



CHRIST PACIFIC CHURCH

Annual

REPORT

2024




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Peter Little, Lead Pastor

Dear Christ Pacific –

What a year it has been! As you read through this report, I invite you to give thanks to the Lord, who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift (James 1:17). As we celebrate all we have done, and all that has been provided, give thanks to the Lord who has already given us so much.

Campus Renewal. I am so pleased to see the fruit of your investment in our campus as a tool for ministry. Together we invested over \$387,000 in needed maintenance upgrades and renewal, including a new roof on the worship hall, four new AC units, painting the entire exterior, new stonework and exterior finishes, new outdoor lighting, new windows and doors, a new preschool classroom and more.

Solar. We also invested in a solar shade structure which will come on site in 2025. To make that happen, we raised \$113,210 cash, took out a five year \$100,000 loan 5.5%, hired a design-build contractor and are set to break ground in February. When the project is completed in early summer, we'll begin realizing a \$29,000 annual revenue stream. That's \$29,000 per year that we can redirect to ministry!

New Staff. We welcomed Cole Carson to expand his staff role from part time kids ministry outreach to be our full time Youth Minister! Cole's connection with the youth is outstanding, and we are seeing a growing impact in this ministry.

We also welcomed Melissa Sizemore to our staff to serve as our Business Administrator. Although Melissa didn't formally begin until January 6, we hired her in December and started getting to know her. Her enormous contribution to our team is already felt!

As we consider the faithfulness of our God in 2024, I encourage you to lean on the Lord's faithfulness in 2025. And dream big with me – what will Jesus do in us? Through us? With us?

And don't forget, he is able to do exceedingly abundantly more than we could ask or imagine! (Ephesians 3:20)

With you on the adventure that will be 2025!

In His Service,



Peter Little, Lead Pastor

FINANCE & OPERATIONS

Peter Little, Lead Pastor

The Christ Pacific Church 2024 Financial Statement is listed below. God continues to provide for all our needs. The year had its monthly shortfalls but your generous giving in December erased our deficit and more!

CHRIST PACIFIC CHURCH 2024 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As of December 31, 2024

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the year ending December 31, 2024

LIQUID ASSETS	
Operating/Savings Cash on Hand	\$ 296,789
Dedicated Cash on Hand	266,173
Deacon Cash on Hand	64,723
Other Assets	30,898
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 658,583
LIABILITIES	
Lendonate Solar Loan	98,548
Miscellaneous Liabilities	3,992
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 102,540
TOTAL LIQUID NET ASSETS	\$ 556,043

INCOME	Actual	Budget
Offerings	\$ 841,801	\$ 904,301
Other	97,454	83,660
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 939,256	\$ 987,961
EXPENSES		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 564,714	\$ 615,753
Children/Student Ministries	13,057	20,000
Worship	4,145	4,500
Outreach	10,532	5,000
Adult Ministry	608	1,000
Family Ministry	-	500
Membership	7,048	5,000
Administration	64,738	55,000
Building and Grounds	174,500	180,000
Mission	86,764	88,925
ECO Membership	13,148	12,283
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 939,256	\$ 987,961
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -	

2024 Key Notes

In addition, we received dedicated funds for Mission & Ministry:

- Guatemala/Mission Team \$16,245
- Celebrate Recovery Ministry Gift \$11,716
- Deacons Ministry \$10,930
- Pacific Kids/Pacific Youth Scholarships \$8,170
- Solar \$113,210
 - Dedicated Gifts \$41,550
 - Surplus from Operating P&L \$71,660

2025 BUDGET

The 2025 budget was approved by Session during the December 10, 2024 meeting. The budget will be presented to the congregation for its endorsement at the church's annual meeting on February 2, 2025.

SESSION APPROVED 2025 BUDGET

CHRIST PACIFIC Operating	2025		2024	
	Approved			
<u>Line Item</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	
Staff Salaries, Taxes & Benefits	\$ 617,382	\$ 615,754	\$ 564,714	
Children's Ministry	10,000	10,000	7,631	
Student Ministry	10,000	10,000	5,426	
Young Adults/Families	1,000	1,000	609	
Adult Ministry	750	500	-	
Worship/Music	4,500	4,500	4,145	
Outreach	10,000	5,000	10,532	
Congregation Support/Supplies	5,000	5,000	7,048	
ECO National Gathering	2,500	2,500	2,875	
Administration	55,000	55,000	64,740	
Bldg & Grounds	135,000	180,000	174,500	
Reserve HVAC	40,000	-	-	
OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 891,132	\$ 889,254	\$ 842,220	
Mission 10% of Op	89,113	88,925	86,764	
ECO Membership Dues	8,911	9,782	10,272	
TOTAL	\$ 989,157	\$ 987,961	\$ 939,256	



