



# 2025 MINISTRY NIGHT

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025  
6 PM AT JERICO CENTRE



# MEETING AGENDA

Welcome & Opening Prayer	Del Penner // Moderator
Adoption of November 2024 AGM Minutes	Brady Ash // Executive Pastor
Financial Report	Tyler Schacter // Treasurer
Jericho Faith Society Report	Darwin Warkentin // JFS Chair
Moderator's Report	Del Penner // Moderator
Society Dissolution	Del Penner // Moderator
Pastoral Report	Wally Nickel // Transitional Pastor
Voting Results	Del Penner // Moderator
Closing Remarks & Prayer	Wally Nickel // Transitional Pastor

Coffee & Dessert Break

Membership Session	Jon Ressor // NLCC Community Life Pastor
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# VISION NIGHT 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Jericho Ridge Community Church // Vision Night AGM  
Nov 17, 2024 6:00 - 7:27 PM at Jericho Centre



## WORSHIP IN SONG – RON Z.

## WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER – DEL P.

## JRCC SOCIETY BUSINESS – STEVE N.

- » Quorum is present at 6:11 PM.
- » MOTION: Adopt Minutes from Vision Night 2024. *Passed with edits.*

## FINANCIAL REPORT – TYLER S.

- » Currently in a poor financial situation in 2024. CCMBC Legacy Fund provided mortgage reduction and NLCC provided a one-time gift.
- » We have lowered our expenses as giving is about \$5,000 behind each month.

## BUDGET 2025 – TYLER S.

- » The 2025 Budget was prepared as though no merger would take place in 2025.
- » Ministry budgets were slightly increased while facility expenses lowered due to mortgage payment reduction.
- » Missions continues to be a focus, receiving 10% of general giving.
- » MOTION: Approve Budget 2025 as presented. *Passed.*

## JERICO FAITH SOCIETY REPORT – DARWIN W.

- » JFS continues to struggle to fill the Saturday afternoon slot.
- » Facility Manager search terminated. Pastor Brady will oversee JFS with financial and maintenance support.
- » JFS Board consists of Darwin, Joel, Otty, Sylvia, Brady (ex-officio).

## TRANSITIONAL PASTOR'S REPORT – WALLY N.

- » Jericho Ridge is reminded of the “Confident Hope” we have in God as read in Romans 15:13.
- » New Elders Team has begun working over the summer after being appointed at Ministry Night 2024.
- » Elders team affirms pursuing a missional merger with North Langley Community Church.

# VISION NIGHT 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Continued



## **MODERATOR'S REPORT – DEL P.**

- » JRCC Eldership has met with NLCC Eldership to explore what becoming a thriving NLCC Campus would look like.
- » JRCC Elders recommend that Jericho Ridge begins the merger process with NLCC.
- » A call to church unity as outlined in Ephesians 4.
- » The Transitional Pastor's contract was extended six-months after mutual discernment and agreement.
- » MOTION: JRCC to missionally merge with NLCC, and thereby affirm NLCC in their process of discerning and calling a Campus Pastor to lead the new church community towards a completed merger. A new campus of NLCC will be formed, at which time both JRCC Society and Jericho Faith Society will be dissolved. *Passed by secret ballot.*

## **ELDER APPRECIATION – CURTIS C.**

- » Appreciation for outbound elder Mark H.

## **CLOSING REMARKS AND PRAYER – MARK H. & WALLY N.**

## **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:27 PM**

# MODERATOR'S REPORT

Del Penner // Moderator



The 20th Anniversary of Jericho Ridge Community Church was a huge milestone and celebration of God's incredible faithfulness over the years! As someone who joined JRCC along the way, I'm so thankful for each of you who participated in bringing God's light and hope to our world through our church during this time. Thank you for serving well!

