

# MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*A reflection of what God  
has done through WCBC  
(Sept. '22-Aug.'23)*



## *Our Values*

### **BIBLICAL INTEGRITY**

Our standard for truth, life, and faith

### **AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY**

Multiple generations experiencing life together as the family of God.

### **MISSIONALLY FOCUSED**

Every member being the hands & feet of Christ in their community & the world.

### **MEANINGFUL SERVICE**

Equipping the members of the church body to serve according to their giftedness.

### **ENGAGING WORSHIP**

Exalting God together in word and praise.

## *Our Mission*

***To Connect All Generations into  
God's Greater Journey***



**LIVE THE JOURNEY**

## *A Word from Dr. Jeff Lynn*

**“When the leaders lead in Israel,  
when the people volunteer, blessed  
be the Lord” Judges 5:2**

That’s the first line of a victory song from Deborah and Barak who led Israel to defeat King Jabin of Canaan. It’s a great story about how God intervened with the weather conditions to confuse the pagan army and thwart their attempts at fighting His people. As Barak led out, the Bible says 10,000 men followed both him and Deborah.

The defeat of the enemies of God’s people involved God’s intervention, courageous leadership, and an army of volunteers. All those same elements are needed today in the church to push back the enemy’s attack on God’s people and to sustain a work that proclaims the excellencies of our great God, and to promulgate the greatest news ever: that sinful man can be reconciled to a holy God through what Jesus did 2,000 years ago.

One thing I’ve observed and appreciated during my short tenure as Interim Pastor at this great church is the incredible number of volunteers and servants who give of their time to invest in the kingdom of heaven by way of the West Conroe Baptist Church. THIS IS NO SMALL THING! Imagine showing up on a Sunday morning with no greeters, no teachers, no worship team, no intercessors, NO COFFEE.... I could go on and on. So, THANK YOU to the many of you who serve in various capacities.



I shared with your wonderful staff recently that I hope and pray they see their roles as more than just jobs and positions and see them as stewardships entrusted to them by God; MINISTRIES that serve people and see lives changed.

Look what the Apostle Peter writes concerning this idea:

*"Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God. If anyone speaks, let it be as one who speaks God's words; if anyone serves, let it be from the strength God provides, so that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ in everything..."* 1 Peter 4:10-11

Let’s make sure that we are preaching and teaching God’s Word, and not our opinion, ...and that we are serving from God’s strength, and not ours. All of this comes from walking with God and being refreshed by His presence and power.

Again, thank you for your ministry to the kingdom of heaven.

**When the leaders lead at West Conroe,  
when the people volunteer....blessed  
be the LORD!**

*“When the  
leaders  
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Israel,  
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Judges 5:2*

# DEAR CHURCH FAMILY

*In this year of transition, the Lord continues to be faithful to West Conroe Baptist Church. In the following pages you will see His activity in our church body, the community, and across the world. These are exciting times to be a ministry partner at WCBC!*

*In the following pages you will see that hearts, homes, and the community are being transformed through His grace, and He is allowing His people to be a part of this miraculous work.*

*These activities being described are the fruit spoken of in John 15. We are so grateful for the many servant leaders who under the leadership of Christ are transforming the world. If you're reading this, the question becomes, "Are you actively connecting to opportunities to be His hands and feet, to be a part of the ongoing story of what the Lord is doing at WCBC?" Come join with us!*

*Joy in Christ,  
Philippians 1:3-5*

*Chris Stanley  
Acting Executive Pastor*





# WCBC STATS & FACTS



- **88 Joined WCBC**  
17 by baptism  
35 by Statement of Faith  
36 by Transfer of Letter
- **75 New Members in Life Groups**

**23 Total  
Baptisms**



- **1,607 Cars**
- **6,123 People**
- **102 Professions of Faith**



## Mission & Community Projects

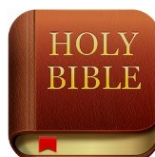
- **January Mission Logan - 7**
- **February Mission South Asia - 5**
- **March Disaster Relief Training - 25**
- **July Mission Logan - 27**

