



**GRACE POINT CHURCH**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

2025-2026

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# FROM PASTOR TIM

“God is superhuman, tireless, and all-powerful.”

When you read your Bible, you'll find a lot of physical imagery used to explain God – even though He is spirit and is beyond flesh and bone. But, in order to help us flesh-and-bone folk understand our Creator, the biblical writers talk about God's hands, His eyes, even His wings.

But you won't find a single verse using this image: the sweat glands. That's because God doesn't sweat. He doesn't get tired or suffer from aching muscles. He never gets stressed out, despite the size of a task. He doesn't enter his mission after a hard millennium's work and say, “Whew boy! I sure could use a hot shower, a couple Advil, and a mentholated rubdown from an angel!” No, God is superhuman, tireless, and all-powerful.

That is true of God... but not of us. We get tired, stressed, and our sweat glands work overtime. This has been especially true for me over the past year. The tasks' have been bigger than normal, the work has been difficult, and stress has been a normal part of my week. It's been good stress but stress nonetheless.

The largest, most stressful task of the past ministry year was working with a team of 12 people—staff and lay leaders—to reimagine our mission as a church. That was 9 months of meetings, prayer, conversation, word-smithing, and dreaming what might be in the future. It was tiring but so good for us to work through that process!

But in reality, that was the easy part. Working to see the mission and values lived out is the next step. It won't happen overnight, it won't happen next month, it probably won't even

# FROM PASTOR TIM


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happen next year. It will take more meetings, more prayer, more conversations, and more sweet tea than I care to admit.

The good news is, even though I’m sweating that process a little bit right now, God isn’t. I may be at a loss of where all of this is headed but he’s already there. I’m overwhelmed at the intricacies of all the details but he’s not. I’m choosing to trust that he’s at work in and through our church; in the midst of, and even as we work out all those details.

So as you look through the pages of this report, pause and give thanks for what He’s done in our midst over the past year, for the new direction he’s given us, and then put it down and ask the tireless, unfazed, never-going-to-sweat-it Lord of the church to do more than we can ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.(Ephesians 3:20)

Pastor Tim



Pointing every generation to live  
in the restoring love of Jesus.

# BY THE NUMBERS

Numbers don't mean everything, but numbers represent people, and people do mean everything.

## PEOPLE

**11** Baptisms

Salvations **5**

**12** New Members

Child Dedications **8**

**440** Adults Weekly

Kids Weekly **113**

**41** Teens Weekly

## GIVING

Annual Giving

**\$1,147,537.85**

Give.Serve.Love

**\$96,448.70**

Tandem Bake Auction

**\$25,524.41**



# BUDGET

Comparison of last year's budget and this year's.

Line Items	2025-2026	2026-2027
Building/Operating	\$194,096	\$193,541
Administrative	\$15,400	\$15,400
Denominational Expenses	\$100,700	\$103,700
Church Ministries	\$96,547	\$115,818
Special Expenses	\$36,500	\$41,000
Salaries and Benefits	\$663,313	\$715,456
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,106,556</b>	<b>\$1,184,915</b>

# GROUPS & CONNECTIONS

“This season has created a renewed sense of clarity, alignment, and excitement for what God may do next.”

## HIGHLIGHTS

When I think about all of the ministry that has happened over the past year I'm encouraged by a group of men who saw a need to connect men to each other by hosting a Men's Breakfast that brought together men across generations for connection, encouragement, and spiritual challenge. It created momentum toward a greater vision of mobilizing men into serving, discipleship, and deeper engagement in the life of the church. These breakfasts will serve as a catalyst for moving men into serving and discipleship.

Another highlight this year was our third round of the Discovery Cohort. Over the past three years, we have now invested in 18 emerging leaders through this experience, including eight participants this year who are growing in leadership capacity and beginning to take greater ownership within their ministry areas. While much of the fruit from these

investments is still ahead of us, it has been encouraging to watch these leaders grow in confidence, initiative, and spiritual maturity as they continue stepping into their calling.

I'm also especially proud of the work accomplished by the Vision Team this year. Together, we began developing a strategic plan for the next 5-7 years that includes a renewed mission statement, updated church values, and a clearer ministry strategy to help guide our church into the future. There is still a great deal of work ahead of us as we seek to reach 12,000 people in our community with the good news of Jesus, but this season has created a renewed sense of clarity, alignment, and excitement for what God may do next.

