



## ANNUAL REPORT 2025

"THEREFORE, SINCE WE ARE SURROUNDED BY SO GREAT A CLOUD OF WITNESSES, LET US ALSO LAY ASIDE EVERY WEIGHT, AND SIN WHICH CLINGS SO CLOSELY, AND LET US RUN WITH ENDURANCE THE RACE THAT IS SET BEFORE US"

(HEBREWS 12:1, ESV).

# Greetings from the Pastoral Leadership Team

“Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,  
looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.” (Hebrews 12:1-2, ESV).

## **Greetings MBC Family!**

As we celebrate our 175th anniversary together, we are deeply grateful for the ways God continues to use the ministries of MBC to impact real people for the sake of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. For nearly two centuries, faithful men and women have prayed, served, sacrificed, and trusted the Lord so that the gospel would continue to be proclaimed in this place and beyond.

One of the images Scripture uses to describe the Christian life is that of a race—a foot race that requires endurance, focus, and faithfulness. But the Christian life is not an individual race. In many ways, it is more like a relay race.

If you’ve ever watched the Olympics, you know that relay races are some of the most dramatic events. They are thrilling because small things matter. A moment of hesitation, a misstep, or a dropped baton can change everything. Upsets happen. Favorites lose. Underdogs win. And it all hinges on one critical moment.

In a relay race, everything comes down to the baton pass.

Runners only spend a couple of seconds in what’s called the exchange zone, but those seconds determine the outcome of the entire race. Speed matters, strength matters—but the race is won or lost in the exchange. The crucial question is always the same: Who will execute well in the exchange zone?

Church family, right now we are in the exchange zone.

The baton has been faithfully carried by those who came before us—saints who prayed, gave, taught, served, and persevered through seasons of joy and hardship alike. That baton has now been placed into our hands. You have it. We have it. Together, we carry it.

And the question before us is this: Will we pass the baton well?

The great missionary Amy Carmichael once said, “We have all eternity to celebrate our victories, but we have only a few moments before sundown to win them.” Friends, we are living in those moments before sundown. This is our time—our brief and sacred opportunity—to run faithfully, to love boldly, to disciple intentionally, and to hand off the gospel to the next generation with clarity, courage, and joy.

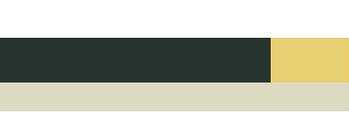
May the Lord find us running with endurance, serving shoulder to shoulder, and passing the baton with faithfulness for His glory.

Serving Him together,

**Pastors Dave Hentschel & Bob Erbig**

Pastoral Leadership Team

March 2026



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# Year at a glance (2025-26)

## CHURCH LIFE

TOTAL GIVING  
CALENDAR YEAR

**2,185,617.18**

YEAR END GIVING

**496,411**

## EVENTS

**326/6** TRUNK OR TREAT ATTENDEES/VIP

**25** TRUNK OR TREAT TRUNKS

**175/4** HARE-RAISING EGG PARTY ATTENDEES/VIP

**85** UNDERGROUND SESSIONS JUSTICE

**155** NIGHT OF REVIVAL

**100/72** SENIOR LUNCH MAX / AVERAGE

**124** WALK THRU BIBLE

### CONNECTIONS

**130** AVERAGE SUMMER CONNECTIONS

**139** 1ST TIME VISITORS CONNECTED

**26** WEEKLY SHUTTLE AVG.

**62** BRIDGE ATTENDEES

**50** ATTENDER TO MEMBER

## MBC KIDS

**65** AVERAGE SUNDAY

**83** HIGH

**40** SUMMER AVERAGE

**155+** TOTAL STUDENTS ENGAGED

**19** NEW FAMILIES

### VBS

**167** KIDS

**44/46** VOLUNTEERS ADULT/TEEN

**21** PROFESSIONS OF FAITH

### AWANA

**56** CLUBBERS

**37/12** VOLUNTEERS ADULTS/TEENS

### SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

**61** ADULTS

**26** TEENS

### ATTENDANCE

**307** MEMBERS

**48** NEW MEMBERS

**24** BAPTISMS

**363** WORSHIP SERVICE

**56** KIDS

**165** LIVE STREAM

**574** TOTAL WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

## MISSIONS

TOTAL MISSIONS SPENDING

**\$355K** DOMESTIC/GLOBAL

**\$83K/\$243K** DOMESTIC/GLOBAL

WORLD PARTNERS DOMESTIC/GLOBAL

**15/29**

SENEGAL OF MISSIONS SPENDING

**48K**

### MINISTRY INITIATIVES

**20K**

**2000** HYGENE KITS

**277** SHOE BOXES

## TEENS & TWEENS YOUNG ADULTS

### ATTENDANCE

**66** AVERAGE

**81** HIGH

**200** TOTAL UNIQUE VISITORS

### RETREATS

**67/70** FALL/WINTER

### TEEN MISSION TRIP

**18,600** FUNDRAISERS

**31** STUDENTS **10** ADULTS

### TEENS/YA BAPTISMS

**18** NUMBER OF BAPTISMS

## LITTLE FOOTPRINTS LEARNING CENTER

**33** YEARS OF MINISTRY

**24** STUDENTS

**7** STAFF

## CARE MINISTRIES

### CARE TEAM

**15** TEAM MEMBERS

**79** VISITATIONS (ADVENT & EASTER & OTHERS)

**100+** MEALS DISTRIBUTED

**100+** CARE PROVIDED

### DISBURSEMENTS

**4,653** BENEVOLENCE FUND

**7,096** ENCOURAGEMENT FUND

### STEPHEN MINISTRY

**1** CURE-GIVER: GOD

**5** LEADERS

**3** GROUP FACILITATORS

**5** GUEST SPEAKERS

**16** TOTAL MINISTERS

**14** CARE RECEIVERS

**52** HOURS OF CONT. EDU./SUPERVISION

**728** HOURS OF CARE

**86** BLUE CHRISTMAS

**71** TOTAL CARE RECEIVERS SINCE 2018

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

### ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

**8** TEACHERS

**10** MEN'S BIBLE

**8** WOMEN'S BIBLE

**30** SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

**18** PEACE MAKERS

**28** SPIRITUAL GIFTS

**20** PREPARATIONS

### SMALL GROUPS

**10** # OF GROUPS

**11** AVG. ATTENDEES

**7/7** MEN/WOMEN PRAYER AVG.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**45** TUES. MORNING

**18** TUES. EVENING

**16** WEDS. EVENING

**85** TEA & TESTIMONY

**80** FALL LAUNCH EVENT

**77** CHRISTMAS EVENT

**46** COOKIES FOR A CAUSE

### MEN'S MINISTRY

**3** MEN'S BREAKFASTS

**88** AVG. ATTENDANCE

**26** RADICAL MENTORING

**70** PATRIOTS GAME

## PARTNERS

### FIRST CHOICE

**18,820** BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

### MARKET STREET

**26** MBC VOLUNTEERS

**120** VOLUNTEER OPPS

**60** EVENINGS OF MEALS

MEALS SERVED **5000**

### FEEDING HANDS

**23** VOLUNTEERS

**1005** HOURS LOGGED

### SENIORS LUNCHEON

**72/100** AVG/HIGH

### BUXMONT COUNSELING

**73** REFERRALS

## DIGITAL MINISTRIES

### MEDIA ANALYTICS

**146.8K** TOTAL YOUTUBE VIEWS

**9.4K** TOTAL SERMON PLAYS (ALL PLATFORMS)

**41.2K** TOTAL PODCAST PLAYS (ALL PLATFORMS)

**7.1K** BEHIND THE PULPIT STREAMS

**2.9K** FRESHWAVE STREAMS

**31.1K** UNDERGROUND PODCAST STREAMS

**403** YOUTUBE SUBSCRIBERS GAINED

**15.8K** LIVESTREAM VIEWS

### WEB & APP MEDIA

**224** MBC APP DOWNLOADS

**498** MBC APP AVG USERS

**68K** WEBSITE ACTIVE USERS

**2.3K** PASTORS TABLE BLOG VIEWS

**9K/2K** WEBSITE PRAISE & PRAYER VIEWS/ACTIVE USERS

### SOCIAL MEDIA

MBC IG FOLLOWERS TOTAL/GAINED

**391/59**

MBC FB FOLLOWERS TOTAL/GAINED

**994/31**

# Board of Elders

## Looking Back

In 2025 God has once again blessed Millington Baptist Church beyond what we could have dreamed or imagined. He knows what He wants for MBC and has continued to assemble the necessary people, both in leadership and membership, with the necessary spiritual gifts to accomplish His goals and purpose for MBC. Thank goodness our job is to simply seek His will and to follow it.

In the past year we have seen a record number of baptisms, which is a public expression of faith and commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, we have supported Youth Mission trips, which is a blessing to our youth program and the people they serve, we have had Underground Sessions, to deal with controversial Christian-based issues outside the confines of Sunday a.m. services, we also had multiple new member classes adding significant numbers to the MBC body that we haven't seen in many years and we continue to expand our Missional footprint both around the world and locally.