**Church App**



**2,886  
Users**

**YouVersion**



**80+  
Friends**

**Facebook**



**4,210  
Followers**

**Instagram**



**755  
Followers**

**YouTube**



**1,545  
Subscribers**





# ADULT MINISTRY

Chris Stanley, Acting Executive Pastor



Alan Gentiles,  
Minister to  
Sr. Adult/Care



Tammy Shields,  
Women's & Connections  
Director



Brian Swiney,  
Associate Minister to  
Young Adults

## GROUPS



- Sunday Life Groups - 24 groups with high attendance of 689
- WFN Groups - 15 groups with high attendance of 296
- Weekday Groups - 11 groups with high attendance of 181

Totals - 50 groups with attendance of 866  
(deductions for repeat attenders)



## DISCIPLESHIP



rightnow MEDIA



- Right Now Media - 650 WCBC members use this resource each week.
- Wednesday Family Nights - averaged 15 groups with an average of 235 each week.
- Provided a Financial Peace Scholarship to Montgomery HS.
- Marriage/Family Center - Five families equipped through these resources

## LEADER EQUIPPING

Overall there were 52 equipped in leadership training

- Equip Conference - Five Life Groups participated
- Life Group Training - Seven Life Groups participated
- Life Group Coaching - Averaged five groups weekly



# ADULT MINISTRY (cont.)

## LEGACY MINISTRY

- The Legacy Ministry organized the Operation Christmas Child donation for WCBC and delivered 207 boxes in November 2022 to be sent around the world.
- The Legacy Ministry had an amazing holiday luncheon in November 2022 where the staff served 100 people a Thanksgiving-style meal. Leftovers were given to the In Touch Ministry for our shut-ins.
- In March, the Legacy Ministry sponsored two students to go to DNOW. In May, they presented Bro. Jay with a mounted certificate and flag from the day he prayed at our state capital. In June, the Legacy Ministry teamed up with the new Hispanic ministry and hosted a joint luncheon that included bilingual singing and a delicious meal made by the ladies in the Hispanic ministry.
- Legacy had 10 luncheons and gatherings in the past year with an average number of 64 in attendance.



## LADIES/MEN'S/YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

- DWOV - 2nd Annual DWOV Women's Conference - 127 ladies in attendance.
- Mom to Mom - Completed 2nd year with an average of 20 moms attending.
- Apples of Gold - A mentoring opportunity in the fall of each year for eight ladies (apples) who've been married less than 10 years. There are six mentors and three 'applesauce' who are previous 'apples' that come back to serve.
- Morning Glories - Launched a biannual opportunity for women of West Conroe to share their story with other women. Twenty-four ladies attended the first one in June.
- WOW Coffee Connection - A monthly fellowship on the 1st of each month at a local coffee shop.
- Men - Hosted three events with 60 participants on average. Attended retreat in Camp Tejas with 15 participants.
- Young Adults - Hosted weekly Bible study, several fellowship events with 20 participants.







# MISSIONS MINISTRY

**Kay Robinson, Missions Minister**

## **OUR PLAN: ACTS 1:8**

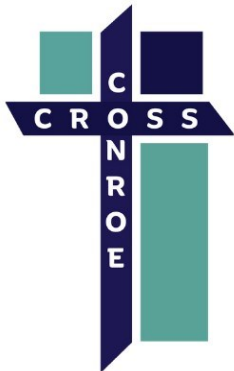
"... but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses in both Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."



Seth, Beth, & Grayson Tarver,  
Logan, UT  
Church Planters

## **OUR GOAL**

To start new churches and strengthen existing churches in Conroe, the United States and around the world.



## **CROSS CONROE: (our Jerusalem)**

Our 10th year of Cross Conroe was one of the best! Around 250 people officially registered but many more served. The teams involved were: Acts of Kindness, Terrenos, Block Parties, Construction and Lawn Care, Medical, Hair Care, Prayer, Food, Transportation, Translation, Media and Childcare. Each team leader did an amazing job rallying their troops to serve our city and Cross Conroe with the message of the Cross! Hundreds of contacts and conversations resulted as seeds were planted, watered and harvested!