WORSHIP

Pacific Worship 2024

Britt Carson Worship Minister

What a year 2024 was! Toward the beginning of the year Cole, Ben and I recorded Ben's original song "A Million Ways" at our home studio in Torrance which is set to be released early this year. Our plan is to continue writing and moving towards more original worship songs that glorify our good Father. We also released a cover of "Worthy of it All" that was recorded live during a Sunday Worship service. Pacific Worship partnered with our Celebrate Recovery team to lead Celebrate | Illuminate events, which are always so special and filled with the Holy Spirit. We also had the privilege of leading several annual worship and community outreach events (Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Tree Lighting, etc). In addition to these Christ Pacific Church events, we were blessed to also participate in a few Huntington Beach community events.

One of our goals is always to connect with the greater Church in our area, we were excited to participate in leading evenings of worship alongside Branches Church worship leaders Brian and Kadi, and Beachpoint Church worship leader, Mitch. Serve City and Seek Week events are on-going so I am looking forward to continued participation! This year during Seek Week, we worshipped just before Election Day, and many of the songs hit so much deeper with that timing. It was so special for many of us as I talked with others in attendance to have the peace of Christ during that time of uncertainty.

In July, I gave birth to the most perfect and precious baby girl, which allowed our worship and tech team volunteers to step into more roles of leadership during my maternity leave.

I was able to meet with Ben Tran several times leading up to this leave to train and prepare him to be our Worship Intern. Julie, Tim, Paul, Larry, Scott, and Rob were also wonderfully supportive and did whatever needed to be done in order to continue leading Christ-centered and Spirit-filled worship during those months. I am constantly thanking God for these and many other volunteers. We are extremely blessed by the individuals that serve faithfully in these ministries and I am so appreciative to have had time with my new baby, fully confident in my teams' capabilities while I was gone.

This was a year full of God's goodness and faithfulness in so many ways. Through the generosity of our church, we purchased two additional iPads to our rotation which allow for even greater simplicity and cleanliness on stage during worship services and other events. We were also gifted a large donation that was dedicated to the purchase of an outdoor sound mixer which streamlines and simplifies our process of outdoor amplification for the events we hold outside. This was really nice to have for our Tree Lighting in conjunction with the new outdoor stage our tech volunteers made. I am constantly in awe of the talent among these humble individuals!

As I look back on this year, I am encouraged for 2025. With expectant hope, I pray that God will continue to greatly bless and move among us; building our church, growing our ministries, and advancing His kingdom.





CHRIST PACIFIC PRESCHOOL

Dee Dee Orel, Preschool Director

Christ Pacific Preschool

Hello everyone!

This year the preschool partnered with Chancy and Bruce Educational Resources, Inc with their new pilot program. The program is a developmental kindergarten curriculum for ages 3 to 6 years old. It is called "The Gift of Time." The program focuses on strengthening cognitive and social emotional skills, building confidence and readiness for academic success thriving at their own pace, and the program ensures a solid foundation for lifelong learning. The staff have attended several workshops learning about the new curriculum. We even hosted a workshop here in the Worship Hall and five schools were represented. The teachers are required to do a check-in weekly with Chancy and Bruce on how the children respond to the lessons being taught. We have a new library of books we have purchased for the new curriculum and we are really enjoying the program.

The preschool has a new classroom under way to enroll more children for 2025. The classroom will be located next to the Palm Kitchen. The classroom will be called "Dolphin Cove."

We continue teaching the children daily that Jesus loves them so much and so do we. Monthly Bible verses and Bible stories are taught in all our classrooms. We attend Chapel every month as a school and love being together. Our Bible verse this month is "I will trust in your word." Psalm 119:42.

