

MINISTRY REPORT

2026

SBCVirginia

You are not alone.



Our mission

is ***coming alongside*** local churches ***advancing the Gospel of Jesus Christ together*** to reach our neighbors and the nations.

Foundational Principles

Our ***foundation*** is the Word of God.
Our ***fellowship*** is built on healthy relationships.
Our ***focus*** is strengthening the local church.
Our ***function*** is to assist churches to be on mission.
Our ***future*** includes church planting.

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Advancing the Gospel Together

This annual Ministry Report is more than a collection of statistics and facts. It tells the story of God's faithfulness through God-glorifying, Christ-centered, Spirit-empowered, Bible-believing local churches. It reflects churches strengthening one another, mobilizing for missions, planting new congregations, and pursuing revitalization. Behind every number are people, prayers, and Gospel opportunities. While these pages include our Ministry Investment Plan and convention business, our purpose remains clear:

proclaiming the Gospel and making disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts 9:31 provides a compelling picture of the church's dependence on God:

"Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied."

The churches faced real challenges, yet the Lord sustained them. They were built up in the faith, walked in reverence for Him, depended on the Holy Spirit's encouragement, and multiplied. Their strength and fruitfulness came from God. That same reverence for the Lord and reliance on the Holy Spirit must shape our churches and our Gospel partnership today. We desire more than increased activity. We long to see healthy churches, growing disciples, strengthened pastors, and transformed lives—all for the glory of God.

The SBCV exists to come alongside local churches advancing the Gospel of Jesus Christ together to reach our neighbors and the nations.

Our partnership seeks to extend your church's Gospel reach across communities and around the world so that others may know and worship Jesus Christ as Lord. As we mark 30 years of ministry together, we thank God for His faithfulness and trust Him for the work still before us.

Even as we gather, that work continues. Missionaries are pointing the nations to Jesus. Seminary students are preparing for ministry. Churches are sending planters and starting new congregations. Pastors and church members are seeking the Lord's renewing work through revitalization. The next generation is being challenged to live on mission. Men and women are growing in their faith, and disaster relief volunteers are preparing and serving to bring practical help and Gospel hope to hurting people.

These pages offer a glimpse of what God is accomplishing through our cooperative Gospel partnership. We are a Great Commission coalition of churches united by biblical conviction and a shared commitment to make Christ known. Through praying, giving, sending, and going, your church helps strengthen other churches and carry the Gospel farther.

On behalf of the missionaries, church planters, and seminary students you have supported; the pastors and ministry leaders you have encouraged; the families facing disaster and hardship you have served; and the people who have heard the Good News of Jesus through your generosity—thank you.

Thank you for your faithful partnership, and keep pressing forward!

Our neighbors and the nations need Jesus. May we walk in the fear of the Lord, find encouragement in the Holy Spirit, and faithfully proclaim God's Word. As we celebrate what He has done, let us prayerfully expect and obediently pursue what He calls us to do next.

May the Lord build up His churches and multiply Gospel fruit as we advance the Gospel together!

Your brother in Christ,



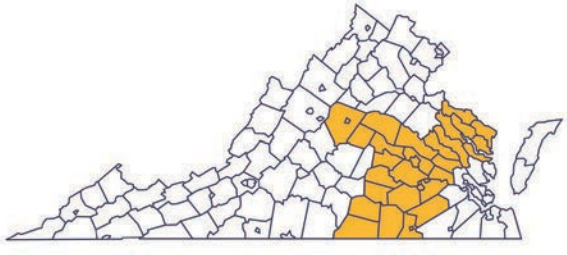
Brian Autry
Executive Director, SBC of Virginia


Unshakable
Joy


You are not alone
as you minister



CENTRAL *Region*



Across the Central Region, staff from the SBC of Virginia helped churches navigate pastoral transitions, strengthen ministry, and explore Gospel partnership. Fifteen congregations received training or assistance, and many others benefited from preaching and speaking support. Church health consultations, succession planning, and revitalization support help leaders consider next steps.

The region welcomed new churches and church plants, including Hillcrest Baptist Church in Hanover, Axiom College Church in Charlottesville, and The 15Five Church in Richmond. A missions-sending pipeline equipped 18 church leaders preparing for ministry or service within their congregations.

Gatherings brought churches together throughout the year. Seminary for a Day welcomed Dr. Dwayne Milioni, while more than 400 attended the SBCV Kids Ministry Conference in Midlothian. Nearly 300 church planters and family members gathered at Kings Dominion, and 460 participated in a Stand for Life and Marriage Town Hall.

Pastors connected through nine regional networks and received weekly encouragement.

CENTRAL-WEST & SOUTHSIDE *Region*



The Central-West & Southside Region stretches from Bedford to Farmville and from Nelson County to the North Carolina line. Pastors across the region gathered more than 30 times this past year in Danville, Lynchburg, and Farmville, with nearly 450 participants. These gatherings provide opportunities for pastors to pray together, discuss ministry needs, and identify ways to serve alongside one another. A Regional Ministry Wives Network also launched in July.

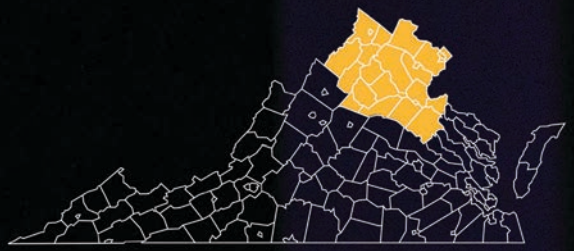
These relationships have led to practical Gospel partnership. Forest Baptist Church in Forest is sending Matthew and Lauren Hubley and a team to help establish a new church in Plymouth, New Hampshire. The church will support the work through prayer, financial investment, and practical help. At Maysville Baptist Church in Maysville, Pastor Westly Yoder has been mentoring leaders of a Hispanic congregation that meets in the church's former sanctuary. The two congregations recently celebrated a creek baptism together.

Pastoral transitions remain a significant need across the region, with about a dozen churches often searching for a pastor at any given time. Strategists with the SBC of Virginia provide pulpit supply, pastor search training, and church health consultation to assist congregations during those seasons. Winfall Baptist Church in Gladys turned to the SBCV after losing a pastor who had served for nearly ten years and received support through pulpit supply and search training.

Our aim is to continue walking alongside pastors and congregations as they move forward with confidence and advance the Gospel together.



NORTH *Region*



In Northern Virginia and Washington, D.C., regional ministry often begins with a text message, a meal, or a gathering to pray. Since December, pastors, church planters, staff, and church leaders have received weekly Scripture and prayer texts as they prepare to serve each Sunday.

Churches are also praying together for the next generation. More than ten SBC of Virginia churches gather monthly at George Mason University to pray for campus ministries and an SBCV church plant focusing on the campus. A regional Prayer Summit in Fairfax and gatherings for ministry wives have further strengthened relationships across the region.

The team has walked alongside four pastorless churches and welcomed three new senior pastors to the region. Six congregations have requested information about SBCV affiliation, and eight churches are exploring how to send church planters.

SOUTHEAST *Region*



In the Southeast Region, ministry is built on being present with churches through seasons of opportunity and challenge. Pastors and leaders received counsel as they navigated pastor searches, leadership transitions, conflict, health concerns, and ministry pressures. These conversations often happened over a meal, by phone, or in a one-on-one meeting.

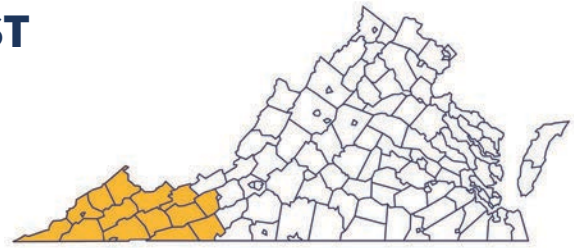
Church planting and Gospel partnership remained central. Regional leaders encouraged church planters and met with congregations exploring partnership with the SBCV.

Send Network Connect gatherings brought pastors and church planters together around local mission, including ministry to military families. Family Fusion Camp gave parents and children a chance to serve together. The team also connected Coastal Church in Yorktown with SBCV Disaster Relief to explore ways to expand Disaster Relief ministry on the Peninsula.

Preaching and teaching invitations extended the SBCV's presence into churches, camps, and conferences. Cooperative Program giving supports this regional care along with missions, evangelism, and Gospel advance across Virginia and around the world. Together, we are helping churches reach their neighbors and the nations.