## Looking Ahead

In 2026 we are evaluating tangible ways to accommodate the rapidly growing numbers of attendees at our Sunday morning services, we are seeking to continue to invest in our next generation ministries and build the MBC body so we can be more effective in our community, country and around the world. We are also excited to celebrate MBC's 175th anniversary and are in awe of what God has accomplished through His church on the corner of King George and Valley Road here in Basking Ridge.

We are extremely excited about what God has done and has planned for MBC!

## Co-laboring in Christ:

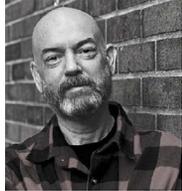
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Jeff Callender  
Tom DiProspero  
Chris Dowden  
Harish Radha  
Andrew Strain  
Rick Splinter  
Jan Torggrimsen  
Paul Wilford  
Pastor Bob Erbig, ex-officio  
Pastor Dave Henschel, ex-officio



# Elder Search & Election

This year's nominating committee members are: Scott Rajoppi (Chair), John Drew, James Rickershauser, Barb Smith. Hector Garcell served as liaison between the committee and the Board of Elders (BOE). Our candidates include three men coming forward to serve. The team is presenting the following nominees for election to the BOE. Please pray for them and their families as we consider them for this critical position.

## Andrew Strain (3 year term)



Andrew Strain accepted Christ at a young age, and God has moved in his life, answering prayers time and again. He currently serves on the AV team and the elder board of Millington Baptist Church. He is also a Colson Fellow in Training (CFIT). Salvation through Jesus Christ is not in question, but the Lord continues shaping Andrew (Jeremiah 18:3-6). Most recently, God has guided Andrew and his family through a serious medical issue that required an organ transplant.

## Ricardo Mendes (3 year term)

Ricardo Mendes was born in Brazil and moved to the United States in 1999. He graduated from Kean University with a degree in Business. Ricardo became a Christian over 27 years ago and has been attending MBC since 2000, officially became a member in 2020. Throughout his years at MBC,



Ricardo has served in various ministries and is currently a leader in the Youth Ministry, where he mentors and disciples students in their walk with Christ. He has also participated in mission trips and consistently volunteers in church initiatives as opportunities arise. Ricardo

has a heart for shepherding others, strengthening families, and supporting the spiritual health of the church body. He is deeply committed to biblical leadership, spiritual growth, and serving with humility and integrity. Ricardo desires to see the church continue to grow in faith, unity, and love for Christ. Ricardo and his wife, Vilma, have been married since 2006 and are grateful to call Basking Ridge home. They have two children: Bella (18), currently attending Fairfield University, and Nicholas (13), who will soon enter high school. In his free time, Ricardo enjoys outdoor activities such as biking and snowboarding, and he values traveling and spending meaningful time with his family.

## Chris Dowden (3 year term)



Chris grew up in Jacksonville, Florida, and moved to New Jersey in 2001 with Merrill Lynch. That same year, he met his wife, Jenn. They live in New Providence and are thankful for their three children: Eric, who is studying at the University of Tennessee; Heidi, a senior at New Providence High School who will be attending AMDA; and Hope, who competes in cheerleading.

Chris earned a degree in Computer Engineering from the University of Florida and an MBA from Columbia University. He serves as Senior Director of Identity and Access Management at Columbia University and is also the Chief Technology Officer of Spacely Media, a startup ad tech company. In addition to his work in technology, Chris and Jenn have been involved in long term real estate investing, managing rental properties for over twenty years.

Chris and Jenn previously served together at Liquid and now worship at MBC. Chris has served in a variety of roles, including Sunday School teacher, youth teacher, welcoming committee member, preschool check-in, Pastor and Elder Search Committees, Shuttle Ministry, and two terms on the Board of Elders. He currently serves as an Elder and previously served as Elder Chair, including liaison roles to LFLC and the Benevolence Team. He also helps lead the Pickleball Ministry. In his free time, Chris enjoys coaching tennis, playing volleyball, and scuba diving.

### Terms Ending in 2026

Jeff Callender  
Jan Torgrimsen\*•  
Chris Dowden\*  
Andrew Strain\*

### Terms Ending in 2027

Ken Huber\*  
Paul Wilford  
Darren Hernandez  
John McCarthy

### Terms Ending in 2028

Harish Radha\*  
Hector Garcell  
Tom Diprospero\*  
Rick Splinter

\*Eligible for re-election • Opted not to be re-elected

# Spiritual Formation & Care

“Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me” (Col 1:28-29, ESV).

Dear MBC Church Family,

We have had an extraordinary year of God’s blessings, from record breaking baptisms to record breaking giving, God has been so good. This past year has been marked by faithful preaching and teaching, including rich sermon series on Revival, 2 Corinthians, 1 Timothy, and the book of Isaiah.

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION:

Our **Adult education** ministries continue to thrive through our men’s class led by Paul Achenbach, women’s class led by Kerri Mullins, and Sunday seminar offerings. This year, I had the privilege of teaching a course on Biblical Peacemaking with Ken Huber, as well as a course on Spiritual Gifts. Ken Huber and Jack Kraus taught a course in Systematic Theology, and Jack has continued leading Preparations, a thoughtful and pastoral course on death, dying, and living well.

Our **Radical Mentoring** program is now in its fourth year and continues to bear much fruit under the leadership of Bruce Corke and Andy Lin. To date, 35 men have participated in this life-changing discipleship program, forming deep relationships centered on Scripture, accountability, and spiritual growth.

There are many additional encouraging developments in our discipleship ministries, which are highlighted in Amy Huber’s report.

## CARE:

Pastoral care at MBC continues to be shaped by what we call the Four-Legged Stool of Care, a holistic approach to meeting the varied needs within our congregation:

**Stephen Ministry**, providing emotional and spiritual support to individuals walking through difficult seasons

**Benevolence Ministry** offering financial assistance to those facing economic hardship

**Care Leadership Team** ensuring that physical health needs are recognized and addressed within our church family

**Our partnership with Buxmont Counseling** which has significantly expanded our ability to provide professional Christian counseling and mental health support.

Over 70 individuals connected to MBC have received care through Buxmont this year. The following testimony reflects the impact of that partnership:

*“Hi Pastor Dave,*

*My Buxmont consultant and I had our final meeting yesterday, and I wanted to share some feedback with you. I was a bit of a therapy skeptic going into it, but given some unexpected life events, it seemed like it couldn’t hurt. I soon realized how beneficial it was, and I believe working with a Christian therapist made all the difference. My counselor took time to get to know me, asked thoughtful questions, and gently challenged me to reflect on how my experiences shaped me and how I could move forward. His biblical knowledge and encouragement were especially meaningful. I am grateful for this resource and would gladly recommend Buxmont to other church members.*

*- MBC Church Member”*

In addition, we launched **GriefShare** this past year, providing a safe and compassionate space for those walking through loss. For one family who lost their only son, God’s timing in bringing this ministry to MBC was unmistakably perfect. This year we also held our first **Blue Christmas service**, a well-attended event giving space to those grieving during the holiday season.

Church family, I could not be prouder of who we are and what God is doing among us. MBC continues to be a faithful outpost of God’s kingdom—serving both our local community and extending Christ’s love beyond it.

May God continue to bless and multiply these efforts for His glory.

With gratitude,  
**Pastor Dave Hentschel**

Lead Pastor of Preaching: Spiritual Formation and Care

## Spiritual Formation & Care (cont.)

### Stephen Ministry

2025 - 2026 Our ministry continues to thrive at MBC. We trained two new Peer Leaders bringing our total to three. In December, the whole team hosted the first Blue Christmas Service, open to our congregation and the community. It was very well attended. This year we said goodbye to three of our Stephen Ministers. However, we're excited about training our next class in the fall. Our goal is to continue to learn and to reach out to our congregation while allowing God to be the cure-giver. Total number of care receivers since 2018 is 71!

2025-2026 progress			
1 God Our cure-giver	5 Stephen Leaders	3 Group Facilitators	5 Guest Speakers
16 Stephen Ministers the care-givers	14 Care Receivers members & friends	52 Hours of education & supervision	728 Hours of care provided

### Stephen Leaders

Bruce Corke  
Dave Hentschel  
Drew Huber

Michelle Klemme  
Carrie Isler

### Stephen Ministers

Lee Barnes  
Jenny Brigante  
Ken Herold\*  
Linda Higinbotham  
Scott Johnson  
Grace Kam  
Kawing Kam  
Yvonne Lai\*

Andy Lin\*  
Denise Mianowski  
Ruth Prothero  
Cecil Ruth  
Isabel Siegel  
Amol Shambarkhar  
Christine Wenslau  
Jackie Wright

\*Peer supervision  
leaders

### Women's Ministry

*"Oh, taste & see that the LORD is good"* (Psalms 34:8)

It has truly been a joy and a blessing to serve the women of MBC this past year. In our roles as Women's Ministry Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator, we have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand how faithfully God continues to lead, provide, and work among the Women of MBC.