Blessings,
Dee Dee Orel
Preschool Director

CHRIST PACIFIC PRESCHOOL



**CHRIST PACIFIC PRESCHOOL
PROFIT & LOSS
SEPTEMBER 2023 THROUGH AUGUST 2024**

ORDINARY INCOME/EXPENSE

Income	
4000- Tuition	\$ 455,066
4005-Registration	13,275
4006-Registration - Summer School	1,560
4010-Extended Day	13,979
4012-Friday Fun Day	9,600
4020-Summer School	21,349
4025-Late Fees	80
4030- Fundraising/Donations	10
4031- Fundraising-Trike-A-Thon	10,434
4033- Fundraiser-T-Shirts	60
4050-Interest Earned	319
4051-Gain/Loss New Covenant Fund	8,298
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 534,030

STAFF & BENEFITS EXPENSES

5000 - Payroll	\$ 329,864
5030 - Payroll Taxes	27,066
5090 - Worker's Comp Insurance	7,443
5036 - Employee Benefits	4,387
5038 - Employees Qualified Tuition Red	9,649
5050 - Staff Appreciation	1,108
5051 - Staff Development	167
5085 - Membership/Training	119
5093 - Mileage Reimbursement	141
STAFF & BENEFITS EXPENSES	\$ 379,944
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 490,802
NET INCOME	\$ 43,228

Expense

OPERATING EXPENSES

5035-Payroll Service Fees	3,222
5070-Parent Relations	1,047
6000-Office Expenses	2,951
6010-Copier Lease & Maint.	2,581
6015-Donation Expenditures	500 155
6017-Field Trips	327
6020-Playground Expenses	63,600
6030-Facility Use Fee	2,267
6032-Fundraiser Expenditures	450 29
6034- Insurance	500
6037- Postage	2,245 39
6040-Professional Fees/Consulting	630
6049-Push Pay Charge	1,412
6050-Bank Charges	7,044
6055-Licenses & Fees	3,438
6070-Trike-A-Thon Expenses	386 644
6070-Classroom Expenses	17,391
6072- Snacks	
6074- T-Shirts	
6075-Friday fun Day Expenses	
6078- Scholarship	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 110,858

PACIFIC KIDS

Robyn Holcomb-Family Life Minister/Cole Carson-AWANA Director

This year we finished the *Pacific Kids'* Check-In Area and put up new signage outside of the classrooms making it easier for parents to check in their children. Once the exterior was updated, it had been on my heart to look at what we were doing inside of the classrooms to see if we needed to make any changes there as well. Though I liked the curriculum that we were using, it was not very user (leader) friendly and it did not meet the needs of the families in our church community. After researching many different curriculums, I found one that had everything I hoped for. "Hyfi" is a highly-relational curriculum, that is very user-friendly and biblically sound. "Hyfi" roots the next generation's identity in Christ through 12 biblical truths that teach them who they are in Him. Now we use this curriculum for our children from preschool to high school, so these 12 biblical truths will be taught to all of our kids no matter what age they are.

There were three children, Sophia Quijada, Kellan O'Neill, and LylaJo Johnson, who were baptized at Christ Pacific this year. Praising God for these three beautiful children and His unconditional love for them. I am excited that as a church community we get to help walk alongside these children on their faith journeys as they continue to grow up at Christ Pacific.

AWANA is one of our main Pacific Kids' programs that takes place weekly throughout the school year. This is such a cool ministry to be a part of, but it takes an army of volunteers to show up every single week because we have over 70 kids attending! Let me tell you, the leaders showed up! Watching the leaders dress up with the kids, dance to Fruit of the Spirit, get excited about small group conversations they had, providing amazing snacks, and loving these kids so well is amazing to watch. We changed things up a bit this year with having an AWANA celebration to wrap up the 23-24 year with derby races and awards. Britt and I also wrote our own theme song (it is up on YouTube if you are curious). I continued to get creative with some added production to the lights and video to keep the kids engaged. One big highlight for me was after last year's celebration, I had a kid come up and say that she had been to multiple AWANA programs, but this one was by far her favorite. These kids are getting introduced to Jesus and are seeing an example through the leaders on what it looks like to follow Jesus. God has been moving in AWANA!

This summer, we had the amazing opportunity to partner with Seaside Community Church to host 125 kids for our Breaker Rock Beach VBS. With the help of over 60 volunteers from both churches, we were able to share the gospel and help our students to learn that they should build their lives on "God's rock-solid truth in a world of shifting sand." We were also able to raise over \$3,200 for one of our mission partner's, Surge Soccer, so that they could buy a vehicle in Liberia to help spread the gospel through soccer.

We also took eleven 3rd-5th graders up to Hume in July and had such a wonderful week in God's beautiful creation learning about how our great creator is fully God and fully man. As the price of camp rose to \$800 this year, Peter and I really hoped that we would be able to offer each child a 50% scholarship, reducing the cost to \$400 per camper. We invited the congregation to fundraisers, prayed about it, and with the amazing generosity and support of our wonderful congregation, we were able to offer that 50% scholarship to every single camper! The kids that went up created such deep bonds with one another, as well as with the 4 leaders that went up too. So many memories were made that will last a lifetime!

