

Provision &
Gratitude

2025–2026
Annual Report



Dear Friends,

Thank you for a wonderful year at Regent! It is a joy to share this update about what God has done through your generosity.

Over the past year, I've been blessed with the opportunity to travel extensively, meeting and exchanging news with Regent alumni and friends across North America and in Singapore and Hong Kong. What an extraordinary community! I am incredibly grateful for the warmth, encouragement, and kindness I received in so many homes, churches, and gathering places. It's an honour to represent Regent to you, and it's a blessing to share your greetings and words of encouragement with those gathered under the green roof.

Everywhere I went this year, I heard encouraging stories about the transformative role that Regent has played—and continues to play—in the lives of alumni. I'll share one comment that stood out to me amid the chorus of testimony: "We are seeing that what we learned at Regent thirty years ago is true and actually works."

After each trip, I reported back to faculty: "What you do matters. It's making a difference in the lives of our students."

I want to share a similar message with you today. *What you do matters. Your giving, your prayers, your commitment: they're making a real difference in the lives of students.*

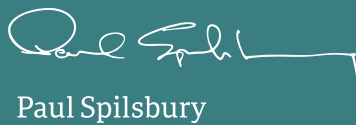
In the following pages, you'll meet students from three different continents, each with a story of how Regent is transforming their perspectives, vocations, and relationships. Your giving makes experiences like these possible.

You'll also meet Regent's new Academic Dean, Rev. Dr. Jerry Hwang, a gifted Old Testament scholar and translator with a passion for exploring how Scripture speaks to the global church. Your giving makes his work, and the work of all our faculty and staff colleagues, possible.

Every day at Regent College, I see God's people cultivating intelligent, vigorous, and joyful commitment to Jesus Christ, his church, and his world. Your giving makes this mission possible.

Thank you.

In Christ,



Paul Spilsbury

President's Message

What God Is Doing Across the World

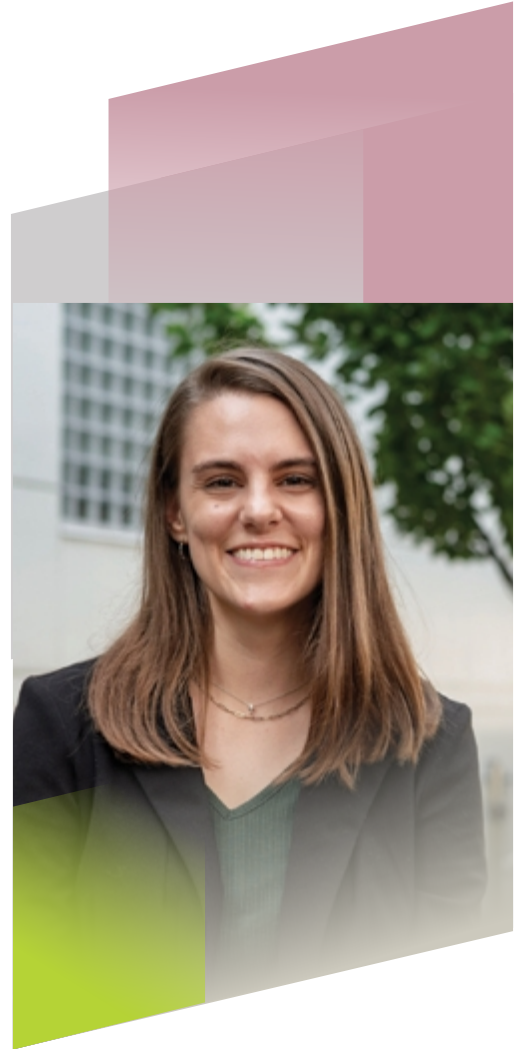
Aberdeen Livingstone

I attended a small liberal arts college in New York City, where I majored in Religious and Theological Studies. Studying the Bible and the things of God felt like a great adventure, and I felt like I had just bumped up against the tip of the iceberg. This led me to pursue more theological education.

