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2025 Annual Reports

Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church Pastor's Report for Ministry Year 2025

*"And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart."
Galatians 6:9*

Congregation,

On March 18, 2026, I will have concluded five years of ministry among you and begun year six. For some of you that time has flown by, for others it may seem to be much longer. Many of our members only know me as the pastor of Orlando, for others I am one in a long succession of ministers. Either way, I give thanks to God for his sustaining grace, for his promise to build the church, and for his mercy towards me, his servant and ambassador here among you.

With that in view, as a reformed pastor, one of my favorite words is "ordinary." Ordinary means "not unusual or different." It comes from the Latin word that means "orderly" or "order." God calls his church to an ordinary, orderly ministry using ordinary means from Lord's Day to Lord's Day as well as from day to day in the lives of his people. Week in and week out—consistent, orderly, ordinary ministry of word and sacrament. That's been my objective and I trust that is what you have seen.

This past year has seen many wonderfully ordinary things: an abundance of weddings and baptisms. It has seen difficult ordinary things such as funerals and counseling sessions. It has seen Lord's Days come and go and worship in the name of Christ sent up to heaven.

Preaching and Teaching

Morning sermon series included finishing a series on First Corinthians; The Diaconate; Psalm 119; and beginning Haggai. Of course, during the Lord's Supper we had sermons on Isaiah 53. Our evening series included doctrinal preaching for all of 2025: the doctrine of man; Christology; and Soteriology. Prayer meeting continues to be Psalm meditations.

Other Areas of Labor

As a Reformed Presbyterian minister, I have work on three major fronts: locally, regionally, and nationally. My regional (presbytery) work includes serving as clerk of the Great Lakes Gulf Presbytery. On the national level (synod) I continue to serve as the chair of the Female Deacons Study Committee; president of the Board of Education and Publication; and a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Global Alliance. As a writer, I continue to write for Gentle Reformation as well as the Scottish magazine "Good News" and our own "RP Witness" magazine. The magazine articles primarily focus on church history and the Westminster standards. This year I also hope to present a paper related to medieval literacy at Geneva College's Orality and Literacy conference.

Conclusion

In God's providence, I am grateful to continue to labor in the ordinary. I am grateful for all of the ways that serving you has helped to sanctify me and to conform me to the image of his son, Jesus Christ. The Apostle Paul says that ministers are "poured out as a drink offering" (2 Timothy 4:6) and I trust that offering is both sweet and ordinary unto the glory of Jesus Christ.

In much love,
Pastor Nathan January 2026

Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church 2025 Report of Session – January 2026

“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.”

- Hebrews 10:23-25

Pastoral Leadership and Spiritual Development

Throughout much of the first half of 2025, Session studied *Undisciplined Disciples* by James Durham, focusing on wisdom applied to the topic of church discipline. In June, Session transitioned to *St. Peter's Principles* by Peter A. Lillback, focusing on the need for humble reliance on Christ in leadership.

Shepherding and Membership Care

Membership adjustments included the reception of new communicant members, including Ryan Knuth, Jose Vazquez, Jared & Christina Rodriguez, Derek and Amanda DeBlois (+four baptized children), Mark, Amy and Rachel Koller (+three baptized children), Abraham Goerner and Audrey Hamm (now McCafferty). Session also had the pleasure of welcoming teenagers into communicant membership including Matthew Guterrez, Emily Garrow and Micah McCaskell.

Several other members were transferred to other congregations or released from membership. In addition, the congregation witnessed the baptisms of April Hansen, Maximus Francoeur, Sophia Jennings and Lilah McCauley. The congregation mourned the loss of long-time member Ray Turmenne, long-time member and former minister Jim Wright and friend of the congregation Jerry Ward.

Outreach and Church Growth Efforts

Coffee on the Corner continues to be a regular, monthly form of outreach on Friday evenings in the warmer months. The consistent presence on the corner of Livingston and Broadway offers the opportunity for good coffee, conversation and relationship with the local community.