Throughout the year, we hosted different outreach opportunities like our Highway 35 program for 3rd-5th graders and Trunk or Treat. We welcomed over 150 kids and their families onto our campus for a fun night of trunk or treating, games and crafts. The Christmas Tree Lighting brought more than 450 people from our community who came to hear the good news of our Savior's birth while we lit up our giant Christmas tree!

It was a busy, fun-filled year with Pacific Kids!





YOUTH MINISTRY

Cole Carson, Youth Minister

This year in Pacific Youth has been a year of change and growth. In March I accepted the role of Youth Minister and started a journey that I was both excited and nervous about. I first want to thank the amazing leaders who have made this ministry possible; Susan Edwards, Pam Paul, Eliana McElderry, and Nico McHale to name a few. They have shown up week in and week out and their hearts for this ministry is inspiring.

I want to highlight the generous community who gave so freely to send twelve students to winter camp which is scheduled for January of 2025. Without your generosity, four of the students would not be able to attend. Camp is life changing and you made it possible for them to go. Thank you!

We kicked things off with a trip to America Ninja Warrior which was one of many activities to bond us as a group. Toward the beginning of the year, we started Thursday night Youth with “Alpha Youth” (a teaching curriculum) but we realized a lot of it was going over the kid’s heads. We found out that almost none of them had read the gospels before so we decided to walk through the gospel of Matthew together. Reading through Matthew has been great for both the students and the leaders. When we had enough leaders, we would separate the middle school and high school students and the conversations really started to take off. At the end of each lesson, we would play Kahoot which is a trivia game as a review of what we discussed. One highlight from reading Matthew is a young man named Brody who has really grown this year. When we play Kahoot at the end of the night, he usually plays and often wins. Watching him connect and be genuinely interested in scripture is one of those things that makes it all worth it.

We kept the activities coming after I got back from family leave. We had a water day after church to kick off the school year, we went to the youth worship night (which is when we really started to bond as a group), and we had a lock-in in October with thirty students attending. We had our progressive dinner for Thanksgiving, with thirty students attending that as well. Huge thanks to Sandi and Bob Polk for hosting appetizers at their house and also Susan and Loyd Edwards for hosting deserts at their home. In December, we had our white elephant Christmas Party. This was a great way to finish off the year.

A big goal of ours in youth is to bridge the gap between Pacific Youth Group and the rest of the congregation. On Sundays, we sit in on the first three worship songs, then head out to Dock B for their lesson. On communion Sunday, we come in and participate in communion with the rest of the congregation. I have big plans to get the kids involved in worship on Thursdays and Sundays (good thing I have an in with the worship leader). As I am looking back at this year, you can see how faithful God has been throughout the year and I can’t wait to see what he has in store for 2025.





MOMCO

Robyn Holcomb, MomCo Coordinator

Christ Pacific MomCo is a community of moms with children of all ages. It's a place for moms to come together, build authentic relationships, learn and grow from each other, and deepen their faith. One of my biggest goals for our MomCo program has always been that EACH mom who walks through our doors feels seen, heard, known, and loved. I want every mom to know she has a place in our group. Our mentor moms and small group leaders are key to accomplishing this goal. This year I added one amazing new mentor mom and two wonderful new leaders to my team to help make this achievable.

This past year, we have grown a lot as mothers, wives, friends, and followers of Jesus. We have had various guest speakers, heard beautiful testimonies, and discussed important topics such as soul care, keeping passion in your marriage, mothering from your worth, navigating conflict in friendships, finding wild hope in your own story, and being open to receiving help. We have also built authentic and beautiful relationships with one another. Through joy and laughter during fun activities together, we enjoyed; holy yoga, a Galentine's Party, a Mentor Mom Panel, MomCo Jeopardy, Moms' Night Outs, Popsicles in the Park playdates, Momsgiving, and our Bunco Christmas Party.

Every year, we choose a service project to participate in as a group. This year, we decided to adopt two students from Robyne's Nest at Christmas for their Adopt-a-Student Christmas program. Our group raised \$780. We gifted \$300 worth of presents to each student and spent \$180 buying gifts off of Robyne's Nest's Amazon Wishlist that they use for other students in need of Christmas gifts.