One of the reasons I chose Regent is that I wanted to hear and see what Jesus is doing around the world. I have been richly rewarded in that desire. I live with other Americans and Brazilians, and I do ministry with people from across North America and Asia. In my classes, I get to study alongside people from at least fifteen other countries. And in each of these interactions, I have been moved by getting to hear what God is doing across the world.

I've been challenged by stories of Christians in places where persecution is much higher, like China, and by the different struggles of Christians from places where Christians have fewer resources and less cultural capital, like Germany. I've learned about some of the ways North American models of spiritual formation are failing, and I'm having conversations with fellow students about what to do about that. All of it has made me love Jesus and his global church more. It has also led me to appreciate the unique strengths and weaknesses of my own place and background.

Amid all of this, I've been given opportunities to wrestle with how to connect with God and God's word at a personal, devotional level. Both the works of saints throughout the ages and the lived examples of my fellow students and faculty have been huge helps in this. I'm excited to see how my engagement with the Bible and theology will continue to grow through my time here.



Aberdeen Livingstone is an American MATS student pursuing a concentration in Interdisciplinary Studies. She began her studies in 2025 and will serve on the Regent College Student Association Council as Vice President (Academic) for the 2026-27 academic year.

Challenged and Strengthened

Daniel Ayim

My vocational goal is to equip and mentor young people to lead with integrity, faith, and vision in both ministry and professional spaces. I am particularly interested in the intersection of theology, leadership, and social transformation, especially within African and global contexts.

I chose to study at Regent because of its strong commitment to integrating faith and intellectual life. I was drawn to the way Regent creates space for deep theological reflection while remaining attentive to real-world issues. The diversity of the community and the global perspective of the institution also stood out to me. I wanted to be in a place where I could critically engage my faith, be challenged academically, and grow in a way that prepares me for meaningful leadership and service.

Over the past year, I have experienced significant growth academically, spiritually, and personally. Academically, I have learned to think more critically about historical narratives, especially in relation to church history and global Christianity. I have been challenged to question dominant perspectives and to consider voices and contexts that are often overlooked. Spiritually, I have developed a deeper awareness of how faith interacts with complex realities such as injustice, suffering, and cultural difference. Personally, the community at Regent has been a space of encouragement, stretching, and formation.

Through all this, my Christian commitment has been strengthened through a deeper understanding of the person of Jesus Christ not only as saviour but as one who identifies with the marginalized and calls his followers into transformative engagement with the world. At the same time, I have been challenged to rethink my assumptions about the church, especially in light of its historical failures and complexities. This has ultimately deepened my commitment, making it more honest, more informed, and more rooted in a desire to participate in God's work in the world with humility and faithfulness.



Daniel Ayim is an MDiv student originally from Ghana. He was ordained in 2015, but his theological curiosity about how Christianity engages issues of justice, identity, and community drew him toward further study.

A God Who Draws Close

Clarice Phan

When Phil and I got married, we wanted to build our marriage on two things: faith and community. We figured we had spent quite a lot of time in life with our respective communities, but felt like we hadn't given as much time to faith. We thought there wouldn't be a better way to establish a deeper faith foundation than to move abroad and study at Regent! We both gave up our jobs for the year so we could move to Vancouver to study. Generous bursaries allowed us to fully immerse ourselves in our learning and formation.

Studying at Regent has truly been life-changing. It has completely re-oriented the way I see everything in life, from my food, to the way I engage with technology, to work, to caring for the "other," to the way I understand church.

Last summer, I took courses called "Healthcare and the Christian Life" with Dr. Quentin Genuis and "Theology, Mental Health, and the Problem of Suffering" with Dr. John Swinton. These courses were particularly pertinent to me because I work as a brain injury rehabilitation physiotherapist and see people experience grief and suffering on a daily basis. These courses allowed me to see that Jesus isn't a God who stands at a distance while we suffer, but a God who draws close to us in our darkest times. This has helped me make sense of a world of suffering and how God enters into this.

