



THEOLOGICAL
COLLEGE



COMMUNITY REPORT

A Message From Our President

Carey ended the year 2023 with a reinvigorated zeal for discipleship, holding fast to what Paul urges Timothy:

“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” (2 Timothy 2:2)

Paul’s exhortation underpinned our mission in 2023 as we ministered through Carey’s theological college and UBC Christian student residence programs for the Canadian Baptists of Western Canada and the rest of the world. This annual report tells some of their stories and their dedication to teach the Word and spread the Good News.

On behalf of the entire Carey team, I am thrilled to be able to share about the construction of our new student residence building in this report. It is a new space where 104 UBC students can live, learn, and grow in their faith, embodying the principles of 2 Timothy 2:2.

Blessings,



Rev. Dr. Colin Godwin
President

CAREY'S COMMITMENT

At Carey Theological College, we aim to provide Biblically-grounded and Christ-centered teaching relevant for all stages of life. We believe in making discipleship practical and accessible for everyone. Carey’s commitment is shaped by these beliefs:

Bible

We value the Holy Scriptures—Old and New Testaments—as the inspired foundation of our beliefs, worship, and discipleship. Carey is devoted to the study, interpretation, and proclamation of the Scriptures.

Jesus

Jesus Christ is the unique son of God within the triune fellowship of the Father and the Spirit. He alone is Redeemer, Saviour and Lord worthy of all worship and trust. Our college is devoted to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, individually and as a learning community.

Mission

The Great Commission is the announcement of God’s saving grace in Christ offered uniquely to all humankind. Go, teach, and baptize are the watchwords of the Carey community.

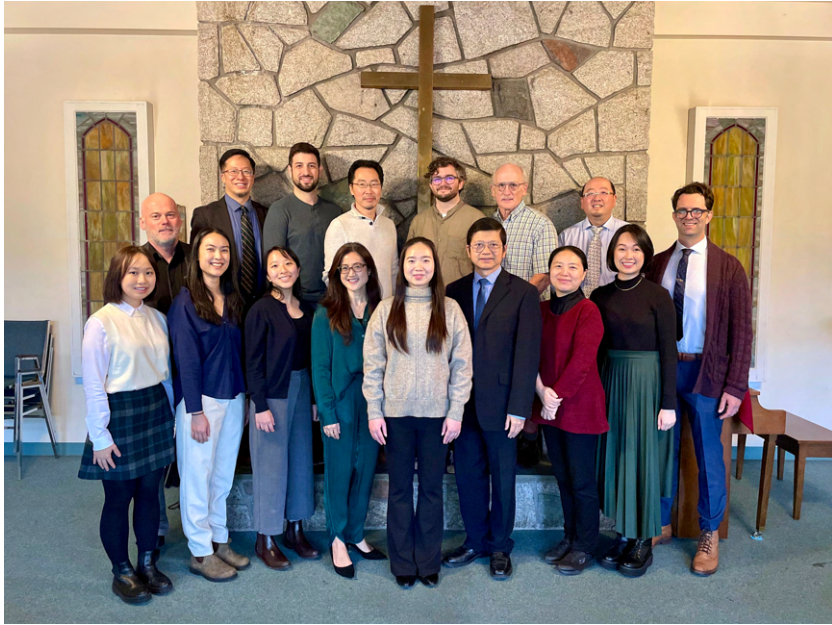
Church

The church is the body of Christ gathered by the Holy Spirit for worship, service, fellowship and witness. Carey’s mission is to bless and encourage the local church, strengthening the body of Christ for greater service.



“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

— Matthew 28:19



CAREY STAFF & FACULTY GROUP PHOTO, DEC 2023



CAREY STAFF & FACULTY CHRISTMAS LUNCH, DEC 2023

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CAREY BOARD GROUP PHOTO, JUNE 2023

“ It's been an absolute blessing to serve in ministry and be part of a team dedicated to equipping Christian men and women for their calling.

YAN ZHAO, ADVANCEMENT OFFICER

CAREY'S FIRST STUDENT COUNCIL, 1961-62



GLOBAL THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Building a future generation of Christian leaders

Part of Carey Theological College's global vision is to provide theological education to students worldwide. This year, we have been able to serve students from countries, including Canada, the USA, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Thailand, Ghana, Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, and Pakistan. Through our flexible online learning structure, our students can pursue their studies anytime and anywhere. We also provide our courses in three different languages: English, Cantonese, and Mandarin, reaching even a broader network of students.

In recent years, theological education in North America has been on the decline, especially in MDiv program enrollments. It is encouraging to note that Carey's MDiv program has



41
Masters & doctoral level courses offered



122
Students enrolled in theological education



18%
Of our theological students are from the CBWC



remained steady. Furthermore, we have welcomed a consistent growth in our enrollment numbers for our doctoral program. This year, we had 21 students successfully graduate from their studies.