At our JRCC vision evening last November we voted to missionally merge with NLCC and thereby affirmed NLCC in their process of discerning and calling a Campus Pastor. At this AGM we celebrate the goodness of God in gifting our Willowbrook Campus with Pastor Ben Frederiksen. In the transition process as JRCC, God gave us his vision of a flourishing multi-cultural community of Christ-followers in this place where we were planted. It's exciting how Pastor Ben's passion to be on mission aligns with this vision—his heart to preach and to pastor a gospel-centered church and to relationally share Christ in our increasingly multi-cultural community. We're also blessed to have Pastor Eric Shin of NLCC step into the role of Family Ministries Pastor for the Willowbrook Campus. He will oversee kids, youth, and young adult ministries, and partner with Pastor Ben in areas like discipleship, preaching, and course teaching. With anticipation of growth in ministry we continue to pray for the pastoral leadership team that will shape the vision of our new church community.

As we move toward becoming the fourth campus of NLCC, the Elders board is recommending that members of JRCC vote to dissolve Jericho Ridge Community Church Society by July 31, 2025. As part of the missional merger, NLCC will receive all assets, after payment of any liabilities. Sunday, June 22, will be JRCC's final worship service at Jericho Centre and our staff will transition into other vocational roles by the end of June.

As the new Willowbrook Campus of NLCC is launched, we are being invited to engage in worship and serve together as members of God's family. Paul's vision of different groups of people coming together to form the church has to inspire us:

*"Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. We are carefully joined together in him, becoming a holy temple for the Lord. Through him [we] are being made part of this dwelling where God lives by his Spirit."*

*(Ephesians 2:19-22 NLT)*

As elders we echo the encouragement of Pastor Wally, as he has provided the leadership for us to missionally merge with NLCC, to now join in with all the others from across NLCC's campuses who are sensing God's call to be a part of the Willowbrook Campus this fall. All members of JRCC have the opportunity to walk through the process of transferring their membership to NLCC in anticipation of our future together. And we are invited to be an integral part of the Willowbrook launch team—to willingly invest in the new Campus. The joy of a church community of diverse believers walking, working, and worshipping God together as one is a powerful witness of Christ's redeeming love.



It has been a privilege to serve as Moderator on the Elders team during this last year of ministry as Jericho Ridge. To our amazing church staff, I express the congregation's heartfelt appreciation to you and prayer for God's richest blessings on you. I want to extend my deep gratitude to each one of you at Jericho for your love, patience, confident hope and participation in the life of our church this past year. Remember, even as things change, we are still church family.

Keeping our eyes on Jesus,

Del Penner  
Moderator







# BETTER TOGETHER

**Transitional Pastor  
Wally Nickel**

As I conclude my transitional pastor role in Jericho Ridge and we embark on the next season as a church family, I reflect on the totality of the profound journey that God has taken our church family on in the past nineteen months. We set out in October 2023 with a prayer from Romans 15:13 of “confident hope” in God’s healing, provision, and leading for a new era of missional ministry and vision. The transitional steps were outlined:

1. **Leader Restoration**
2. **Pastoral Care**
3. **Short Term Administration**
4. **Relevant Preaching**
5. **Closure**
6. **Relational Renewal**
7. **Organizational Health & Renewal**
8. **Vision Renewal**
9. **Pastoral Search**

To our credit, we prayed much, met often, and worked thoughtfully through these steps

individually and congregationally. With the excellent leadership of our elders and staff, and the deep commitment of each of you, we experienced God’s surprise and grace over and over, knowing that he was/is not done with us yet. Indeed, God has been consistently faithful toward Jericho Ridge as his bride.