This past fall, I had the opportunity to go to the National MomCo conference with one of my leaders, Melissa Quijada. We spent three days with about 5,000 other moms together in worship, prayer, and workshops learning how to grow as leaders, be kinder to ourselves as moms, and deepening our faith. God moved so much in Melissa's life that weekend, that she decided to get baptized with about 50 other moms on the last morning of the conference. I feel so blessed to have been a part of this special moment in Melissa's life.

God is moving in our group! One of our MomCo moms has been in our group for the past 5 years. She has been straightforward from the start that she is a non-believer. Every time we ask for prayer requests, she says she doesn't have any or that she doesn't want to be prayed for. At the mentor mom panel, she asked, "What do you do if you think you want to start going to church, but your husband isn't supportive of the idea?" After the meeting, I met her as she walked out and asked her about her question. Her response was, "Well...I think you and this group are rubbing off on me." We are praising God for the work He is doing in this momma's heart and life.

I look forward to what God has in store for our moms and their families in 2025.





DEACONS

BOARD OF DEACONS

- 1 Susie Diego
- 2 Brian Wolff
- 3 Nancy Koch
- 4 Dawn Keeseey
- 5 Rick Davies
- 6 Peggy Salazar
- 7 Jim Morris
- 8 Marni Hood
- 9 Larry Lee
- 10 Bonnie Onsrud
- 11 Pam Jarrett
- 12 Heather Anastasi
- 13 Dotti Yee

Moderator - Nancy Koch

Deacon at Large - Nancy Koch

Staff Advisor - Peter Little

Treasurer - Dotti Yee



NANCY



DOTTI

As set forth in Scripture, the office of deacon is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Our duty as deacons at Christ Pacific is to build relationships with our assigned covenant partners/attendees, so we can be there for those who are in need, sick, or have experienced a life changing event, such as a birth or death in the family. Deacons help shepherd people to Christ through their actions, words and prayers.

Board of Deacons (BOD) mission statement: As servants of Christ, we minister to the needs of our church family and community through prayer, godly guidance and compassion in action.

Don't know who your deacon is? Go to: cpchb.org/deacons. At bottom of the page use the searchable map. You may also call the church office for assistance. Please help us serve you by letting us know when our help is needed.

As deacons we meet monthly to conduct business and receive empowerment training through study. Some of our individual and group responsibilities to Christ Pacific and its covenant partners/attendees are:

- Pray for the pastor, staff, covenant partners/attendees and their families.
- With discernment and prayer, apply a detailed, session approved, fund administration policy to those who request support. 2024 community assistance was provided which included rent, utilities, gasoline and food.
- Build relationships with our assigned covenant partners/attendees through sending cards and text messages, making phone calls and having in person conversations.
- Serve communion during Sunday service and to those who are homebound.
- Gather information for those needing meals due to sickness, medical issues, birth of a child, death in the family for meal train coordinator Anne Gillespie.
- Organize and serve at Christ Pacific memorial services.
- Act as greeters on Sunday mornings.
- Provide funding to Bread of Life for the neediest in our community.
- Support of those in immediate need in our community through the giving of spontaneous food gift cards.
- Support other local Christ Pacific missions, such as VBS service projects and the Christ Pacific preschool ministry, as directed by session.

Help was provided in the amount of \$10,589 to covenant partners and community members. Twenty-three people received spontaneous gift cards totaling \$230. An accounting of our gifts and stewardship is in the monthly deacon treasurer's report.

The Board of Deacons thanks everyone for their continued support in 2024 through prayer and giving. The Board of Deacons is funded 100% through covenant partner giving. You gave \$11,275 in 2024. Your dedication has given so much hope and encouragement to others. To give, follow this link: cpchb.org/give.

In Gratitude Your Deacons,

Susie Diego, Bonnie Onsrud, Peggy Salazar, Brian Wolff, Rick Davies, Dawn Keesey, Jim Morris, Marni Hood, Larry Lee, Heather Anastasi, Gail Smith, Pam Jarrett – Secretary, Treasurer – Dotti Yee, Moderator – Nancy Koch



SESSION

class of 2027

John Flinn - 1st term
Tim Keeseey - 2nd term
Greg Reese - 1st term
Scott Smith - 1st term

Class of 2026

Rick Gilmore - 1st term
Katherine Couto - 1st term
Vicki Devore - 1st term
Mary Strain - 2nd term

Class of 2025

Bob Griffin - 1st term
Jeff Holcomb – 2nd term
Brion McHale - 1st term
Jim Thomson - 2nd term



PETER LITTLE



**JIM THOMSON
CLERK OF SESSION**

The Session is made up of twelve active elders and our pastor. Together they have the responsibility and authority for governing our congregation and guiding our mission for Christ in the world.