### **KEY VOLUNTEERS**

I especially want to thank Jeff and Stephanie Brown for their incredible hospitality and their willingness to open their home week after week to so many different small groups. Their home is a space where people feel welcomed, loved, challenged, and encouraged in their faith. Their ministry reflects the heart of Christ in tangible ways.

I'm also personally grateful for Jeff's leadership on the Connections Team. Whenever I need to be away on a Sunday morning, Jeff steps in without hesitation and leads the team. Jeff is a tremendous encouragement to me personally and an important support to the Connections Team overall.

I'm also deeply thankful for all of our amazing Small Group Leaders who invest in the lives of others so faithfully. And where would we be without the army of volunteers who serve on the Connections Team? These servant-leaders joyfully welcome others into God's presence on Sunday mornings, where guests can come to meet with God in worship and fellowship with the body of Christ.

### **ABOUT THIS MINISTRY**

I've been encouraged to see people respond to invitations for baptism, serving, and deeper involvement in the life of the church. One of the things I enjoy most in ministry is coming alongside individuals and teams who feel called to help people experience the restoring love of Jesus and helping turn those ideas into meaningful ministry opportunities. I'm excited to continue supporting and equipping people as they take faithful next steps in launching new groups, developing new ministry ideas, and creating spaces where people can connect, grow, and serve together.

At the heart of this ministry is the belief that spiritual transformation happens best in relationships where people are known, loved, and invited to walk honestly with Jesus. Because of that, we want to encourage creativity, initiative, and a willingness to start new things that help reach and impact others for Christ. Whether it is a small group, a discipleship environment, a ministry gathering, or simply opening a home to others, we believe God often works powerfully through ordinary people who are willing to take simple, faithful steps to care for and disciple others.

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# WORSHIP

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## HIGHLIGHTS

We had a lot of big events planned last year, including Rooted's 1st birthday celebration, the return of worship nights and the Good Friday experience, and Christmas and Easter celebrations. The worship and tech team worked tirelessly to plan and execute these opportunities to celebrate and participate in what God is doing in our church, and at Rooted in their first year!



## KEY VOLUNTEERS

For a little over a year, Ryan Peterson and Ben Frazier have served not only on Sunday mornings playing drums, but also on Wednesdays at Tandem. They have been essential in helping to build up the Tandem worship team. It's not only a testament of how talented they are and their love of playing, but encouraging the younger generation to be involved in worship at Tandem, whether you're on the stage or in the crowd. The time and dedication that these two put into being the best they can be on a Sunday morning and a Wednesday evening is something that our team has relied on, especially in the last year. It's been cool to see them step into bigger responsibilities and knock it out of the park!

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### ABOUT THIS MINISTRY

We went through a devotional this year reminding us that we are all worship leaders. Two verses that stuck out were Colossian 3:16 and Ephesians 5:18-20, which teaches us to "admonish one another" and "speak to one another" both using psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. In the end, our team was reminded that "...we all have the responsibility of pointing people to the worthiness of God and providing an opportunity to respond." As a team we want to make sure that we are creating a space for the church to respond to what God is doing in their lives. Whether it is singing on a Sunday, praying as a congregation or in your home, or reading his word; God is worthy of our worship.

SONGS SUNG **103**

**6** NEW SONGS

VOLUNTEERS **47**

**4** NEW

### MOST SUNG SONGS:

- ALL SUFFICIENT MERIT
- A THOUSAND HALLELUJAHS
- SAME GOD



# KIDSPPOINT

“They are never too young to live boldly for Jesus.”

## ABOUT THIS MINISTRY

Every week in KidsPoint, our team of volunteers show up because we believe connecting with kids helps them connect with Jesus and build an authentic, lifelong relationship with God. We laugh, play games, create, pray, worship Jesus, and learn God’s Word together. We listen to their stories, answer their questions, and remind them they are deeply loved by God. Our prayer is that Sunday morning becomes the best morning of the week – a place where kids feel safe, known, excited to come back, and encouraged to follow Jesus for the rest of their lives.