As we approached the final transitional stages of seeking God’s future vision for Jericho Ridge, most of us would have assumed that step nine of calling a new lead pastor is where we would now be as we conclude our transitional time. However, God has surprisingly, graciously, and clearly brought about a different transitional outcome for us at Jericho Ridge:

## **9. Missional Merger with North Langley Community Church (NLCC)**

As the Apostle Paul prayed in Ephesians 1:18, we can be sure that God is continuing his work

of solidifying this new way forward for his church in our hearts and minds,

*“I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance.”*  
(Ephesians 1:18 NLT)

Vision, as being “flooded with light,” is always a God-sized gift that involves surrender, sacrifice, stride, and success. Even as we have affirmed becoming North Langley Community Church’s Willowbrook Campus, God continues the work of aligning our hearts individually and corporately. Admittedly, this hard work of us “surrendering” and “sacrificing” is still ongoing as each of us assesses and processes the merger in different ways. At the same time, we are beginning to enter the “stride” portion of God’s vision for our church as we:

1. Get to know our new Campus Pastor, Ben & Lillian Frederiksen
2. Are being invited to Willowbrook Campus Launch Team interest meetings
3. Considering transferring our personal memberships (for JRCC members) to NLCC

As with any new cadence, learning to walk in “merger stride” with God and NLCC will take time, risk, and intentionality. The average toddler falls approximately 38 times per day when learning to walk. Each time she/he must intentionally risk getting back up again without a guarantee of success. And while I cannot unequivocally tell you that our merger will be a “success” for each one of us, I can tell you that failure is guaranteed if we do not risk walking in stride with God toward the vision he has for us. In other words, this is not the season to be passive observers. Rather, I appeal to you once again

to press into what God is doing in this next season of our church family. We are being invited/called to walk in stride with God and NLCC so that the church can successfully be a gospel witness in Willowbrook. And of this I am confident, our surrender, sacrifice, and new stride will lead to God’s success! Yes, Jesus’ is fulfilling his promises of building his church and having his kingdom come. Now more than ever, is our time to join him in his work of fulfilling his promises.

So, as we bring closure to this beautiful era of God’s bride as Jericho Ridge, let us honour, encourage, and inspire one another. We have much to be thankful for as we remember those whom we have served and served with. We have much to anticipate as we look around the room at those who we are currently walking with, and as we welcome those who we will be joining together with. And finally, as author John Mark Comer (*Practicing the Way*, p. 49) reminds us, as we go through this transformation, we can confidently look at God who is looking at us in love and be encouraged. Well done Jericho Ridge.

Lastly, on a personal note, thank you for being our church family! Sylvia, Joel, Savana, and I were fortunate to attend Jericho Ridge in the early years at R.E. Mountain Secondary. In 2016, we were privileged to be called by you to serve on the pastoral staff. You have significantly shaped our faith and lives as we have followed Jesus together with you. Our memories are fondly full, our spirits are uplifted, and we are grateful for each one of you and for all of us together.

With “confident hope” toward a new future,



Wally Nickel  
Transitional Pastor



# JERICO FAITH SOCIETY REPORT



Darwin Warkentin // JFS Chair

The Jericho Faith Society (JFS) board consists of Joel Schacter, Sylvia Nickel (treasurer), Darwin Warkentin (chair), and ex-officio member Pastor Brady Ash.

I would like to take the time to thank Otty Justason, who resigned from the JFS Board on March 3, 2025, for all the hard work he put into Jericho Centre. I have always appreciated Otty's thought process during our board discussions, and his tireless efforts to keep an eye on the building and help do things as needed.

Jericho Centre's ongoing user groups have changed significantly since the merger process with NLCC has begun. Crescent Heights Academy (CHA, formerly Fraser Valley School, FVS) is the only user group that has not been asked to leave, with NLCC's hope being that the monthly income from CHA will cover the building's future monthly mortgage payments alone. Lights Up has been given the option to finish out their classes for this spring. Global Harvest found a better option for worship space and finished their contract with Jericho Centre on January 31, 2025. Good News Chapel also has found a new venue for their services and finished their contract at the end of April 2025.

El Camino also concluded their time at the end of April 2025.

With the financial need for having multiple tenants being removed from Jericho Centre, JRCC and NLCC will have a mostly available building to use for the many ongoing and future needs that the merger will create. This was always the long-term plan for JRCC and JFS when we first moved into Jericho Centre. To see this now happening much sooner with the merger is a testament of God's will for this space and community.