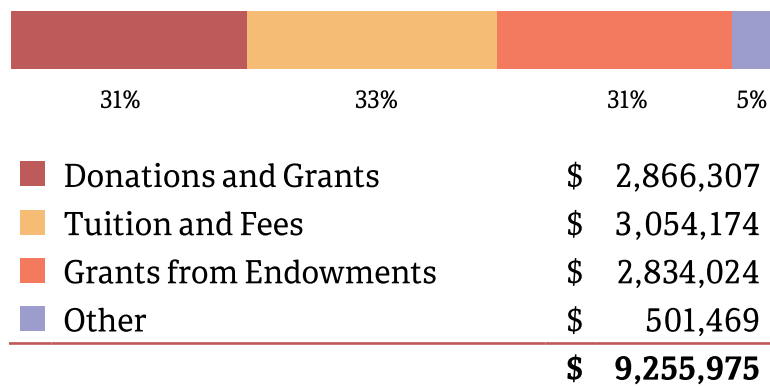
Since returning to Australia, I have been teaching university students before their rehabilitation placements. I have often found myself drawing on some of the things I learnt in those classes—particularly around seeing people as *imago Dei* and how that relates to treating them. In hospital settings, it can be easy to see heavily disabled patients as merely patient numbers, but our Christian faith teaches us otherwise. It has been a joy to be able to pass some of this on in my vocation.



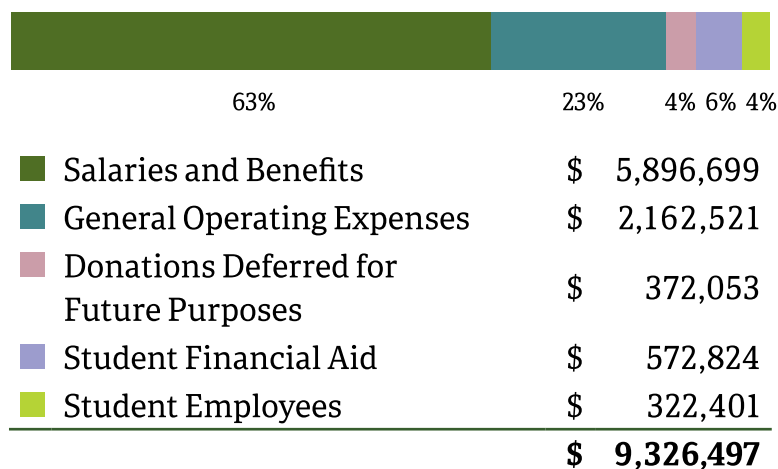
Clarice Phan (GradDipCS '26) and her husband, Phillip Lau, moved to Vancouver in fall 2024 and spent a year as full-time students. After returning to their home city of Adelaide, Australia, they both completed Regent's Graduate Diploma and opted to continue their studies as part-time MACS students.

Regent College Overall Finances

Revenues



Expenses

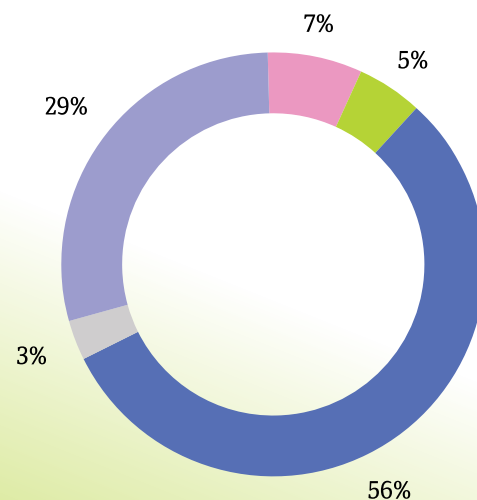


Funds Received

Annual Fund	\$ 1,854,739
Bequests	\$ 181,452
Endowment	\$ 3,620,300
Donor-Established Scholarships	\$ 348,406
Specific Purpose Funds	\$ 450,058
Total	\$ 6,454,955