Following are some highlights celebrating what the LORD has done this past year in and through the Women of MBC:

#### Bible Study:

A central part of our mission is to grow together in Christ by **being rooted in His Word**. This year, we remained steadfast in that calling by offering **Fall & Winter/Spring Bible Study opportunities** for women of all ages and levels of Bible knowledge—welcoming all who desired to grow in their faith.

Through these studies, women not only deepened their understanding of Scripture but also experienced a safe and welcoming space to share, encourage one another, support each other through prayer, and form lasting Christian friendships. This fall, **103 women registered for Bible Study—praise the Lord!**

We also offer a **Sermon Series discussion group** for women who desire to dig deeper into Sunday's sermon.

This marked our **second year** of providing **childcare during Tuesday morning Bible Study**, allowing mothers of young children the opportunity to participate while their children were cared for in a loving, Christ-centered environment.

#### Two new blessings this year:

**The addition of a Worship Leader for Tuesday Morning Bible Study, Grace Kam.** We are grateful for God's faithful provision and for the joy of lifting our voices together in worship.

**The addition of a Registration and Resource Admin, Lisa Drew** who handles all Bible Study and Event registrations, as well as the ordering and distribution of Bible Study books.

**The addition of a Co-leader, Liana Moore** to Tuesday morning Bible Study.

We are deeply grateful for all our Bible Study leaders, childcare workers, and volunteers for their servant hearts and faithfulness in serving the Women of MBC.

## Spiritual Formation & Care (cont.)

### Fellowship Luncheons:

Five fellowship luncheons were held **following Tuesday morning Bible Study**. These well-attended gatherings provided meaningful opportunities for women to connect beyond their individual study groups and with the broader community of the Women at MBC. Through fellowship, prayer, and mutual encouragement among women of all ages, our sense of community as sisters in Christ was strengthened.

### Women's Ministry Events

We hosted three special events:

#### September: Women's Ministry Fall Kickoff

**80 women** gathered for a light breakfast, fellowship, worship, and to hear from various MBC women leaders about the ministries and opportunities available to the Women of MBC.

#### December: Advent Celebration

**77 women** came together for a delicious potluck breakfast, joyful fellowship, and a meaningful time of worship through a special Advent liturgy as we prepared our hearts to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

#### April: Tea & Testimony

**88 women** enjoyed a traditional English tea followed by three powerful testimonies—two from women of MBC and one from the founder of Street Hope Alive, a mission we support—sharing how the LORD led her into that ministry.

### Mission Outreach

**December:** We helped restock **First Choice's Baby Boutique** in Montclair by donating baby clothing, essential baby items, and Red Letter Bibles for mothers.

**April:** We donated beach towels and loofahs for **Street Hope Alive's** summer camping trip.

**February:** We packed **600 individual boxes** of homemade cookies at our **Cookies for a Cause Packing Party** to give to our friends at the Market Street Mission and Feeding Hands for Valentine's Day.

We are deeply grateful to God for His abundant blessings upon the Women of MBC. Over the past year, we have seen His faithfulness at work as He has led us into a deeper understanding of His Word and strengthened and encouraged us through it. We also rejoice in the ways He has used our ministry to bless others.

We give thanks for His guidance, provision, and unwavering love, and we praise Him for the ways He continues to work in and through the Women of MBC, all for His glory. **Psalm 115:1 "Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!"**

With grateful hearts,

**Kim McCarthy & Krisana Ukritnukun**

Women's Ministry Coordinator & Assistant Coordinator

### Care Leadership Team

As recorded in the book of Acts, the disciples faced a challenging situation in the early church as the Grecian Jews were complaining against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. The disciples chose the seven full of the Spirit and wisdom to lead this practical ministry. The disciples did not want to neglect the ministry of the word of God and recognized the need from them to focus on prayer and the ministry of the word. Stephen, a man described as full of faith and the Holy Spirit, was chosen to lead this practical ministry of distribution of food to the widows of the church. In the same way, almost 2000 years later the Care Leadership Team at MBC seeks to continue this pattern of serving the body at MBC through practical ministries and help whether that be meals, household chores, rides to doctor appointments, visitations, cards and gifts of encouragement among others. We are grateful for the privilege to walk alongside our brothers and sisters in need to help care for and meet those practical needs. The Care Leadership Team has the unique opportunity to see the church from Acts 2 at work in the life of MBC and seeks to fulfill the law of Christ as we carry each other's burdens (Galatians 6:2).

**Craig McLaughlin**

Care Leadership Team Coordinator

# Spiritual Formation & Care (cont.)

## Men's Ministry

As the men at MBC, we seek to pursue God, love our wives & families, and engage our communities with the love of Christ.

At our Men's Breakfast last March, 93 men had the opportunity to be encouraged by the Lord's mighty work in the life of our brother Chris Acker as we worshipped together and spent time in the Lord's presence praying through the Lord's Prayer corporately. The breakfast also provided the opportunity for our teen guys to raise nearly \$400 for their mission trip to North Carolina last summer!!

In June last year we gathered for another Men's Breakfast event. In the spirit of Colossians 3:1 our goal for this time together was to set our hearts on things above where Christ is - looking at fatherhood through the lens of two men (Jim Nerger and Ed Williams) in our congregation who have adopted children into their family. We saw how human adoption points us to heart of our God who adopts us into His family through the saving grace and work of Jesus Christ.

Unfortunately, early summer thunderstorms cancelled our annual men's activity night. However, Men's Ministry was able to sponsor an early August night at the Somerset Patriots ballpark for the families of MBC. Over 70 people from MBC along with over a dozen of our military veterans from the VA were able to enjoy a night at the ballpark followed by fireworks.

Also, last summer the leaders of men's ministries across MBC gathered to pray and seek the Lord's will for the men at MBC as we convened a Discipleship Leadership Team (DLT) focused on centering our hearts on intentional discipleship within the community of men at MBC.

In late October we were blessed to hear the powerful testimony of our brother Doug Hulin and the ongoing work of redemption and grace by our Savior in Doug's life. Men's Ministry also helped sponsor and organize a churchwide family work day in November to work on projects across our campus.

In December, we once again gathered as men to share a breakfast meal along with men from Market Street Mission and military veterans from the VA and hear from a panel of men including Steve SanAntonio, former NY Giant Don Herrmann, and Coach Peter Lima as they spoke about living out their faith in Christ in the arena of sports.

The men's ministry this year has included two Radical Mentoring small groups. One group included men participating in Radical Mentoring for the first time. This past fall it began with ten men reading books like "A Prayerful Life" as well as memorizing scripture and meeting for personal mentoring time. A second Radical Mentoring group called Next Season also started meeting this past fall, also with ten more men. This group is studying Ephesians as well as memorizing scripture.

The Spirit of the Lord is at work among the men from the youngest to the oldest at MBC through the Band of Brothers Bible Study for our teen young men, Sunday morning Bible Study and morning prayer time as well as Bible study and prayer time throughout the week.



## The Men's Ministry Team

Bruce Corke  
Coach Pete Lima  
Craig McLaughlin

# Discipleship & Connections

*“By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.” (John 15:8, ESV)*

The 2025–2026 ministry year has been a season of meaningful growth for discipleship and connection at MBC. We are grateful for a wide range of ministries that foster spiritual formation, authentic community, and clear pathways for belonging. This year, we strengthened processes to welcome visitors, integrate regular attenders, and guide members toward deeper discipleship as followers of Christ who bear much fruit. Highlights from each area are shared below.

## Discipleship

### Small Group Programs

Our Small Group ministry continues to cultivate close-knit communities where individuals grow in faith through encouragement, accountability, and shared study. Groups include men’s and women’s fellowships, geographically based gatherings, and topical studies such as sermon-based discussions and life-stage groups, including Empty Nesters.

This year, Frank Donaruma joined Ken Huber and John McCarthy as small group coaches, providing added leadership and support for group leaders. Two new groups launched successfully in the fall: Marriage on the Rock (led by Mike and Nancy Bonaventura) and a second Warren Township group (led by Frank and Cathey Donaruma). Several new men’s groups were also formed and are highlighted in the Men’s Ministry Report. This Spring, we launched a group for parents with estranged adult children called “When Love Hurts” led by Sue and Mark Kreiss.

### Prayer Ministry

Jim and Deb Luedecker continue to facilitate vibrant men’s and women’s prayer ministries every Sunday morning at 8:00 am. In December, the Men’s Prayer Room expanded to include weekday gatherings on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, reflecting both increased participation and a deepening commitment to corporate prayer.

### Seniors Ministry

The Senior Luncheon, held on the third Friday of each month, continues to be a cornerstone of fellowship and spiritual encouragement.