These spiritual leaders are responsible to ensure the faithful proclamation of the Word, the right and ordered celebration of the sacraments, the means of discipleship for the congregation, and the faithful exercise of church discipline. Our elders and pastors lead by setting an example, setting policy and setting priorities.

Our elders are elected annually by the congregation to serve three-year terms, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. Elders (as well as deacons) are ordained to this particular role, and although active service on the Session is for a maximum of six consecutive years, elders (and deacons) are ordained for life. The saying goes, “once an elder, always an elder.”

The first seven affirmations elders must make to be ordained are the same affirmations every elder, deacon and pastor in ECO must make. They are:

1. Do you believe in One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and do you boldly declare Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and acknowledge Him Lord of all and Head of the Church?
2. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and, inspired by the Holy Spirit, the unique witness to Jesus Christ and the authority for Christian faith and life?
3. Will you receive, adopt, and be bound by the Essential Tenets of ECO as a reliable exposition of what Scripture teaches us to do and to believe, and will you be guided by them in your life and ministry?
4. Relying on the Holy Spirit, do you humbly submit to God’s call on your life, committing yourself to God’s mission, and fulfilling your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture and guided by our confessions?
5. Will you be governed by ECO’s polity and discipline? And will you be accountable to your fellow elders, deacons, and pastors as you lead?
6. Do you promise to be faithful in maintaining the truth of the Gospel and the peace, unity, and purity of the Church?
7. Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
8. Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people in their worship, nurture, and service to God?



BOB



JEFF



BRION



JIM



VICKI



JOHN



TIM



SCOTT



KATHERINE



RICK



GREG



MARY



MISSION LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastor Peter Little, Doug Boynton, Mary Strain, Gary Wells, and participants-at-large, Kim Green, and Cathey Ryder comprise the team.

- Our “CEO” of Communication, Education, and Offering Opportunities is how we engage our congregation and community, to follow and serve the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- We fulfill our responsibilities to Session and you, the congregation, by partnering in ministries of social justice, peace, reconciliation, evangelism and meeting the needs of the underserved, both locally and globally.
- We meet monthly, plan missional activities, pair our team members with each of our mission partners for prayer support, connection, hosting and hospitality when they visit our church, and maintain bi-directional communication through email, phone calls, and mission partner update e-blasts to our church community.
- The reach of our 17 mission partners spans the globe, as well as Orange County. The work and devotion of our mission partners is truly God-honoring and fruitful. Some of our partners serve in restricted access nations, or countries where Christ is not yet known. Yet, these mission partners share the love of Jesus Christ in creative, relational ways, sparking curiosity and a path to faith in Him through the work and presence of the Holy Spirit.
- We invest in God’s kingdom through the congregation’s and local community’s radical generosity. We strive to meet our goal of tithing 10% of Christ Pacific’s operating budget for the work of our mission partners, which totaled nearly \$87 K in 2024. Our congregation steadfastly supports local mission endeavors, such as the Oakview Festival with 100 backpacks, and Angel Tree with gifts and outreach to dozens of families with incarcerated loved ones. Notably, our “Surge Soccer” mission partner became the designated mission project during VBS. Our children, families and volunteers collected sufficient funds to close the gap for “Surge Soccer” to purchase a special vehicle suitable for use in Liberia, Africa. WTG Christ Pacific!
- We had the privilege of hosting Debi Elliot (Antioch Partners) prior to her return to Livingstone, Zambia. Additionally, mission partners Tera Hilliard (Forgotten Children), Dave Irby (Surge Soccer), Kim Green (The Nest), and (SIM-Serving in Mission) worshipped and shared with us. Two of our Sundays were graced by messages from some of our International Mission Partners: DeNail Sparks (Every Nation), and Peter and Wende Thomson (Sunrise International). Two of our mission partners came to a Mission Leadership Team meeting for in-depth sharing/updates: Medical Benevolent Fund and The Nest. Our Guatemala Mission Team (Bethel Ministries) blessed many individuals/families during their September Trip. Our ECO church planting team continues to expand the kingdom, engaging those who are unchurched. Serve City continues to bless our city, and many of us joined in those endeavors! Our “own” CPC missionaries, Tanya Griffin (Literacy & Evangelism International) and Clarisse Vidal (Circuit Riders) uniquely disciple.