Carey Theological College is also committed to providing accessible education to all its students. Through the generous funding of our ministry partners and donors, we have strived to mitigate financial barriers that may be stopping our students from their ministry aspirations. A significant step we have taken towards this goal is by offering free tuition for the first eight foundational courses. Through this initiative, we have already provided over \$128,000 in tuition subsidies to 69 deserving students to kick-start their theological education.

Carey's robust financial assistance program reflects our unwavering commitment to cultivate a diverse and empowered community of learners, ensuring that financial constraints don't impede theological education. Carey stands as a beacon, equipping pastors and ministry leaders to navigate the complexities of our interconnected world with wisdom and grace.



"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth."

— 2 Timothy 2:15



Cecilia Wong
Master of Pastoral Ministry

Carey's curriculum encompasses theological knowledge, applicational wisdom, and essential practical skills that equip students for ministry in a contemporary setting. Leadership, research, interpretive approaches, spiritual practices, effective preaching, and building a robust understanding of redemption and salvation are among the wealth of learning I have experienced.

UBC CHRISTIAN STUDENT RESIDENCE

Students here at Carey are part of a vibrant Christian community. Seeing our students grow closer in friendship and fellowship as they pursue their studies in communal living is such a blessing. Our Dean of Student Residents, Rafael Franco, and student leaders, the Resident Assistants, organize, plan, and host various social and discipleship events as part of community building. Some highlights this year include our retreat to Camp Kawkawa at the beginning of the Fall semester, Scary Carey, and our year-end Christmas Banquet.

Interest in Carey's student residence has surged this year. We received over 400 applications, a twofold increase from previous years. The spike in interest is largely attributed to word-of-mouth recommendations from our current dorm students, resident alumni, and former Board members. We look forward to welcoming more students into our community in 2025 when our new student resident building is completed.



Sarah Schneidereit, 5th Year *Land and Food Systems*

“Carey is so precious to me because this is where God has worked in me every year in different ways: First, to overcome anxiety, then show me the importance of community, then teach me how to lament well, and finally how to love others. Every year, God has used the people He brings to Carey to bless me and continues to use me to be a blessing to others here. I am forever grateful for this amazing place I got to call home for this season of my life!”



A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN OF STUDENT RESIDENTS

“This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.”

1 JOHN 4:9

We are called to live the love of God in every aspect of our lives, and this can be challenging for students who are learning to settle into the academic environment, study for tough exams, and overcome the pressure to enter competitive careers. Every year, many students begin their journey at UBC, and Carey's student residence program provides a loving environment in which they can learn that, through being loved by God, we can experience real friendship, mutual support, and a firm sense of belonging.

