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Dear APCE Friends,

We are so excited to report on the incredible accomplishments achieved by the Association of Partners in Christian Education (APCE) over the past year.

We began our 2024 year with our APCE Annual Event in St Louis. Over 600 people from six countries attended in person and online. Together, we were all blessed with inspiring worship, thought provoking plenaries, practical workshops, and amazing fellowship as we gathered together.

After two and a half years of dedicated work, the Strategic Planning Task Force's final report was approved by our Coordinating Council this past spring and has been brought to life by our hard-working Implementation Team. With a renewed APCE mission, vision, and values – along with a gifted Executive and Team Leadership Council – we are ready to enter this new year with energy and vision. The most exciting news in all these changes is the hiring of Thom Cunningham as our full-time Executive Director.

This fall we welcomed the Christian Education Network (CEN) of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) into our APCE family as their educational organization merged with APCE. We are grateful for their presence and their generous sharing of fresh ideas and resources with us. Check out CEN's resource library which has recently been added to our APCE collection of resources on our APCE website, APCENet.org.

We are also thankful for our nine Ministry Teams and JEDI Advisory Council who have faithfully moved our organization forward through the website, classes, studies, and stewardship.

Finally, we ended the year in a positive place financially, with a net income of \$21,000.

As we look forward to the year ahead, we are excited to implement our new Strategic plan. In addition to Thom's service as our Executive Director, we welcome new and experienced leadership taking APCE into this next chapter of ministry.

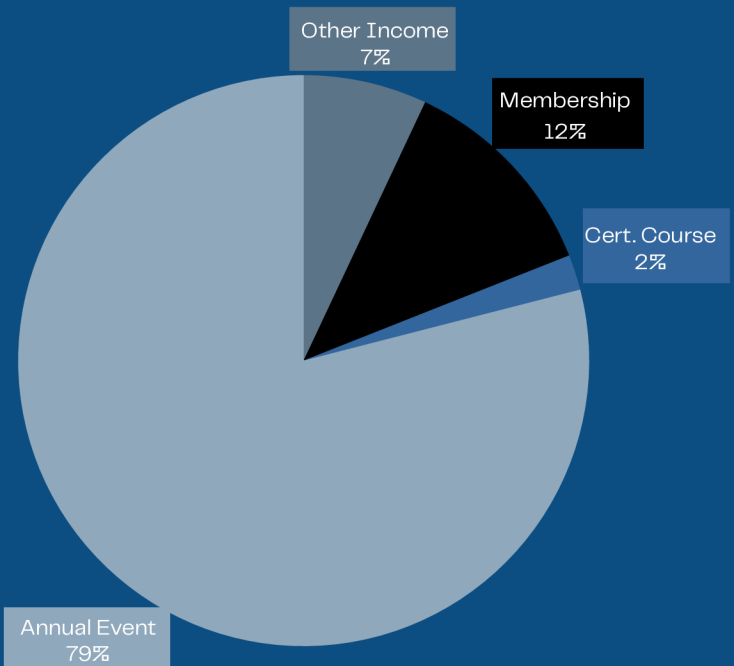
As we enter this new year, we need your continued partnership. Your support – prayerful, participatory, and financial – enables us together to expand our reach, live out our vision, and ensure that our ministry in faith formation and Christian education will continue to thrive for years to come.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment. We look forward to continuing this journey with you.

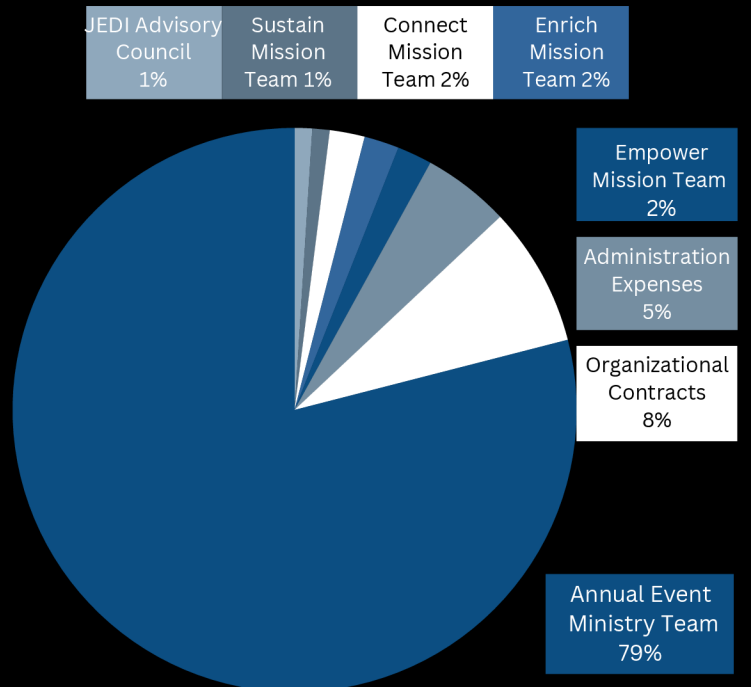
Grace and peace,

Tori Smit (president and incoming co-president),
Kathryn Campbell (past president),
Sandy Safford (incoming co-president)

2023-2024 APCE FINANCES AT A GLANCE



Income



Expenses

Highlights from 2023-2024

- 575+ members
- 500+ attended the In-person Annual Event
- 21 in-person Annual Event scholarships totaling \$10,755 distributed
- 108 Online AE registered
- 28 AE Online English Speaking Scholarships
- 28 AE Online Spanish Speaking Scholarships
- Participants from 6 different countries attended online

APCE - Income & Expenses	
Sept. 1, 2023 - Aug. 31, 2024	
Operational Income	
Certification Course	\$6,416.82
Other Income	\$23,807.87
Membership	\$42,708.40
Annual Event	\$278,619.55
Total Income	\$351,552.64
Operational Expenses	
JEDI Advisory Council	\$2,027.28
Sustain Mission Team	\$3,562.33
Connect Mission Team	\$6,171.82
Enrich Mission Team	\$6,183.59
Empower Mission Team	\$6,228.06
Administration	\$16,876.78
Organizational Contracts	\$26,724.89
Annual Events Ministry Team	\$262,739.23
Total Expenses	\$330,513.98
Net Surplus	\$21,038.66



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Advocacy

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Awards and Scholarships

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Communications and Resources

Jessie Kuehner

Connecting

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Endowment

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