A number of visitors and regular attendees have found ORPC through its online presence. In today's digital-first world, this should be no surprise. The ORPC website has high visibility for online users seeking an “orlando reformed church.” The ORPC website now features easy access to recent sermon series as well as information for both Celebration and Gainesville.

Evening worship services continue in Celebration, FL, with Elder Goerner and Dr. Mark Koller leading services with help from others as well. The Gainesville church plant under Rev. Tom Reid, supported by occasional preaching from Rev. Steve Woodbury, moved into a new (and improved) location in 2025. It remains an encouragement to our Gainesville friends to have visitors from Orlando.

Denominational Involvement and Presbytery Participation

Members of Session are actively engaged with the Great Lakes Gulf (GLG) Presbytery and the RPCNA Synod. Pastor Nathan and Elder Ramirez represented the congregation at the spring Presbytery meeting, Elder Duffey continues to serve on the CYPUR board, Elder Schaefer continued his service on the Candidates & Credentials Committee, Pastor Nathan serves as the Clerk for the presbytery, and Elder Goerner served on the Ad-Interim Commission (AIC) for much of 2025.

Elder Goerner also served in Ireland throughout the months of August and September, preaching at the Reformed Presbyterian congregations in Kilraughts and Ballymoney. Elder Goerner gave a presentation to the Orlando congregation in October upon his return on the history of the Reformed Presbyterian church in Ireland.

In July, a number of Orlando families attended the Covfamikoi family conference (one of the largest groups from the various churches in our presbytery) which took place at Covenant College on Lookout Mountain. ORPC individuals

served during Covfamikoi in various capacities including overseeing various children's education programs and games, facilitating breakout discussions and more.

Several of Orlando's youth continue to participate in presbytery youth events including Winter Conference, Theological Foundations Weekend and Theological Foundations for Youth. Calvin Eshelman served on the leadership team for CYPY. Despite geographical challenges within the presbytery, the participation of Orlando's youth in presbytery events has continued to increase in recent years.

Worship & Congregational Life

The centrality of the Word of God in the worship and life of our church remains a focus. Public worship at ORPC is intentionally and consistently simple with an emphasis on the Lord's Day and the ordinary means of grace. The reading and singing of the Word of God, prayer, the sacraments and the preaching of God's Word remain the Lord's primary and ordinary appointed means of providing spiritual nourishment and edification to us as His people. For these things, we are exceedingly grateful.

We continue to have a robust educational ministry with Sabbath School classes for all ages including adults. Pastor Eshelman has completed teaching on ancient church history and continued into the medieval age.

We give special thanks to our pastor who labors diligently to open the Word of God to us each Lord's Day often with two sermons as well as the leading of adult Sabbath School. We also give thanks for the many individuals who serve as deacons, as precentors, as AV crew and many other ways that can go unnoticed.

Hospitality remains a consistent element in the life of our congregation. Families throughout Central Florida open homes regularly for times of fellowship where you can often find teenagers conversing with adults and some of our elderly saints about the sermon from the day. Praise God for the inter-generational fellowship of ORPC! Planned social events and monthly fellowship meals remain highlights of church life. Visitors often remark about the hospitality experienced among the people of ORPC, and we give thanks to God for these times.

Facilities and Administration

The Session and diaconate communicate regularly around needs of the facility as well as mercy ministries. Budget planning and congregational meetings ensured transparency and involvement in financial decisions.

Leadership Transitions & Elections

We give thanks to God for the election of three deacons-elect during the December 2025 congregational meeting: Stephen McCaskell, Stephen Jennings and Jose Vazquez. Becky Farrant ended her sabbatical and resumed an active role with the diaconate. Scott Bailey, in addition to serving the congregation in his many roles, agreed to take on the role of Treasurer during the year.

After serving as the Clerk of the Orlando Session for many years, Jonathan Schaefer stepped down at the conclusion of 2025 with Kevin Duffey taking over in 2026.

Looking Forward

As yet another new year begins, we are humbled and thankful to God for his faithfulness and provision year after year with our congregation. Despite saying goodbye to a few departing families in 2025, the Lord has continued to grow our body of believers in Central Florida.

