# THE LORD HAS BEEN




***For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;***
***his faithfulness continues through all generations.***

PSALM 100:5 (NIV)

CHURCH OF THE
REDEEMER '25

# Dear church
# FAMILY,

We are thrilled to share some of the things God has done in our church family this year.

God has blessed us with opportunities to expand His Kingdom in 2025. This was only possible because of your prayers, wholehearted service, and generous contributions. We are very grateful for each one of you who has partnered with us to reach people for Jesus in our surrounding communities and around the world.

Terry and I love you, pray for you, and count it an incredible honor to be your pastors. Thank you for loving us in return, supporting the call God has placed in our hearts, and allowing us to serve you for the last 39 years.

As we get ready to start 2026, we pray you commit again to being a fully engaged and devoted part of the team at Church of the Redeemer. Our hearts are filled with joy and deep gratitude for the privilege God has given us of teaching His Word and leading such a wonderful congregation!

Let's take a look at a few highlights of 2025. We invite you to personally reflect and thank God for His endless goodness and faithfulness to you and our church family.

Pastor Dale & Terry



PASTOR DALE & TERRY

Gaithersburg Campus | Frederick Campus
Clarksburg Campus | Online Campus

# WEEKEND MESSAGES

**We are blessed by our pastors' teachings weekend after weekend. 2025 was no exception. To kick off the year, we considered what it takes to have true joy in our lives through the series "Pathway to Joy: Attitudes and Actions That Make You More Than Happy." As spring approached, our "What If" series allowed us to wrestle with some of life's tough questions by seeking wisdom in scripture.**

The summer months were all about relationships and how to strengthen them. Each week during **"People Power: Bettering My Relationships"** we learned about building better connections with friends, family, kids, and even ourselves. As fall approached, we were challenged to think about the influence we have on those around us. **"Legacy Living: Changing Tomorrow Through the Life You Live Today"** gave us the time to consider what we can do to live impactful lives. Finally, we finished 2025 by reflecting on the joyful news of Jesus coming to earth as our Savior and preparing our hearts to receive Him, with **"The Call of Christmas."** What will 2026 teach us? We can't wait to find out together!










## LIVES CHANGED:

A young man who was visiting our church for the first time was so moved by the message he heard during the "Legacy Living" series that he said he felt as if Pastor Dale was speaking directly to him. After this he determined to come back to church the next week and bring his family.

Larry, who was drawn to attend a Redeemer service says, **"To be honest, I think it was the Holy Spirit...And after hearing Pastor Dale's message in person, I knew that's where I needed to be."**





# GLOBAL OUTREACH

You made it possible for us to support organizations that help not only our **local community** but **those across our country and around the world.** Shown here are just a few of the **over 40 ministries we partnered with this year.** In 2025 we organized two **"Go Trips."** In July, we sent a team of Redeemer Youth volunteers to Lima, Peru. There they supported the ministries of our sister church, Camino de Vida, including working with children, hospital visits, house restorations and wheelchair projects. In October, another team traveled to South Africa to support the ministries of Impact Africa, including assisting schools, baby rescue homes and door-to-door evangelism. **While the lives of those we went to serve were changed for the better, many of the mission trip participants realized how they too were changed by the experience.**

***"God doesn't call the most perfect people; He calls those who are willing. And when we step out in our faith and even in our weakness, He shows up in powerful ways. I came to Peru thinking I would serve others but then left realizing how much God truly worked in me."***

- Camila, Peru Youth Trip

## TOP 10 OF THE OVER 40 MINISTRIES WE PARTNERED WITH THIS YEAR:

1. **Global Advance** exists to provide vision, training and tools to pastors in developing nations.
2. **Levant Ministries** exists to reach the next generation, make disciples, and raise leaders in the Middle East and beyond through media outreach, campus ministry and church planting.
3. **Life Missions** brings hope and assistance to families and individuals in need throughout South America.
4. **OneHope** partners with local churches around the world to reach children and youth with the Gospel message, through print, films, storytelling, and apps.
5. **Samaritan's Purse** stands ready to respond at a moment's notice whenever and wherever disaster strikes. They provide food, water, shelter, medicine, and other assistance in the Name of Jesus Christ.
6. **Watoto** is a safe place where orphaned and vulnerable children can truly experience the love of a family. They provide homes, families and holistic care to over 3,000 children who receive everything they need to grow up healthy and whole—food, clothing, medical care, education and, most of all, the love of a mother.
7. **Convoy of Hope** provides hunger relief through children's feeding initiatives, community outreach, and disaster response in partnership with local churches, businesses, and government agencies around the world.
8. **Fellowship of Israel Related Ministries** serves a network of almost 70 ministries and organizations in Israel that share a passion for reaching Israelis with the Gospel.
9. **Impact Africa** was created to help address the most devastating issues in the poorest communities of South Africa, with a mission to motivate, educate, and disciple individuals toward a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ.
10. **Vapor Ministries** serves tens of millions of cups of clean water each year, and hundreds of thousands of meals while also providing health services to thousands in desperate need throughout multiple countries.