Crescent Heights Academy continues to be the major user group for Jericho Centre, and on September 1, 2024, entered the second part of their ten year lease with Jericho Centre. Pastor Brady has been an integral piece this year in keeping communications open and clear and will continue to do so through the merger process until NLCC takes over the landlord portion of this relationship with CHA.

Pastors Brady and Jenna have done well to help fill the in-office part of the Facility Manager role, helping in any daily interactions that take place, and providing a face to questions and

concerns from our user groups. Constance has taken on the duties of billing, invoicing, payments, and everything else financial for JFS. Myself, Darwin, am helping with the communication department for responding to emails, or directing them to the correct department.

Our relationship with our national Mennonite Brethren denominational lender (CCMBC Legacy Fund) has been healthy over the last few years as JFS and JRCC have traversed this challenging financial period of time. The merger with NLCC will bring our relationship with CCMBC Legacy Fund to an end. NLCC will assume the mortgage, with the intention of paying off a significant portion of it immediately. It is only because of the grace of God and the partnership of CCMBC Legacy Fund that have allowed us to make it to this point of moving towards being completely financially tenant sufficient. I want to thank CCMBC Legacy Fund for working with us through both the good and the bad since we moved into Jericho Centre. The end result now opens such a big door to our local community where the church can focus much more on its mission and much less (or not at all) on the next mortgage payment.

The JFS Board will remain operational until the end of June. Once everything is confirmed to be transferred over to NLCC (bill payments, etc.) then the JFS Board will dissolve.

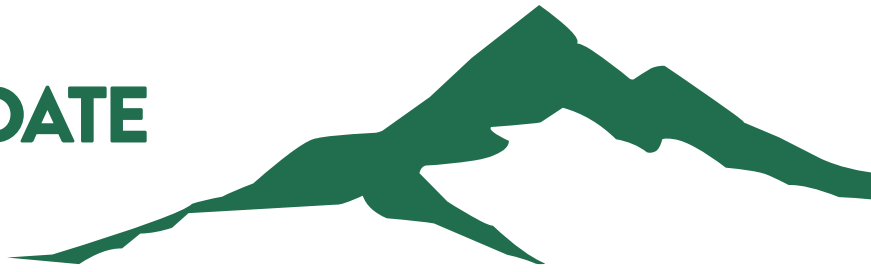
I want to thank all those that have come before me on the JFS Board, and those who still remain. The work of the JFS Board is almost done, and while endings can bring sadness, I am excited to see where God takes this community, and this building next.

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Darwin Warkentin  
Jericho Faith Society Chair

# FINANCIAL UPDATE

Tyler Schacter // Treasurer



On behalf of the elders team, I want to thank you for your continued generosity and commitment to the mission and vision of Jericho Ridge Community Church. Your faithful giving continues to fund the ministries that serve our community and make space for transformation through Jesus.

As we journey through a season of transition, your support has been both encouraging and essential. The 2025 budget was prayerfully approved at \$417,450 for revenue and expenses. As of the end of April, our actual general revenue stands at \$126,526.25, slightly below the budgeted year-to-date figure of \$136,000. However, expenses have also been managed prudently and remain below budget as we near the final stages of our merger with North Langley Community Church.

We're also grateful that the mortgage payment with the Canadian Conference of MB Churches has been set at \$40,000 monthly, allowing us to meet our obligations even in this time of financial adjustment.

In addition, we're pleased to share that at the time of writing this report, \$7,600 has been received towards the Staff Blessing Fund. These funds will be used to express our appreciation to JRCC's dedicated staff as they step into new opportunities past June 30th.

Let us all be encouraged to remain steadfast in faith and generosity. This season is full of change, but it is also full of God's goodness and purpose. As we prepare for a new chapter with NLCC, may we continue to think and do things differently, in hope and unity.

