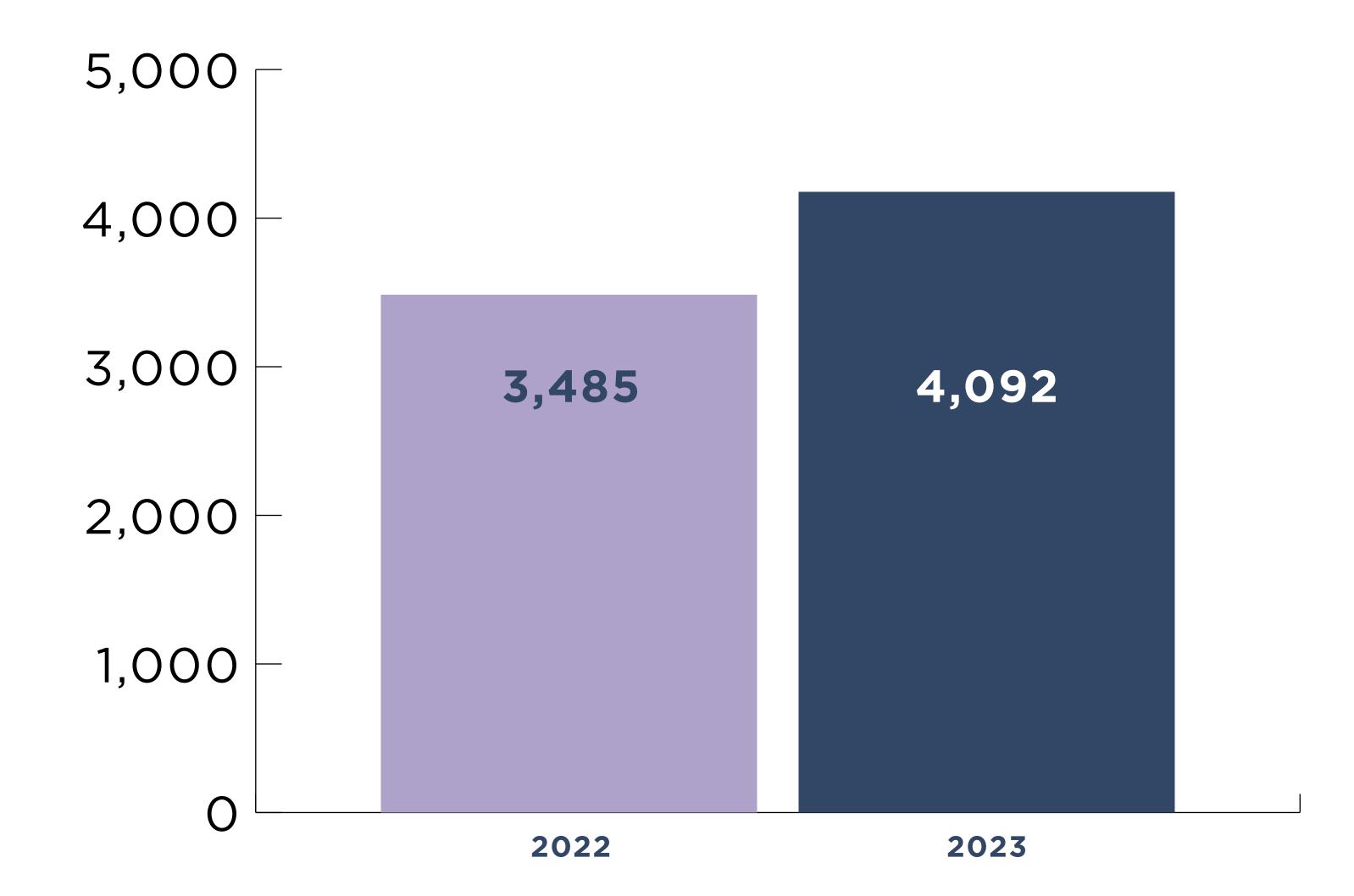


IN-PERSON WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

(WEEKLY AVERAGE)