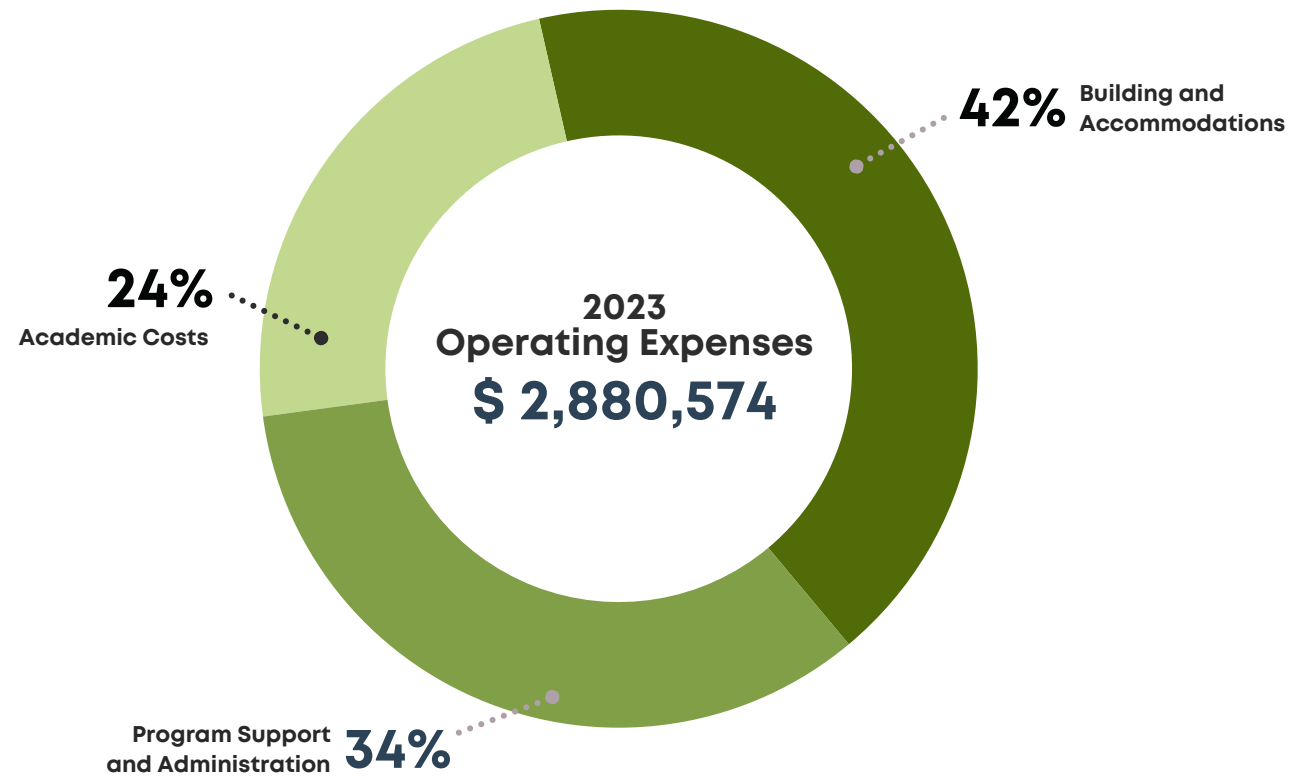
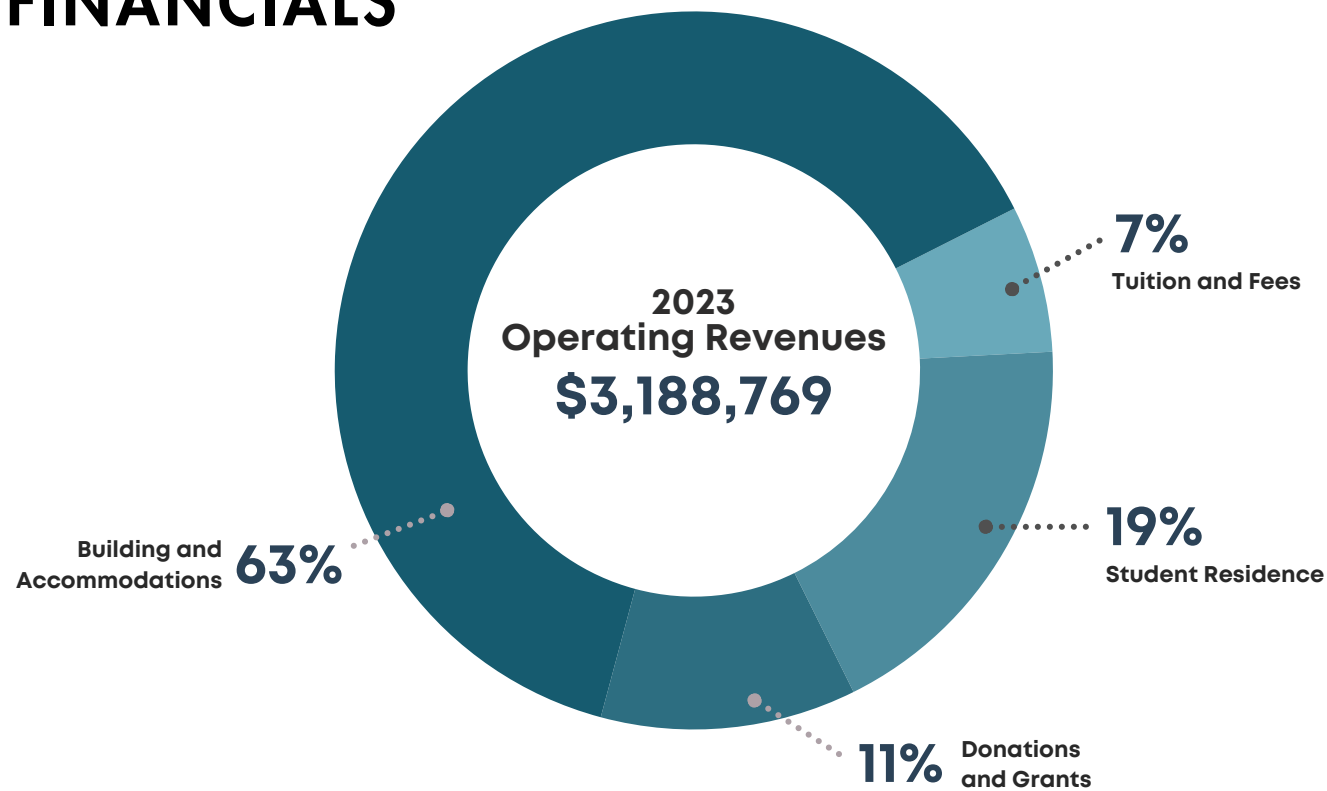
Being at Carey is a great opportunity to learn how God showed his love for us in Christ so that each student can solidify their relationship with Jesus and their confidence that God is deeply invested in them.

