

Year in Review



CALVARY CHAPEL
ST. PETERSBURG
2025



A message from

Pastor Ryan Marr

As I reflect on 2025, I'm deeply grateful for the growth and opportunity we experienced as a church and for all that God accomplished among us. We witnessed people come to faith in Christ and had the joy of baptizing many throughout the year.

We also had the privilege of raising funds to support ministry in Tanzania, where your generosity helped equip pastors and leaders through two impactful courses a Women's Bible Ministry Course and a Church Planting Course. Pastor Niles and Pastor Mike were able to travel there to teach alongside our missionaries, encourage the believers, and meet many of the individuals we had the joy of sponsoring.

Closer to home, we watched more people connect through groups, form meaningful relationships, and take part in memorable events including our first-ever men's trap shooting day!

One of the highlights of this past year was our study through the book of 1 Peter. There, we were reminded of God's promise that every believer has been given a living hope. Hope is not wishful thinking, it's the confident assurance of God's future fulfillment. Whether rebuilding after a storm, walking through illness, or facing life's challenges, we can rest in the unshakable hope given to us through the resurrection of Jesus Christ hope that nothing in this world can take away.

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." — 1 Peter 1:3

Thank you, Calvary Chapel St. Petersburg, for allowing the hope of God's Word to strengthen, encourage, and shape us as believers and as a church family.

Lord bless,
Ryan



Mission & Vision

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

Biblical verse-by-verse teaching is our foundation. In 2025, we journeyed through 1 Peter and Romans on Sundays, while mid-week services covered Exodus and 1 & 2 Samuel. Beyond the pulpit, we prioritized leadership development, such as by hosting the Expositors Collective to equip the next generation of preachers.

Expositors Collective Training
- A regional intensive designed to train aspiring preachers in expository teaching.



Men's Conference: "Stand Firm" - A day-long gathering focused on 1 Timothy and biblical masculinity.

Targeted Equipping Classes - Short-term courses like "Sharing Your Faith" and "Growing with God" for practical Christian life.

Book Studies - Many book studies engaging in topics like identity and humility with studies like The Freedom of Self Forgetfulness.

Women's Studies - Weekly groups studying Genesis, 1 Timothy, Ephesians, and I Surrender All.

Calvary Kids & Youth - At Calvary Kids, we use the Brite curriculum to build a foundation of resilient discipleship. For our Youth, we focus on middle and high schoolers through worship, Bible study, and events that are both fun and impactful.

Vacation Bible School: "Magnified" - A week-long summer program where hundreds of children learned about Jesus while having fun.

Parenting Webinar - A focused event equipping parents with biblical tools to navigate modern challenges.

Community



Calvary Social – A new ministry for adults in their 20s-40s featuring Sunrise Fellowships and local ArtWalk meetups.

Life Groups – A network of homes hosting "thick community" across Clearwater, Pinellas Park, and St. Petersburg.

Grace Marriage & Date Night – Strengthening marriages through quarterly coaching and fun outreach events like our comedy "Date Night".

Summer Pool Party – A church-wide gathering at Highland Family Aquatic Center to connect families in a casual setting.

"Interwoven" Community – A unique group combining prayer with creativity and crafting for women.

Beach Baptism and Fellowship – Celebrating new life in Christ with our church family

In 2025, we focused on expanding community, moving connection points out of the building and into homes, parks, and "third spaces" across the city. From the launch of "Calvary Social" for young adults to the continued growth of our home-based Life Groups, we aimed to create high-frequency, low-barrier entry points for relationship. Whether gathering for a sunrise fellowship at the pier or a quarterly marriage coaching session, our goal remained the same: constructing a relational framework that supports the doctrinal foundation of the church.



Multiplication

The Gospel is meant to be shared. In 2025, we balanced global broadcasting with local evangelism. From producing video content for restricted regions to training leaders in Africa, we remain committed to taking the love of Christ to the nations.



Through your faithful tithes and offerings, we raised over **\$20,000** for our 2025 Missions Project in India and Tanzania. This generosity launched a Gospel production ministry for hard-to-reach areas and sent our pastors to equip leaders in Tanzania, Africa.

Thank you for your incredible faithfulness and generosity!

India Video Project – A weekly production operation recording sermons to broadcast the Gospel into restricted regions.

Tanzania Leadership Development – Using a "train the trainer" model, we sent CCSP pastors to teach church planting courses.

ESL Outreach – Reaching the community with English classes and Gospel-centered relationships

Evangelism Training – Equipping the congregation to articulate the Gospel through classes like "Sharing Your Faith" and "Expositors Collective".

Operation Christmas Child – Serving by packing and sorting gifts to connect with global missions.

Palm Sunday Baptisms – A public declaration of faith with over 45 people baptized at the beach.

Serving

Jesus calls us to serve, and in 2025, our church family responded through faithful action. From the Men of Arms to the massive volunteer effort for VBS and weekly services, we saw the hands and feet of Jesus. We also utilized our campus and creative ministries to bless the community.



Men of Arms Ministry – Faithful service on the first Saturday of every month, providing home repairs for those in need.

VBS "Magnified" Volunteers – A massive team of volunteers serving as leaders, crafters, and coordinators for over 220 children.

Weekly Ministry Support – The "army of volunteers" arriving as early as 7:00 AM every Sunday for setup, A/V, and logistics.



Christmas Outreach Sorting Gifts – Organizing and distributing gifts to bless families in need.



Bridgework Theater Company – A creative ministry of our church that fostered the arts and enhanced our Christmas Eve services.

Chosen Co-op – Blessing the homeschooling community by hosting 300+ students and parents on our campus every Thursday.

Calvary Kids & Preschool

This year was defined by faith, friendship, and fun! We saw God move in incredible ways as we adopted a resilience-focused approach to discipleship, helping children understand how the entire Bible points to Jesus. From summer highlights like VBS to our weekly gatherings

on Sundays and Wednesdays, we provided dedicated spaces for deep learning. We are deeply thankful for the hundreds of faithful volunteers who poured their hearts into discipling our kids. Together, we are partnering with parents to raise a generation that is biblically literate and loves one another.



**Calvary
Kids Care
Preschool**

At Calvary Kids Care, our mission is to nurture the whole child in a safe and loving environment. We focus on building strong social and

emotional connections while sharing the simple, powerful truth of Jesus' love. Whether through daily care or supporting families during special church events, it is a joy to watch your little ones grow in confidence and knowledge. Our ultimate goal is that every family we serve understands their immense value in God's eyes.

The Numbers

Online Message Views: 50,944

Visits to calvarystp.org: 67,806

Weekly Average In-Person Attendance: 803.7

Church Finances

2025 Budget: \$1,804,296

2025 Contributions and Other Income: \$2,010,174

2025 Expenses: \$1,751,124

2026 Budget: \$1,906,506

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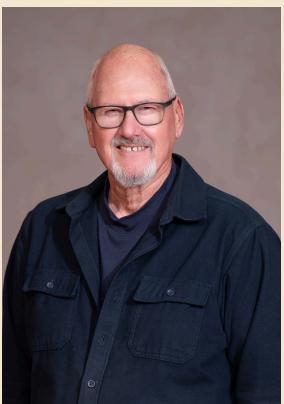


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The gospel of Jesus

is what produces faith, hope, 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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