# OUTREACH

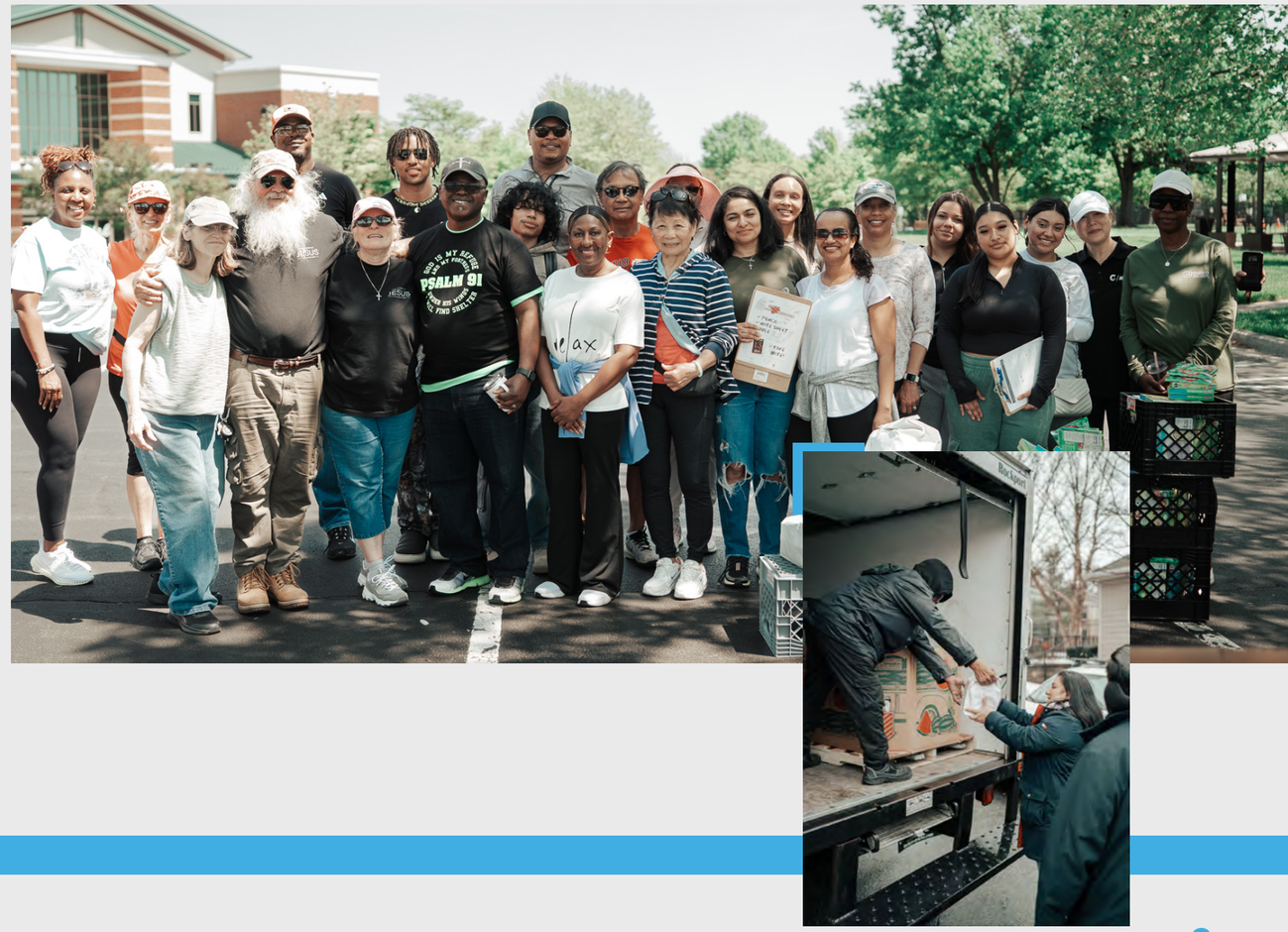
YoungLives Montgomery County, one of our local ministry partners who supports teen mothers, reports that they were able to send more young moms than ever before to summer camp, where they saw many young people turning their lives over to Jesus.

**58,000+** **PEOPLE SERVED THROUGH OUTREACH THIS YEAR!**

Church of the Redeemer changes lives each week, through **sharing the love of Jesus and meeting the practical needs of those in our community.** This year was particularly difficult for many and our church was there to assist. Our volunteers **served at weekly drive-through food distributions, local food kitchens, nursing homes and by working with at-risk youth and young adults.** This year we expanded our reach by hosting a Montgomery County Mobile Medical Unit, offering health screenings and vaccinations, free of charge, to those in need. **Over 100 people received care** at our first event, including blood pressure, sugar level, and cholesterol screenings, as well general eye exams, flu vaccines and testing for HIV.

"Thanks to your diligence, I was able to receive my regular food delivery this month without any breaks or delays with this much needed service. I have been attending your services online since Easter season during the pandemic. I already am fed by you in my walk with Christ. And, now, I am able to thank you for helping to feed my physical body, as well."