## **UTAH: (our Judea & Samaria)**

In July, our team in Utah celebrated 5 years of church planting! Seth, Beth and Grayson Tarver have been faithful to persevere in this hard-to-reach area. They continue to work hard to meet people, build relationships, evangelize, and disciple new believers. God has used them tremendously over the last five years and the people of Logan have been blessed by their service!



# MISSIONS MINISTRY (cont.)



## SOUTH ASIA (our remotest part)

Alan and Melanie Gentiles, our missionaries in South Asia, have returned home after almost 2 years! They did a great job of building relationships with local pastors, being the “parent figures” to the full-time IMB team, learning a new culture and sharing the gospel in a variety of ways.

West Conroe has been able to send several teams over to support and encourage the IMB team on the field through evangelism training with local congregations, pastor training and evangelistic events. Although the Gentiles are not there anymore, our partnership with the team continues! We are currently focusing on three different streams of support. One stream is financial; we are helping support potential church planters as they train with local Pastors to learn the nuts and bolts of planting a church. A second stream is continuing to send volunteer teams to work with the IMB team as they do evangelistic events and discover and build relationships with local pastors. The third stream involves partnering with our Baptist Student Ministry at Sam Houston State and Lonestar as they begin a collegiate ministry on South Asian University campuses in cooperation with the IMB team.

## MISSION INFORMATION CENTER

A new addition is coming soon! We are in the planning phase of opening a mission information center on the second floor in the old children’s wing! The center will have current information about our on-going projects, more personal information about the teams and missionaries that we support, artifacts and pictures from various projects and up to date prayer requests from field personnel serving with the North American and International Mission Board.

## DISASTER RELIEF

Our DR team is growing but needs more help! It seems that this year, the US has been hit with many natural disasters from tornados, to fires, to floods. The DR team at West Conroe has responded to several of these needs in addition to helping with things around the church and local area. We have members certified in food preparation, chaplaincy, chainsaw and shower/laundry. If you would like to help with this important team, contact Kay Robinson.





# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Suzy Tarver, Children's Minister



Lisa Taylor, Preschool Director



Noelle Jones, Academy Director

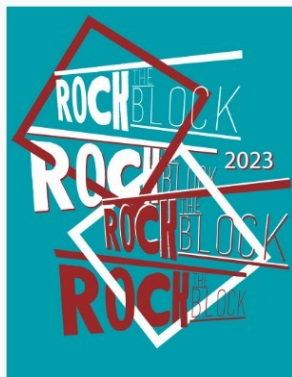
Our mission is to connect children ages birth-6th grade into God's greater journey. We accomplish this by coming alongside parents to encourage and assist in laying spiritual foundations in their children that will one day lead to their faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. We have a wonderful group of teachers and leaders who serve the Lord by serving children. We have been blessed with a great year!



**Our Easter Encounter gave kids and their families the opportunity to experience the days leading up to Jesus' crucifixion.**

**NOT  
ASHAMED**  
ROMANS 1:16

We had 8 children follow Christ in baptism.



## Rock the Block!

**This was a weekend event for Preteens that focused on Bible study, worship, a service project and lots of fun. We had 46 attend.**



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (cont.)



At Preteen Camp, in July, we learned what it meant to seek True treasure as opposed to temporary treasure. We had an awesome group of kids and leaders that attended.



We had a Stellar VBS with 350 kids and 100+ workers! It was a great week to learn how to shine Jesus' light. Thirty children indicated that they accepted the Lord!



**The Discovery Ministry**  
A ministry to children and adults with special needs.

Discovery Ministry exists to serve individuals with Special Needs and their families by providing a safe environment for attendees to learn about the love of God. We have an amazing group of people that work in this ministry. We added a second Life Group for younger children this fall and a few new volunteers.



WC Academy maintains an excellent reputation in the community for teaching 6 month olds to Kindergarteners with an outstanding staff in a Christ centered environment. Our Director maintains a waiting list all year long!