Attendance reached near capacity this year, with close to 100 participants, many from the broader community. Dave and Mary Palmer, Linda Kuebler, and Verna O’Neil faithfully coordinate this ministry, ensuring a welcoming and spiritually nurturing environment.

### Discipleship Cluster Team

The Discipleship Cluster Team—comprised of Pastor Dave, Amy Huber, Kim McCarthy and Krisana Ukritnukun (Women’s Ministry Co-Coordinators), and Bruce Corke (Stephen Ministry and Radical Mentoring Coordinator)—met regularly to review and strengthen discipleship efforts across adult ministries. In the coming year, we look forward to expanding this team to include representatives from Adult Education, Prayer Rooms, Small Groups, and Seniors ministries.



*(Connections report follows on the next page)*

## Connections

*“Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.” (Hebrews 13:2, NIV)*

### Hospitality

MBC remains committed to cultivating a culture of intentional hospitality for both guests and regular attendees. Hospitality teams and campus safety teams continued to grow in number of volunteers this year. A consistent presence at the Welcome Center helps visitor engagement.

The launch of the Shuttle Rewards Program significantly improved parking availability and accessibility. Average weekly shuttle use increased by 333%, from approximately six riders on a strong Sunday to an average of twenty-six.

After faithfully serving as Shuttle Coordinator for many decades, Mark Yarrington retired from his role and passed the responsibility to Aaron Dunn. We are deeply grateful for Mark’s many years of dedicated service and the care he has shown to our church community.



### Campus Safety & Security

This past year, Dave Kother served as Security Coordinator and successfully initiated the launch of the Security Team before transitioning to continue serving as a team member. In the fall, the Security, Parking, and Shuttle teams were reorganized under a unified Campus Safety and Security ministry. Steph Landau stepped into the coordinator role and now works closely with Allen Smith (Parking) and Aaron Dunn (Shuttle Team) to support these important areas of service.

### Assimilation

The Bridge is a welcoming lunch designed to help newcomers connect relationally and discover opportunities for service and ministry involvement. The program also introduces membership as an important step in spiritual growth and commitment. While attendance was not formally tracked prior to 2025, feedback suggests that the updated format, consistent scheduling, relational emphasis, and interaction with pastors and table hosts have contributed to increased participation and membership engagement. In fact, the strong interest in membership led us to now offer two class experiences a year. We welcomed **48 new members** this year!

### Discovering and Using Spiritual Gifts

MBC is blessed by many people who serve faithfully and with great passion. This past year, we launched a Discipleship Portal that includes a spiritual gifts assessment for those who complete an Impact Profile. Our goal is to help individuals discover the gifts God has given them and use them joyfully in service to the church.

### Looking Forward

This is a joyful and promising season for the MBC community as we enter our 175th year of ministry. We are deeply thankful for servant leaders who lead with passion, faithfulness, and excellence. In the coming spring, we plan to implement Discipleship Pathways designed specifically for MBC, built around the Cultivating the Christian Life curriculum written by Pastor Dave Hentschel. These pathways will provide clear guidance for newcomers seeking connection and service opportunities, as well as a shared framework for spiritual formation through life in community.

Thank you for your continued love for Christ and commitment to one another.

### Amy Huber

Director of Discipleship and Connections

# MBC Kids



“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.’” Matthew 19:14

As always, MBC Kids ministry exists to bring glory to God through children hearing the gospel, trusting in Jesus, and growing in their relationship with Him. Our MBC Kids Vision is to see kids who are firmly planted in God’s Word, growing together - learning who they are in Christ from teachers and mentors, and made to multiply - living out their faith.

## MBC Kids Sunday Mornings

As you can see from the At-a-Glance page, MBC Kids is thriving! We have a wonderful group of kids, from babies to 6th graders, and we welcomed 19 new families. We are grateful to have a passionate, loving, and talented group of people serving God and teaching kids His Word.



## Curriculum

- Preschool & Kindergarten: God’s Unfolding Story
- Elementary (grades 1st-4th)
- Winter & Spring: DIG IN: Foundations of Faith
- Summer: Life Church video lessons
- Fall: DIG IN: Epic Teachings of the Bible
- 56ers boys: Old Testament. Teachers: Mark Melillo and James Rickershauser.
- 56ers girls: Be Bold! Fearless Preteen Curriculum. Teachers: Linda Clark, Linda Rigdon, and Deirdre Rajoppi

- The VBS kids and families collected 600+ household items which were donated to Feeding Hands!
- Stations included: Wild Bible Adventures, Imagination Station, Trail Tunes and Talks, Glacier Games, Sticky Scripture, and Summit Snacks

## AWANA

- Directors: Kimberly & Craig McLaughlin; Director of Administration: Liana Moore; Meal Team Leader: Krisana Ukritnukun
- AWANA (“Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed”) is in its third year and continues to be a thriving midweek ministry which meets on Wednesday evenings. Children gather each week for Scripture memory, Bible teaching, games, and relationship-building in a fun, Christ-centered setting. Through engagement with Scripture and the care shown through the meal ministry, families’ spiritual and practical needs are being met. One parent outside the church shared, “the meal pushed the decision to come over the edge”. We are grateful to the families who participate and for the dedicated volunteer team whose faithful service allows this ministry to flourish.



## VBS

*True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World*

VBS is truly a highlight of the year! Our VBS Team gets to nurture the faith of the kids in our church while also reaching families who don’t yet have a church home. We intentionally followed up with those families, as well as with the 21 children who made a faith decision during Gospel Day.





# MBC Kids (cont.)

## Hare-Raising Egg Party

We continued to offer a VIP Access time slot for families with special needs to help communicate that they are welcome at MBC and to reflect Jesus' love through the care and presence of our volunteers at this event and Trunk or Treat.

- Petting zoo & games were inside due to weather, but that didn't diminish our fun!
- Egg and bunny themed crafts, photo booth, and bake sale for the Teens Missions trip.
- Gospel-centered video in the craft area, with an invitation to come on Easter Sunday
- Clothing & Snack Drive for Street Hope Alive

## Trunk or Treat

- We also offer VIP Access for special needs families. At MBC, we want all families to feel welcomed and valued, and we are thankful for our gifted Greeters who serve in this vital role.
- Crafts, snacks, refreshments were offered.
- Another coat collection was organized for one of MBC's partners: Street Hope Alive.

## Rachel Rickershauser & Lenore Tosi

Co-Directors of Children's Ministries

## MBC Kids Intern

- We welcomed Maddy Cudia as our MBC Kids intern in Fall 2025. Having served on the MBC Kids team since spring 2023, she stepped into this role eager to grow and serve more deeply in children's ministry. She has already been a true blessing, serving in the nursery, preschool, and elementary classrooms as both an assistant and an elementary teacher. We are grateful for the opportunity to invest in her through mentoring sessions focused on key areas of children's ministry, along with hands-on experience on Sundays, at events, and throughout the week.



# MBC Teens & Young Adults

“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12

## MBC Teens

You’ll never walk alone. Our vision for this year is for each student that walks in these doors would know and experience this to be true in their lives. As a community of believers we are called to “2 Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the



law of Christ.” If one commits their life to Christ they know that Jesus will never forget or forsake them, so they have that truth to hold onto knowing He walks beside them everyday. As well as the church who is also called to walk together in unity and love. We have seen many students come in our doors with no church background and come back every week after. We see the truth of scripture taking place in reality here at our youth group and blessed to witness it every week. Praise God for what he is doing here in our community and our church,.

## MBC Young Adults

Young adult ministry is continuing to grow in many ways here at MBC. Our annual trip to Passion Conference is a highlight of the year as we sent out 15 young adults to Texas to fill a stadium of young adults praising the Lord and being transformed by powerful messages. We also have seen great consistency and excitement over our monthly young adult meetings that have been taking place this past year. Encouraged to see the young adult generation taking ownership of their faith as they move into adulthood and being an integral part of our church.



## Johnny Graves

Director of Youth & Young Adults

# Family Life & Mission

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind...” (Romans 12:2)

## Family Life & Mission

This year has been especially meaningful as we celebrate 175 years of God’s faithfulness at Millington Baptist Church. From generation to generation, the Lord has called us to stand firm in the gospel, love boldly, and engage our cultural moment with courage and clarity. This past year reflected that calling in powerful ways.

Our **Underground Sessions** featured the Center for Biblical Unity in October for a biblical conversation on justice, and Jason Thacker in March as he addressed disability, technology, and bioethics. We also welcomed Corey Miller from Ratio Christi for a deeply meaningful seminar on education in America.



To further equip our church, we launched **weekly Underground Podcasts**, offering ongoing discipleship on challenging cultural issues. We also celebrated the successful launch of our first **Colson Fellows Church Affiliate Course**, with 12 dedicated participants.

This was also the year we launched the **Upside Down Glory Disability Initiative**, along with a sermon series and a newly formed Disability Leadership Team—an important step toward becoming a more fully welcoming church family. We are excited to partner with **Joni and Friends** to help enhance this important ministry.