SOUTHWEST *Region*



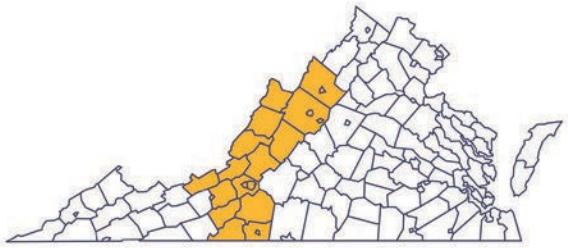
Six pastor gatherings created a steady rhythm of prayer, fellowship, and encouragement. Several churches received pastor search training, while others celebrated the arrival of a new pastor.

Mission partnership continues beyond the region. Local churches are sending two teams each year to serve alongside the International Mission Board team in Argentina. This spring, a team hosted a prayer retreat for missionaries and their families, then joined the local team in its city strategy.

Family Fusion Camp came to Southwest Virginia for the first time. Families from across the state partnered with Parkview Baptist Church in Bluefield to canvass neighborhoods, pray with residents, and share the Gospel. Pastors and leaders were also equipped through the Small Town/Rural Church Pastors and Leaders Workshop and Seminary for a Day.

Seven churches are currently without a pastor, and regional leaders continue providing search team training and ongoing coaching. Churches have also received assistance with conflict resolution, evangelism, and revitalization.

VALLEY *Region*

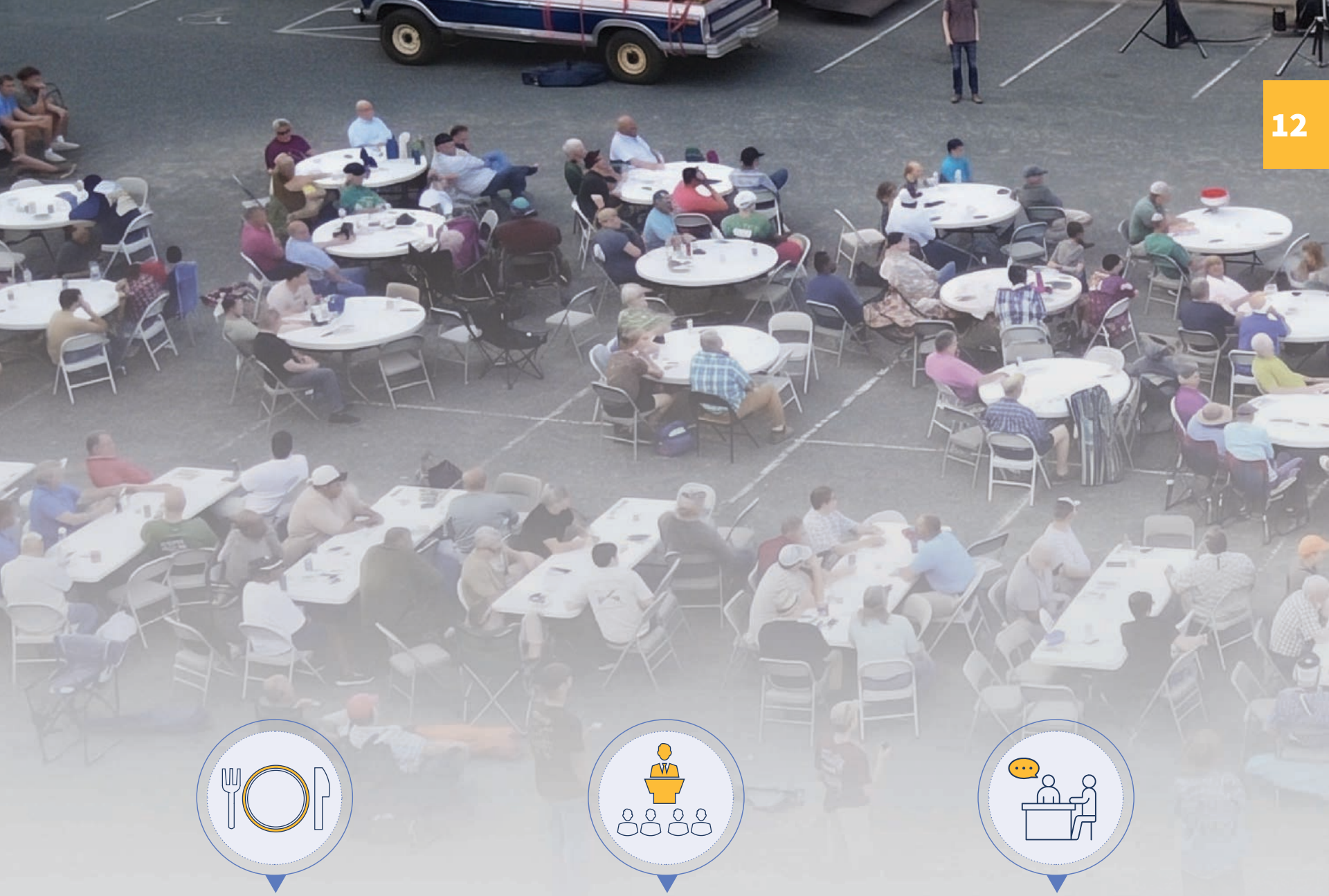


From Harrisonburg to Roanoke and beyond, churches are experiencing encouragement, new opportunities, and Gospel impact. Dozens received training, consultation, or preaching support. At times, as many as 20 churches were searching for pastors or staff, while the SBCV walked alongside leaders through seasons of transition.

The region celebrated pastoral anniversaries and retirements, new building dedications, and renovation plans at 12 churches. Twenty-two churches have received training, three new pastors have been welcomed, and three churches have applied for SBCV partnership.

Events provided opportunities for leaders and church members to learn together. Hundreds were equipped through the Kids Ministry Conference, a Stand for Life and Marriage Town Hall, a Discipleship Conference, Valley Student Conference, Send Network Connect gatherings, and Seminary for a Day. Pastors also continue to receive individualized church health consultations, while young leaders benefit from mentoring.





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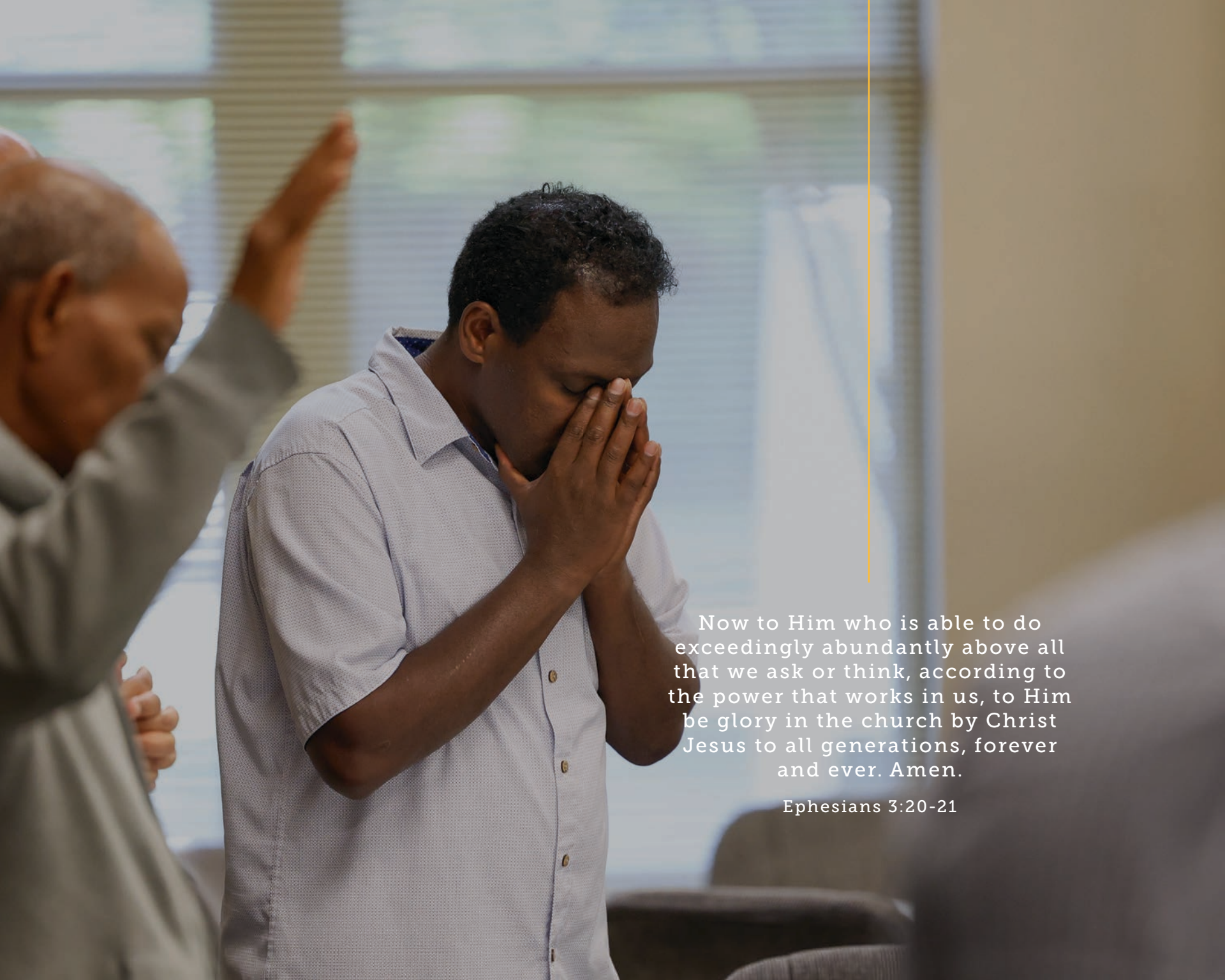
POWER LUNCHES, PRAYER BREAKFASTS, AND PASTOR FELLOWSHIPS ACROSS THE STATE