## HIGHLIGHTS

**Loop Night Out** is a fun night just for 5th and 6th graders to play games, make new friends, and hang out with leaders who love Jesus and want students to know His love too. From tortillas flying through the air, to silly string battles and all you can eat chicken nuggets, every moment is filled with laughter, connection, and reminders that they are deeply loved by God. We believe Jesus can use even the simplest moments to help kids feel seen, valued, and excited to grow in their faith.

Our week-long **Camp KidsPoint** for elementary kids was one of the best weeks of the summer as kids dived into the truth of Timothy 4:12 and learned they are never too young to live boldly for Jesus. From pottery making, cooking, fitness classes, water slides, obstacle courses, community service projects, worship, snacks, and friends, every part of the week is designed to help kids have fun while growing in their faith. Each day, God’s

**HIGHLIGHTS (CONT.)**

Word is shared, discussed, and kids are invited to follow Jesus. We believe the amount of relational connection that happens in one week of camp can take an entire year of Sundays to build, making camp a powerful place for kids to feel known, loved, and encouraged in their walk with God.

This year of **Parent Huddle** was filled with encouragement, connection, and reminders that no parent walks alone. Each month, parents gathered to laugh, share tears, pray together, and encourage one another as they strived to disciple their children in the truth of God's Word and follow Jesus with all their hearts. Through honest conversations about what works, what doesn't, and the everyday challenges of parenting, meaningful relationships were built around the shared goal of helping kids know just how deeply Jesus loves them.

**VOLUNTEERS**

The incredible KidsPoint volunteers — they continue making KidsPoint such an amazing place for kids to belong, grow, and encounter the love of Jesus. Week after week, they show up with joy, energy, patience, and love, creating a place where kids feel safe, known, and valued. They pray for these kids all week long and care about them far beyond the hours spent inside KidsPoint. Their faithfulness, kindness, and willingness to serve are what truly make ministry happen. They are not just helpers — they are the heart of KidsPoint and one of the greatest highlights of this ministry.

**KIDSPPOINT GRADUATE  
GOING INTO KIDS  
MINISTRY THIS YEAR**

**1**

# FAMILY CARE

“Who knows, God might surprise you!”

## ABOUT THIS MINISTRY

### **McCarter Elementary (Lunch Buddies):**

Serving inside the walls of the church is so important, but so is being the hands and feet of Jesus outside of the church walls. If you want to make a difference in a kid's life that may not ever get to experience walking into church, this is a beautiful way to do just that. We don't always know the kid's story, but God does, and God puts each adult buddy with the student that needs that person! There is a kid who needs you to let God use you! You can always try it and let God surprise you!

**Family Care:** We all go through hard seasons of life. No matter how big or small, it matters to God, so it matters to us. Our hope with Family Care is that it starts kids/teens and families off early so that they can continue to grow into who God created them to be. Sometimes, you just need someone to sit across the room from you to listen as you process and figure that

out. It is my honor to be that person, if you want me to be. Who knows, God might surprise you and you might just realize that with God you are stronger and more loved than you ever thought you were.

## HIGHLIGHTS

**McCarter Elementary:** This year we got to love on McCarter Elementary School. We donated supplies for backpacks. We had a prayer walk the day before school started where many of you showed up to pray over this past school year. We remodeled their teachers' lounge so that the teachers had a relaxing place to unwind before going back to the classroom. We provided shelving and storage, so that they can keep their storage area organized. We have shown them “Kansas Love” with multiple Sonic Drink days. You all LOVED on 3 families that we adopted at Christmas. They were overwhelmed with joy by your generosity!

**HIGHLIGHTS (CONT.)**

**Family Care:** We are in year 2 of the Family Care ministry and we have had many kids/teens/families no longer have the need for Family Care because of the work that Jesus is doing in their life and the growth that He is providing. While it is sad for me not to see them weekly/biweekly, I am overjoyed that they are at a point where they are letting Jesus work in them and letting Jesus change their life for the better! We also have kids/teens/families who are still working through hard seasons of life and still learning that Jesus can change everything! This ministry has been an honor to be part of. I love seeing Jesus working in each of these people who walk through the door and sit across from me. Some of them see it themselves, and some are still needing time to see it, but I trust Jesus that they will.