- Food Distribution Recipient



# HOLIDAY OUTREACH

Each holiday season **we as a church have the chance to bless thousands of families in Montgomery and Frederick counties.** Our Outreaches at Thanksgiving and again at Christmas provide families with food and gifts, bringing joy and encouragement to our neighbors. One of our Holiday Outreach volunteers shares the impact she was able to have on a family, through serving on the prayer team. After praying for a mother and her children this volunteer says,

**"We got to talk to her and tell her about our RKids, and Youth Middle programs at the church. Later that night, my friend and I went to church, and we saw the lady we prayed for dropping off her son! I ended up seeing the lady in the worship center and got to sit with her and get her connected at Meet and Greet. She said that she loved it and wanted to come back again."**




**15,198** **PEOPLE REACHED FOR CHRISTMAS, INCLUDING 7,000+ CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED GIFTS.**

**15,053** **PEOPLE HELPED AT THANKSGIVING, INCLUDING 3,301 FAMILIES.**

**"It was so amazing to see how intentional God was with placing us to pray with that family, and see his hand at work!"**









# GROW

**This year 1,600+ of you took time to intentionally grow your faith through a class or group. Whether you studied a book of the Bible, received marriage or parenting support, financial management education, support to overcome addiction or other struggles, or received comfort and care while navigating a difficult life circumstance, we are grateful for the growth and change we witnessed this year.**

"I was tired of living the worldly life. I was struggling, I told my Christian coworker I was tired of making excuses, I would pray to God to give me a sign and to help me with my hard times. A few days later, my friend, whom I hadn't spoken to or seen in 3 years, texted me saying, 'Hey I know this is random but I want to invite you to Bible study at my church this Thursday.' I said to myself, you wanted a sign so this is it. So, I said yes to her, we went to Bible study, it spoke to me and I felt so good so I didn't stop going, I didn't stop seeking Him. Two weeks later I got the news of my mom's diagnosis of stage 4 ovarian cancer. I was scared but that didn't stop my faith. I started going to Sunday services, I received Jesus in my life because I refused for this to bring me down."

- Ana, Bible Study participant













> **"I got baptized and it has been the best and most wonderful decision I have ever made and I feel even more peace and joy in my life. I will continue to get up after my falls because I know who is beside me, I know who loves me. God is so good, so good. All glory to God."**















# WATER BAPTISM

## Over 500 people

chose to publicly declare their **new life in Christ through water baptism** this year. We celebrate each person's decision to deepen their faith and relationship with Jesus.













# EASTER

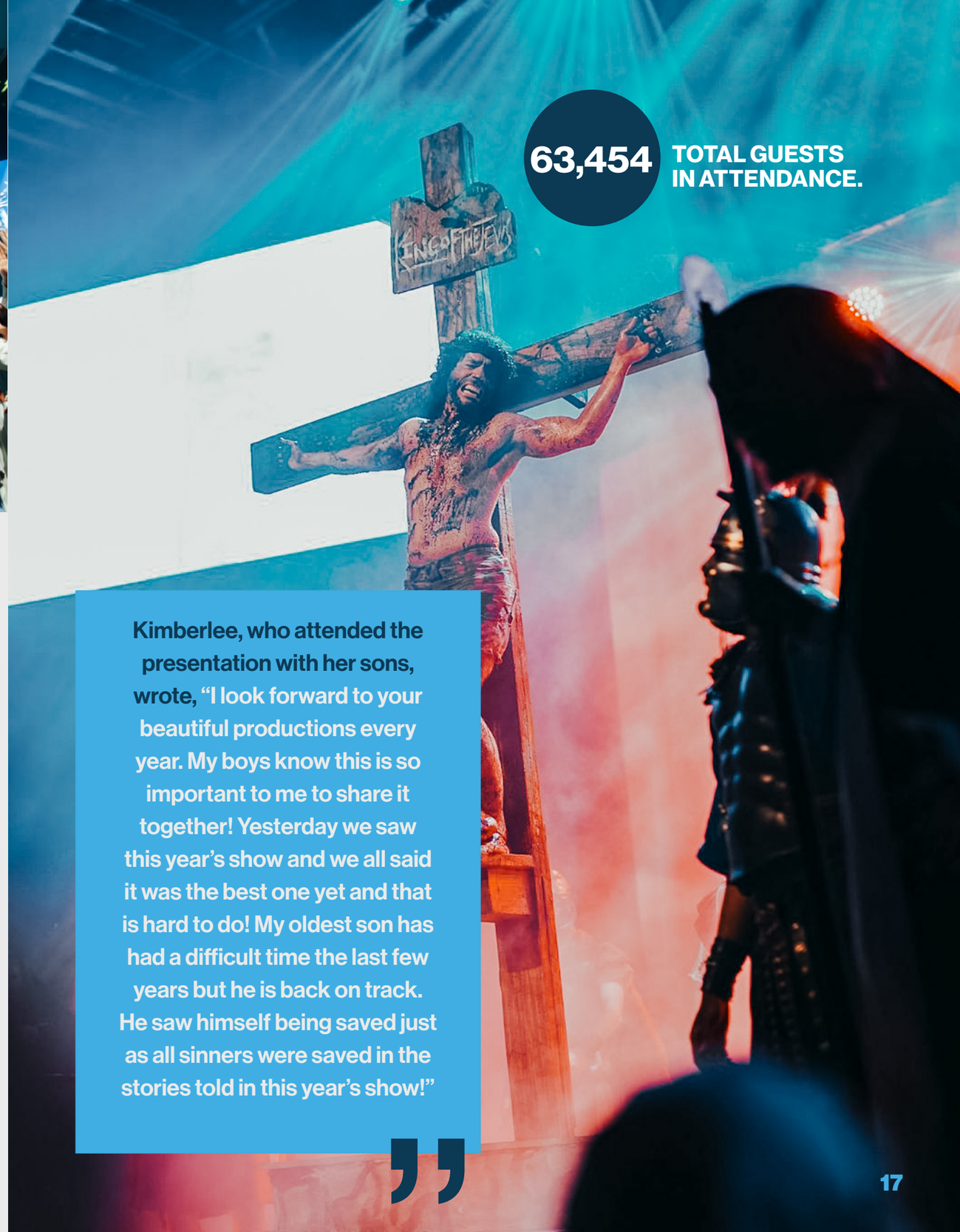
Witnessing the stories of the Bible, live on stage, was an emotional event for the tens of thousands who saw this year's Easter drama presentation, **Jesus: Through His Mother's Eyes.** Many people's lives were changed through the powerful message portrayed in the drama.