175+

PREACHING & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

500+

PASTOR/CHURCH CONSULTATIONS



Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Churches are helping people hear and respond to the Good News of Jesus by making evangelism part of everyday church life.

Evangelism resources and coaching are equipping churches to reach their neighbors and the nations. Send Network Connect gatherings brought church planters, ministry teams, and pastors together to share practical strategies for engaging their communities with the Gospel. Pastor fellowship opportunities, revival services, and Kids Ministry Conferences also included encouragement and tools for personal witness. After Easter, many congregations observed Baptism Sunday and followed up with people who had made decisions to follow Christ.

The SBC of Virginia continues to share evangelism tools such as the BLESS App, Who's Your One?, the Three Circles Gospel Conversation, Best News, and the North American Mission Board's new eBook, 3 Habits for Everyday Evangelism. Churches can also use NAMB's Gospel Coach chat app to practice Gospel conversations in a variety of settings. In the Central Region, churches are learning a strategy for building relationships with Muslim neighbors and creating welcoming places for community connection.

Partnerships also opened outreach opportunities through Crossover Orlando and the World Cup Yellow Card Initiative. As we pray, care, and share, our desire is for every church to find practical ways to help people encounter Jesus.



3,495
TRAINED IN EVANGELISM

4,963
BLESS PRAYER WARRIORS

125,283
HOMES ADOPTED THROUGH BLESS



2,855+

PARTICIPATED IN NEXTGEN EVENTS



SBC of Virginia churches are helping the next generation hear the Gospel, grow as disciples, and serve their communities.

More than 1,400 students and student ministry leaders attended the Youth Evangelism Conference at London Bridge Baptist Church in Virginia Beach. The weekend included worship, preaching, an illusionist, and ultimately more than 15 decisions for Christ recorded.

Student pastors and their families also had an opportunity to connect and recharge at the Student Pastor Family Retreat at Great Wolf Lodge in Williamsburg. The gathering welcomed 140 participants and was supported in part by Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Across the state, regional D-Now weekends brought an estimated 1,500 students together for discipleship, worship, and fellowship. These included the Valley Student Conference, The Collective in Colonial Heights, Danville D-Now, and a retreat involving several smaller churches in the Central Region.

Student Fusion Camp brought 250 participants to Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Colonial Heights. Local SBCV worship leaders served together, and Pastor Josh Weatherspoon taught from God's Word. Students received 3 Circles evangelism training and practiced sharing their faith through mission projects. Several students made decisions to follow Christ.

Family Fusion Camp provided opportunities for parents and children to learn and serve side by side. About 60 participants joined one of two camps in Virginia Beach and Bluefield for worship, evangelism training, and community projects. These experiences help families see that mission is part of everyday life and that every generation can take part.

Through conferences, retreats, camps, and local church partnerships, the SBCV is investing in students, their families, and the leaders who walk with them. Our prayer is that young people will know Christ, grow in His Word, and be equipped to serve in their churches and communities.



The SBC of Virginia is coming alongside children's ministry leaders with training, encouragement, and practical resources to help churches disciple children and their families.

This spring, three Kids Ministry Conferences brought together more than 800 participants from churches across Virginia. Each event featured more than 40 breakout sessions, including tracks focused on Vacation Bible School, children's ministry, special needs ministry, and Spanish-language ministry. Leaders heard from a Lifeway Kids specialist and connected with others serving children in their communities.

Additional training was offered through individual church visits, while VBS Celebration Day resources were delivered virtually or directly to ministry leaders after severe weather altered original plans.

E2 Kids regional gatherings focused on family discipleship. More than 100 registrants representing 40 churches participated at locations in Rocky Mount, Abingdon, Fredericksburg, and Suffolk. These gatherings helped children's leaders share ideas, find encouragement, and strengthen ministry in their local contexts. Our prayer is that every church will be better equipped to welcome children, support families, and help the next generation grow in faith.

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CHILDREN'S LEADERS TRAINED

The SBC of Virginia continues to build its partnership with churches as they reach and welcome college students and young adults into their communities and congregations.

The National Collegiate Day of Prayer was hosted at Liberty University on February 26, with more than 8,000 campuses and an estimated 250 million students around the world included in the global prayer emphasis. In Fairfax, more than ten SBCV churches gather monthly to pray for George Mason University and is being planted as an SBCV campus church.

Salem Baptist Church in Salem hosted a dinner for the Roanoke College football team, building relationships with players and staff. Each incoming freshman and transfer player received a Study Bible. Hospitality often opens doors to friendship and spiritual conversations.

College students and young adults also gathered for conferences and retreats throughout the year. The Sent Conference met in Roanoke, and The Alter'd Conference in Danville welcomed more than 100 participants. In September, nearly 200 young adults attended the SBCV Young Adult Retreat at Watermarks Camp. Pastor Carl Peyton taught from Psalm 98, and Lighthaven led worship. Proven Ministries, Noble Warriors, and The Fix Ministry led eight breakout sessions.

These efforts help churches pray for nearby campuses, build relationships with students, and create welcoming opportunities for young adults to explore faith and community. SBCV churches are asking God to raise up students who will follow Christ and serve their neighbors and the nations.



200+

ATTENDED THE YOUNG ADULT RETREAT


"O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things..."
Isaiah 25:1

Noble Warriors is helping churches across Virginia encourage men to grow as disciples of Jesus and lead faithfully at home, at church, and in their communities.

More than 1,200 men attended regional conferences in Chesapeake, Roanoke, and Richmond, representing dozens of churches. Teaching sessions and workshops addressed discipleship, family life, leadership, and mission.

The Noble Warriors Leadership Conference equipped pastors and men's ministry leaders to make discipleship a meaningful part of church life. During last years Annual Homecoming, Noble Warriors served more than 450 guests at the Tailgate Breakfast, and Mike Young led two discipleship workshops.

Noble Warriors partnered with BetterMan and River Oak Church in Chesapeake for a Catapult event. More than 225 men were encouraged and equipped to launch BetterMan small groups in their churches. Throughout the year, Mike Young also met with pastors and ministry leaders for coaching and consultation, including leaders in rural communities and at Virginia Tech. Noble Warriors participated in the Small Town/Rural Church Pastors and Leaders Workshop, where volunteers from Clifford Baptist Church provided lunch and resources to support men's ministry.

The Noble Man Podcast continues to share conversations about strong families, fatherhood, grace, men's discipleship, and ministry. A new communications manager is strengthening connections with churches and ministry partners, while regional representation in Southwest Virginia is building relationships locally.



96

CHURCH CONSULTATIONS



1,561

PARTICIPATED IN NOBLE WARRIORS EVENTS





SBC of Virginia Women's Ministry is creating places where women can grow in God's Word, build meaningful friendships, and encourage one another in ministry.

In the spring, the Refresh Conference welcomed more than 400 women at First Baptist Church in Woodbridge. The event included general sessions, breakout sessions, lunch, Spanish and American Sign Language interpretation, and gatherings designed specifically for ministry wives. Women also participated in Deeply Rooted Leadership Training, with more than 200 participants, and In the Word with Jen Wilkin, which welcomed 1,400 women from Virginia and neighboring states.