COMMUNITY NURSE

- HEALTH EDUCATOR
- PERSONAL HEALTH COUNSELOR
- REFERRAL AGENT
- HEALTH ADVOCATE
- COORDINATOR OF VOLUNTEERS
- DEVELOPER OF SUPPORT GROUPS
- INTEGRATOR OF HEALTH AND HEALING

Thank you, Christ Pacific Church! We are sunsetting this ministry...

You have supported our health ministry and role of the faith community nurse for the past 25 years, and our long-standing affiliation with Hoag Hospital's program.

Following approval by Session, my mentor, Brenda Schisler, helped jumpstart this endeavor in 1999, as we both completed our Basic Faith Community Nurse Certification.

Leveraging one's vocation as an RN, with the avocation of faith community nursing, gifted all of us who served in this capacity:

Christi Bristol, Brenda Schisler, Mary Strain, Mary Christensen, Teresa Castle, Erin Morris, Pam Paul, Jonna Eastham, Joy Madole, Sharon Corson, and Jackie Anderson.

What a privilege to serve our congregation in the role of health ministry /faith community nurse all these years!

With gratitude, Mary Strain



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Julie MacDonald, Monica Samples and Tim Keesey

Celebrate Recovery celebrated 14 years at Christ Pacific Church in 2024. Each Friday night we host an average of 45 attendees with worship, lessons or testimonies and small groups which enable fellowship, sharing and healing! Among some of the blessings the Lord provided in 2024:

·Our 22-person leadership continues to be the backbone of this ministry, which supports all newcomers and veterans alike. It takes a village to greet newcomers, run sound and AV, plan and teach lessons, find and book people to share their testimonies, set up and clean up the rooms and facilities, coordinate budgets, manage communications, coordinate worship teams, and faithfully pray for those in need. This team shows up faithfully to be His hands and feet each week!

·This year's Step Studies were also remarkably successful. There was a high registration of women this year, which prompted us to host two women's Step Studies. There were miracles and healing in abundance for the 22 women and 12 men who graduated in the 2024 classes.

·Our team also schedules special events throughout the year to create connection and outreach. From bowling events, monthly hikes, summer picnics and beach BBQ events, we always see the Lord show up and divine appointments occur when we gather for fellowship!

·We continued to be blessed to host CPC's Pacific Worship Illuminate with our CR ministry this year! We took a brief gap mid-year on these special events when little River Carson arrived, but were super blessed to host a Christmas Illuminate in December. We've seen amazing participation in these events, creating a sweet connection with CPC and CR communities together.

·CR's 14th anniversary event in June, hosted 80+ people (newcomers, CPC attendees, and CR regulars) for dinner, worship, and a sweet celebration of our years of faithfully following Christ's teaching.

As we start 2025, we are praying to be to grow our ministry and be found by anyone needing a little more Jesus in their lives! As we launch the 2025 Friday nights and weekly Step Studies, we are excited to see what He has in store for us.



CONNECTION TEAM

Ken Smith, Chief Strategy Officer

Some studies have shown that new guests often choose whether they will return to a church within 7 minutes of arriving on campus. It's all about the people they meet between their car and the Worship Hall . It also speaks to the importance of our recently completed Phase 2 Campus Renewal project. Hosts/Hostesses and Ushers are an integral part of church growth because they are usually the first people new guests meet, but all of you are just as important! Reflect upon your own mindset as you arrive at church each Sunday morning. Consider and pray about these questions?

1. Do I come to church hoping to meet someone new and go out of my way to be a welcoming influence on new guests?
2. Do I arrive early enough to engage new guests as they arrive, showing great interest in them?
3. Do I choose my seat to position myself to welcome new guests I don't know.

Our goal is to change church culture to effectively encourage and equip everyone to engage and welcome guests, making them feel loved.

We are continuing to recruit volunteers to replace Ushers and Hosts/Hostesses who are unable to continue serving in this capacity. Please begin to pray now, discern how you will respond when called to join any of Christ Pacific volunteer teams.

PRAYER

You may have noticed that you can submit prayer requests in several ways:

- Send an email request to prayer@cpchb.org
- Send a request from the Christ Pacific website by clicking "Prayer Request"
- Send a request directly from the QR scan code located in the bulletin.
- Submit a written prayer request on the bulletin tear-off and deposit it in the offering plate, silver offering boxes in the worship hall or wire basket at the Yellow Umbrella.