**"It was through the play though that something sparked, and I began diving deep into Him. My heart was aching for comfort, I did not know it just needed Him."**









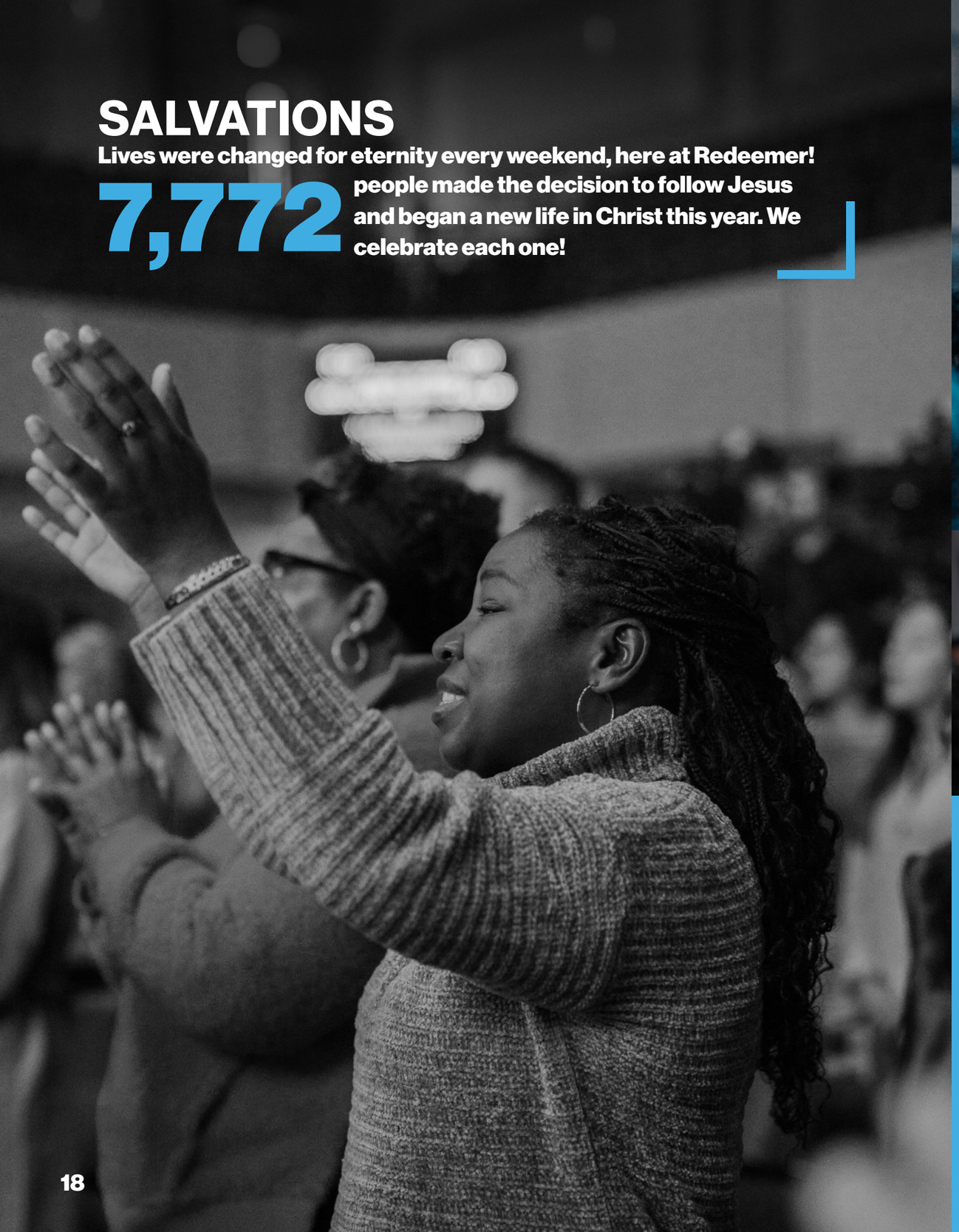

**63,454** TOTAL GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE.

**Kimberlee, who attended the presentation with her sons, wrote, "I look forward to your beautiful productions every year. My boys know this is so important to me to share it together! Yesterday we saw this year's show and we all said it was the best one yet and that is hard to do! My oldest son has had a difficult time the last few years but he is back on track. He saw himself being saved just as all sinners were saved in the stories told in this year's show!"**

# SALVATIONS

**Lives were changed for eternity every weekend, here at Redeemer!**

**7,772** **people made the decision to follow Jesus and began a new life in Christ this year. We celebrate each one!**











**"After one of Pastor Dale's messages, I gave my life to Jesus. I discovered the true supernatural power of His name. The things I had previously devoted my life to began to fade away. I purchased my first Bible and have been following Pastor Dale's "Practical Reading Guide," which has provided me with true safety through The Word."**

# DREAM TEAM

Our Dream Team volunteers **are the ones that make church happen!** We couldn't do it without you! In every area of ministry, our Dream Team members served with faithfulness and enthusiasm. Special events, community outreaches, technical productions, worship team, greeting, hosting, children and youth services, parking and shuttle buses, class and group leaders - these are just some of the ways our volunteers stepped up this year to **serve our church and community with excellence.** We are so grateful for you! We welcomed over 1,000 new volunteers to our team of over **2,000** active volunteers this year.



"I've attended Church of the Redeemer my whole life. Through my adolescence, I was met with passionate, encouraging, and impactful adult leaders that helped bring the Bible to life and apply it to my own. **Stepping into my role as an adult leader for middle school students is a full-circle moment for me** because I understand the impact of having positive godly figures in adolescence. As Proverbs 11:25 says "A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed." Refreshed is the feeling that describes my position when I give myself to be used by God for His good, by serving."

