

Stewardship of Financial Resources: ECMI's Commitment to Impact Join the movement

The financial cost associated with leading individuals to salvation and baptism varies widely among churches in the United States. Studies reveal that these costs can range from tens of thousands to over a million dollars per soul due to operational expenses such as facilities, salaries, and maintenance.

For instance:

- \$1.5 Million per Baptism: In 1999, a study by the Center for the Study of Global Christianity estimated this staggering average. [The Truth Source](#)
- \$81,203 per Baptism: A 2013 analysis of 66 churches in one city reported an average cost of over \$80,000 per baptism. [Lane Corley](#)
- \$25,166 per Baptism: Medium-sized churches (250-499 members) reported spending over \$25,000 on average for each baptism. [Christian Standard](#)

These figures underscore the significant financial investments often required in the U.S., despite their mission to share the Gospel. In contrast, East Coast Ministries International (ECMI) is **redefining stewardship** by leveraging resources to maximize spiritual impact. With a focus on cost-effective ministry models and an emphasis on training workers and leadership development, ECMI operates at a fraction of the costs reported above.

For example:

International Engagements: ECMI's strategic missions see hundreds & thousands of people come to salvation and baptism during evangelistic efforts, with operational costs kept exceptionally low. For the cost of a single U.S. baptism, ECMI reaches multiple communities with the Gospel. ECMI operates with remarkable cost-efficiency, investing just a few dollars per individual reached while also successfully planting new churches.

Global Impact with Minimal Costs: By collaborating with local believers, leveraging community networks, and keeping overhead expenses low, ECMI demonstrates the biblical value of faithful and effective stewardship. Our God given model for workers yields maximum fruit at minimal cost.

Your generosity enables ECMI to continue this life-transforming work. Together, we are proving that faithful stewardship can lead to extraordinary results for God's Kingdom.

Accountability

At ECMI, we prioritize transparency and integrity in the management of the resources entrusted to us. To ensure that every dollar sent overseas is used effectively and in alignment with our mission, we have developed a rigorous accountability process. This process includes thorough oversight, regular reporting from our international partners, and detailed tracking of expenditures.

We work closely with trusted local leaders to verify that funds are allocated for their intended purposes, such as ministry activities, community development, or humanitarian aid. Periodic updates allow us to maintain high standards of stewardship, giving our donors confidence that their contributions are making a meaningful impact. Our commitment to accountability reflects our dedication to honoring God and the trust placed in us by our supporters.