With gratitude,

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Tyler Schacter  
Treasurer

# 2025 BUDGET YTD

	ITEM	2025 BUDGET	JAN-APR BUDGET	JAN-APR ACTUAL
	<b>REVENUE</b>			
1	General Revenue	408,000	136,000	126,526
2	Benevolence			310
3	Staff Blessing Fund			7,228
4	FVES Gym Rental	9,450	3,150	4,275
5	Other			161
6	<b>Total Revenue</b>	417,450	139,150	130,962
	<b>EXPENSES</b>			
	<b>STAFF</b>			
7	Salary And Benefits	252,000	84,000	80,771
8	Pastoral Support	11,260	3,753	5,419
9	<b>Total Staff</b>	263,260	87,753	86,190
	<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>			
10	Facility	51,933	17,311	0
11	General Administration	44,502	14,834	28,141
12	<b>Total Administration</b>	96,435	32,145	28,141
	<b>CHURCH MINISTRY</b>			
13	Children's Ministry	3,000	1,000	614
14	Youth Ministry	1,950	650	163
15	Frontlines/Hospitality	4,430	1,477	1,635
16	Prayer Ministry	200	67	0
17	Groups	475	158	39
18	Worship	5,500	1,833	400
19	Seniors' Ministry	1,200	400	2,174
20	<b>Total Church Ministry</b>	17,140	5,713	5,024
	<b>MISSIONS</b>			
21	Supported Missionaries	19,100	6,367	6,280
22	BCMB Conference, etc.	16,250	5,417	3,250
23	Under The Same Sun	1,000	333	0
24	Local Outreach	4,650	1,550	0
25	<b>Total Missions</b>	41,000	13,667	9,530
26	<b>Total Expenses - Operations</b>	417,450	139,150	128,885
27	<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	0	0	2,077

# ELDER RECOMMENDATIONS

For Jericho Ridge Community Church Members



## OVERVIEW

- » The following recommendations are put forward by the JRCC Elders Board for affirmation by the membership present at AGM Ministry Night 2025:

## VISION NIGHT 2024 MINUTES

1. As an elders board, we are recommending that members of JRCC vote to accept the attached minutes of Vision Night 2024, held on 17 November 2024 at Jericho Centre as presented.

## 2024 FINANCIAL REVIEW

2. As an elders board, we are recommending that members of JRCC vote to accept the attached Compiled Financial Information, as prepared by JRCC's accountant, Facet Advisors.

## SOCIETY DISSOLUTION

3. As an elders board, we are recommending that members of JRCC vote to dissolve Jericho Ridge Community Church Society by July 31, 2025. As part of the missional merger, North Langley Community Church Society will receive all assets, after payment of any liabilities.
- » *As per JRCC bylaws, a vote for dissolution of the Society requires the affirmation of two-thirds (2/3) or greater of voting-participatory members present at AGM Ministry Night.*

## BALLOTS

4. At the conclusion of voting, the elders board is recommending that the ballots are destroyed, in accordance with JRCC bylaws.

# MEMBERSHIP

Membership Transfer Opportunity from JRCC to NLCC



## OVERVIEW

- » As Jericho Ridge Community Church merges with North Langley Community Church, we want to provide an opportunity for JRCC Members to transfer your membership. At the conclusion of the business portion of our AGM, Pastor Jon Ressor from NLCC will lead a brief overview of the ethos of NLCC and its process for membership. As such, JRCC members have the following three options with regard to the future of their membership:

## TERMINATE

1. Allow your membership with JRCC to terminate on June 30. After which, you will be unable to transfer your membership to another Mennonite Brethren Church.

## TRANSFER

2. Transfer your membership with JRCC to NLCC with our expedited process occurring at Ministry Night 2025.
- » *Note: Transferring your membership to NLCC does not mean you are committing to being a part of the Willowbrook Campus Launch Team. It simply means you are a member at large with NLCC and can choose which campus you would like to attend.*

## LATER

3. If you choose not to become a member of NLCC at Ministry Night, you are always welcome to apply at a later time through their regular membership process. This requires an application, interview, attending two sessions at an NLCC Campus, and filming a 20-30 sec membership video so congregants can get to know you.