- Lionel, Youth Volunteer

"I had the opportunity to serve in the Spanish prayer team at the Thanksgiving outreach, which has been **one of the most amazing things God has allowed me to do.** A car pulled over and I go to pray for the person in the car. I proceeded to ask her if she would like me to pray for her, and she began to cry and said she has been diagnosed with Lupus. At that moment I understood why God had chosen me to pray for her. Years ago, I was diagnosed with Lupus, but by the mighty power of my precious Lord, I am no longer suffering from it, God had healed me years ago! I told her that God had orchestrated for us to meet because she needed to hear that her Heavenly Father has the power to heal her. She told me that she is a single mom of two little children, so I reminded her she is not alone and that God loves her, and that He wants her to give Him full control of her life. She thanked me for sharing these encouraging words with her. **All I can tell you is that God is so amazing and that all He asks from us is to be ready for Him to work through us and He will take care of the rest.** I am so blessed and thankful to Him for this life changing opportunity."

- Monica , Thanksgiving Outreach Prayer Team













# NEXT GEN

# RKiDS





Every weekend we saw hundreds of children **having fun learning about Jesus** in RKids! Worshiping, reading the Bible, memorizing Scripture, and **learning to love God and serve others** were all ways we challenged our youngest members to grow in their faith this year.

To meet the needs of our older elementary school children, our **RKids 456** class continued this year. Through the care and guidance of our passionate RKids volunteers, we were excited to see how these students **thrived in an environment meant just for them.** Also our “Buddies” ministry continued for it’s second year, allowing us to provide extra support and care for our special needs children, helping them to engage fully at Redeemer.





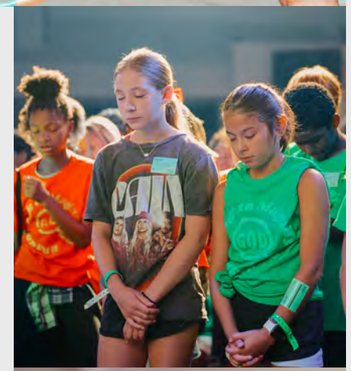


# SONFUN

**SonFun 2025 was a huge success!**

**417 children**

**joined us for “Magnified!” fun where they discovered the bigness of God in the smallest of things. Four days of games, songs and learning about Jesus made for a fantastic start to the summer for these kids.**