**VOLUNTEERS**

Thank you to all of our Lunch Buddies! You all are making a difference in the lives of these kids, by showing up and loving them SO well. Thank you for loving those kids who need extra love!

Also, a huge thank you to those who have helped with various projects at McCarter and thank you to everyone who helped bless the families at Christmas time. I love being part of a church that loves people...even those we don't know well.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS 99**  
**\$2,220 GIFT CARDS**

**SONIC DRINKS 122+**  
**DELIVERED**



# TANDEM YOUTH

“I can’t wait to see what highlights come from a full year at Grace Point!”

## HIGHLIGHTS

A few moments from this past year stand out to me. The first is Tandem's White Elephant Christmas Exchange - as my first Wednesday here as Youth Pastor, it was a great introduction to the amazing students we have, and how hilarious most of them are!

Another highlight from this year just happened recently with the Taco Bell Olympics! We had a large end-of-the-school-year party that included a massive food fight. These bookend highlights show me how far I've come in knowing our students. They are not just people with names, I'm trying to remember, but complex stories who have allowed me to breathe a little life into them. For that blessing, I will be eternally grateful!

Another highlight was celebrating nine seniors at Senior Sunday this year. A bittersweet moment for me. I'm so glad to have walked with each and every one of you nine, but man, do I wish I had more time to get to know

you! What a short year it's been for me, but I can't wait to see what highlights come from a full year here at GP!

## ABOUT THIS MINISTRY

One thing I think you should know about Tandem is that any given Youth Ministry needs 3 things to stay active: God, Students, and Leaders. A leader for Tandem is much more than just a small-group leader on Wednesday night. A study found that every student needs 5 spiritual adults pouring into their lives in order for the faith they developed in youth group to be lifelong. If you think you could be one of those five adults, reach out to me; I'd love to have a conversation with you!



**VOLUNTEERS**

I want to give a shout-out to all of my Adult Leaders this year: Casey Smith, Deanna Adams, Elijah Hurr, Emily Linton, Gracie Hurr, Jake Woods, Jana Hughes, Jennifer Ireland, Josh Hurr, Marie Morris, Melinda Schultz, Micah Martin, and TeRee Davis. I want to highlight Elijah, Jana and Faith.

**Elijah Hurr** - Elijah has been such an integral part of this year in Tandem. He has helped Jake serve on the Tandem Worship Team, but most importantly, he has been going through a small group leader course through Doxazo to learn how to be a better mentor to his middle school/high schoolers. It has been amazing to see his enthusiasm to apply what he learns in class on a Wednesday night. He's even started a small discipleship group that meets prior to Tandem on Wednesdays.

**Jana Hughes** - Jana was such a blessing when it came to the Bake Auction in February. Jana took so much off my plate and helped me focus on what I needed to focus on during Bake Auction. Without her help with the planning, it wouldn't have gone nearly as well!

**Faith Martin** - Faith has been an unsung hero in so much of what I've done this year. A sounding board, advice giver, and Bake Auction veteran. Without Faith's help, Tandem would not be nearly as cohesive as it is. I owe a lot to her!

**BURRITOS FOR  
FOOD FIGHT 100**

**89 STUDENTS  
ENGAGED WITH  
THE GOSPEL**

**MEALS SHARED W/  
STUDENTS & 22  
VOLUNTEERS**



# MISSIONS

“We just need to be willing to say yes, and He’ll provide the opportunities.”

## ABOUT THIS MINISTRY

I was 30 when I went on my first mission trip, to Reynosa, Mexico. I remember that trip so well, partly because many of the people I'm currently connected to at Grace Point went on that trip with me, and partly because almost every relationship I have with the folks down in Reynosa began on that trip. I'm 46 now. I've taken each of my kids with me numerous times, and those memories serving alongside them will last a lifetime. My wife and I have visited for quinceañeras, graduations, and the birth of a boy I consider my grandson (I met his mom in 2010 when she was just 7 years old, and she now calls me Dad). Pastor Frank and I flew down during Covid for the funeral of a young man who had become one of my best friends. My point is this; I basically knew nothing of serving others when I went on that first trip over 16 years ago. And now I can't imagine what my life would look like if I'd never taken that first step. So, my encouragement to others is to find a

way to serve, even if it's in your own community, or your own home. God wants each of us to participate in growing his kingdom by sharing our light--which is the hope that we have in Him. We just need to be willing to say yes, and he'll provide the opportunities.