Ministerio de Mujeres hosted Arraigadas en Cristo at The Heights Baptist Church in South Chesterfield. More than 400 women attended for biblical teaching from Dr. Cathy Scheraldi de Núñez and encouragement in their walk with Christ. These gatherings help women from different churches and backgrounds learn together and build relationships that continue beyond a conference.

In August, more than 70 leaders attended a Leadership Roundtable at Staples Mill Road Baptist Church in Glen Allen. Centered on the theme of health and wellness in leadership, the event included workshops and a panel discussion designed to encourage and equip those who serve women in their churches.

The Ministry Wives team encourages women in the unique joys and challenges of ministry life. The Ministry Wives Retreat at Roslyn Retreat Center in Richmond offered meaningful opportunities for connection, encouragement, and spiritual renewal.



2,245

PARTICIPATED IN WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS



HISPANIC MINISTRY

400
PARTICIPATED IN THE HISPANIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

500-600
PARTICIPATED IN CONFERENCIA RENOVADOS



Hispanic churches across Virginia are growing in making disciples, developing leaders, and reaching their neighbors and the nations.

Around 150 people participated in the Hispanic Mobilization Conference, where they explored how to engage unreached people groups. The first Seminary for a Day in Spanish welcomed 40 participants. Seven church planters and local leaders began coursework through the Certificate for the Kingdom program. Forty additional participants received evangelism training in Spanish.

Church planting and leadership development are also moving forward. Iglesia El Sembrador in Hampton Roads became the first Hispanic church in Virginia to launch a residency through the Send Network Español model. Five Hispanic candidates participated in the assessment process, and two are moving toward future church plants in Sterling and Virginia Beach. Churches are also exploring the possibility of launching a residency in Fancy Gap. Meanwhile, three Venezuelan pastors serving in SBCV churches are partnering with Send Relief to provide spiritual support in earthquake-affected areas, with a goal of planting ten churches.

One highlight this year is how the Hispanic churches of the SBC of Virginia care for the wives of pastors and church planters. Many live far from extended family and serve in multicultural settings. Regional gatherings provide opportunities to pray together, share challenges, and encourage one another. Through relationships like these, women are reminded that they are not alone in ministry. That same spirit of care and partnership is reflected in counseling training, plans for Spanish-language theological education, and Conferenia Renovados, where nearly 500 people from Hispanic churches were encouraged to work together to reach Virginia and the nations.




You are not alone
as you mobilize

Missions Mobilization connects churches with one another, our national partners, and the mission field. Through partnership missions and compassion ministries, we want local churches to be the primary sending and serving agencies as they obey the Great Commission together. This year, vision trips to Puerto Rico, Senegal, Newfoundland, and London have opened doors for new relationships and long-term ministry.

Missionary care remains a priority. Churches have welcomed missionaries at the International Learning Center (ILC), adopted training conferences, prayed over facilities, and provided care packages and encouragement. The SBC of Virginia Executive Board, on behalf of the churches of the SBCV, approved a $300,000 gift to the International Mission Board (IMB) for the ILC renovation project. Four missionary families have been adopted by churches, and the team has connected with 63 IMB missionaries to learn about their needs and connect them with supporting churches. The Central Virginia Sending Pipeline has begun its second year, preparing another cohort through discipleship, evangelism, cross-cultural communication, and practical ministry training.

Mission partnerships continue to grow. More than 25 churches served in Puerto Rico this year, where at least 30 church-to-church partnerships are active. In Senegal, six churches are partnering with IMB workers and the Baptist Ministry Center in Dakar, and at least 50 churches have partnerships across Sub-Saharan Africa. Churches are also working with missionaries in Spain and South London, supporting pastors and church planters in India and Sri Lanka, and forming new connections in Newfoundland. A planned 2027 vision trip will bring Hispanic leaders to North Africa to explore ministry among an unreached people group.

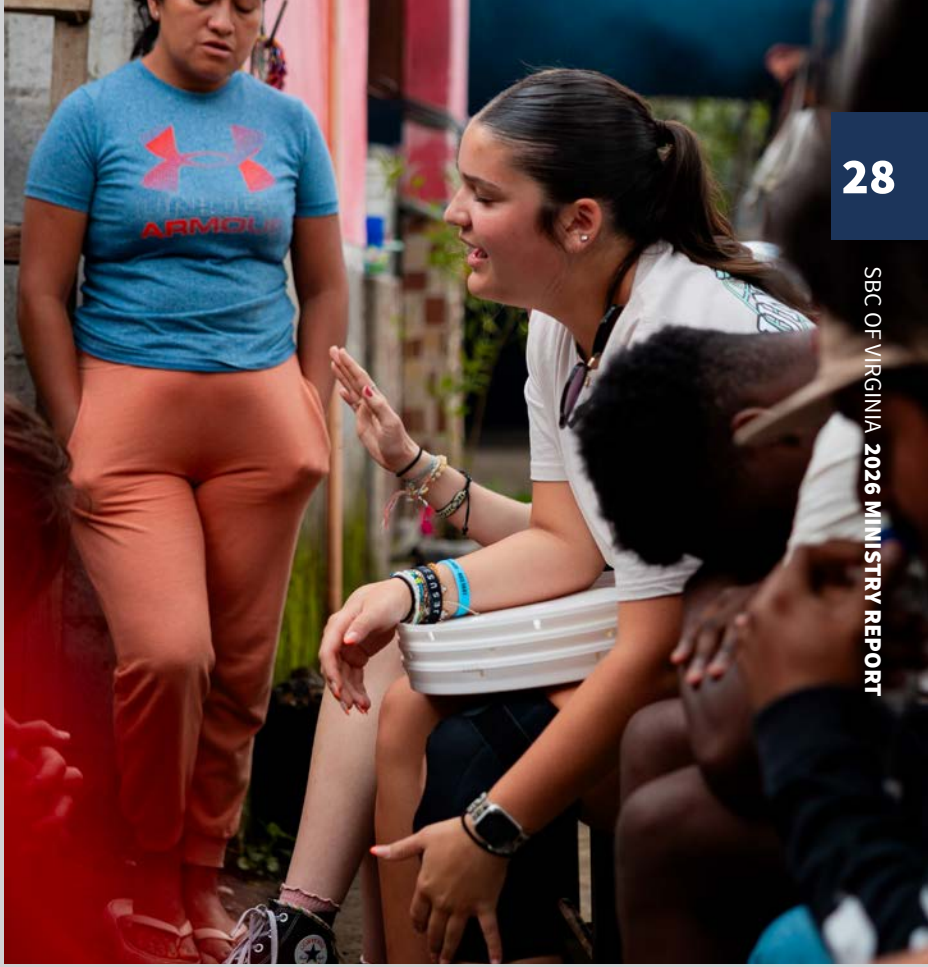
For 11 years, LibertyLive.Church in Hampton has served in Dakar. This spring, a team held a medical clinic at the Grand Yoff Baptist Center that served 428 people. In another outreach, the church shared the Gospel 322 times, and 25 people placed their faith in Christ. The IMB team is following up and developing discipleship opportunities. The center also serves its neighborhood through English classes, medical care, and children's programs, giving Virginia churches practical ways to join ongoing ministry.

There is a similar story of long-term partnership in Zimbabwe. GraceLife Baptist Church in Christiansburg began serving the Ndau people alongside the IMB and other churches. Teams share the Gospel, disciple new believers, and train local leaders. The partnership has helped establish more than a dozen churches and preaching points, and hundreds have come to faith in Christ. The Ndau people are no longer classified as unreached and unengaged, a powerful reminder that patient, cooperative ministry can bring the Gospel to communities once overlooked.

Compassion ministry also opens doors for relationships and Gospel conversations here in Virginia. In the first half of 2026, nine SBCV-supported hunger ministries reported feeding more than 34,000 people and 2,804 evangelistic encounters. Churches are training English as a Second Language (ESL) volunteers and developing ways to support foster families and teens aging out of care.









MISSIONS MOBILIZATION

2,055
GOSPEL BACKPACKS DISTRIBUTED

3,247
VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED IN HUNGER MINISTRIES


159


M&S
Avelle
CareCo

REPORTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD

2,066,21

TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HEARD A PARTIAL OR FULL GOSPEL PRESENTATION

106,497

TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST

29,937

TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WERE BAPTIZED



RELIEF MINISTRY



222
PEOPLE TRAINED

6,570
VOLUNTEER HOURS



When disaster strikes, SBC of Virginia Relief Ministries brings practical help and the hope of Christ to people facing crisis.