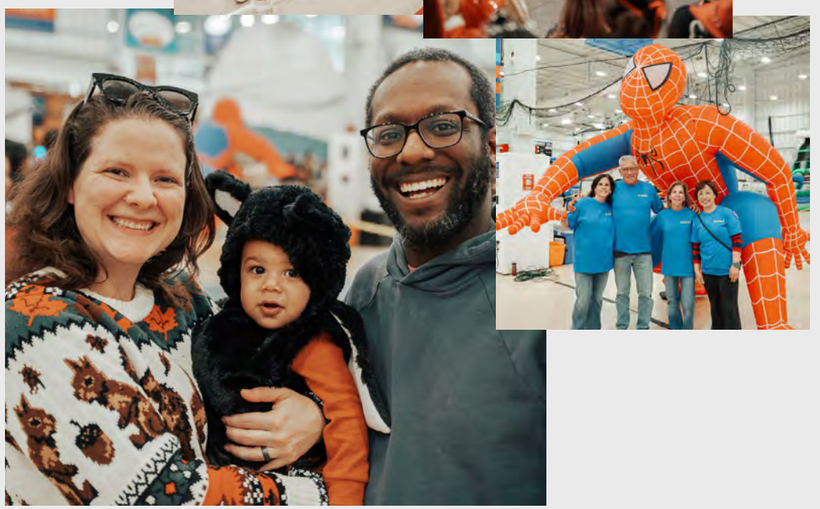




# HARVEST FESTIVAL

Almost **4,000 people** from our local community attended this year’s Harvest Festival at the Germantown Soccerplex. **Carnival games, bounce houses, train rides and lots of candy** made this fun event a night to remember for all those in attendance! This year our youth tent was a popular hangout for the middle and high school students to play volleyball and other games, and make new friends. **Hundreds of guests heard the gospel** during an amazing presentation by our drama team.







# YOUTH

Redeemer Youth services were a safe haven for hundreds of middle and high school students each week. Teens were encouraged in their walk with God and connection to the local church.

"I knew I wanted to come back every single week. It took me a little time to fully get comfortable and truly become friends with everyone but the more time I spent at youth, the more I broke out of my shell in general. I started to grow really close with God, I've made so many amazing friends, I've had amazing serving opportunities, and I've been able to become one of the hospitality team leaders at youth. Youth has helped me find a community that makes me feel at home. It's a place that challenges me to change and be different, to go out of my comfort zone, and fearlessly, boldly, and proudly be a follower of Christ."

- Sarah





"I felt like I finally found a place where I do belong. My two favorite memories are the high school girls' Bible study, which is where I learned the importance of building relationships with people that share faith with you. Then for my other favorite memory, Youth Day, I was very nervous to go because of how many people would be there, but that day was very life-changing for me and powerful to feel the Holy Spirit's presence that much. As I keep going to youth, I continue to see God working in my life, the experience continues to get better, and I'm starting to build the friendships I've been praying for. Overall, going to youth is one of the best decisions I've ever made and mainly taught me that those hard and uncomfortable moments are great opportunities to grow your faith in the Lord and allow Him to bless your life. I had to stop allowing my fear to dictate my life and instead allow God to work while I keep my faith in Him."

- Nahlaya

"When I'm at youth I feel like I truly fit in like I'm supposed to be here. I feel like I'm in a place filled with love and joy. Before youth, I felt lonely. It was kind of like I didn't really fit in anywhere and I didn't really talk to that many people but since I started coming to youth, I no longer feel like that. I'm happy I found a place where I can be myself and be surrounded by people I love and I know they love me back. It's amazing to feel truly accepted and appreciated. Youth provides an opportunity for me to worship with my friends and to get on my knees and fully surrender everything to God. I also got the opportunity to be a student leader which gets me closer to God, and is helping me with leadership skills as well as being able to serve God and His people. Youth day is my favorite memory, I remember there was prayer everywhere, I got to pray for people and people prayed for me. I remember I felt God's presence like I had never before. I'm glad that because of youth I have something to praise God for and be extremely grateful for. Being at youth just makes me so happy and so incredibly grateful I can't even describe it.

- Adriana

"This year around July or late summer, I came to youth for the very first time with my best friend Joyce. I had found Redeemer YTH on Instagram, and it seemed like a fun, exciting place to be, so I decided to just go for it. When I first walked in, I was instantly welcomed with smiles and genuine kindness, and for the first time in a long time, I didn't feel out of place. As I kept coming, I started building friendships that felt real and supportive. My favorite memory has to be Youth Day! Playing volleyball with friends I had just met, making chants, and worshipping together. It was one of those moments where I realized how good it felt to belong somewhere. Those memories made me feel connected not only to the people around me but also to God in a deeper way. YTH has helped me grow so much spiritually and emotionally. I've learned how to trust God more, how to step out of my comfort zone, and how to lean on community when life feels heavy. Being part of Redeemer YTH has honestly changed my year, and I'm so grateful for the people, the leaders, and everything God has done in my life since the day I decided to show up.

- Julie



# YOUTH DAY

During **YTH Day,** over 450 students went deeper with Jesus, and each other during this day-long event full of energetic worship, epic games and impactful teachings.