We as a Session desire to serve well during this season, and we recognize the need for additional long-range planning in addition to our regular Session meetings. Our aim is to find time for a retreat to spend time on "bigger picture" items. With the Lord's help, we seek to steward God's blessings wisely, plan for the future as our congregation grows, remain faithful to the gospel and advance Christ's kingdom. Would you commit to praying for us as a Session and pray for our congregation in these ways?

Closing Encouragement

"Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful." -Colossians 3:15

As we grow together in our love for Christ, may His peace truly rule in our hearts, spurring us on toward good deeds, love for one another and thankfulness to God.

In Christ's service,

The Orlando Session

ORLANDO REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2025 Membership and Attendance Report
January 2026

In 2025, our overall membership grew from 159 to 160 members. Communicant members added to our membership by profession of faith included Matthew Guterrez, Micah McCaskell, and Emily Garrow, all who were previously baptized members. Abraham Goerner, Jose Valdez, Ryan Knuth, Mark, Amy, and Rachel Koller, Derek and Amanda DeBlois, Jared and Christina Rodriguez, and Audrey Hamm all transferred their communicant memberships to ORPC. We had four baptisms at ORPC this year, including April Hansen, Lila McCauley, Maximus Francoeur, and Sophia Jennings. Baptized children added to the membership by transfer included, Liam, Ava, and Sophie Koller, and Jacob, Samuel, Miriam, and Rachel Deblois.

Nicholas and Keira Goerner transferred their memberships to Springs RPC in Colorado. Jaimon and Grace Song and their baptized children, Ezra, Kian, and Mireille Song transferred to the RPC in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Joiner family, David, Jane, James, Joshua, Elizabeth, Jacob, and Samuel, transferred to an FCC Church in North Carolina. Abraham Wiggins was given a letter of standing and removed from our membership. We also grieved the passing of Ray Turmenne a long-time member and former Deacon and Jim Wright, a former Pastor of the Orlando congregation.

The total membership roll of 160 comprises 83 active, 9 inactive and 17 out-of-bounds and 52 baptized members.

The average attendance at morning worship in 2025 was 127 with a high of 160 on September 14, 2025, and a low of 77 on June 8, 2025 (RPI week). The average evening attendance was 63 with a high of 90 on December 21, 2025 and a low of 33 June 8, 2025.

Prepared by: Jonathan Schaefer, Ruling Elder

<u>Presbytery Reporting 2025</u>		
<u>Beginning Membership 1/1/2025</u>		159
Decrease due to death		2
Decrease due to RP transfer		7
Decrease to other denomination transfer		12
Decrease to final removal		0
Addition due to profession of faith		0
Addition due to transfer from another church		11
Addition due to baptised from another church		7
Addition of baptised member		4
<u>Ending Membership reported</u>		160

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Congregational Meeting
January 28, 2026
Report of the Deacon Board

Therefore, if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.
Phillipians 2:1-4

The Deacon Board is very thankful for the recent election and we welcome the deacons-elect and look forward to sharing the work of the church with them. We ask for your prayers as we bring these new men up to speed and seek to do even more to serve the congregation support its ministries.

Mercy Ministry

The Mercy Ministry of the ORPC provides service, comfort, aid and encouragement to those in need. In 2025, the ministry included meeting some direct financial needs of our members, as well as some physical needs related to housing and giving some logistical assistance. We worked with the Session to determine needs, as well as with individual members.

The total expenditures for the mercy needs of the congregation for the year were over \$7,200, and this was supported by a combination of direct contributions of over \$3,200 made during Communion services and the budgeted Mercy Fund.

Looking ahead into 2026, the Deacons will continue to seek out and meet the needs of our members and Adherents. We encourage each member to prayerfully consider giving directly to the Mercy fund during our celebration of the Lord's Supper. Additionally, we ask the congregation to continue to pray for each

other, look for ways in which to meet each other's needs and encourage each other in ministries of mercy. As always, please let the Deacons know how we can come along side you and support those efforts or if you see an unmet need that we can address.