This year, volunteers responded to catastrophic flooding in north-central West Virginia and continued long-term home recovery in Mountain City, Tennessee, nearly two years after Hurricane Helene. Across those efforts, volunteers contributed 646 service days and more than 6,599 hours, completing 51 assessment, chainsaw, and mud-out jobs. In Tennessee, SBCV teams have been part of a broader effort that has repaired or rebuilt more than 200 homes.

The impact of that work is best seen through the volunteers who serve. Earlier this year, we followed volunteers responding after flooding in West Virginia. Several were deploying for the first time. Gloria Williams had been trained for three years but felt anxious about serving without her husband. Keith Noell also wondered what to expect. By the end of the week, both had gained confidence and wanted to return. First-time chaplain Leon Bryant found that his service dog helped open conversations with survivors, and he personally led two people to faith in Christ. Three people professed faith during the response. Williams' encouragement to other volunteers was simple: take the first step of faith and trust God with the rest.

That readiness is being strengthened through ongoing training and equipment. About 1,550 people are registered in the Disaster Relief system, with 676 fully credentialed. More than 200 people are expected to participate in training this year. In July, all four shower trailers and the rebuild trailer were deployed at once. The SBCV has also purchased a larger rebuild trailer and a four-season shower unit to expand service during winter responses.

The work may be measured in hours and completed jobs, but its purpose is people: meeting urgent needs, building relationships, and creating opportunities to share the Gospel.


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SERVANT


You are not alone
as you plant

Across Virginia, church planting is growing through churches that send, leaders who prepare, and congregations willing to invest beyond themselves.

During the second quarter of 2026, church plants reported 287 people coming to faith in Christ and 138 baptisms. Three hundred church planters and family members also gathered at Kings Dominion for a day of fellowship, a reminder that planters and their families do not have to serve alone.

One picture of multiplication is unfolding in Elkton. Crosslink Community Church in Harrisonburg served a nearby congregation through pulpit supply and pastoral support. That relationship opened the door for Crosslink to acquire the former Elkton Free Will Baptist Church building and help launch a new Gospel work with church planter Noah Radtke. The congregation began gathering in a spare room at Crosslink in January, then launched Sunday services at a community center in September while renovations continued. A declining church and its building are becoming the foundation for a renewed witness in the community.

The SBC of Virginia and Send Network Virginia are developing leaders through a Sending Lab, pastoral residencies, Send Network Connect gatherings, and church planter assessments. Eight international planters have been endorsed this year, with additional candidates preparing to serve Virginia's diverse language communities. Korean churches are working together to develop new planters after a decade without new Korean church starts. Across these efforts, the goal is not simply to begin new congregations but to build healthy churches that make disciples, multiply leaders, and bring the hope of Jesus to their neighbors.



311

BAPTISMS IN THE PAST YEAR



113

CURRENT CHURCH PLANTS

God is bringing people from many nations and language groups to Virginia, and SBCV churches are working together to help them hear the Gospel in the language and culture they know best.

Today, the SBC of Virginia family includes more than 26 languages and more than 150 non-Anglo churches. This year, eight international church planters were endorsed, and eight additional candidates representing five language groups are in the application and training process. If these candidates move forward, new churches could serve Uzbek, Bengali, Walaiti, Khmer, and Urdu speakers in Virginia.

Korean church planting is gaining new momentum. After ten years without a new Korean church plant, six Korean-speaking leaders joined a church planting cohort, and five candidates participated in the first Send Network Virginia Korean Church Planting Assessment. Six Korean churches are now directly involved in this work.

We are also encouraging churches to develop leaders from within their congregations. Satish Moses Duvvur, who planted Agape Church in Chantilly, is partnering with Staples Mill Road Baptist Church to begin a South Asian church. On the Eastern Shore, Pastor Waldo Charles started a second Haitian congregation in Maryland to reach people who had difficulty traveling to the first church. The new congregation welcomed 83 people on Easter. Recent immigration enforcement have created significant challenges, and churches are encouraged to pray for both congregations and their leaders.

The SBCV continues to provide training in Spanish, Korean, East African, and Chinese ministry contexts. East African pastors received training in Amharic, 60 leaders attended the Chinese Fellowship, and 43 people took part in the first Korean Evangelism Training offered in their heart language.

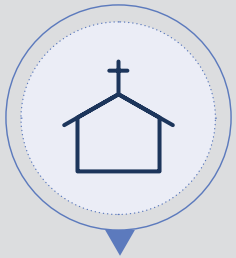
Hispanic church planting is also moving forward. Two planters are preparing for new churches in Sterling and Norfolk. El Sembrador is beginning its first Spanish-language residency, and Pillar Church of Stafford is preparing to host Iglesia Biblica Gracia Eterna in Stafford. Together, these efforts contribute to the shared goal of planting 100 Hispanic churches by 2030.

Through shared facilities, training, prayer, and Cooperative Partnership, SBCV churches are helping ensure the Gospel reaches every community. We want every church to know it is not alone as we work together to plant healthy churches and advance the Gospel across Virginia.



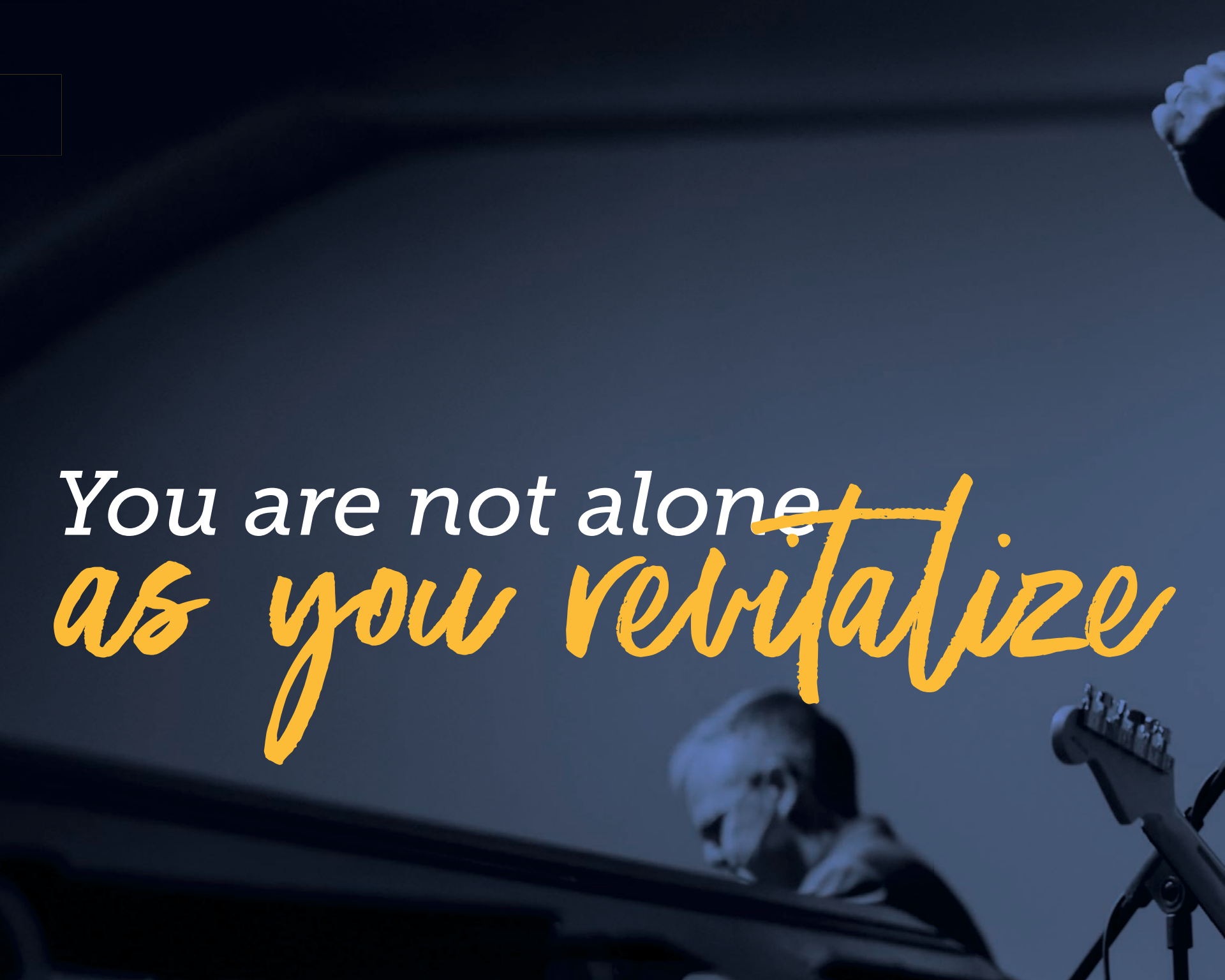
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NEW LANGUAGE GROUP PLANTERS: BANGLA, URDU AND UZBEK

26
LANGUAGES SPOKEN



150+
NON-ANGLO CHURCHES




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as you revitalize




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Revitalization is helping congregations move from plateau or decline toward renewed health and mission.