**“At YTH Day I genuinely felt the presence of the Holy Spirit for the first time. In that moment, I committed my life to Jesus in a real and intentional way. Since then, reading Scripture, praying, and serving have shaped me into who I am becoming. It has been a steady and meaningful journey. A verse that reflects my experience is James 4:8: ‘Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you.’ This has proven true in my life, and I am grateful for the work God continues to do in me.”**

- Solomon








# RYA

Our church intentionally **“leans to the next generation.”** With that in mind, several of our ministries for Young Adults were rebooted or upgraded this year!

At the weekly Redeemer Young Adults (RYA) gatherings on Thursday evenings, young people had the chance to **connect with others in their same stage of life.** They were encouraged to **go deeper with God and live out their faith with confidence.**



**“I can truly say that I have found family at Redeemer. God has blessed me with friendships that I believe will walk with me through many milestones in this life and in the future. I am deeply grateful for the way the Lord has used RYA and Deluge to remind me that His plans are always greater than my own, and that community is a gift He faithfully provides when we trust Him.”**

- Leydi, RYA and Deluge participant

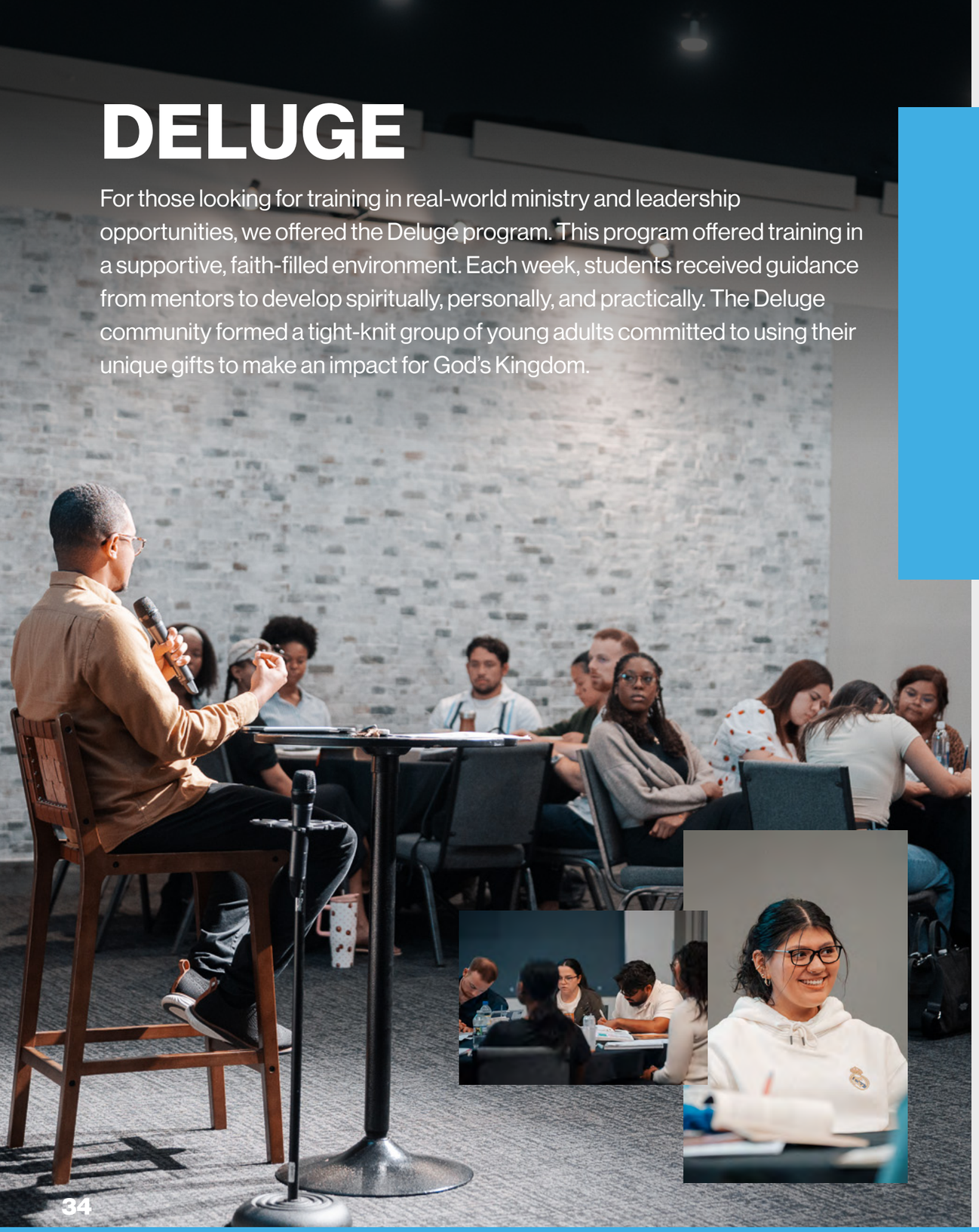






# DELUGE

For those looking for training in real-world ministry and leadership opportunities, we offered the Deluge program. This program offered training in a supportive, faith-filled environment. Each week, students received guidance from mentors to develop spiritually, personally, and practically. The Deluge community formed a tight-knit group of young adults committed to using their unique gifts to make an impact for God's Kingdom.