In addition, we strengthened our commitment to local mission by bringing on **Tim Youtkus** to provide leadership for **Local Outreach**, helping us love and serve our community with greater intention and alignment.

Under the banner of global mission, I was honored to be invited onto the **WorldVenture Board of Directors**, deepening our historic connection and paving the way for a rich Missions Conference this October.

This year we celebrated **three baby dedications**, rejoicing with families as they committed to raising their children in the faith. We also made encouraging progress toward developing **parenting classes** designed to equip parents with biblical wisdom, practical tools, and meaningful support as they navigate the challenges of family life.

As we step into the coming year, my prayer is that we would be a church marked by courage, compassion, and conviction.

Lord, empower us to love boldly, serve faithfully, and witness courageously. Amen.

**Pastor Bob Erbig**

Lead Pastor: Preaching, Family Life & Mission

# Missions Team

## 2025 Highlights:

This year has been a remarkable season of impact for our Missions Team as we celebrated God’s work both domestically and internationally. Our church family continued to demonstrate extraordinary generosity and prayerful support for our missionaries, partners, and ministries.

A major area of joy has been our continued investment in Senegal, where our partners have expressed deep encouragement from the faithful support of our congregation. Through ongoing ministry development, leadership growth, and church building projects, we are seeing the fruit of long term, intentional partnership.

This year we were also blessed to welcome two new World Partners into our global family of missionaries: Talant Aktanzhanov (Kazakhstan) and Amelia Boyd (DiscipleMakers).

Beyond Senegal, we offered special contributions to the Bocsa family, supported seminary students through scholarships, and invested in strategic mission trips — including youth missions, nursing ministry trips such as Kayley Garcell’s, and disaster relief efforts through organizations like Praying Pelican Missions.

Domestically, we continued to champion college campus ministries, welcomed new world partners, and celebrated creative expressions of missions — such as Mary Alice Landau serving young girls in Zambia through Sew Powerful. Our congregation also engaged hands on volunteer opportunities

with organizations we support, strengthening our bond with the ministries we stand behind. We praise God for new partnerships with WorldVenture, which was deepened this year as Pastor Bob was invited to serve on their Board — a meaningful affirmation of our historic connection with this mission agency.

Looking ahead, we are eager to elevate the importance of missions even further. This coming year we plan to expand teaching initiatives, increase missionary engagement within church life, and host a Missions Conference featuring WorldVenture in October.

We thank the Lord for His provision and invite every member of our church to pray boldly, give joyfully, and step courageously into God’s global mission.

## Pastor Bob Erbig

### Missions Team

Yvonne Lai, Chair  
Roberta Dening  
Tom DiProspero  
Pastor Bob Erbig  
Roy Garms  
Grace Kam  
Neil Lim  
Jan Torgrimsen  
Judy Torgrimsen  
Kathy Wilford  
Paul Wilford



Imparting Christ’s love & hope to the ends of the earth

# Outreach Ministries

2025 was a year of transition in Outreach, as I stepped into the role of Outreach Manager in addition to my current role as Production Manager. I am excited to steward both existing, and new local outreach opportunities. My heart is to help galvanize the church body to get excited about reaching the community around them through service and evangelism. As we look ahead to the coming year in outreach, it's important to first look back at some highlights from this past year.

**Digital Outreach** - We continue to create outward-facing content meant to share Christ with others. The Underground Sessions Podcast, The Fresh Wave, and Wednesdays in the Word remain strong tools for engaging people online. In addition, all our sermons are made available digitally, including being split into clips and short-form content for wider reach.

**Christianity Explored** - We were pleased to offer a Christianity Explored class this past year. Led by Paul and Kathy Wilford, the class walked through the book of Mark and served as a great tool for those who are new to the Christian faith or simply wanting to explore it more deeply. We look forward to continuing this class in the year ahead.

**Local Missions Trip** - This summer, some of our youth participated in a local mission trip to Muslims and Hindus through the ministry of Amoon Sharon.

**Underground Sessions** - In October, we were pleased to welcome Krista Bontrager and Monique Duson of the Center for Biblical Unity for our Answering God's Call to Justice Underground Sessions event, along with the Walking in Unity leadership seminar. Together, we explored the topic of justice from a Christian worldview and what it looks like for believers to pursue unity across demographic lines.

**City Relief Packing Party** - This year's City Relief Packing Party was a massive success. Together, we packed 2,000 hygiene kits—up from 600 kits last year. City Relief was incredibly grateful for the generosity shown, and those kits have since been distributed to our friends on the street.

**City Relief Outreach Serving** - One of our goals this year was to provide more opportunities for hands-on serving opportunities within our local community, and City Relief was a great place to start. We sent six teams to serve in Newark, Paterson, and New York City, and we look forward to continuing this ministry monthly.



**Veterans Outreach** - This year, we began outreaching to an incredible group of people right in our backyard: the veterans at the VA hospital in Basking Ridge. The group meets weekly, and we are excited to continue partnering with them by providing meals and supplies.

**Colson Fellows Program** - The Colson Fellows Church Affiliate Program is now underway, and we are grateful for a committed group of Colson Fellows in Training (CFIT) who are being equipped to engage culture thoughtfully and defend and share their faith with confidence.

We are incredibly excited for what God has in store for MBC in 2026. One outreach we are especially looking forward to is our Summerfest event over Labor Day weekend. We are excited to invite the community onto our campus and engage in meaningful, multi-level outreach together.

For His Glory Alone

**Tim Youtkus**

Production & Outreach Manager

# Little Footprints Learning Center

## God is faithful.

This past year has been one of incredible growth, renewal, and blessings at Little Footprints Learning Center. Under new leadership, our staff and families have continued to build upon the strong foundation of Christ-centered education that has always guided our mission. We are deeply thankful for the ways God has directed our steps and provided for every need, reminding us that, as Philippians 1:6 says, "He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

Our leadership transition has brought fresh energy, new ideas, and a renewed focus on our calling to nurture the hearts and minds of young children through the love of Jesus. We are excited to see how the Lord will continue to grow our school community in wisdom, faith, and joy in the year ahead.

We are overjoyed that we have so many families returning to us next year, including families whose older children have graduated through our program and siblings of currently enrolled students. This wonderful blessing is a reflection of God's faithfulness and the trust our families place in the care and education their children receive at Little Footprints. Our continued growth reaffirms that our mission to provide a Christ-centered foundation for early learning is thriving and needed in our community.



The Preschool at Millington Baptist Church 

# Little Footprints Learning Center

# Little Footprints Learning Center (cont.)

This has been a year of meaningful progress and intentional change. Some of our key accomplishments include:

**Transition in Leadership:** A smooth and Spirit-led transition has brought a renewed sense of community and vision at all levels.

**Program Expansion:** We now offer five-day-a-week classes in all three classrooms, giving families more flexibility and children more opportunities for growth and consistency.

**Extended Day Programming:** We launched our extended-day programs, led by our own dedicated staff, this year. This enrichment time provides a safe and loving environment where students can continue to learn, play, and explore.

**Monthly Parent Socials:** Our new Parent Socials have been a wonderful way to build stronger relationships among families and staff. These gatherings foster community, connection, and shared encouragement as we walk together in faith.

As we look to the next school year, we do so with hearts full of gratitude and anticipation. Our focus will remain on nurturing the whole child — spiritually, emotionally, and academically. We will continue to seek ways to strengthen our program offerings, support our teachers, and deepen the relationships that make our preschool family so special.

With God's guidance, we are confident that the coming year will bear even more fruit as we continue to plant seeds of faith and curiosity in the hearts of our students.

We thank Millington Baptist Church for your partnership and prayers. Together, we are helping children grow in the knowledge of God's love and in the joy of learning. May the Lord continue to bless and keep our preschool as a place where every child knows they are deeply loved by Jesus.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." – Matthew 19:14

**Danielle Arrieta & Kelly Davis**

LFLC Co-Directors

## LFLC Staff

**Kate Clarke**

Lead Teacher - 4's Class

**Laura White**

Lead Teacher - 3's Class

**Marge Watkins**

Assistant Teacher - 3's Class

**Amanda Annis**

Lead Teacher - 2.5's Class

**Debbie Masin**

Assistant Teacher - 2.5's Class

# Worship Arts & Production

“I will sing of steadfast love and justice; to you, O Lord, I will make music” (Ps 101:1, ESV).

## Worship Arts

God is so good! MBC’s worship team has enjoyed another joyful year of worshipping together with our congregation! Each week, we have the privilege of seeing more and more hands held high in worship of The Lord Jesus Christ. We continue striving to select songs that are both doctrinally and musically rich while looking to connect the themes of the songs with the sermon topics.



MBC longs to be a body of believers who love to participate in corporate worship by singing LOUDLY together. To help you do that, we provide weekly Spotify & Youtube playlists of the songs that we’ll be singing on Sunday mornings so that everyone can prepare to participate.