Pastors from rural, small-town, suburban, and urban churches are taking part in a two-year cohort that combines assessment, coaching, peer encouragement, and practical steps tailored to each congregation. This year, cohort participants have been studying their own leadership strengths, their church's context, and the people God has called them to reach. They are using what they learn to identify strategic next steps.

The process begins with an assessment of areas such as worship, discipleship, outreach, finances, and leadership. Churches then receive a customized roadmap. Early work focuses on visible improvements that build momentum, while the second year addresses deeper needs such as staffing, volunteer development, stewardship, and outreach. Cohort meetings give pastors room to share ideas, ask questions, and learn from others facing similar challenges.

Mount View Baptist Church in Charlottesville had been declining when their pastor connected with a neighboring pastor he had met at an SBCV gathering. The relationship grew into a practical ministry partnership. A nearby church leader began preaching regularly and sharing his vision with Mount View's congregation. This illustrates how churches can encourage one another, share leadership, and explore ways to serve their communities together.

Churches are also engaging Next Level Consulting for help and guidance with staffing, capital planning, programming, and governance. The SBCV continues to learn from other state conventions and seminaries, adapting useful practices for Virginia churches. Alongside the cohort and consulting efforts, the Small Town/Rural Church Pastors and Leader's Workshop and revitalization sessions at Annual Homecoming provide encouragement and practical tools for the work ahead.

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COHORT COACHING MEETINGS AND INDIVIDUAL CONSULTATIONS

100+

CHURCHES HAVE ENGAGED IN A REVITALIZATION COHORT



The Strategic Initiatives team works alongside churches and partners to protect life, strengthen families, and support Gospel ministry across Virginia.

In Danville, two prayer gatherings brought churches together as they worked to restart a pregnancy center. Transitions Pregnancy Center transferred its assets to Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center, whose board plans to reopen under a new name and at a new location. The developing center has received an operational grant and funding for two ultrasound machines. Hiring is underway, with an opening planned for late 2026.

The team also helped churches prepare for the upcoming vote on Virginia's constitutional amendments. The SBC of Virginia created a public handout, pastor talking points, and a church action plan under the theme “Stand for Life and Marriage.” Six town hall meetings, held with partner organizations across the state, gave more than 2,000 pastors, church leaders, and community members opportunities to learn about and discuss the issues. SBCV churches also joined thousands at the Virginia March for Life in Richmond, making a public witness for the sanctity of life.



Partnership with The Family Foundation of Virginia and its Church Ambassador Network continues to connect churches with legislative and cultural conversations affecting families. The SBCV is also partnering to produce a video for the Founding Freedoms Law Center.

In Deaf ministry, leaders are organizing a new statewide gathering, Gospel Hands Virginia, to encourage fellowship, training, and future church planting.



2,200+

ATTENDED TOWN HALL MEETINGS

$168,000

GIVEN TO PREGNANCY CENTERS SINCE 2022

INNOVATIVE FAITH RESOURCES

Financial & Media Services

Innovative Faith Resources (IFR) helps churches and ministry partners tell their stories, strengthen their communication, and manage important administrative work. Through IFR Financial and Media Services, the SBCV is able to come alongside congregations in practical ways so they can stay focused on ministry and advancing the Gospel.



IFR Media Services brings together the SBCV media team and freelance professionals to support churches in Virginia and across the country. From November 2025 through September 2026, the team helped produce and host Worship & Technology Conferences in Louisville, Kentucky, and Lynchburg, Virginia. The team also partnered with the Hawaii Pacific Baptist Convention to provide video production, photography, and magazine production. In addition, IFR produced magazines and ministry reports for the Indiana Baptist Convention.

Closer to home, IFR consulted with Life Center of Page Valley on a rebrand and website redesign, provided media support for New Valley Church in Waynesboro during its capital campaign consultation, and created anniversary branding and a commemorative program for Red Lane Baptist Church. The team also produced podcasts for SBCV and ministry partners, promoted Charles Billingsley's concert ministry, and directed a missions music video. Each project gave churches and ministries useful tools to share what God is doing and invite others to be part of His work.

THE Life CENTER

IFR Financial Services continues to grow as more churches and church plants entrust their bookkeeping and payroll needs to the team. Today, IFR Financial Services serves 266 churches in 29 states and Washington, D.C. Fifteen of those churches have joined during the past year. As of August 30, payroll services supported 1,191 employees in churches with annual budgets ranging from $50,000 to more than $3 million.

The Financial Services team includes six full-time and thirteen part-time staff members, including two bilingual employees. By working remotely, the team provides flexible support to churches across multiple time zones and service hours. Expanded banking partnerships also provide most churches with free or discounted services.



INNOVATIVE FAITH RESOURCES



He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much.

Luke 16:10

The SBC of Virginia Foundation will once again provide funding for Mission Dignity's "13th Check" program in 2026. This initiative enables Virginia participants to receive an additional monthly check in December. The estimated cost is between $13,000 and $14,000. A letter will be sent to participants informing them that this gift was made possible through the generosity of the SBC of Virginia and the SBC of Virginia Foundation.

CHURCH INVESTMENT FUNDS

As of September 30, 2026, the Foundation held investments for 54 churches, totaling $11,919,874. This represents an increase of $2,735,760 since January 1, 2026. For current interest rates, visit sbcvfoundation.org

CHURCH LOAN PROGRAM

The Foundation continues its partnership with WatersEdge to offer church loans up to $10 million for:

- New construction
- Refinancing
- Remodeling
- Land acquisition

This partnership provides churches with access to a Christ-centered lender and ministry-focused financial expertise not typically available through traditional institutions. Additionally, interest earned from these loans is reinvested into Christ-centered ministries.



ONGOING FOUNDATION SERVICES

The Foundation remains committed to supporting churches through the following services:

- **Church Loans:** For congregations unable to secure traditional financing. In 2026, one church received a loan totaling $176,000. As of August 31, the Foundation's loan portfolio includes nine active loans with an outstanding balance of $1,150,541. One church paid off its loan in 2026.
- **Stock Gift Processing:** Enables churches to receive stock donations without maintaining a brokerage account. The Foundation sells the stock and forwards the proceeds to the church, allowing donors to give tax-free. This service is provided at no cost to churches. In 2025, 30 transactions were completed for 11 churches totaling $802,077. As of August 31, 2026, 11 transactions have been completed for 10 churches, totalling $255,354 in gifts.
- **Legal and Tax Guidance:** Assists closing churches in transferring property to another church without requiring transfer to the Foundation.
- **Property Trust Services:** Holds properties in trust for closed churches.
- **Estate Planning Education:** Provides speakers to churches on estate planning topics.

SBCVirginia Foundation

CHURCH PARTNERSHIP REPORT

Welcome to the family

CHURCH	LOCATION
Anchor Church of Hampton Roads	Virginia Beach
* Axiom College Church	Charlottesville
Berea Baptist Church	Stafford
* Campus Church of GMU	Fairfax
Calvary Baptist Church	Millboro
* Church Near You	Manassas
Drakes Branch Baptist Church	Drakes Branch
* Engage Revival Church	Dumfries
* Everlove Central Asian Church	Fairfax Station
Fontaine Baptist Church	Martinsville
* Franklin Heights Español Church	Rocky Mount
* Gospel Army Church	Silver Spring, MD
* Gospel Community Church	Mechanicsville
* Grace Church	Woodbridge
High Point Baptist Church	Lawsonville
Hill Creek Baptist Church	Tazewell
* Hillcrest Baptist Church	Hanover
* Hope Church of Springfield	Springfield
* Iglesia Bautista Hispana Guilford	Sterling
* Iglesia Bíblica Gracia Eterna	Stafford
Iglesia Evangélica Bautista Kichwa Alianza	Irvington, NJ
* Iglesia Misión Global	Norfolk
Immanuel Baptist Church	Newport News
Korean Baptist Church of Roanoke	Roanoke
* Light Community Church	Burke