Regent enjoyed a significant increase in giving to our annual fund from the previous year's \$1.7 million to this year's \$1.85 million. This increase allowed us to keep our operating deficit to a very manageable \$70,522. Thankfully, our healthy cash position means we continue to have no debt. However, our Board-mandated balanced budget for 2026–2027 requires growing our annual fund to \$2 million. We are again trusting God to provide for Regent. We invite you to participate in that provision by giving generously in the coming year.

This page represents a summary of Regent's unaudited financials for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2026. Audited financial statements are available upon request.



Your Generosity

God richly blessed Regent with over \$6.4 million in donations in 2025–2026. These funded the College’s ministry, two new faculty chairs, numerous scholarships, and some specific programs and projects. We are so very grateful for God’s abundant provision, for your generous giving, and for the thoughtfulness of dearly departed saints who remembered Regent in their wills.

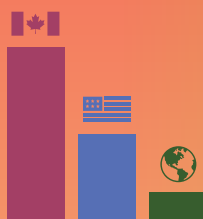
Number of Donors

\$1–\$99	42
\$100–\$499	389
\$500–\$999	200
\$1,000–\$1,999	173
\$2,000–\$4,999	117
\$5,000–\$9,999	66
\$10,000–\$24,999	31
\$25,000+	32

1,050

Canada	651
USA	267
International	132

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Asking Questions, Learning Culture

Rev. Dr. Jerry Hwang

The time I spent working in IT has proven to be surprisingly useful. As an IT consultant, I learned tools and sensibilities that focused on helping people use technology to solve real-world problems. A lot of this involved asking people questions about the business issues they were facing. So, they might want to make their processes more efficient. They might want to know more about their customers. These can be framed as technological problems, but technology alone won't solve them.

There were similarities between my biblical studies training and my earlier computer science training. In both areas, people could easily fall into this notion that just having information or knowledge—*techne*, as it is called in the classical tradition—would be enough to solve all our problems. In IT consulting, I learned that just throwing technology at problems doesn't solve them. It's also true that in ministry and theological education, information and data about the Bible and theology are not, in themselves, enough to solve problems. They are necessary, but not sufficient.

Being an IT consultant taught me to listen, to examine systems, and to figure out what an organization really needs. It taught me how to be others-centred in a way that became quite useful for pastoral ministry and now for theological education. It taught me to learn about institutional culture.

As someone who has come to Regent from the outside, I spend a lot of time studying the culture of Regent. This involves asking a lot of “why” questions that surface values and priorities. Understanding those things, understanding our unique calling, that's what can help us harness what is best about Regent's history and recast it for an exciting future.



Rev. Dr. Jerry Hwang joined the Regent College faculty as Academic Dean and Professor of Old Testament in October 2025. His scholarly work focuses on the Pentateuch, prophetic literature, mission studies, and the contextualization of biblical theology in Asian contexts. Jerry's current ministry is shaped by his extensive experience working in churches, missions, and academia. As he explained on the Regent College Podcast, his work is also informed by his early experience in the marketplace.



How Faith Is Central to All of Life

Bill Roper

Throughout my career in medicine, public health, and academia, I wanted to spend focused time doing serious study of the Bible and theology. I had heard from many friends about Regent, and finally, as my retirement approached, I took a one-week class with Darrell Johnson. It was terrific. During that week, I met Jeff Greenman, who told me more about Regent's offerings for laypeople like me and encouraged me to apply to the MALTS program.

MALTS was a wonderful experience for me: great teachers, a fun and energetic cohort of fellow students, and an opportunity to do what I'd long wanted to do—study how faith is central to all of life, including work, politics, and society. Simply put, it felt like Regent was built with people like me in mind.