**"Showing up at RYA was really an answered prayer from the Lord. I've spent most of my life alone, and I had only recently gone all in with Christ and removed myself from the old company that I allowed myself to be influenced by. When I moved to Maryland after college, I heard about RYA and decided to take a chance, and God has blessed me with such a terrific community to grow with. The friends that I have made and the mentors that I have found have led me to deepen my relationship with Christ and inspire me to continuously seek to go further with Him, to the point where I joined the Deluge Leadership Program. I have witnessed more breakthroughs in my life the past few months than I have in all the years of my life. I am so grateful that we serve a God who sees us where we are and who honors our sacrificial obedience to Him with blessings and love."**

- Cameron, RYA and Deluge participant

# SEU

## (SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY AT REDEEMER)

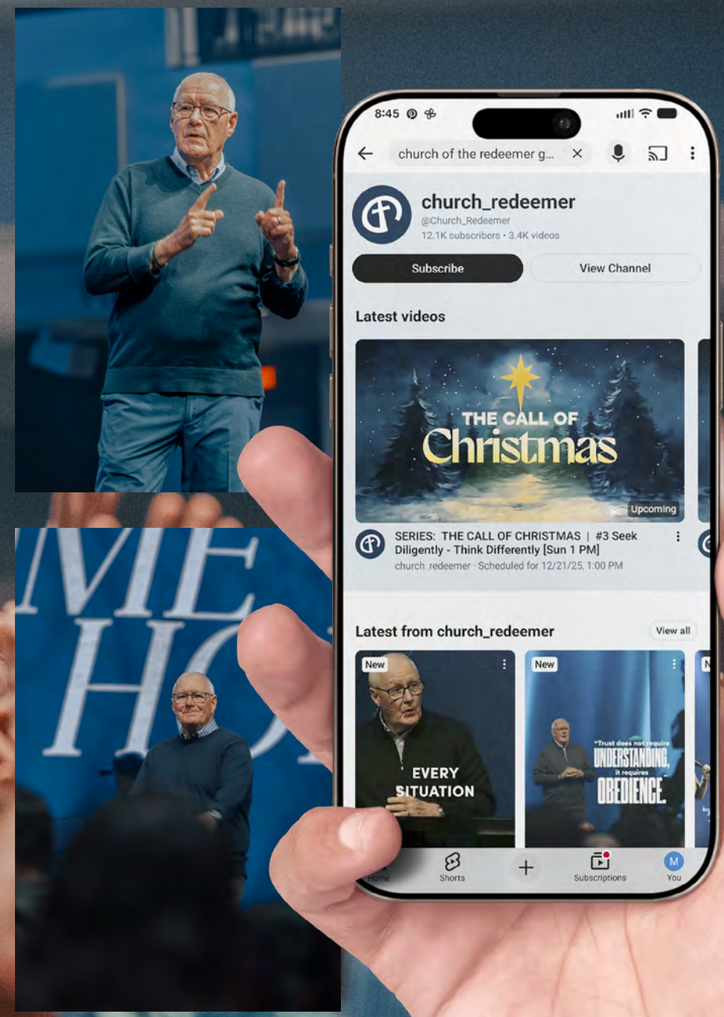
For young people seeking higher education opportunities, we offered SEU at Redeemer as a great option to pursue a degree from an accredited Christian University while staying close to home and church community.

# ONLINE & BROADCAST

**Online:** Our online campus was a lifeline to the more than 17,000 households that tuned into our worship services each weekend! Individuals were encouraged through the worship and the message, but also through personal interaction with our compassionate online hosts. We've heard many stories of answered prayers, shared by online participants during worship services.

**Broadcast:** The Word of God is never more than a click away and this year, people all **around the world** were able to access hope and encouragement through Pastor Dale's practical teachings. Whether on the internet, the MyCOR app or on TV and radio, **people were eager to engage with God's Word** through Pastor Dale's resources.

**17,000+** **HOUSEHOLDS FROM AROUND THE WORLD, TUNED INTO OUR WORSHIP SERVICES EACH WEEKEND**



# OUR REACH

Afghanistan
Albania
Algeria
American Samoa
Angola
Anguilla
Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Armenia
Australia
Austria
Bahamas
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Barbados
Belgium
Belize
Benin
Bermuda
Bhutan
Bolivia
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Botswana
Brazil
British Virgin Islands
Brunei
Bulgaria
Burkina Faso
Burundi
Cabo Verde
Cambodia
Cameroon
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Cayman Islands
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Colombia
Comoros
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Côte d'Ivoire
Croatia
Curaçao
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Denmark
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Venezuela
Vietnam
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**44,000+** PEOPLE USED THE MYCOR MOBILE APP

**50,000+** PEOPLE/GROUPS VIEW OUR WEEKEND MESSAGES EACH MONTH

**197** COUNTRIES ARE REACHED WORLDWIDE