I often encounter guests who yearn for prayer for personal circumstances but are reluctant to share their needs. A part of sharing our lives is to be vulnerable with one another without fear of judgement. I encourage you to believe that God will hear and answer your prayers. Consider Revelations 5:8 "And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints".

Your prayer requests are distributed to a group of about 70 saints committed to pray for you from their homes. The church staff also prays for each request at their Tuesday morning staff meeting. A smaller group, furthermore, gathers each Monday Night from 7:00 to 8:00 via Zoom to pray for you, the church, and community.

You are encouraged to submit prayer requests and/or join us on Monday night over Zoom for prayer. You may access the Monday Night prayer gathering through the church website by clicking on Connect > Events (page 2)> Scroll down to the prayer image. Click on Prayer. We would love to have you Join a group of 4 to 8 people to pray together on Monday night.

If you feel called to pray, we would love to have you become a part of our prayer team. Contact Ken Smith by email at ksmith@cpchb.org.

BREAD OF LIFE

Brian Wolff

BOL serves the less fortunate, in the name of Christ, every Sunday from 3pm-4pm. Our mission is to let them know they are loved and cared for, just as God does. We fill their stomachs, so they can hear the message. We do an opening prayer and offer individual prayers, which are increasingly utilized by our guests. We post a scripture each week on the whiteboard in hopes of initiating conversation. We also hand out the Book of John for those who are interested. We use name tags for our guests and servers, so we may address everyone by their name. We want them to know we care about them, as people, just as God does.

Along with a meal, we supply hygiene kits, blankets, socks, ponchos and first aid items, which they greatly appreciate. We continue with the pantry and join other nonprofits to receive large donations of perishable foods and other supplies.

A great thanks to Gina and Kathy and everyone else who participated in coordinating a very special holiday lunch for our guests with some donated items for gifts.

We continue our relationship with "Be Well" for mobile health services, which have been utilized by BOL on multiple occasions. We also continue to partner with the City of Huntington Beach and Serve City to better serve the less fortunate. We are serving more guests, sometimes as many as over 50. We know there are so many people in need of meals, and we will ensure we adjust to feed all who enter the doors of BOL.

When we started BOL, we had six teams, now we have four. We are always looking for new volunteers, regardless of if they attend Christ Pacific or not. We have been advised, once the new Hispanic congregation is acclimated, they are interested in volunteering with this mission.

I am so thankful for all of our BOL volunteers, who each week come with a contribution to the meal. They come with grace, kindness, positivity and the willingness to share in God's work. I am so grateful to be a part of this mission.



ENGLISH CLUB

Tanya Griffin

On Thursday, March 22nd, the English Club opened its doors for the first evening of enjoying dinner and encouraging conversations with our neighbors who are learning English. Since then, every third Thursday of the month from 6 to 7:30pm, our CPC and neighboring church volunteers join hands and hearts to provide a safe, inspiring, and supporting environment for people who are recent refugees and asylum seekers as well as long-time residents of HB. A few of their home countries include Ukraine, Egypt, China, Syria, and others. They eagerly seek to practice their English, share their lives, and engage in the community. These are remarkable, dedicated, courageous people who have endured and continue to thrive as foreigners so that they can participate in the community, get self-sustaining work, and enjoy the freedoms of the USA. They come from varying religious beliefs with some being our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our participating neighbors are welcome to bring their children, and if old enough, some join the youth group with Cole.

Our steadfast volunteers like the ones pictured and many more help with preparing the evening's meal, setting up, and praying up. In their conversations, our volunteers listen compassionately and enthusiastically, respond encouragingly and thoughtfully, and share honestly and relationally. Some of the round-table discussions have included talking about shopping preferences, childhoods and education experiences, the meaning of freedom, places to visit in their home country, likes and dislikes about anything, as well as many other topics of interest and practical for them. This is an evening where God is shared in Word and deed. For example, we have read a scripture like "two are better than one. . . ." (Ecclesiastes 4:9,10), and we talk about its application with a question like "Do you think a spouse can or should be your best friend?"

This year we have also enjoyed getting together beyond the English Club evenings for the HB 4th of July Parade, walking and talking at Central Park, CPC's Christmas Tree Lighting event, and walking through First Christian Church's Nativity event. Above all, we build relationships with our neighbors by building language bridges because Jesus teaches us to love our neighbors as He has loved us (Lev. 19:33,34; Matthew 22:39).



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