At the end of MALTS, several of us asked Jeff how we could continue this kind of study. One option he suggested was the MATS program in Marketplace Theology. With the support of Jeff and David Robinson, I moved into the MATS, and I had a superb experience. I gained a tremendous amount through my studies—they sharpened my ability to see and express that one's faith should inform one's politics, rather than the other way around.

I donate to Regent because I want to “pay it forward,” to enable others to benefit from the teaching, mentorship, and colleagues I found through Regent College. I hope Regent flourishes in its ability to help form generations of people from around the world who are exploring the difference Christ makes to everything.



Dr. Bill Roper (MATS '25) has spent decades as a leading figure in medicine and public health, serving at high levels in the US federal government in the 1980s and early 1990s before moving to the private sector. From 1997 until his retirement, he held a series of key leadership positions with the University of North Carolina (UNC), including Dean of the School of Public Health, Dean of the School of Medicine, CEO of UNC Health (a large network of hospitals and clinics), and Interim President.

Fresh Expressions

In 2021, Regent began fundraising for our Digital Reach project. Our goal was ambitious: the full redesign and redevelopment of the College's website, and the creation of a new online publication platform for digital media. In 2025, we achieved that goal—and none of it would have been possible without donors like you.

The single largest contribution to the project's budget was a generous grant from the M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust. However, this grant was contingent on Regent's ability to match the grant amount with funding from other sources. Regent needed its donor community to step up—and step up they did.

Donors from around the world, including alumni from every era of Regent's history, contributed to the Digital Reach project. Many gave during or immediately after our online reunion celebrating 50+ years of Regent. This outpouring of generosity helped fund four years of technical and creative work that culminated in the launch of our new site on September 16, 2025.

A New Online Home

Through Regent's new website, we set out to offer online visitors the same level of hospitality Regent has traditionally extended to campus visitors. We especially aimed to welcome newcomers to Regent into a space that encourages connection with the College, its people, and the ideas and values that matter to our community.

Over the past year, we have seen ample evidence that the website is serving these purposes. For example, because the new site focuses on helping prospective students to contact an Admissions Counsellor, more students are reaching out to have a conversation and fewer are navigating the application process alone. This marks a significant improvement in our ability to encourage and assist future Regent students.

Even beyond its impact on recruitment, the new website represents a crucial investment in Regent's long-term sustainability. Our new content management system rests on rock-solid technical infrastructure that receives regular updates and support from one of the world's leading online service providers for higher education. Editing and updating the website has also become dramatically easier. All of this will allow Regent to continue to grow and refresh our online presence far into the future.

New Conversations

The Regent Vine (regentvine.com) is one of the most exciting public engagement initiatives in the College's history, made possible by donors like you. *The Vine* functions like an online magazine, a place where faculty can share new research, outstanding students can showcase their projects, and friends of the College can contribute to the conversations that animate our community. It's also a one-stop shop for podcast episodes, public lectures, videos, and articles that have never been accessible in one place before.

The conversations we're having on *The Vine* are rich and varied. The most-viewed items on the site include: an essay on the role

of cinnamon in the Bible by faculty member Prabo Mihindukulasuriya; an examination of childlike wonder in *The Little Prince* by recent student Fong Xue Ting; a reflection on why the church needs sociology by alumna Jessamin Birdsall; and a lecture on C.S. Lewis by J.I. Packer.

The Regent Vine is more than just a place for Regent folks to share with one another. It's a landing place for people who want to be exposed to interesting ideas from thoughtful people, presented in a collaborative spirit. It's a place for people to get their first taste of Regent—and to decide they want more. We're delighted with how *The Vine* is growing so far, and we're deeply grateful to you for making it possible.

More to Come

Regent isn't done developing fresh expressions. Thanks to continued donor support, we're just getting started. Keep an eye out for new online spaces for alumni and the Regent Bookstore, and stay tuned this fall for exciting news about the next generation of *The Vine*!

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