Facilities Maintenance and Renovations

The deacon board continued to work to keep the building in working order, and because we had a year with no floods or AC failures, we were able to undertake some long-awaited projects. The sanctuary windows, which had previously been replaced with plexiglass, were replaced with glass, and the downstairs bathrooms were remodeled. There were also many small repairs and updates such as fixes to the AC minor updates to the sound booth equipment.

Meals for Special Needs

The deacon board worked with Kelly Bailey to coordinate meals for members with special needs, and would like to thank Kelly for her service in this area. These meals are provided as an outpouring of love by the congregation when members have a significant life event, such as injury, illness, birth, or death of a loved one that might disrupt their ability to prepare meals for themselves. Over the course of the year meals were provided to 7 members and their families through this ministry (some more than once). The deacons ask that you participate in this ministry by contacting us and letting us know if you or someone else the congregation has a situation that might warrant getting meals delivered.

Flowers and Cards Ministry

Flowers are provided to members who are hospitalized for multiple days or on the occasion of a member's funeral, unless requested otherwise by the recipient or directed by the Deacons.

Cards were sent to members and adherents through part of the year, but have been discontinued. Thank you to Jen Mercado for her faithful service in this area. We encourage you to minister to each other through correspondence.

Media Ministry

The congregation maintains a web presence at www.OrlandoRPC.org and at www.SermonAudio.com/OrlandoRPC.

The congregation website, www.OrlandoRPC.org, is maintained by Kevin Duffy and gives information about our location, service times, and ministries. We thank Kevin for his skilled service in keeping the website up to date. The website was visited by 4,900* unique visitors during 2025. Visitors were primarily from the U.S., but we also saw traffic from China, Germany, Brazil, Canada, and other.

*Note: Google Analytics give a number rounded to the nearest 100.

We upload sermons and adult Sunday School classes weekly to Sermon Audio at www.SermonAudio.com/OrlandoRPC (also accessible at www.ReformedVoice.com/OrlandoRPC). There is an archive of over 1,019 recordings there, which includes sermons preached from our pulpit since 2008, as well as many Sunday School classes. Those recordings continue to be accessed and downloaded by people from all over the world. In 2025 Orlando RPC messages were played 9,879 times from Sermon Audio, being accessed from 48 U.S. States and 69 different countries. The top five non-U.S. countries were China, United Kingdom, South Africa, Singapore, and Canada.

The worship services and adult Sunday School classes are streamed each week on YouTube with an average of 11 online viewers in the morning and 5 in the evening for the services (no counts are taken for Sunday School). They are available for later viewing on our YouTube Channel at

www.youtube.com/channel/UCgc_bawWEtdv9D_4aUQsP9w. Our YouTube channel has 384 subscribers with 11,354 views of our content during the year. The most watched video for the year has been the May 4 Sunday School class, Medieval Church History 12: The Jews of Christendom, with 786 views and counting.

Sanctuary Flowers

Emily McCauley faithfully attended to the sanctuary flowers in 2025 and the Sanctuary Flowers budget was used well. Real flowers were purchased for Easter and Christmas, including lilies and poinsettias for the front of the church. Some older arrangements were respectfully retired, while a few were kept, and five new silk arrangements were added. Having funds for these needs was a blessing.

Attendance

The average morning worship attendance in 2025 was 127, with a high of 160 on September 14 and a low of 77 on June 8. The average afternoon worship attendance was 63, with a high of 90 on December 21 and a low of 33 on June 8. The morning service average is down by 3 from 2024. The afternoon service average is up by 8 from 2024.