**Zeke Abella,  
Student Minister**

# STUDENT MINISTRY



**Brandon Burns,  
Associate Minister  
of Students**

- We took 52 people to Camp in Dallas, TX.
- We currently have 12 students serving in leadership roles.
- Two people accepted Christ and three were baptized!
- Three students spoke on Wednesday nights to their peers.
- 30+ students participated in Cross Conroe.
- Seven students went to Mission Logan.
- Legacy and students held their first event together (Brownie Bake Off).
- Our highest attendance this year was 92 people!
- 45 students and 13 leaders went to DNOW 23'.
- With the help of surrounding churches, we reinstated the Conroe area-wide DNOW.
- Building 9 renovations were completed!
- We launched JHM and HSM specific events this year!
- We had our first Fall Retreat last October where we took 30 students plus leaders and we had one salvation!





# WORSHIP ARTS MINISTRY

**Dave Whittington, Worship Minister**



In the fall we began a major renovation of the worship center complete with new carpet, a reconfiguring of the choir loft for safety and acoustical purposes. We also upgraded WCBC's sound system, which included designing a sound booth so that audio could be managed from the floor where the congregation is seated. In the coming weeks, we will be putting the finishing touches on this project with the installation of acoustic panels!

Our Worship Choir presented Glory Divine for its Christmas Musical, sharing the Christmas story with our community and the West Conroe Family. Our Worship Orchestra saw the addition of a trumpet and french horn player this year which has added to the wonderful sound of our woodwind section. If you ask Dave about the choir and orchestra, here is what he has to say. "These have got to be some of the most faithful people in the country. I don't know of any choir or orchestra member anywhere, that will faithfully come at 7:30 on Sunday mornings to sing and play. These people love to sing and play for the Lord!" The Worship Choir, Orchestra and Praise Team lead out in our services each week, bringing us to a heart ready for worship.



In January, we began Intergenerational Worship Choir in conjunction with our Family Worship Days. This occurs every month of the year there is a 5th Sunday. This choir includes children, students, and adults and is part of our mission of connecting people from every generation into God's greater journey.

In July, some of our students attended a Worship Arts Camp on the campus of Ouachita Baptist University where they were able to participate and experience singing with a 200 member choir. They participate each day in tracks, such as basic guitar, piano, singing, drama, and developing drum skills. In their own words, "This is the best thing ever!"







# HISPANIC MINISTRY

**Dr. Fernando Abella**

It is the vision of West Conroe en Español to bring people to Jesus to make them disciples of Jesus, our strategy is to penetrate the Hispanic community of Conroe with the gospel through an inspiring service on Sunday mornings, small groups in homes, intentional evangelistic activities in the temple and the extension of the current discipleship program. SOLI DEO GLORIA

West Conroe en Español started with two brothers in Christ during a Life Group on Sundays. By the time Dr. Abella and Claudia visited, the Life Group was up to eight people.

12 Spanish-speaking members who attended services in English joined WC en Español after the Spanish service inauguration. At the inauguration service many people visited, but in reality the core group was made up of 21 brothers.

On September 17, 2023, West Conroe en Español will celebrate one year and these are the results of what the Lord has done:

- 51 people have become members by baptism or transfer, representing a 343% growth in one year.
- From having a life group on Sunday mornings there are now 3 whose focus is the discipleship of new believers. Attendance at life groups went from having 2 to 42 who attend frequently. This represents an increase of more than 2000%.
- From not having any home life group we now have 3 that are preaching the gospel in our community during the week.
- West Conroe en Español is preaching the gospel on social networks through the livestream.
- As a result, 150 people are regularly visiting the Spanish services every month.







# ADMINISTRATION & CAMPUS OPERATIONS

## ADMINISTRATION

- \$1,160,897 has been paid towards the building loan year-to-date for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. Building loan balance is \$1,312,805 as of July 31, 2023.
- Renewed phone lease with upgrade at no additional cost.
- Renewed copier leases and upgraded to state-of-the-art technology for all 5 copiers with minimal increase.
- 2000 lbs of old files (going back to 2002) were removed from the attic and shredded.
- Renewed elevator maintenance contract at the same cost as last year.

