

Open the Doors,  
See All the People!

Sharing the Gospel

## Why we take this moment?

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- ▶ We seek to be open and honest
  - ▶ Transparent
- ▶ We hope to be diligent in our use of God's gifts
  - ▶ Review
- ▶ We intend to provide some understanding
  - ▶ Our Commitments
- ▶ We encourage a commitment from everyone
  - ▶ Sharing the Gospel

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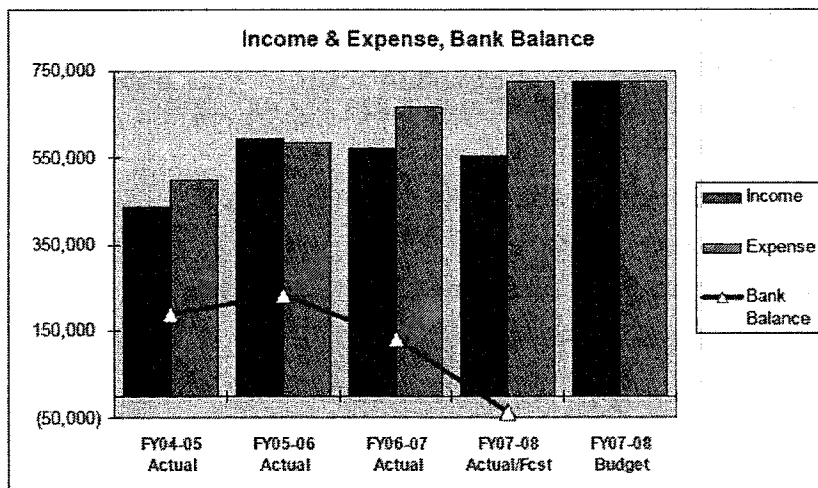
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## Let's be candid about 2007 & 2008

- ▶ New Pastor
- ▶ Overspending for 3 years
- ▶ Financial Resources Depleted
  - ▶ Impacted Kitchen Fund and Memorial Fund
- ▶ Immediate Concerns for Ability to Pay Expenses
  - ▶ Apparent in December 2007
- ▶ Hard Choices before Us



## Where we were:

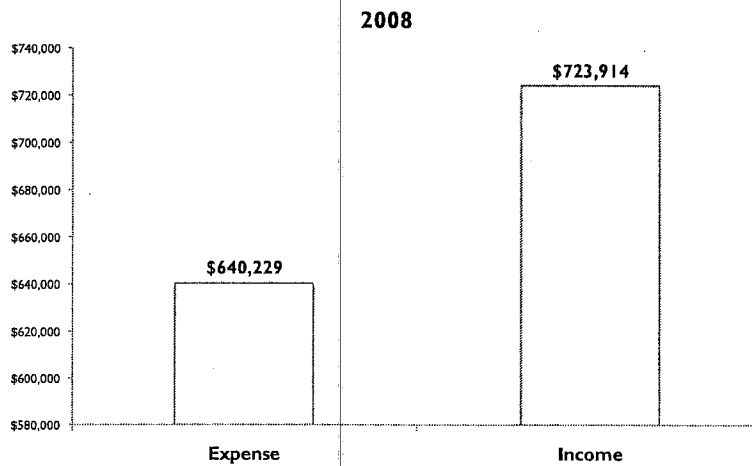


## What we choose to do:

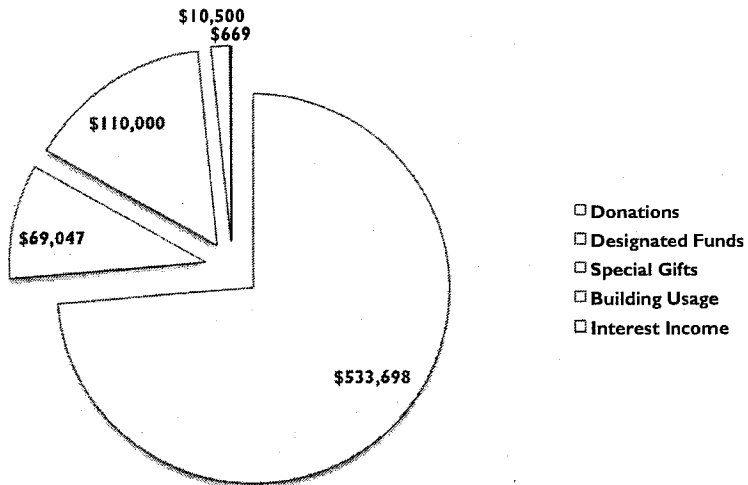
- ▶ Identify our Primary Ministry Calling (Mission)
- ▶ Reduce our Spending
  - ▶ Reduction in staffing
  - ▶ Scaled backed other budget areas
- ▶ Replenish Restricted Funds by January 2010
  - ▶ Accomplished July 2008
- ▶ Segregate Restricted Funds in Separate Account
  - ▶ Accomplished September 2008
- ▶ Moved to Calendar Budget Cycle
  - ▶ Because they said so