**SOCCER GAMES  
IN BULGARIA 4**

**10 CONSTRUCTION  
WORKERS WHO  
PLAYED**

**CHEERLEADERS  
WHO HEARD 30  
GOSPEL TESTIMONIES**

While playing a soccer game in Bulgaria with church kids, local construction workers, and a cheer camp joined and heard the gospel!



**HIGHLIGHTS**

I could go on and on with highlights because it was an awesome year in mission's ministry, but what stands out to me is our Reynosa trip.

Pastor Alex and Laura (the children's home director) have a house in Reynosa that has been neglected for about 15 years, when they began splitting their time between the children's home and the parsonage on the American side. In preparation of them moving back into that home, our team cleaned the entire house, repaired broken plumbing, installed new water lines, painted inside and out, installed lighting and repaired electrical, and cleaned up the yard of brush and debris. But the highlight is how much this meant to the Blanco family. Laura told me several times, with tears in her eyes, how much she appreciated what we were doing for them.

It was such a blessing to be able to give back to them just a little bit in thanks for the hospitality and generosity they've shown our teams through the years. It underscored just how deep the relationship is between our church and their church, family, and the children's home.

**VOLUNTEERS**

Tim Bohannon has been going to Reynosa to serve for several years. He owns his own remodeling business and he's now at Rooted, but he continues to serve in Mexico alongside our team from Grace Point. Without him this year, we wouldn't have come close to getting as much done at the Blanco's house as we were able to. He's kind of the engine for the whole operation, and I want to recognize him for his selfless giving of his time and expertise. He has been an enormous blessing to have on our team year after year.



# COMMUNICATIONS

“Communications & Administration is like the Grand Central Station of Grace Point.”

## ABOUT THIS MINISTRY

One of the things I love most about my job is that every day is different. Communications and Administration is like the Grand Central Station of Grace Point. Diona, Tiff, and I get to see the 30,000 foot view of how all of our ministries are working together. We also get to coordinate and connect with people who are serving the church in many of the unrecognized ways - like our car ministry team, our funeral dinner volunteers, our handymen, and many more. The greatest part of the busyness of the front office is that we get to know so many of you! Communications is way more than just a bulletin or a website update, it's hearing how God is working in your lives when you call in to the office, it's praying with people in need, it's answering a quick question about the Church Center app that turns into an hour conversation. It's loving the body of Christ, and being loved in return. Thank you church!

## HIGHLIGHTS

Throughout the past year, I served on a vision-casting team that took nine months to dig into our mission, vision, and values as a church. It was exciting to see how God has worked through Grace Point in the past and dream about what it will look like in the future. We started putting words and phrases together that we believe God will use to continue to reach people in Topeka, Kansas, and the ends of the earth.



HIGHLIGHTS (CONT.)

My second highlight was our Ladies Night Out in January, focused on prayer. While emceeing the event, I looked over the room and realized there were women there experiencing the worst days of their lives, and women experiencing the best days. Women facing deaths, lost jobs, uncertainty and more. Women expecting their first baby, enjoying their marriages, and loving the season of life where God had them. I was struck that this is a beautiful picture of the Church. We hold both sorrow and joy simultaneously. And God moves powerfully in that tension.

VOLUNTEERS

There are two ladies I want to recognize this year: Ann Dunn and Carrie Jennings

Ann Dunn - Ann has helped with our Ladies Night Out planning committee and she has coordinated several funeral dinners. Ann works behind the scenes to make sure grieving families feel loved, cared-for, and well-fed.

Carrie Jennings - Carrie also serves on our Ladies Night Out planning committee, keeping us on track and realistic as we plan events. She also stepped up and took over Ladies Bunco Night when I needed to step away for the spring semester.

Thank you ladies for the way you love Jesus's church and serve his people well.

562 CHURCH CENTER APP USERS

HOURS WATCHED ON THE GP YOUTUBE CHANNEL 2,700



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