- In 2025, the Worship Arts Team grew BIG TIME! We are grateful to God for adding 7 new members to our team!!
- This past year, we have been greatly encouraged by a noticeable increase in participation during our worship services. The growing engagement of our congregation reflects a shared hunger to worship God together and grow spiritually.
- If you have an interest in joining the worship team at MBC, please come and talk to me, or fill out the worship team application on our church website: <https://millingtonbaptist.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/90/responses/new>

It is truly a blessing to be a multi-generational congregation dedicated to worshipping The Lord Jesus Christ together. Worship Arts is committed to leading MBC to worship Jesus in song. Let us continue to sing of steadfast love and justice to The Lord by making music together in the year ahead.



In Christ Alone,

**John Bonaventura**

Director of Worship

## Production Team

It was another incredible year in the Production Department here at MBC. While this year wasn't defined by launching brand-new initiatives, it was marked by a continued pursuit of excellence—refining what we already do well and thoughtfully reimagining key areas along the way.

Sunday services continue to be a joy. We are deeply grateful for an AV team that not only served faithfully but also grew significantly this past year. Our services have remained smooth and consistent, and we remain focused on providing the best worship experience possible—both inside our building and for those joining us online. One notable improvement this year has been our live-stream audio mixing. A special thank-you goes to Walter Loehr, who has taken personal ownership of this part of our Sunday process to ensure high-quality sound for our online viewers, as well as those worshiping in the Fellowship Hall overflow and family area.

We also continued delivering consistent content on our YouTube page. Behind the Pulpit remains a meaningful way for our pastors to engage our church and broader community beyond Sunday mornings. The feedback has been incredibly encouraging, and we truly believe Behind the Pulpit stands among the most robust weekly pastors' podcasts being produced anywhere today. It's a joy to bring it to you each week.

The Fresh Wave Podcast continued to move forward this year with the addition of our newest co-host, Maddy Cudia. This past fall, however, the show was thoughtfully reimagined. Now simply titled The Fresh Wave, the focus has shifted toward shorter, more highly produced teaching, devotional, and commentary videos designed specifically for students. These are distributed through YouTube and the Rush Instagram page, and Johnny and Maddy continue to do an outstanding job stewarding this content.



The Underground Sessions Podcast reached new heights this year. Previously a seasonal, interview-only series, it has now grown into a consistent weekly podcast. Alongside the interviews listeners have come to enjoy, the show now includes shorter commentary episodes addressing cultural and hot-button topics with Pastor Bob. We are excited to see how this consistency continues to expand the podcast's reach and impact.

This past summer, we were thrilled to welcome Hannah McLaughlin as our Production Intern. Hannah made a significant impact across the board—from supporting smaller projects, to reimagining Wednesdays in the Word, to filming and producing an impressive mini-documentary on our teen mission trip to North Carolina titled In the Wake of Helene (available on our YouTube channel). Hannah was a tremendous asset to our team, and we are excited to see where the Lord leads her as she continues pursuing a calling in missions documentary filmmaking.

Speaking of Wednesdays in the Word, this summer's devotional series was a major success. We welcomed intern Oliver Aridi as the new host, and alongside Hannah, the team delivered our most iconic series to date: Surrender. We look forward to seeing what God has in store for this ministry in the year ahead.

We also continued striving for professional-grade event production. We hosted two Underground Sessions events this year, each transforming the sanctuary into a unique, immersive environment. Another major highlight was our Night of Revival worship event, which featured a six-camera live stream, a record seven-piece band, and professional-level lighting. It remains the marquee worship event on the MBC calendar, and this year was no exception.

As we look toward 2026, our goal remains the same: to do what we do well—without ever settling. We will continue to dream, brainstorm, and pursue excellence as we seek to steward the gifts God has entrusted to us. We are deeply grateful for our volunteers, the resources we have been given, and the opportunity to serve the church in this way. We look forward to stewarding it all faithfully in the year ahead.

For His Glory Alone,

**Tim Youtkus**

Production & Outreach Manager

# Communications

MBC's Communications led by Noah Graves, with our office assistants Laura Garcell and Deb Graisser offering support. We seek to advance the gospel message through all our forms of communication and help the church have clear, effective, and visually appealing communications throughout the church. In 2025, we increased our virtual productivity supporting each ministry area's efforts.

- Refreshed Weekly ENews Email
- Weekly Praise & Prayer Email
- Brand New MBC 175th Logo & Artwork
- Several Sermon Series Graphics
- Isaiah Sermon Series Campus Artwork
- Brand New AWANA Brochures
- Brand New MBC 175th Brochures
- Several New MBC Website Pages
- New Social Media Initiatives
- More Social Media Ministry Highlights
- And Much More!

We continue developing high quality promotional campaigns that communicate initiatives to our church family as well as to our local community.

- New Staff & Elder Name Badges
- Connection Center Sign Refreshed
- Podcast promotions
- YouTube
- Social media campaigns
- Campus signage
- Event banners
- Postcards

## Looking forward:

2026 looks ahead to be a very exciting year! We have a big year coming up for our 175th anniversary and we have much in the plans to commemorate the year.

We also will have refreshed ministry cards that are user friendly and implement a digital component to the cards. This will allow new visitors to more seamlessly connect with the various ministries at MBC. We also will have a brand new visitor's guide available in the Connection Center. This will also give all visitor's a one stop shop handout that can give them all they need to know about plugging in at MBC.

We have exciting plans to further advance the various communications channels at MBC. We have seen much growth in our social media with Instagram and Facebook and we plan to continue trying new things and putting out content that our members and guests enjoy.

We also plan to continue producing high quality artwork through all our graphics and refreshing old artwork to maintain a high level of visually appealing artwork for all areas of our church.

God is doing big things through MBC and we want all our communications channels with our website, app, social media and YouTube to reflect that and to highlight that. We are excited to see all that God will do in 2026!

## Noah Graves

Director of Operations & Ministry Communications

# Administration & Finance

## Administration & Finance

The 2025–2026 fiscal year for Millington Baptist Church is truly one for the record books. While the year began with more conservative giving, it ultimately closed as the highest giving year on record. There is remarkable growth happening at MBC, and it is evident in every area. This year brought record increases in new givers along with a growing number of individuals using our safe and secure online recurring giving platform. Praise God for His abundant blessings!

Administratively, the year’s primary focus centered on policy adjustments and streamlined systems to improve efficiency across the church. Our employee handbook received a full refresh with support from the Finance Team, led by Jackson Wong and Bill Ohnsorg. New policies related to purchasing and reimbursements, confidentiality, and a standardized process for requesting and using time off were implemented. These updated policies, improved systems, and the refreshed handbook created a strong foundation for a meaningful season of staff training and team building.

## Facilities

MBC is blessed with a beautiful, expansive footprint—and with it, needs just as expansive. A comprehensive workbook was created to keep all facility requests organized and ensure consistent follow through. This was a significant undertaking for our summer intern, Madeleine Koller, who did a fantastic job compiling detailed data such as lease renewals, fire extinguisher locations, HVAC filter sizes and schedules, and exit sign testing routines.

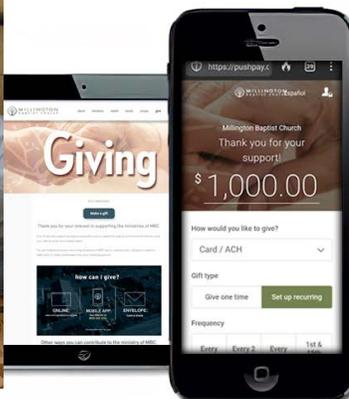
This year, every level of each building was equipped with panic buttons to provide direct, immediate access to police in the event of an emergency. Over the summer, the parking lot received freshly painted lines along with a vibrant new color for our ever popular pickleball courts.

One of the most significant campus improvements was the water remediation project led by Pastor Dave Hentschel and Adam Perrotti. Fellowship Hall has long been prone to taking on water during heavy rains, but thanks to creative engineering, new pumps and improved drainage design, MBC’s water clean-up days are in the past.



