



**1—Project Name:** Camp Wave

**2—If this grant is being requested on behalf of an external organization, what is that organization's name and connection with Texas Baptists?**

N/A

**3—Please request the minimum amount needed—with a maximum of \$20,000 possible—in order to accomplish the project's goals.**

\$20,000.00 (*budget attached*)

**4—Overview: Give a one paragraph description of the project.**

WAVE Conference empowers students from 7th grade through college to grow stronger spiritually, socially, and mentally. It's more than just an event—it's a movement that equips the next generation to overcome life's challenges, live with purpose, and pursue the mission of God.

At WAVE, students are inspired to deepen their faith in Christ, build lasting relationships, and develop the confidence to make a Kingdom impact in their schools, communities, and beyond. By instilling a passion to fulfill the Great Commission and live out the Great Commandment, WAVE helps raise up young disciples who will lead boldly, serve faithfully, and strengthen the future of the Church.

**5—STRATEGIC: How will this project make Texas Baptists stronger?**

WAVE will help embed the core values of Texas Baptists—evangelism, service, discipleship, and leadership—into the hearts of young people. As they grow in faith and confidence, these students will return to their churches and communities as servant-leaders, strengthening the local church and expanding the reach of the Gospel across Texas. By equipping the next generation to lead with conviction and compassion, this project ensures that the mission and impact of Texas Baptists will not only continue, but thrive for years to come.

**6—SIGNIFICANT: What is the anticipated long-term impact of this project?**

The long-term impact of WAVE is the development of spiritually grounded, ministry-ready leaders who will serve the Church and the Kingdom for generations to come. WAVE is more than a camp—it's a leadership incubator where students not only encounter Christ but also begin to discern their calling into ministry and service. Through intentional training, discipleship, and exposure to ministry leadership, students are equipped to become the future pastors, missionaries, church leaders, and Convention influencers. This isn't just a theory—it's our testimony. Leaders like Oza Jones, Ralph Emerson, Robert White, and myself all either led

or attended Camp WAVE in our youth, and today we serve in prominent ministry roles across Texas Baptists and beyond.

### **7—SUSTAINABLE: How will the grant help this project become self-supporting?**

This grant will serve as a critical catalyst in helping WAVE become a self-supporting movement. By funding targeted marketing efforts and regional rallies, the grant will increase visibility and engagement among churches, students, and families across the state. These regional rallies will serve as strategic preview events—introducing potential attendees to the unique worship experience, strong biblical teaching, meaningful fellowship, and practical curriculum that define the WAVE experience.

### **8—INNOVATIVE: How will this project break new ground?**

This project will break new ground through its intentional curriculum and its introduction of regional rallies across the state. For the first time, WAVE will expand beyond a single summer location and take the experience on the road, offering regional preview events that bring worship, teaching, and community directly to students and churches in their own cities. These rallies will create momentum, expand reach, and allow us to engage communities that may have never participated in WAVE before.

### **9—INVOLVING: How will the churches served by Texas Baptists be included in this project?**

Churches will be directly involved and strengthened through this project by seeing their students equipped not just to serve—but to lead. WAVE Conference is designed to help churches develop future leaders from within, empowering young people to return home with a stronger faith, deeper commitment, and a clearer sense of purpose in their local church context. In addition to student development, WAVE also provides a vibrant community for Youth Pastors and Student Ministry Leaders across Texas. Through dedicated breakout sessions, collaborative networking, and intentional fellowship, these leaders will receive updated tools, relevant training, and spiritual encouragement. This dual investment

**How many churches will be involved?** 50 Churches

### **10—INTERESTING: How will this project produce helpful stories and encourage donor engagement for future ministry support?**

This project will clearly demonstrate how disciples of Christ are being multiplied through Camp WAVE. It will showcase real stories of students who have grown up in church culture but made the life-changing decision at camp to fully surrender and live for Christ. These are not just emotional moments—they are turning points where faith becomes personal, and purpose is discovered.

You'll also hear the testimonies of leaders who arrived weary and on the verge of leaving ministry, but left renewed, refocused, and re-energized to serve the Kingdom of God with passion. Camp WAVE is a place where hearts are restored, callings are confirmed, and the fire for ministry is rekindled. WAVE is filled with life-changing stories because we serve a life-changing God. It's not just an event—it's a spiritual movement where disciples are made, leaders are raised, and the Church is strengthened for the future

**11—Has this project received previous TBMF grants? If YES, list years and amounts.**

N/A

**12—Is this request for an ongoing project with a new name? If YES, what was the former name of the project?**

N/A

## Budget for Wave

Ministry Safe		500
M S Graphics	QR Codes	200
Ben Bullock	Promo Video	1,000
K9 Sports	WAVE Gear	7,500
4	Speakers	2,000
M S Graphics	Promo Cards	150
BJ	DJ	1000
Ben Bullock	Conf Videographer	3500
Ladarius Waits	Worship Band	5,000
Dominic Taylor	Production	5,000
Alica Huff	Social media (Coordinator)	400
Hotel Rooms**	Staff/Crew	5500
Robert Purvey	Wave/Camp Min Contract	5000
Wave Outing	To be Determined	2000
Host Camp Sight	DBU	36,000

Total = 71,250