CHURCH	LOCATION
* Living Hope Church	Fairfax Station
Marshall Baptist Church	Fauquier
Mission Church	Virginia Beach
* Mission Point Baptist Church	Gretna
* Mosaic Español	Winchester
New Way Korean Baptist Church	Woodbridge
Orchard Drive Baptist Church	Bassett
Peninsula Chinese Baptist Church	Yorktown
Plymouth Haven Baptist Church	Fairfax
Rapidan Baptist Church	Madison
Rustburg Baptist Church	Rustburg
* Saint City Church	Leesburg
* Salt Bible Church	Fredericksburg
State Line Baptist Church	Danville
* The 15Five Church	Richmond
* The Gathering of Scottsville	Scottsville
* The Word of Life Evangelical Church	Silver Spring, MD
Trinity Church Southside	Brodnax
* Washington IEUM Baptist Church	Springfield
West Lynchburg Baptist Church	Lynchburg

931

TOTAL PARTNER CHURCHES

*INDICATES NEW CHURCH PLANT


Advancing the Gospel Together

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

FUNDS FORWARDED TO SBC MISSIONS AND CHURCH PLANTING

$12,623,204
Forwarded to Southern Baptist Convention agencies

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$1,390,769
Direct support to SBC of Virginia church plants

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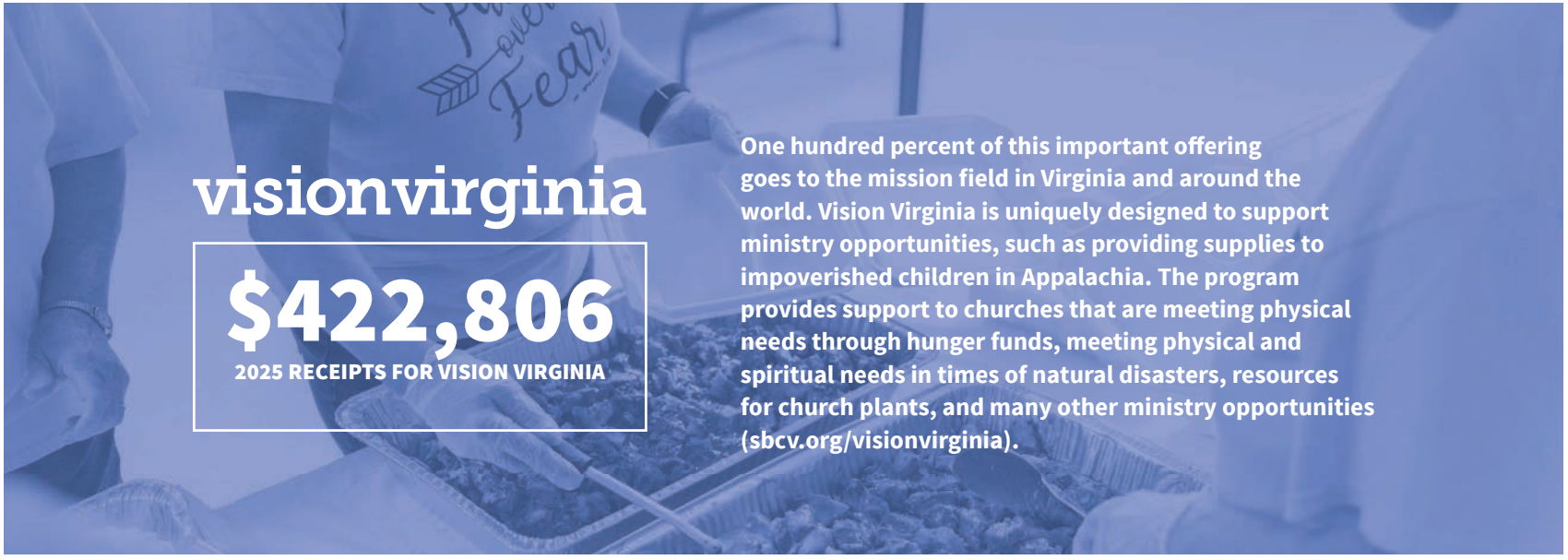
$14,013,973
Total to SBC & Church Plants

$19,614,947

Total gifts from SBC of Virginia Churches

with 72% of total gifts forwarded to SBC Missions and Planting and 28%, or $5,600,974, used on the Virginia mission field.

Contributions	2024	2025
Cooperative Program	$10,388,580	$10,403,367
North American Mission Board	$ 100,000	$ 100,000
Special Offerings & Other Designated Gifts		
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering	$ 4,287,026	$ 4,938,356
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	$ 1,397,599	$ 2,125,137
Vision Virginia Missions Offering	$ 420,918	$ 422,806
Churches Planting Churches Contributions	$ 1,774,588	$ 1,390,769
Other Designated Contributions	$ 332,294	$ 234,512
Total Contributions	**$18,701,005**	**$19,614,947**



visionvirginia

$422,806

2025 RECEIPTS FOR VISION VIRGINIA

One hundred percent of this important offering goes to the mission field in Virginia and around the world. Vision Virginia is uniquely designed to support ministry opportunities, such as providing supplies to impoverished children in Appalachia. The program provides support to churches that are meeting physical needs through hunger funds, meeting physical and spiritual needs in times of natural disasters, resources for church plants, and many other ministry opportunities (sbcv.org/visionvirginia).

2027 MINISTRY INVESTMENT PLAN REVENUES*

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD
$50,000

+

SBC OF VIRGINIA FOUNDATION
$250,000

+

INTEREST & STRATEGIC FUNDS
$200,000

$10,700,000 **UNDESIGNATED COOPERATIVE PROGRAM CONTRIBUTIONS**

* For more details, see the 2027 Ministry Investment Plan on page **53-54**.

2027 PROPOSED MINISTRY INVESTMENT PLAN

MINISTRY RECEIPTS	2027	PERCENTAGE OF CP GIFTS
Cooperative Program Gifts	$ 10,700,000	100%
SBC Of Virginia Foundation	$ 250,000	
North American Mission Board	$ 50,000	
Interest & Strategic Funds	$ 200,000	
Total Ministry Receipts	**$ 11,200,000**	
MINISTRY INVESTMENT DISBURSEMENTS		
Southern Baptist Missions & Ministries		
International Mission Board	$ 2,573,955	24.06%
North American Mission Board	$ 1,163,667	10.88%
SBC Seminaries & Historical Archives	$ 1,131,498	10.57%
Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission	$ 84,250	0.79%
SBC Facilitating & Operating Ministries	$ 152,670	1.42%
Cooperative Program Resourcing	$ 350,960	3.28%
Total Southern Baptist Missions & Ministries	**$ 5,457,000**	**51.00%**
CHURCH PLANTING/REVITALIZATION		
Church Planting Missionaries	$ 440,000	
Support Personnel	$ 50,000	
Ministry Related Expenses	$ 89,000	
Church Planting Development	$ 57,000	
Church Planting Initiatives	$ 120,000	
Church Planting Support	$ 715,000	
Revitalization Initiatives	$ 250,000	
Media Services	$ 107,500	
Total Church Planting/Revitalization	**$ 1,828,500**	**16.70%**
CHURCH ENGAGEMENT & MOBILIZATION		
Regional Missionaries	$ 810,000	
Support Personnel	$ 50,000	
Ministry Related Expenses	$ 145,000	
Leadership Development	$ 95,000	
Church Health	$ 85,000	
Pastor/Staff/Family Enrichment	$ 60,000	
GuideStone (Pastor Retirement, Life & Disability)	$ 152,500	
Regional Initiatives	$ 100,000	
Statewide Initiatives	$ 40,000	
Media Services	$ 107,500	
Total Church Engagement/Mobilization	**$ 1,645,000**	**15.37%**

MISSIONS & MINISTRY RESOURCES	2027	PERCENTAGE OF CP GIFTS
Missions & Ministry Personnel	$ 350,000	
Ministry Related Expenses	$ 35,000	
Partnership Missions	$ 98,000	
Compassion Ministries	$ 60,000	
Missions Mobilization Initiatives	$ 50,000	
Disaster Relief & Ready Church	$ 94,000	
Children's Ministry	$ 75,000	
Student Ministry	$ 100,000	
Collegiate Ministry	$ 35,000	
Women's Ministry	$ 100,000	
Men's Ministry	$ 35,000	
Evangelism Strategies	$ 60,000	
Print & Digital Media	$ 80,000	
Media Services	$ 107,500	
Total Missions & Ministry Resources	**$ 1,279,500**	**11.10%**
STEWARDSHIP & MINISTRY SERVICES		
Financial Services Personnel	$ 355,000	
Financial Services Systems & Support	$ 90,000	
Ministry Services	$ 360,000	
Ministry Related Expenses	$ 15,000	
Technology Support	$ 90,000	
Facilities	$ 80,000	
Total Stewardship & Ministry Services	**$ 990,000**	**5.83%**
TOTAL MINISTRY INVESTMENTS	**$ 11,200,000**	**100.00%**

FOOTNOTES TO THE PROPOSED 2027 MINISTRY INVESTMENT PLAN

① The proposed **$11,200,000** Cooperative Program Ministry Investment Plan (MIP) for **2027** represents a **$400,000** increase over **2026**.