## CAMPUS OPERATIONS

- Worship Center renovations
- Geoportal tracking system for entire campus
- Renovations to Building 8 & 11
- Renovations to Hilltop Outdoor Fellowship space
- Freshly painted areas in Building A & B
- Replacement of A/C units in Building A & Building 7
- Sprinkler system work on entire campus

# SUPPORT STAFF



Adina Barnett  
Business Manager



Jeff Barnett  
Facilities Assistant



Katie Buras  
Admin Asst. to  
Adults & Students



Jene Burnett  
Executive Admin to  
Missions & Children



David Dickensheets  
Facilities Manager



Kerri Edwards  
Executive Admin to  
Worship Arts



Sarah Gates  
Receptionist &  
Admin Asst. to Senior Adults  
& Pastoral Care



Cora Johnston  
Accounting  
Admin Asst.



Crystal Miller  
Office Manager &  
Executive Admin to Sr. Pastor



Ethan Miller  
Technical Manager



Kalista Warnement  
Children's Intern

# WCBC CHURCH APP



- Download from App Store or Google Play
- Create a Profile
- Receive Church Wide Announcements/Notices
- Access to Church Calendar
- Take Sermon Notes
- Watch Sermons
- Get Full Bible Access via YouVersion



# BECOME A MINISTRY PARTNER AND IMPACT ETERNITY

Dear Friends,

As the Conroe area continues to grow and expand, we have more opportunities than ever before to reach people with the hope of the Gospel. It's incredible to think that what began as a church plant only a few decades ago is divinely positioned to reach thousands of people in our community for years to come.

It is because of your generosity that we are able to follow God where He leads us. We have been blessed to see a local body of believers equipped and put on a mission to fulfill His Kingdom purposes. We have embraced technology that allows us to stream our worship services and Bible studies to world-wide audiences. God has also extended our reach nationally and internationally through church plants and partnerships with missionaries overseas. It's a very exciting time to be a ministry partner at West Conroe Baptist Church.

Every time you participate as a ministry partner at West Conroe Baptist Church through giving of your time, talent, and tithes, you are impacting eternity. Every gift from every individual and family helps to change lives.

Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to participate as a ministry partner in this next season of ministry. I can't wait to see how God will move through West Conroe Baptist Church and in your individual life!

Joy in Christ,

Phil. 1:3-5  
Chris Stanley  
Acting Executive Pastor

## WAYS TO GIVE

Online at  
[wcbc.us/  
giving](http://wcbc.us/giving)

Kiosk in the  
church  
foyers

Offering  
plate during  
church  
services

Bill pay  
through  
your bank

Make checks payable to West Conroe Baptist Church. If you have questions, please contact  
Adina in the church office at [adina.barnett@wcbc.us](mailto:adina.barnett@wcbc.us)



## West Conroe Baptist Church 2023-2024 Budget Summary



Six major categories make up our church budget. The total budget request for the 2023-2024 fiscal year is \$3,468,330.

<b>Discipleship</b>	Ministries which equip all five generations found within our church body—Senior Adults, Adults, Women, Young Adults, Students, Children and Hispanic ministries.	<b>\$175,811</b>
<b>Worship</b>	The Sunday morning worship experience and various worship venues including Adult, Student and Children's choirs as well as the Orchestra and Praise band, Praise Team and the Audio Video ministries.	<b>\$43,950</b>
<b>Missions &amp; Community</b>	Supporting mission projects through our National and State Conventions, our local church association TEBA, our church plants, sending people on mission trips and impacting the community through various ministries.	<b>\$439,617</b>
<b>Personnel</b>	Provision for ministry and administrative staff, preschool workers, and security personnel. Also included are various insurances.	<b>\$1,837,099</b>
<b>Administrative Operations</b>	Building maintenance, furnishings, landscaping, cleaning services, utilities, office equipment & supplies, coffee, and publications.	<b>\$658,853</b>
<b>Strategic Operations</b>	Debt retirement, major repair and maintenance for campus facilities.	<b>\$313,000</b>





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