



CELEBRATING WHAT GOD DID IN 2023

2023 YEAR IN REVIEW
CALVARY CHAPEL ST. PETE



PASTOR RYAN MARR



Pastor Ryan Marr & Christine Marr

Reflecting on 2023, I can't help but see it as a year marked by significant milestones. Not only did my wife and I celebrate our 20th wedding anniversary, but it also marked my 20th year here at Calvary Chapel St. Petersburg. It's incredible to think back on my journey, starting as a high school ministry intern and evolving through various roles within the church. Time has truly flown by!

Amidst the busyness of life, 2023 also offered a valuable opportunity for reflection during my three-week sabbatical. It was a time of looking back, where I pondered the highs and lows, recognizing God's unwavering grace and provision throughout it all. Here are a few insights that emerged during this period of reflection:

- **Gratitude** - Amidst the hustle and bustle, gratitude often gets overshadowed. Taking stock of the blessings in my life became imperative.
- **Self-Examination** - I contemplated the areas in which God is calling me to grow and the need for repentance.
- **Embracing the Good News** - The essence of the Gospel, the good news of God's kingdom, became a focal point of my reflections. It's not about my performance but about God's grace, which is truly liberating.

A scripture that I think about deeply was during our studies in 2023 was Matthew 4:23:

- *Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.*

The news of the Kingdom makes all the difference. It is not my good performance that makes me accepted before God, it is what Jesus did for me on the cross! God showed up and it is truly good news.

Looking back, I'm profoundly grateful for the support of our elders, staff, volunteers, and the entire church community. God accomplished remarkable things fueled by the life-changing message of Jesus' gospel.

As we reminisce about 2023 together, I invite you to journey with us into 2024, a year brimming with the hope of the gospel. Let's continue to embrace this message of good news as we move forward into 2024.

Lord bless,

Ryan Marr



GOSPEL-CENTERED TEACHING

Before Jesus' ascension, He commanded His disciples to take His teachings and share them with the people of the nations. Jesus would then empower His disciples through the Holy Spirit. When the disciples were empowered by this Spirit, they traveled to share the news of Jesus' kingdom, His forgiveness of our sin through the cross, His resurrection and ultimately the defeat of the enemy. This news, the gospel, was the news that brought hope, change, and power over the darkness.

GOSPEL-CENTERED COMMUNITY

Community is a place where people gather as the church to sing, hear God's word, and to seek to work out the things we are learning in small groups. These are places where we can reflect and participate in what it means to be a community marked by the gospel of Jesus.

GOSPEL-CENTERED MULTIPLICATION

As we look to the future, we look at the work of the church in planting other churches, partnering to develop church leaders, and teaching Jesus' commands by bringing them to the heart of people throughout the world.

GOSPEL-CENTERED SERVING

Service is looking for practical ways to minister to people because of the gospel. Whether this is through bringing a meal to someone, helping them practically around in their home, or finding ways to serve the community, the gospel frees us to invest into others through acts of service.

TEACHING



Lead Pastor, Ryan Marr
Christmas 2023

Sound Biblical teaching is vital for growing in our faith and understanding of Christ. 2023 was a year of learning about Jesus' arrival and his teaching about the "Blessed" life in the Gospel of Matthew. As we continue digging into God's Word together, we look forward to fresh insights and applying Biblical truths in our daily lives.

Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. - Revelation 21:1

THE BOOKS OF REVELATION, JUDGES,
MATTHEW, AND 1 SAMUEL

SHARING YOUR FAITH CLASS

MEN OF FAITH

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

BOOK STUDIES

ESL CLASSES

EASTER & CHRISTMAS SERVICES



COMMUNITY

At Calvary Chapel, we make it a priority to bring our church family together to worship, fellowship, and study God's Word. Our monthly Wednesday Night Community events offer a relaxed space for all to connect before service and build relationships across generations. Moving forward, our desire is to create regular opportunities that allow us to live life together as a church family, drawing closer to one another and to Christ!



Calvary Youth Christmas Party
December 2023

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."
- Hebrews 10:24-25



It's A Wonderful Life Play
December 2023

CALVARY HANG OUT EVENTS

LIFE GROUPS

BOOK STUDIES

MEN OF FAITH

MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

WOMEN'S ROOTED BIBLE STUDY

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE PLAY

MATTHEW WEST CONCERT

AND MORE!

MULTIPLICATION



Palm Sunday Beach Baptisms
April 2023

Calvary Chapel St. Petersburg reached across cultures to share the gospel and make disciples. Through our ESL program and training events, we connected with people from 30 countries, teaching English while building relationships. We sent missionaries abroad to equip future church leaders, while also equipping our own congregation to live missionally where they are. As we look ahead, our desire is to be a catalyst for gospel movement that transforms lives, praying for open doors to spread God's love to new communities both near and far.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." - Matthew 28:19-20

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED
BY PRAYER AND FUNDING

SUPPORTING OUR MISSIONARIES
IN PAUPA NEW GUINEA

MISSIONS DINNER 2023
& MISSIONS QUARTERLIES

ENGLISH AS A
SECOND LANGUAGE

3 BEACH BAPTISM
GATHERINGS



Missions Dinner Missionaries Panel
November 2023

SERVING

Last year, our church family lived out our faith by serving one another and reaching out to our local community. Through practical acts of kindness and compassion, we aimed to reflect God's generous love. While simple at times, these selfless acts opened doors to share the gospel. As we continue to care for each other and our neighbors, we make space for the Spirit to work in hearts. Together, we can walk in the footsteps of Jesus, meeting needs and changing lives through service!



Thanksgiving Food Drive
November 2023

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mark 10:45



Award from Pinellas Park for Service
January 2024

LOVE OUR SCHOOLS
CHRISTMAS GENEROSITY
MEN OF ARMS PROJECTS
THANKSGIVING
FOOD DRIVE
DOWNTOWN HOMELESS
OUTREACH

HURRICANE IDALIA RELIEF TRIP
ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY MINISTRY

CALVARY KIDS & PRESCHOOL

Our Calvary Kids ministry blessed many families as we pursued our vision of helping children grow in faith and friendship. We are grateful for the opportunity to nurture children, teaching them about God's love through worship, building character, and fun with friends! From VBS to family nights, we've seen God move in hearts. As we look ahead, we thank you for partnering with us in discipling the next generation through biblically-rooted, gospel-centered teaching. We eagerly anticipate how God will work in and through our kids this year!



Calvary
Kids Care
Preschool

Our preschool aims to nurture children and make social and emotional connections with each one while they are in our care. As we share Christ's love, we love to see each one of them grow in their development and their knowledge of him. Our ultimate goal is that every family knows their value in God's eyes.



THE NUMBERS

Online Message Views: 47,797

Visits to calvarystp.org: 51,836

Weekly Average In-Person Attendance: 635

CHURCH FINANCES

2023 Budget: \$1,687,101

2023 Contributions and Other Income: \$1,695,058

2023 Expenses: \$1,656,075

2024 Budget: \$1,681,367

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AND LOVE, AND IS WHAT ALLOWS US TO BE MORE LIKE HIM.
CALVARY CHAPEL ST. PETERSBURG EXISTS TO
**BE A MOVEMENT OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS FOR ALL
PEOPLE.**



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