② The SBC of Virginia is authorized to spend any funds received beyond the **$11,200,000** MIP at the same percentages as adopted by the convention in the **2027** MIP.

③ Any unexpended SBC of Virginia funds will be carried forward for future church planting/revitalization and other strategic ministry opportunities.

RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Board recommends to messengers of the 2026 Annual Homecoming that the proposed 2027 Cooperative Program Ministry Investment Plan in the amount of $11,200,000 be adopted.

COOPERATIVE PARTNERSHIP

HOW YOUR MONEY IS DISTRIBUTED



International Mission Board	24.06
North American Mission Board	10.88
Theological Education Ministries	10.57
Other SBC Ministries	2.21
Cooperative Program Resourcing	3.28

Church Planting & Revitalization	16.70
Church Engagement & Mobilization	15.37
Missions & Ministry Resources	11.10
Stewardship & Ministry Services	5.83

TOTAL COOPERATIVE PROGRAM CONTRIBUTIONS SINCE INCEPTION **$237,226,626**



Connect the offering plate to the mission field with **52 Sundays**.

Learn what God is doing through your Cooperative Program giving.

Share the stories of local and international missionaries that your church supports.

Pray for your missionaries around the globe each Sunday.

Using **52 Sundays** is easy.

Download resources for each story directly to your computer to share with your church. Each week shares a different missionary to learn about and pray for.

Whether at a podium on Sunday or on a couch in a small group, share these stories to connect Cooperative Program giving with missionaries in the field.

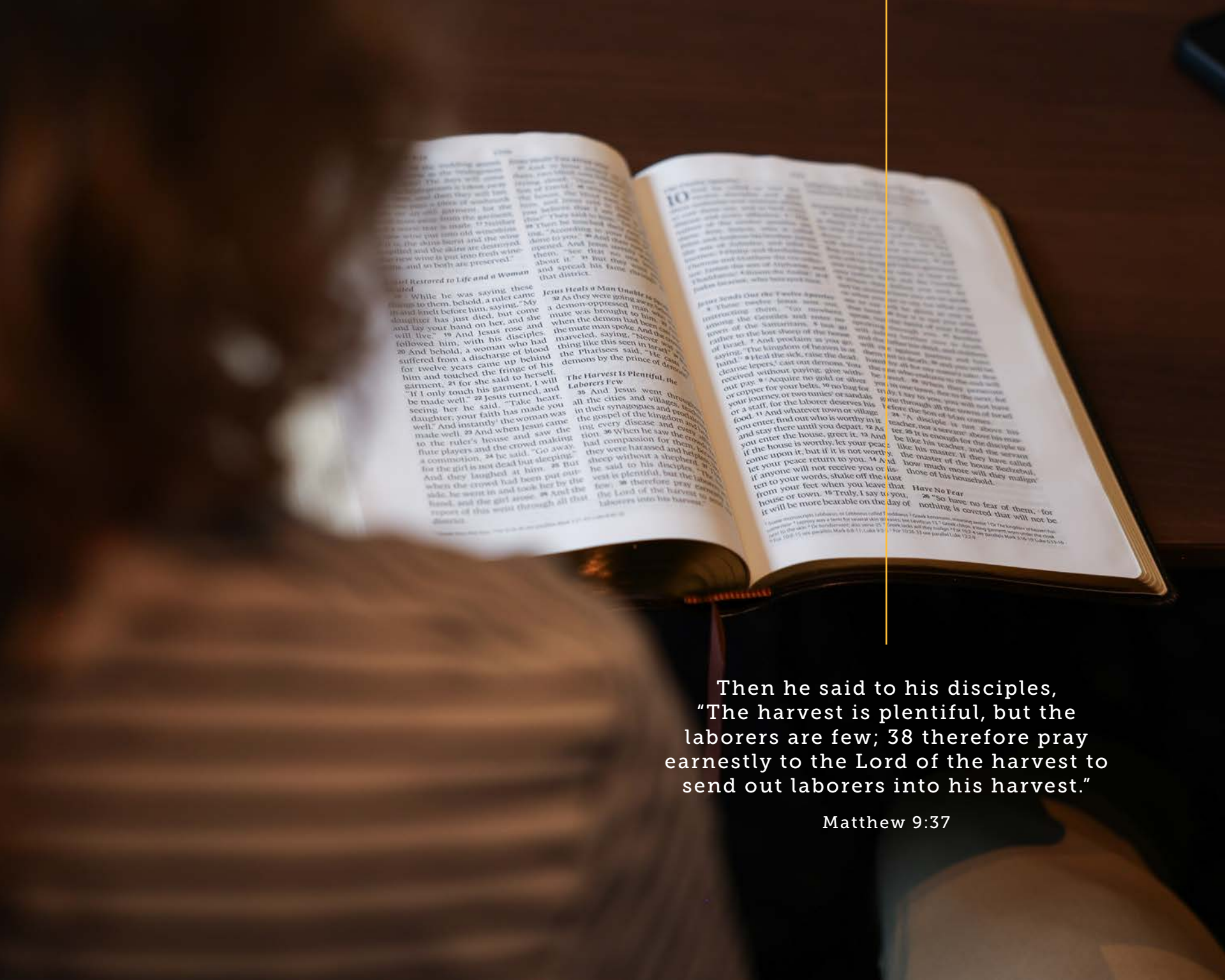
Share these stories with your congregation in **2027**!

Visit **sbcv.org/52sundays** or scan QR code to get started.

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Then he said to his disciples,
"The harvest is plentiful, but the
laborers are few; 38 therefore pray
earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to
send out laborers into his harvest."

Matthew 9:37

Celebrating 30 YEARS of God's Faithfulness

For 30 years, God has been so faithful to the SBC of Virginia. What began in 1996 as a small partnership of churches and pastors committed to the inerrancy of God's Word and advancing the Gospel has grown into a family of churches serving communities across Virginia and sending hope around the world.

The numbers tell part of the story: churches planted, lives changed, and ministry carried forward through the generosity and faithfulness of God's people. But behind every number is a church, a family, and a person who has encountered the hope of Jesus and is now working to fulfill the Great Commission.

As we celebrate this anniversary, we give thanks to God for every church and every leader who has been part of this amazing journey. **Now, we look ahead with gratitude and expectation, trusting the Lord to keep working through each SBCV church as we advance the Gospel together.**



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PASTORS HAVE PARTICIPATED IN VISION TRIPS TO AT LEAST 25 INTERNATIONAL LOCATIONS



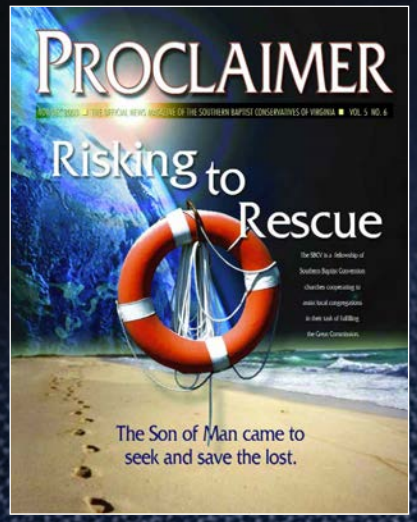
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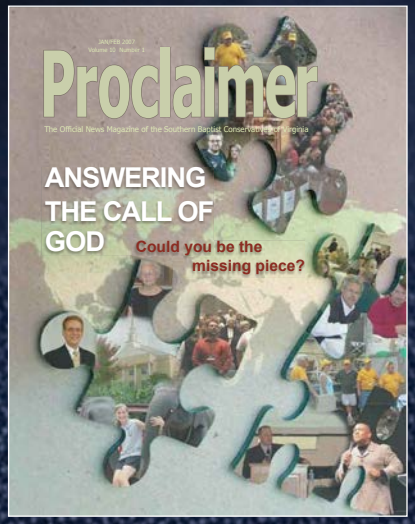
CHURCH PLANTS



98,326

BAPTISMS REPORTED BY SBCV CHURCHES SINCE 1996


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Risking to Rescue
The Son of Man came to seek and save the lost.


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ANSWERING THE CALL OF GOD
Could you be the missing piece?






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