## Kristie Gall

Administrative & Financial Manager



# 2025 Leadership Teams

## Awana Leaders

Craig McLaughlin  
Kim McLaughlin  
Liana Moore  
Lenore Tosi  
Krisana Ukritnukun

## Care Leadership Team

Nancy Bonaventura  
Dave Hentschel  
Heather Huber  
Gary Isler  
Kim McCarthy  
Craig McLaughlin  
Rob Meleta  
Verna O'Neil  
Cathy Splinter  
Dave Springer  
Jeanne Sernak  
Irm Smith  
Gary Toresco  
David Wright  
Jackie Wright

## Elder Board

Darren Hernandez, Chair  
Ken Huber, Vice Chair  
John McCarthy, Treasurer  
Hector Garcell, Secretary  
Jeff Callender  
Tom DiProspero  
Chris Dowden  
Harish Radha  
Andrew Strain  
Rick Splinter  
Jan Torgrimsen  
Paul Wilford  
Pastor Bob Erbig, ex-officio  
Pastor Dave Henschel, ex-officio

## Finance Team

Allen Ukritnukun, Chair  
Kevin Davis, Vice Chair  
Cathy Conant, Secretary  
Dave Hentschel, Overseeing Pastor  
John McCarthy, Elder Liaison  
Kristie Gall, Staff Liaison  
Paul Achenbach  
Stan Kang \*on sabbatical  
Dave Kother  
Bill Ohnsorg  
Vijay Peyyala  
Jackson Wong

## Little Footprints Board

Wendy McMullen, Chair  
Suzanne Nerger, Vice Chair  
Mike Clabough, Secretary

Allen Ukritnukun, Treasurer  
Bob Erbig, Ex-Officio PLT Liaison  
Harish Radha, Ex-Officio Elder Liaison  
Kristie Gall, FT Liaison  
Kelly Davis, Ex-Officio member  
Danielle Arrieta, Ex-Officio member

## Ministry Directors

John Bonaventura  
Bob Erbig  
Johnny Graves  
Noah Graves  
Dave Hentschel  
Amy Huber  
Rachel Rickerhauser  
Lenore Tosi

## Missions Team

Yvonne Lai, Chair  
Roberta Dening  
Tom DiProspero  
Bob Erbig  
Roy Garms  
Grace Kam  
Neil Lim  
Jan Torgrimsen  
Judy Torgrimsen  
Kathy Wilford  
Paul Wilford

## Stephen Leaders

Bruce Corke  
Dave Hentschel  
Drew Huber  
Carrie Isler  
Michelle Klemme

## Men's Ministry Team

Bruce Corke  
Pete Lima  
Andy Lin  
Craig McLaughlin  
Ed Williams  
James Rickershauser  
Paul Wilford

## Womens Leadership Team

Kim McCarthy – Women's Ministry  
Coordinator  
Krisana Ukritnukun – Assistant  
Coordinator  
Lisa Drew – Registration and Resource  
Admin  
Linda Clark  
Carrie Isler  
Grace Kam  
Gail Loehr  
Liana Moore

Sue Philhower  
Linda Rigdon  
Barb Smith  
Irm Smith  
Kathy Wilford  
Sharon Williams

## Small Group Leaders

Mike & Nancy Bonaventura  
Frank\* & Cathey Donaruma  
Ken Huber\*  
Gary & Carrie Isler  
Jim Luedecker  
John\* & Kim McCarthy  
Caleb Moore  
Bill Ohnsorg  
James Rickershauser  
Carter & Suzy Parker  
Rick Splinter  
Ed Williams  
Jeff & Polly Wong

\*Small Group Coaches

## Adult Education

Paul Achenbach  
Pastor Dave Hentschel  
Ken Huber  
Jack Kraus  
Kerri Mullins

## Youth Leaders

Yunni Bautista  
Christina Berquist  
Chris Dowden  
Cory Dziedzic  
Holly Emery  
Kristie Gall  
Shannon Graves  
Juran Hulin  
Gail Loehr  
Ricardo Mendes  
Jim Nerger  
Deirdre Rajoppi  
Ben Youtkus  
Tim Youtkus

## Campus Safety & Security

Dave Kother  
Steph Landau  
Allen Smith  
Mark Yarrington

## Hospitality & Events

Cathey Donaruma  
Linda Kuebler

# Membership Roll Report (2025-26)

## Active Voting to Dismissed

Frank Ferrera  
Scott Gandolfe  
Glen Homa  
Liz Homa  
Gerry Kondak  
Chris MacBurney  
Mike MacBurney  
Wendy Milligan

## Baptisms

Angelica Alba  
Jess Brigante  
Bianca Burke  
Maddy Cudia  
Gretchen Dunn  
Jackson Hulin  
Scott Johnson  
Ivan Jones  
Melissa King  
Gabriel Kingman  
Natalee Kingman  
Joanne Kling  
Emmalee Lamera  
Cole Liverance  
Will McMullen  
Olivia Mills  
Annabel Nosta  
Dolly Postell  
Katherine Ryan  
Demetria Santiago  
Larry Scholl  
Sara Scholl  
Claire Strain  
Tom Swon

## Births

Jesse Peter Arrieta  
Christopher Jones

## Deceased

Robert Craig  
Cyndi Cudworth  
Fred Finati  
Jim Flood  
Sonia Witkowski

## New Members

Aaron Dunn  
Gretchen Dunn  
Cory Dzedzic  
Farris Fanik  
Gabrielle Fashoro  
Margaret Fontana  
Todd Fontana  
Chet Gajkowski  
Rebecca Goldstein  
Bruce Grand-Jean  
Cecelia Grand-Jean  
Cynthia Green  
Ivan Jones  
Nelia Jones  
Melissa King  
Timothy King  
Joanne Kling  
Mark Kreiss  
Suzanen Kreiss  
Sheryl Lake  
Gary Lindgren  
Marie Lindgren  
Christine Macklin  
Joshua Macklin  
Wendy McMullen  
Will McMullen  
Michael Midthassel  
Kerri Mullins  
Jim Nerger  
Suzanne Nerger  
Clint Pompey  
Emily Pompey  
Jennifer Rickershauser  
John Rickershauser  
Kelly Ryan  
Elizabeth Sahadi  
William Salvia  
Demetria Santiago  
Larry Scholl  
Sara Scholl  
Christine Julia Smith  
Thomas Swon  
Cheryl Tamashunas  
Gary Toresco  
Pam Toresco  
Dorothy Turse  
Paul Whitehead  
Debra Witte

## Church Membership

As of 3/12/2026: 307

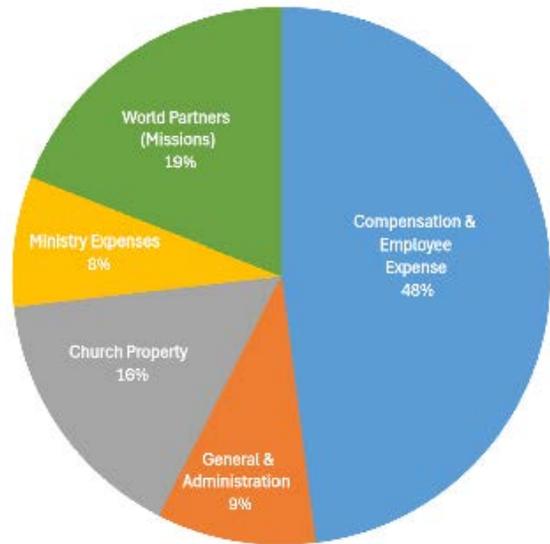
## FYE 2025-26 Proposed Budget

	FYE 3/31/26 Actual Exp as of 1/31/26	Current Budget 4/1/25 - 3/31/26	Proposed Budget 4/1/26 - 3/31/27	Budget Difference
<b>MBC BUDGET</b>				
Compensation & Employee Expense	722,595	931,627	939,840	8,213
General & Administration	143,570	170,040	182,700	12,160
Church Property	236,149	347,818	394,700	46,882
Adult & Men's Ministries	23,628	33,550	46,900	13,350
MBC Kids Ministry	12,811	19,090	19,665	575
Family Ministries	1,662	10,500	11,350	850
Communications Ministry	13,418	25,400	22,000	(3,400)
Outreach Ministry	17,242	21,850	21,450	(400)
Welcome & Assimilation Ministry	16,275	16,600	68,600	52,000
Women's Ministry	5,353	7,775	11,480	3,705
Production Ministry	10,947	21,800	20,800	(1,000)
Worship Arts Ministry	4,065	7,850	8,850	1,000
Youth Ministry	12,539	31,100	38,150	7,050
World Partners	286,461	355,000	393,300	38,300
<b>Total MBC</b>	<b>\$1,506,704</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>\$2,179,285</b>	<b>\$179,285</b>
<b>Rental Properties</b>	<b>\$45,746</b>	<b>\$74,000</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
<b>Capital Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Little Footprints Learning Center</b>				
Compensation & Employee Expense	129,788	150,000	197,758	47,758
<b>LFLC Other Expenses</b>	<b>23,012</b>	<b>38,450</b>	<b>20,242</b>	<b>18,208</b>
<b>Total LFLC</b>	<b>\$152,800</b>	<b>\$188,450</b>	<b>\$218,000</b>	<b>\$29,550</b>
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$1,705,250</b>	<b>\$2,262,450</b>	<b>\$2,577,285</b>	<b>\$314,835</b>

# Expenses 2025-2026

Employee Compensation	722,595	48%
General & Administration	143,570	10%
Church Property	236,149	15%
Ministry Expenses	117,502	8%
World Partners (Missions)	286,461	19%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,506,704</b>	<b>100%</b>