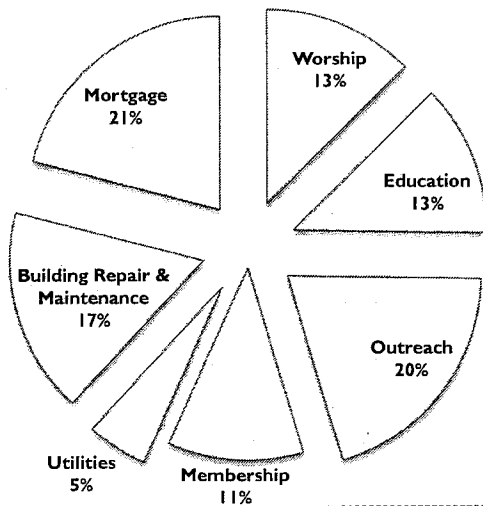
## How did we do?



### 2008 Income



### How we used our resources:

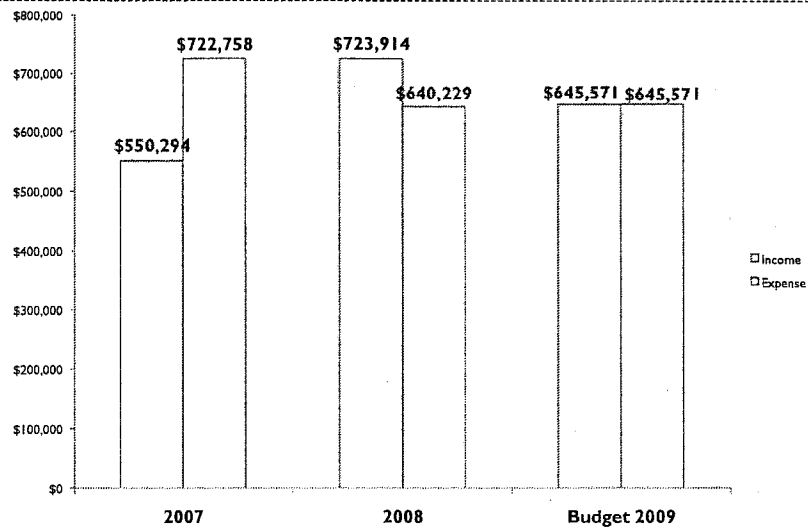


## Welcome to 2009!

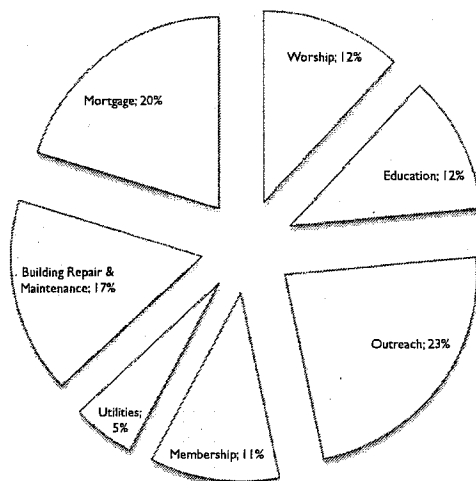
- ▶ We paid 100% Apportionments in 2008
  - ▶ Unanimous decision by Church Council
- ▶ We have a full-time Director of Children and Youth Ministries
- ▶ We have a balanced budget
  - ▶ 3.7% growth over 2008 actual spend
  - ▶ \$645,571
- ▶ We are healthy, but fragile
  - ▶ Frugality
  - ▶ Generosity



## Year by Year Comparison



## 2009 Budget Components



## Your Ministry

- ▶ What we do here, we do together.
  - ▶ It takes all of us.
- ▶ Called by Christ to share the Gospel
  - ▶ Gregory sees a friendly face
  - ▶ Zelda gets a home
  - ▶ Richard finds comfort
  - ▶ Kacie comes to know God
  - ▶ Christopher develops new friendships
  - ▶ Mike gathers strength for tomorrow
  - ▶ We are all centered again in God's love
- ▶ It takes all of us.

## I am going to clear the leaves away . . .

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- ▶ We are all on this pilgrims journey of life
  - ▶ Learning the Depths of Love
  - ▶ And Sharing It
- ▶ You come too.
  
- ▶ Questions?
  - ▶ Great Room following Services

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