Respectfully submitted, The Deacon Board

Treasurer's Annual Report 2025

Account Reconciliation - Truist (All Funds)

	TOTAL	ORPC	GAINESVILLE
Balance Jan 1, 2025	\$ 157,827.17	\$ 118,558.57	\$ 39,268.60
add 2024 deposits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
subtract 2024 expenses	\$ 5,506.13	\$ 2,887.68	\$ 2,618.45
Net 2025 opening balance	\$ 152,321.04	\$ 115,670.89	\$ 36,650.15
 Add 2025 Income	 \$ 308,172.99	 \$ 274,614.74	 \$ 33,558.25
Subtract 2025 Expenses	\$ 272,491.70	\$ 241,344.93	\$ 31,146.77
subtract uncleared 2025 deposits	\$ 118.00	\$ -	\$ 118.00
add uncleared 2025 expenses	\$ 1,434.60	\$ 503.97	\$ 930.63
Balance December 31, 2025	\$ 189,318.93	\$ 149,444.67	\$ 39,874.26

Truist Accounts - Quarterly and Annual Change (All Funds)

Quarterly Balance	Balance	Quarter +/-	From Jan 1
Net Opening Balance Jan 1	\$ 152,231.04		
Balance March 31	\$ 148,436.47	\$ (3,794.57)	\$ (3,794.57)
Balance June 30	\$ 152,894.20	\$ 4,457.73	\$ 663.16
Balance September 30	\$ 134,386.17	\$ (18,508.03)	\$ (17,844.87)
Balance December 31	\$ 189,318.93	\$ 54,932.76	\$ 37,087.89

Annual Comparison (ORPC Funds Only)

Year	Acct Bal Jan 1	Income	Expense
2010	\$ 60,333.60	\$ 83,287.90	\$ 81,991.21
2011	\$ 62,541.00	\$ 86,274.67	\$ 85,730.73
2012	\$ 62,784.94	\$ 88,913.16	\$ 115,443.65
2013	\$ 36,300.02	\$ 99,250.31	\$ 97,051.10
2014	\$ 39,398.66	\$ 96,649.42	\$ 103,984.34
2015	\$ 39,173.95	\$ 115,957.19	\$ 107,760.93
2016	\$ 41,157.67	\$ 113,898.04	\$ 108,673.35
2017	\$ 42,962.69	\$ 124,540.88	\$ 112,645.25
2018	\$ 55,840.54	\$ 137,967.29	\$ 118,072.66
2019	\$ 79,649.32	\$ 141,060.95	\$ 129,580.44
2020	\$ 80,790.28	\$ 153,351.56	\$ 123,447.14
2021	\$ 119,602.88	\$ 179,003.60	\$ 215,966.15
2022	\$ 80,790.28	\$ 203,369.65	\$ 200,270.39
2023	\$ 82,063.99	\$ 209,788.84	\$ 198,088.96
2024	\$ 98,898.57	\$ 249,260.60	\$ 231,914.31
2025	\$ 115,670.89	\$ 274,614.74	\$ 241,344.93
2026	\$ 149,444.67		

ORLANDO REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Budget vs. Actuals YTD
January - December 2025