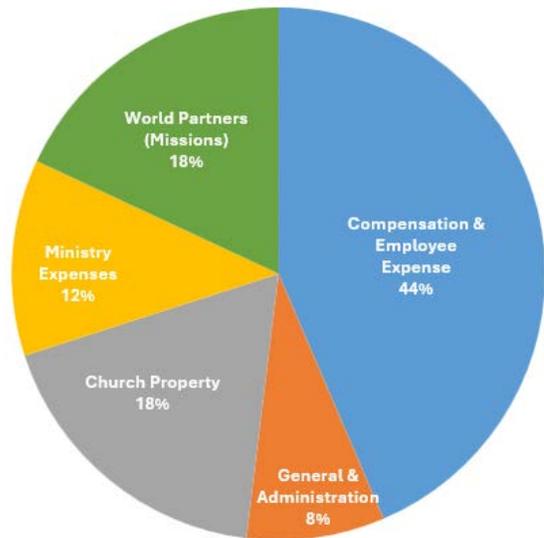
Expenses - 2025-26 Actual (through January 2025)



# Expenses 2026-2027 Proposed Budget

Employee Compensation	949,315	44%
General & Administration	182,200	8%
Church Property	394,700	18%
Ministry Expenses	259,770	12%
World Partners (Missions)	393,300	18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,179,285</b>	<b>100%</b>

Expenses - 2026-27 Proposed Budget



## World Partners Budget

International world partners with WorldVenture	NOTES	Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Proposed Budget 2026-2027
B. & M. Columbine - Senegal		19,000	19,000
Y. Danfa - ITES Director, Senegal		4,000	4,000
L. & R. Grudda - Senegal		11,000	11,000
F. Hampton - Austria		6,000	7,000
M. & M. Hunt - France		7,000	8,000
N. & R. Kendall - Senegal		6,000	6,000
K. & K. Laverman - Japan		9,000	9,000
A. Livingston		4,000	7,000
D. Muenzenberger - Philippines		13,000	13,000
D. & E. Parmer - France		7,000	7,000
G. & L. Renner - Kenya	(f)	2,000	2,000
M. & K. Schaaf - Walk Thru International		8,000	8,000
J. & S. White - Ukraine	(a)	20,000	20,000
E. & T. Yee - Indonesia		8,000	8,000
CFA Church Association (Senegal)		4,000	4,000
WV - EEBT Missions Team (Senegal)		4,000	4,000
Future World Partner - Senegal	(e)	4,000	0
WorldVenture Global Fund		0	4,000
<b>Total WorldVenture Commitments</b>		<b>\$136,000</b>	<b>\$141,000</b>

**Notes:**

(a) MBC member  
 (b) Former MBC member or attendee  
 (c) Resigned, Retired or Deceased

(d) New World Partner  
 (e) Future World Partner  
 (f) Post-Retirement travel allotment

## World Partners Budget (cont.)

<b>Other International World Partners</b>	Notes	Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Proposed Budget 2026-2027
A. & G. Sharon (Missions Door)		11,000	11,000
Reclaim Community Development - (P&LB)		4,000	7,000
Reclaim Community Development - (J&JC)	(a)	15,000	17,000
C. & J. Hanover - Asia (CRU)	(b)	7,000	7,000
D. & S. Lahoda (CRU)		7,000	7,000
D. & E. MacLean - Germany		9,000	9,000
B. & D. Anton - Romania (Josiah's Venture)		7,000	10,000
D. & B. Bocsa - Romania (Josiah's Venture)		7,000	10,000
T. & A. Vosters - Cambodia (World Team)		6,000	6,000
Cambodian Dorm Project		5,000	5,000
S. & G. Anderson- South America (Liebenzell)		5,000	5,000
S. & R. Hunt- UK (SIM)		4,000	4,000
T&A Aktanzhanov (Unbridled Skies)	(d)	0	4,000
<b>Total Other International Commitments</b>		<b>87,000</b>	<b>102,000</b>
<b>Total International Commitments</b>		<b>\$223,000</b>	<b>\$243,000</b>
<b>Domestic World Partners</b>	Notes	Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Proposed Budget 2026-2027
R. Hemmingway - Newark, NJ (Calvary Bible Chapel)	(a)	8,000	8,000
T. Mittuch (CRU)	(b)	6,000	6,000
L. & G. Williams (CRU FCA)	(b)	6,000	6,000
C. & J. Watkins - PA (Disciplemakers)	(b)	8,000	8,000
J. Violi - Penn State (The Navigators)		8,000	9,000
Feeding Hands		5,000	5,000
K.Dening- SomValley NJ (Young Life)	(c)	6,000	0
First Choice Women's Resource Center - Morristown, NJ		5,000	5,000
M. & A. Stasio- NJ (Cru)		4,000	4,000
Market Street Mission - Morristown, NJ		4,000	4,000
E. & J. Scalabrin (Navigators)		6,000	9,000
City Relief		4,000	4,000
Street Hope Alive		4,000	5,000
A. Boyd	(b,d)	0	3,000
Young Lives		3,000	4,000
G.Leung-NJ (ICVF)		3,000	3,000
<b>Total Domestic Commitments</b>		<b>80,000</b>	<b>83,000</b>
<b>Total Fixed Commitments</b>		<b>\$303,000</b>	<b>\$326,000</b>

## Discretionary

<b>Discretionary</b>	Notes	Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Proposed Budget 2026-2027
Contingencies		15,500	31,800
Youth Mission Trips		3,000	3,000
Short Term Mission Trips		2,000	2,000
IT Support		1,000	0
Seminary Scholarships		6,000	6,000
Publicity and Promotions		500	500
Honorariums & Travel		4,000	4,000
<b>Total Discretionary</b>		<b>32,000</b>	<b>47,300</b>
<b>Ministry Initiatives</b>			
		Support \$	Support \$
City Relief		5,000	0
Senegal		15,000	0
Dakar Academy Teacher		0	10,000
Bosca Vehicle		0	10,000
Total		20,000	20,000
<b>Total Mission Budget</b>		<b>\$355,000</b>	<b>\$393,300</b>
<b>Analysis of Proposed Fixed</b>			
		Support \$	Support %
International Ministries		243,000	75%
Domestic Ministries		83,000	25%
<b>Total Fixed Commitments</b>		<b>\$326,000</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Missions Percentage of Overall MBC Budget</b>		<b>\$393,300</b>	<b>18%</b>

# Vision:

We envision a church full of Jesus-followers who are  
**Firmly Planted, Growing Together,  
and Made to Multiply.**

**Firmly Planted |** Together we seek to dig deep into the word of God, to come alive and rekindle the wonder of life we are promised. We desire to see 100% of members and regular attendees **ENGAGED** in one or more of our varied and vibrant spiritual growth or service ministries.

**Growing Together |** To be the people we are called to be we cultivate a welcoming and compelling environment where new guests will be **EMBRACED** as family by communicating and leading them through a pathway of deeper connection.

**Made to Multiply |** Young families will be the fastest-growing segment of our church body with a special focus on **OUTREACH** to the local community.

“Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.” (Psalm 1:1-3)



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# Core Values

## 1. Gospel Centered:

We believe the Gospel is the core of everything. God has given everything for us so we are called to give everything for Him. Therefore, we respond to His great love by extending grace to everyone and giving Him first place in our lives. (Rom 5:1, 12:1-2; Gal 2:20, 3:1-4, 5:1-15; Eph 2:1-10)

## 2. Biblically Grounded & Culturally Relevant:

We engage the culture AND remain doctrinally pure. This is our calling: to contextualize the timeless message of the Gospel for our generation. (1 Corinthians 9:19-23; Acts 17:16-34; 2 Tim 3:16-17).

## 3. Passion for the Mission of God Locally & Globally:

We desire to reach our world and love our neighbor. (Matt 28:18-20; Luke 10:25-37; Gen 12:1-3). We also believe the church should reflect the diversity of its community, ethnically and demographically. (Eph 2:11-22)

## 4. Intentional Spiritual Formation:

We pursue deliberate discipleship while being dependent upon God for true spiritual formation. Growth is slow and non-linear where the Spirit of God shapes us into the image of Jesus. (1 Thes 5:23-24; 2 Pt 3:18)

## 5. Authentic Community:

We strive to be merciful and accepting. We also don't shy away from hard conversations that may hold each other accountable. We believe it's OK not to be OK; it's just not OK to stay there. (Heb 10:19-25; Eph 3:14-21)

## 6. Servant-Leaders:

We believe a fully engaged follower of Christ is a servant-leader (Mark 10:35-45). Every member is a minister. Every Christian has been given spiritual gifts to be discovered, developed, and deployed. (Eph 4:1-16)

## 7. Strong Families:

We want to build strong families and be a place of restoration, care and support for those without a family. In a world where we have seen the breakdown of the family impact our society in negative ways, we believe in the importance of resourcing and building strong families with intentional support for both healthy marriages and godly parenting. (Eph 5:21-6:3; Prov 22:6)