The events, shared meals, spontaneous fun times, and weekly discipleship groups contribute to building lifetime connections. This academic year, we are growing as a community of love that seeks to bring together everyone, fostering an environment where the love of God is not only spoken but

lived out in our daily interactions. Carey is home, and it is where love is not just a sentiment but a way of life. Together, we navigate the challenges and triumphs of academic life with the unwavering support of God's love.

**RAFAEL FRANCO,
DEAN OF STUDENT RESIDENTS**

FINANCIALS



BUILDING PROJECT

Construction of Carey's newest residential building started in the summer of 2023, culminating nearly two decades of effort to expand the student residence program. The new residential building is set to double our current capacity. It will feature apartments ranging from studios to three-bedroom units, offering comfortable living spaces and adding 104 beds to the UBC campus. Our accommodations will include in-unit laundry facilities and a kitchen. There will also be common areas for students to hang out and study in.

In 2023, we achieved significant milestones, completing both the below-grade structure and Level 1. We are delighted to report that we are on schedule, and construction is expected to be completed by the late spring of 2025. Please keep us in your prayers as we enter this new chapter of our student residence program. We are excited to see how God will use our ministry to serve even more students on campus.



LEVEL 2 CONCRETE POUR, DEC 2023

“By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 3:10-11

-TIMELINE-

- JAN 2022 ○ Development Permit Application
- JAN 2022 ○ Development Review Committee Meeting
- FEB 2022 ○ Public Open House #1
- AUG 2022 ○ Revised Plan Submission
- OCT 2022 ○ Public Open House #2
- JAN 2023 ○ Development Permit Board Meeting - Approval
- FEB 2023 ○ Development Permit Issuance
- JUN 2023 ○ Building Permit Approval
- JUN 2023 ○ Groundbreaking Ceremony
- JUL 2023 ○ Construction Starts
- MAY 2025 ○ Construction Complete



CONSTRUCTION CELEBRATION

Groundbreaking Ceremony

On June 23rd, we held a small groundbreaking ceremony with our lead donor and Carey Board members during our Board Meeting. We officially began construction with site preparation a week later, marking a major milestone in our building project.

Construction Celebration

On October 21st, we had a joyful lunch celebrating the beginning of construction for our new student residence with many of Carey's longtime friends and supporters.



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Key Building Facts:

7 FLOORS

49,190 ft²
FLOOR AREA

53 UNITS
STUDIO ROOM

15 UNITS
2 BEDROOM SUITE

7 UNITS
3 BEDROOM SUITE

104 BEDS

AMENITIES

Inside Each Room:

- Full Bathroom
- Washer / Dryer
- Oven, Microwave & Fridge

Inside the Building:

- Bike Room - fits around 50 bicycles
- Laundry Room
- Staff Room
- Cafe / Study Space
- Study Lounges on each floor



2023 YEAR IN REVIEW

“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

— Colossians 3:17

145

UBC students applied for student residence

44

Student residents stayed at Carey (full-capacity)

38

Student residents active in their church community

25

Student residence social & discipleship activities

30k

Meals served at Carey student residence

34

Academic committee meetings

52

Prayer & chapel services

9

Books, articles, and journals published by faculty

56

New theological college students admitted

65

Students enrolled in foundational courses

327

Course registrations for various theological classes

26%

Of theological students study in Cantonese and/or Mandarin

86

Theological students receive financial aid

245k

Of financial aid granted to theological students

21

Students completed their degrees

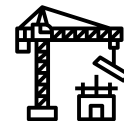


Will you consider giving to Carey's ministry?

Through your partnership with us we are able to...



Provide a unique Christian community to undergraduate students at the University of British Columbia. The discipleship and community-building opportunities allow for engagement and growth of the students' social and spiritual well-being.



Continue with the ongoing construction of the building project. This project will expand our 64-year ministry of providing a Christian residence community for UBC young adults. We aim to better serve students with our focus on discipleship.



Provide accessible and quality theological education for men and women in preparation for ministry. Carey provides theological education and training to students in three different languages (English, Cantonese, and Mandarin) and generously offers financial aid to students in need.

...and many more!



“ I am a Kenyan pastor and hospital chaplain studying at Carey. The scholarship I received gave me the opportunity to be the first in my family to attend college and pioneer doctoral studies in our family. Thank you!

KIPLAGAT PIUS MISIK , DOCTOR OF MINISTRY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

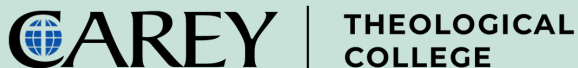
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***“EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD.
ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD.”***

- WILLIAM CAREY



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