	Actual	Total Budget	% of Budget
Income			
46100 Gainesville Fellowship	32,465.25		
49500 Tithes/Offerings/Desig Giving	6,949.87		
49510 General Fund	267,066.38		
49517 Desig - Library/Literature	308.64		
49522 T/O Desig Kid2Kid	381.50		
49527 T/O Desig T-Shirts	1,436.00		
Total 49500 Tithes/Offerings/Desig Giving	\$ 276,142.39	\$ -	
49800 Mercy Fund Offerings	3,261.00		
Total Income	\$ 311,868.64	\$ -	
Gross Profit	\$ 311,868.64	\$ -	
Expenses			
60000 Leadership Expenses			
60010 Pastor Salary	40,315.94	40,316.00	100.00%
60011 Pastor Housing	49,273.97	49,274.00	100.00%
60013 Pastor Medical Insurance	12,379.92	12,380.00	100.00%
60014 Pastor Pension	8,480.00	8,480.00	100.00%
60016 Pastor Life Insurance	3,354.00	2,850.00	117.68%
60017 Pastor Mileage Expense	1,227.70	1,200.00	102.31%
60018 Pastor Hospitality Expense	2,088.11	2,000.00	104.41%
60020 Pastor Conference Expense	3,098.95	3,000.00	103.30%
60021 Pastor Expenses and Supplies	1,965.94	2,600.00	75.61%
60030 Discretionary compensation	4,000.00	4,000.00	100.00%
60050 Guest Speakers	3,700.00	3,000.00	123.33%
60200 Presbytery's Budget Assessment	3,160.00	3,160.00	100.00%
60250 Synod Operation Assessment	5,360.00	4,500.00	119.11%
60260 Synod RPM&M	6,528.00	7,500.00	87.04%
60270 Synod Delegate Travel Expenses	316.48	1,000.00	31.65%
60300 Miscellaneous	200.00	100.00	200.00%
Total 60000 Leadership Expenses	\$ 145,449.01	\$ 145,360.00	100.06%
70000 Plant & Equipment Expenses			
70010 Custodial Service	6,375.00	6,500.00	98.08%
70020 Lawn Service	3,450.00	3,600.00	95.83%
70030 Repairs and Maintenance	4,186.78	8,000.00	52.33%
70040 Office Supplies	3,399.05	2,500.00	135.96%
70050 Capital Equipment Escrow	3,942.68		
70055 Bathroom Remodel Escrow	20,628.58		
70061 Kitchen Supplies/food	1,389.62	1,200.00	115.80%
70062 Janitorial Supplies	615.79	1,000.00	61.58%

70070 Telephone/Internet	1,938.31	1,900.00	102.02%
70080 Utilities	7,736.58	8,000.00	96.71%
70100 Insurance - Property	5,992.95	10,000.00	59.93%
70103 Insurance - Liability	770.84	1,900.00	40.57%
70110 Tax & Corp Fee	61.25	600.00	10.21%
70200 Bank Fees	826.41	100.00	826.41%
70300 Miscellaneous		100.00	0.00%
Total 70000 Plant & Equipment Expenses	\$ 61,313.84	\$ 45,400.00	135.05%
80000 Ministry Activities Expenses			
80010 Sabbath School	755.78	2,000.00	37.79%
80020 Bible Studies Expenses	667.05	250.00	266.82%
80021 Witness Subscriptions	2,144.52	2,000.00	107.23%
80030 RP Missions Scholarships		3,000.00	0.00%
80035 Orl RPC Mission Support		750.00	0.00%
80040 Social Committee	908.24	1,500.00	60.55%
80050 Shower Committee	272.46	500.00	54.49%
80060 Library/Literature Rack	416.85	750.00	55.58%
80070 Flowers/Cards	661.68	1,000.00	66.17%
80075 Sanctuary Flowers	730.34	500.00	146.07%
80080 Media	1,258.20	950.00	132.44%
80090 Mercy Fund	7,234.71	7,000.00	103.35%
80100 Young Adult Group Events	360.31	1,500.00	24.02%
80110 Youth Conferences	2,672.07	2,000.00	133.60%
80130 Camp Scholarships	6,105.00	4,500.00	135.67%
80133 Outreach	324.12	2,000.00	16.21%
80134 Celebration Outreach		2,000.00	0.00%
80211 Women's Retreat		1,000.00	0.00%
80290 Desig - Mercy fund	2,692.03		
80300 Miscellaneous	1,584.69	50.00	3169.38%
Total 80000 Ministry Activities Expenses	\$ 28,788.05	\$ 33,250.00	86.58%
85000 Gainesville Expenses carryover			
85010 Tom Reid Salary	19,200.00		
85020 Other Expenses	11,946.77		
Total 85000 Gainesville Expenses carryover	\$ 31,146.77	\$ -	
Unapplied Bill Payment Expense	651.07		
Total Expenses	\$ 267,348.74	\$ 224,010.00	119.35%
Net Operating Income	\$ 44,519.90		
Other Expenses			
Reconciliation Entry	2,172.45		
Total Other Expenses	\$ 2,172.45	\$ -	
Net Other Income	\$ (2,172.45)	\$ -	
Net Income	\$ 42,347.45	\$ -	

Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church

2026 Ministries and Operational Budget

2026	
Pastor Compensation & Benefits	
SALARY	40,316.00
HOUSING	49,274.00
MEDICAL INSURANCE	14,180.00
LIFE INSURANCE	3,500.00
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY COMPENSATION	3,500.00
SOCIAL SECURITY / MEDICARE	
PENSION	8,480.00
Total Pastor Compensation & Benefits	119,250.00
Ministry Budget	
<u>Discipleship Ministries</u>	
CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS	7,000.00
YOUTH CONFERENCES	3,500.00
WOMENS' RETREAT	1,000.00
SESSION PLANNING RETREAT	500.00
YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT EVENTS	-
LIBRARY/LITERATURE RACK	750.00
BIBLE STUDY EXPENSES	2,000.00
SHOWER COMMITTEE	500.00
SOCIAL COMMITTEE	1,500.00
SABBATH SCHOOL	1,000.00
RP MISSIONS SCHOLARSHIPS	3,000.00
WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS	2,500.00
PRESBYTERY	3,000.00
Total Discipleship Ministries	26,250.00
<u>Mercy Ministries</u>	
MERCY MINISTRY*	7,000.00
FLOWERS/CARDS	600.00
Total Mercy Ministries	7,600.00
<u>Outreach Ministries</u>	
CONGREGATION OUTREACH	2,000.00
CELEBRATION OUTREACH	2,000.00
ORLANDO RPC MISSION SUPPORT	750.00
SYNOD: RPM&M	10,000.00
WEBSITE/CD RECORDINGS	1,200.00
Total Outreach Ministries	15,950.00
Total Ministry Budget	49,800.00

Operations Budget	
<u>Administrative Expenses</u>	
GUEST SPEAKERS	3,000.00
PASTOR CONFERENCES/FAMILY CONFERENCES	3,000.00
PASTOR AUTO	1,400.00
PASTOR HOSPITALITY	2,500.00
PASTOR EXPENSES, BOOKS, & OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,500.00
BANK FEES	1,000.00
Total Administrative Expenses	13,400.00
<u>Taxes, Assessments, and Insurance</u>	
PRESBYTERY'S BUDGET ASSESSMENT	3,160.00
SYNOD: OPERATION ASSESSMENT	4,500.00
SYNOD/PRESBYTERY: DELEGATE TRAVEL EXPENSE	1,000.00
INSURANCE-PROPERTY	10,000.00
INSURANCE-PROPERTY-WIND	
INSURANCE-LIABILITY	1,900.00
TAX & CORP FEE	950.00
Total Taxes, Assessments, and Insurance	21,510.00
<u>Facilities Expenses</u>	
CUSTODIAL SERVICE	6,500.00
LAWN/GROUNDS SERVICE	3,600.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,500.00
KITCHEN SUPPLIES / FOOD	1,200.00
CLEANING SUPPLIES	1,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE*	
* Budget lines 60300, 70300, and 80300	250.00
SANCTUARY FLOWERS	500.00
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	8,000.00
TELEPHONE/INTERNET	1,900.00
UTILITIES	8,000.00
Total Facilities Expenses	33,450.00
Total Operations Budget	68,360.00
Total Pastor Compensation & Benefits	\$119,250.00
Total Ministry Budget	\$49,800.00
Total Operations Budget	\$68,360.00
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET	\$237,410.00

Report of the Gainesville Reformed Presbyterian Fellowship for 2025 To our Sending Church, the Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church

*“Go and make **all** nations disciples” (Matthew 28:18).*

The Gainesville Reformed Presbyterian Fellowship labors under the direction of the Session of the Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church, in order to create a new congregation in the Gainesville area characterized, as our publicity card puts it, by “God-Centered Worship, Bible-Centered Teaching, Christ-Centered Worldview”.

