

Dear Edgewater Family,

Greetings! We pray that you and your family are well, and feeling the grace of God abundantly. We come to you seeking your earnest prayers and support. As you may recall, we held a budget update meeting in April. At that meeting, we shared that our income was not meeting our expenses, and things were tighter than we'd like, financially. Unfortunately, the numbers that came in following that meeting marked Edgewater's lowest income, yet. The financial shortfall we are currently in has left the leadership team in the uncomfortable position of making hard cuts that will affect us all.

As of May 16th, Peter Gothold, our Worship & Ministry Director, changed from 3/4 to 1/2 time. Also, beginning July 1st, our Children's Director Cindy Brumfield will be leading Kidz Zone on a volunteer basis. Pastor Jon Woolner's position will be 3/4 time, also beginning July 1st. This will be a sacrifice for us all, as Edgewater staff have been foundational in the health of our church family. As staff and leadership team, it is our hope that this will be a temporary adjustment. However, due to the cuts, staff members are being placed in financial hardship. The ramifications of these decisions are yet to be fully realized. Our hearts are heavily invested in this community, and none of us want our staff to be around less.

Edgewater is a place of abundant Spiritual health. We are a community of people who love one another, and seek to share that love with our community. The generosity of Edgewater's people has been a light in Pittsburg and surrounding cities. We want to continue to share that light as a body of people.

In speaking to Edgewater attendees, there is an incredible excitement about God's work in our midst. We are rich with hope and compassion for each other, for our church, and our community. We all sense that we are on the precept of something exciting.

The leadership team shares this excitement and is focused on managing our resources to meet what God is calling us to do. It is our desire to be good stewards of Edgewater finances, and to further our effectiveness in the community we are here to love and serve. While our finances are tight, our hearts are ready and willing to obey God's direction.

If you feel led, we would ask your help in a couple ways: financially and invitationally. We strongly believe that God is doing a wonderful thing in and through Edgewater. If you agree, we would ask you to consider giving financially to Edgewater. Most of us are, and we as leaders are incredibly grateful for your generous support of what God is doing in our community. However, this is a tough season. If you are able, we ask you to consider increasing your giving for a season, or even giving a one time gift. Every little bit helps to ensure the ministry of Edgewater continues to bless Pittsburg, Antioch, and Contra Costa County.

We would also challenge you to think about who is in your life who needs to hear the message of grace and peace that is so alive at Edgewater. Who is in your social or professional circles that needs a little Light in this world? As we seek to tighten our belt

financially, we are also doing a strong outreach push to get the word out about what God is doing at Edgewater. But we need your help! We can't do it alone, it takes all of us prayerfully considering who we have influence with, and who needs the hope and Light that Christ offers to all. It starts with you.

Thank you all for your support of Edgewater. We are with you, we want to see God glorified through Edgewater, and see our city made a better place because of what He is doing in our midst. Together, we can get through this. God has been, is now, and will always be with us; it is Him who holds His church together.

It is not with great pleasure that we share the news of our financial crisis, but desire to be transparent with the people who make Edgewater flourish in so many ways.

Attached is a revised budget for the remainder of the year. Please be in prayer regarding this situation, and seek out board members if you have any questions.

Peace and Grace,
 Ezra J. Engle (925) 207-5080 - Leadership Team Chair
 Cecilia Stone - Financial Chair

Edgewater Covenant Church Financial Summary (as of May 16, 2016)				
	<u>Approved 2016 Budget</u>	<u>Adjusted 2016 Budget</u>	<u>2016 Net Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Income				
4000 Congregational Giving				
4100 General Fund Income	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 185,793.00	\$(24,207.00)	-11.5%
Building Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Other Income	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Total 4000 Congregational Giving	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 185,793.00	\$(24,207.00)	-11.5%
Expenses				
5700 Staff	\$ 164,310.00	\$ 145,349.09	\$(18,960.91)	-11.5%
5500 Facilities	\$ 22,684.00	\$ 21,987.67	\$ (696.33)	-3.1%
5600 Missions	\$ 11,050.00	\$ 9,779.25	\$ (1,270.75)	-11.5%
5000 Administration	\$ 4,612.00	\$ 4,081.62	\$ (530.38)	-11.5%
5800 Worship	\$ 2,054.00	\$ 1,232.00	\$ (822.00)	-40.0%
5200 Children	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 1,056.00	\$ (704.00)	-40.0%
5300 Discipleship	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 840.00	\$ (560.00)	-40.0%
5100 Adult Ministries	\$ 830.00	\$ 498.00	\$ (332.00)	-40.0%
5400 Evangelism	\$ 800.00	\$ 480.00	\$ (320.00)	-40.0%
5900 Youth	\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00	\$ (200.00)	-40.0%
Total Expenses	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 185,603.63	\$(24,396.37)	-11.6%

Net Income (Loss)	\$ 0.00	\$ 189.37	\$ 189.37	