**JERICO RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**COMPILED FINANCIAL INFORMATION**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

**JERICOHO RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
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## COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT

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To the Management of Jericho Ridge Community Church

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of Jericho Ridge Community Church as at December 31, 2024, and the statements of revenues and expenditures and changes in net assets for the year then ended, and Note 1, which describes the basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the compiled financial information ("financial information").

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial information, including the accuracy and completeness of the underlying information used to compile it and the selection of the basis of accounting.

We performed this engagement in accordance with Canadian Standard on Related Services (CSRS) 4200, *Compilation Engagements*, which requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements. Our responsibility is to assist management in the preparation of the financial information.

We did not perform an audit engagement or a review engagement, nor were we required to perform procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial information.

Readers are cautioned that the financial information may not be appropriate for their purposes.



FACET ADVISORS INC.  
Chartered Professional Accountants

Surrey, BC  
January 29, 2025

**JERICOHO RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**December 31, 2024**

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT		
Cash - General fund	\$ 62,480	\$ 28,044
Cash - Restricted funds	14,937	11,126
Prepaid expenses	5,453	5,758
Goods and services tax recoverable	974	2,514
	83,844	47,442
EQUIPMENT	16,371	23,098
DUE FROM RELATED PARTY	-	341
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 100,215</b>	<b>\$ 70,881</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 5,110	\$ 5,499
Deferred revenue	14,937	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>20,047</b>	<b>5,499</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>80,168</b>	<b>65,382</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 100,215</b>	<b>\$ 70,881</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information

**JERICO RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	2024	2023
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Restricted donations	\$ 2,000	\$ 7,616
Unrestricted donations	447,049	488,534
Interest income	389	313
	449,438	496,463
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Administration	50,056	50,612
Amortization	6,727	9,537
Children's ministry	2,329	1,904
Church ministry	409	10,318
Hospitality	7,677	5,317
Local outreach	943	529
Missions	47,613	45,051
Office rental	60,809	159,675
Pastoral support	6,312	6,910
Restricted disbursements	2,000	2,105
Salaries and wages	245,918	269,779
Sunday service	3,535	5,730
Youth ministry	323	1,617
	434,651	569,084
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	\$ 14,787	\$ (72,621)

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**JERICO RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	2024 NET ASSETS BEGINNING OF YEAR		Revenues	Expenses	Interfund	2024 NET ASSETS END OF YEAR	
General fund	\$	31,158	\$ 427,568	\$ (410,012)	\$ -	\$	48,714
Invested in capital assets		23,098	-	(6,581)	-		16,517
Seniors' Program		-	20,114	(16,058)	-		4,056
Benevolence fund		11,126	1,755	(2,000)	-		10,881
	\$	65,382	\$ 449,437	\$ (434,651)	\$ -	\$	80,168

	2023 NET ASSETS BEGINNING OF YEAR		Revenues	Expenses	Interfund	2023 NET ASSETS END OF YEAR	
General fund	\$	81,741	\$ 485,492	\$ (554,086)	\$ 18,011	\$	31,158
Invested in capital assets		-	-	(9,537)	32,635		23,098
Contingency fund		31,250	-	-	(31,250)		-
Future facilities fund		885	-	-	(885)		-
Missions fund		15,570	-	-	(15,570)		-
Benevolence fund		8,556	7,616	(2,105)	(2,941)		11,126
	\$	138,002	\$ 493,108	\$ (565,728)	\$ -	\$	65,382

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information



**JERICOHO RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO COMPILED FINANCIAL INFORMATION**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2024**

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**1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the financial information is on the historical cost basis and reflects cash transactions with the addition of:

- prepaid expenses
- goods and services tax recoverable as at the reporting date
- equipment recorded at cost and amortized using the declining balance method
- accounts payable and accrued liabilities
- deferred revenue