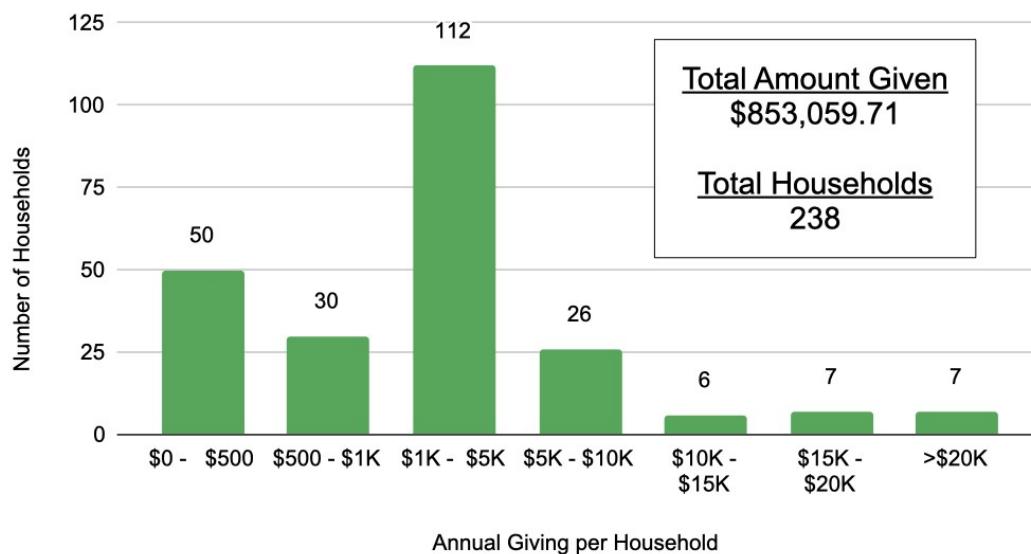


Number of Households vs. Annual Giving per Household



At the close of 2022, a total of 238 households, consisting of individuals and families, made contributions to Asbury United Methodist Church. We give thanks to God for the generosity represented in these numbers.

While our giving is generally consistent with our historical patterns, it's essential to acknowledge that the world has become a more expensive place, even just within the last few years. Similar to how individuals and families have experienced the pressure of rising costs, our church family has also felt the impact. Materials have become more expensive, and Asbury's annual insurance premium, a cost beyond our control, continues to increase. To illustrate, the premium was roughly \$30,000 in 2022, but it has risen to \$42,000 this year and is projected to increase again.

As you review this chart, please take a moment to reflect on where you stand in relation to these figures and consider how you might expand your contributions to Asbury.

We understand that each of us is in a different financial situation, and God doesn't expect the same amount from everyone. Nevertheless, God does call upon us to be faithful with what we possess, recognizing that it all belongs to God in the first place. We are encouraged to give in a manner that is both *intentional* (planned, not random) and *sacrificial*.

We want to express our gratitude for your steadfast contributions to Asbury. Your generosity plays a vital role in sustaining our church's mission and ministry. Thank you for your faithfulness in supporting Asbury!