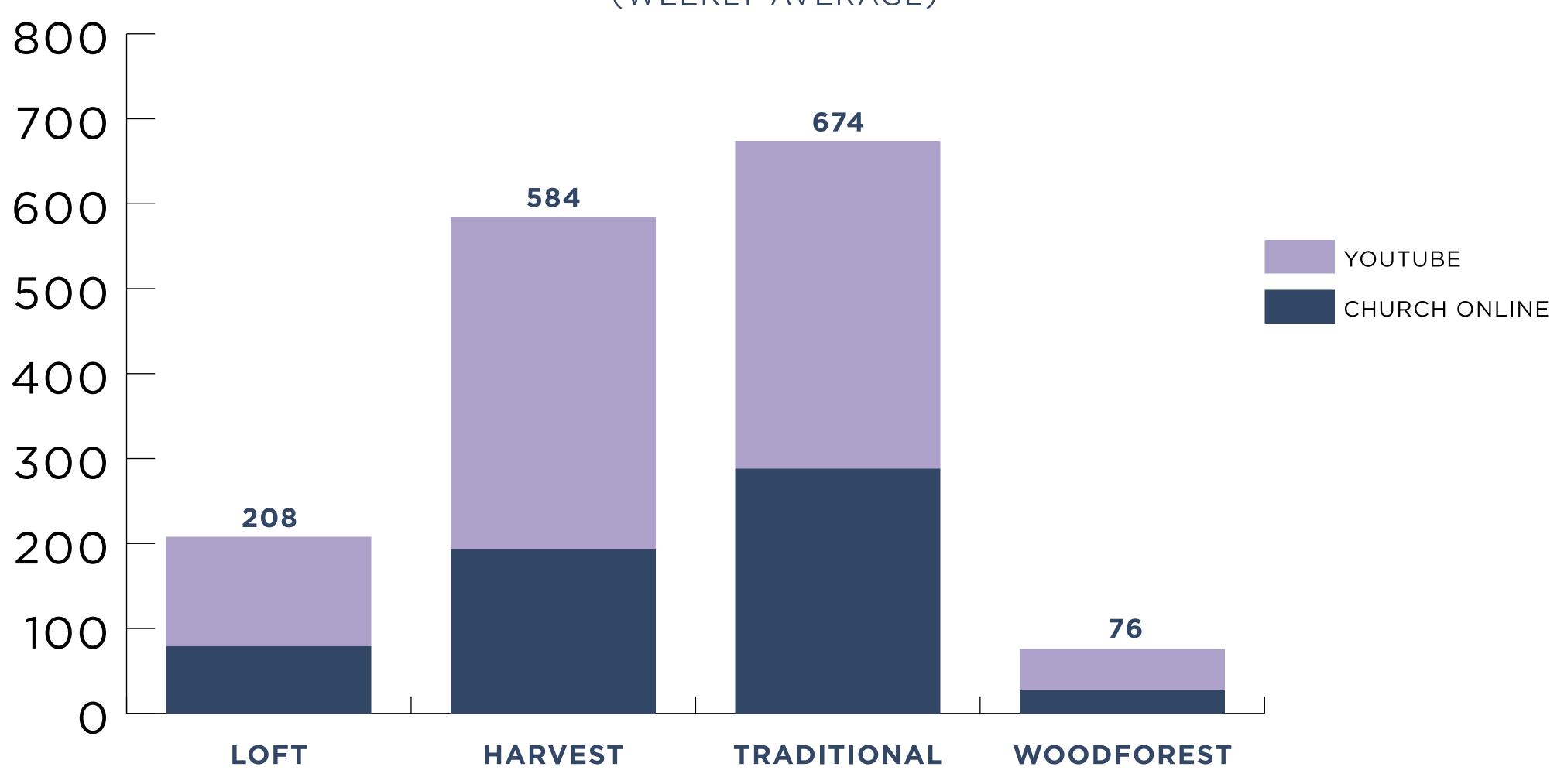


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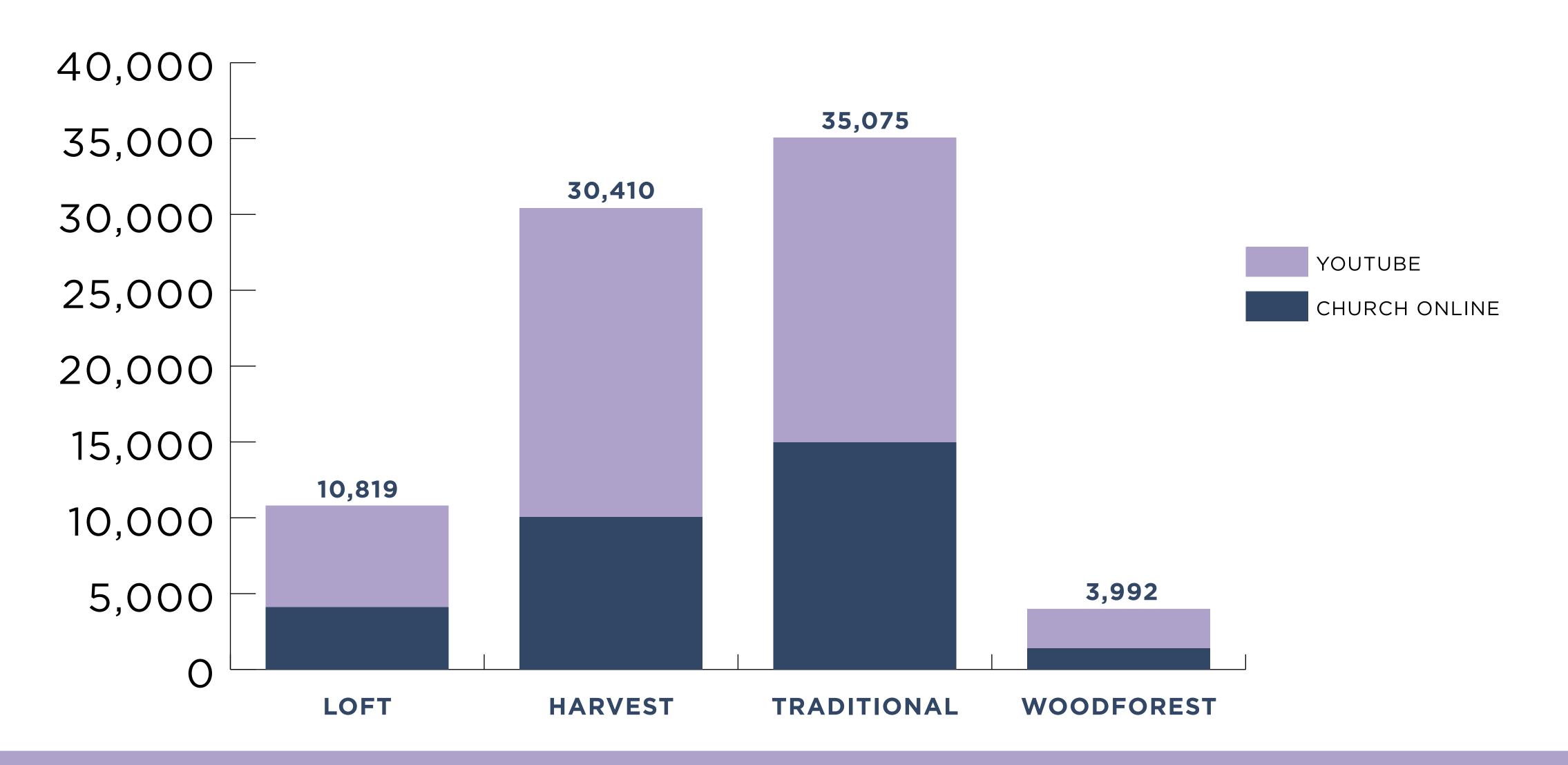
LIVESTREAM AND WEEKLY ON DEMAND WORSHIP

(WEEKLY AVERAGE)



ONLINE VIEWS

(YEAR TO DATE)



2023 NEW WORSHIP COMMUNITIES



LAUNCHED



96

Average Weekly Attendance



LAUNCHED



159

Average Weekly Attendance



Rev. Dr. Jeff OlivePastor of Church Multiplication

Around the world, we have been active in the multiplication of churches. One area we invested in over the past year is establishing the foundation for a Middle East Conference of the Global Methodist Church. What started with one pastor has now turned into seven approved pastors and three officially recognized GMC congregations — Abu Dhabi GMC, Dubai GMC and Qatar GMC.

These three churches have now been connected to a newly formed Philippines Annual Conference until the Middle East gains enough strength to become self-supporting.