

Bear Creek Church

Katy, TX



**30% increase in
regular givers
in one year**



**1000 students served
in their Vacation
Bible School**

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**—Tim Hill
Executive Pastor
Bear Creek Church**

Summary

Bear Creek Church faced a common challenge that many churches encounter in today's economic climate: rising inflation rates and the subsequent strain on ministry and giving. However, by leveraging Pushpay's Everygift™ system, they found a solution that not only bridged the financial gap but also encouraged and sustained faithful giving. With the combination of recurring giving suggestions, Assured® Payments, as well as Pushpay's Donor Development, Bear Creek witnessed a remarkable increase in donor participation, growing from just over a thousand to 1300 regular contributors.

For Tim Hill, the Senior Executive Pastor, with continuous improvement and innovations "Pushpay is worth the investment. It's super simple, and easy, from the early on stage, to the implementation to using it every single week. It helps grow your giving base and inspire your people to be faithful with what God's given them."

Challenges

Bear Creek Church, like so many other churches, is dealing with rising inflation rates that pressure their ministry's ability to serve and their members to maintain giving levels. The Senior Executive Pastor Tim Hill said, "In this time of inflation, money is being stretched further and further for everybody. And the church is no different."

With increasing costs and the desire to continue funding gospel-focused ministries, events, and community outreach programs, Bear Creek was looking for ways to use the tools they already had to bridge the financial gap that, as Tim said, "all of us are facing and feeling." The church needed features in their giving platform that could inspire and sustain faithful giving, despite the economic challenges.

Solution

Everygift™ was intentionally developed to support your church family needs every step of the way. Whether helping donors unfamiliar with online giving to begin the journey through Offline Conversion, notifying donors that their card is expiring soon, or using our Failed Payment Recovery to rescue donations that didn't go through, we believe nothing should come between your church and your donors' desire to give.

Thousands of other churches like Bear Creek trust Pushpay Giving to facilitate and elevate the generosity of their community, with features like Recurring Suggestion and Assured® Payments bridging the financial gap and encourage continued faithful giving.

Tim said, "Everything that we've experienced with recurring giving, is that it's so helpful. It just helps us to be more faithful. And that's the way we talk about it. We encourage our folks to not only have faith, but also to be faithful, and that involves faithfully giving. Recurring giving is the best way to do that with the busyness of our lives."

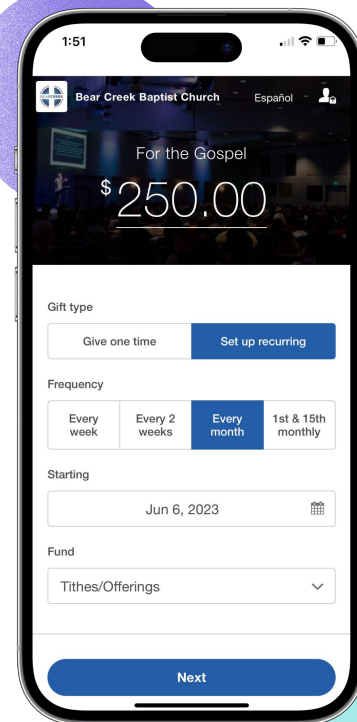
He continued, "Not everybody makes it to church every Sunday, so seeing people get set up with recurring giving has had a huge impact. I can just tell you from a numerical standpoint, we've gone from having just over a thousand people giving in the course of the previous 12 months, and now have 1300 people giving regularly. The way that Pushpay encourages people and helps us to encourage people has led to that increase in the number of people giving," and Assured® Payments bridging the financial gap and encourage continued faithful giving.

Pushpay

After six years of using Pushpay as their giving platform, Bear Creek Church has continued nurturing and increasing generosity. Tim said, "Pushpay is proving to be super, super valuable to us in this time where money is being stretched further and further for everybody with inflation... And It's constantly improving." Those improvements and new developing technology to save churches money in the long run have encouraged more faithful giving and increased the number of donors over the years at Bear Creek.

With more donors, Tim turned to the detailed Donor Development reports and automations to nurture those donor relationships and future gifts. He explained how Pushpay streamlines his day-to-day operations, "I get the automated report from Pushpay every Monday, which helps me see what giving took place over the weekend and through the past week. It's a great high-level view that lets me dig deeper when needed."

He continued, "I look at new givers and make sure that we've responded to them, encouraged them, and thanked them for their giving. Then, I look at anybody who may have paused their giving to find out how things are going in their life and is there anything that we can be praying for them about. The weekly giving reports are a great way to prompt us to care for our people in every stage of life."



Result

With Pushpay's latest innovations like **Everygift™**, Bear Creek Church has experienced a significant increase in donors, growing from just over a thousand to 1300 individuals contributing to the church. This surge in generosity has allowed the church to bridge the gap created by inflation and continue funding critical ministries without compromise.

But it's not just about the church—it's about the community. Tim shared that with the faithful giving they've experienced, Bear Creek can expand their outreach initiatives, reaching over a thousand children through their Vacation Bible School program and fund missions in Guatemala and the Dominican Republic. The increased generosity has empowered the church to make a difference at home and abroad.