During 2025, the Fellowship met for worship each sabbath afternoon at 5:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room of the Meadowbrook Activity Center (May through June) and the Christian Science Society building (June through December), except for Feb. 9th, when the Reids were sick. In the springtime, we decided to reach out to two small local churches to see if we could rent their building for afternoon worship. Only the Christian Scientists responded. After several months of visits, meetings, and negotiations, we have a Rental Agreement, approved by the Orlando Session. For the use of the building for worship on the Lord’s Day, Bible and Study and Prayer Meeting on Wednesday night, and occasional other uses, we pay \$550 per month for rent, plus half of the cost of utilities. We also have made some small contributions to the Society for various building projects, trying to be good renters. We also paid \$600 to our own Tracee Carter to pressure wash the front of the building and the front sidewalks and to do two small repair jobs. Our renting has stimulated the Society to work more assiduously to maintain their building. On Sept. 6, the two congregations held a joint work morning, concentrating on the main level of the building, which both use so much. We are privileged to be able to use a beautiful, award-winning (the architect was trained by Frank Lloyd Wright, and his influence is obvious), 3700 square feet, three level building, situated 7 minutes from the campus of the University of Florida and centrally within Gainesville. And there is no visible musical instrument in the auditorium! Both congregations are small and working well together. The Christian Scientists have recently permitted the Fellowship to locate a new lending library of good books in one of the lower level classrooms.

Tom Reid continued to provide pastoral leadership and almost all the preaching. During the year, he preached on Hebrews 7 through 12, Psalms 33 through 39, and a short topical series on Worship. Pastor Steve Woodbury of Fort White Baptist Church has preached a few times for us. On Wednesday night, we completed a long series of 130 studies in the Westminster Confession and the RPCNA Testimony. We then studied the Lord’s Prayer from the Westminster Shorter Catechism and the Heidelberg Catechism. By popular demand, we have returned to a careful study of the Confession and Testimony, almost reaching the end of Chapter 5, in 31 studies.

Pastor Reid has continued his active counseling ministry. He led a monthly Seasoned Men’s Bible Study for men outside the Fellowship, continuing a series on the Epistle of James. Pastor Reid taught three times again at the Kobe Theological Hall in Japan, on the Reformed Presbyterian Doctrine of the Church, How to Conduct Reformed Presbyterian Worship, and the Mediatorial Kingship of Christ. He is scheduled to continue teaching on the last subject in 2026. Pastor Reid conducted a Church Membership Class, which began with nine students and ended with five, of whom only one is planning to join us at this time. In the fall, Pastor Reid led a study on the Mediatorial Kingship of Christ for two young men and then repeated it for them and a dozen of their male friends.

Attendance increased encouragingly in the spring, but five regulars stopped attending in August, and two moved away that month, returning us to near our long-term average. Over the whole year, attendance at worship averaged 10.31 (up 21% from 8.51 in 2024). The Wednesday night Bible Study and Prayer Meeting averaged 8.65 (up 5% from 8.23 in 2024). At the latter, we have tried to study less and pray more, and are encouraged that everyone who regularly attends feels free to pray publicly.

Tom Reid and Steve Woodbury met occasionally for fellowship and decision-making, and added Sam Hurlston to their meetings toward the end of the year. Sam shows good signs of developing into a future ruling elder. Sam and Tracee Carter have been permitted to read the Scriptures in worship, in order to test their gifts; both have done well. Pastor Reid has reported in writing to the Orlando Session every two months. And, the elders have approved all of his suggested recommendations!

The Fellowship met only once for a social activity, in the Reid home for dinner after worship on October 26. We also enjoy light refreshments after the Bible Study and Prayer Meeting. Everyone stays for fellowship after both of our main weekly activities.

The Fellowship held a Psalm Sing on The Life of Christ in the Psalms on Friday evening, Sept. 12th, with 39 in attendance: 21 from among our members and contacts; 2 from the Orlando RPC; 10 from a Psalm-singing congregation in Ocala; and a few first-time guests. We had invited eight local congregations, but only one was represented. An audio recording of the Psalm Sing was posted on the rpglobalalliance.org website.

The Fellowship tried to reach out to Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), a PCA ministry at the University of Florida, but has received no reply as yet. Myles Marwick arranged for the production of new publicity cards for us. We erect 2 or 3 publicity signs along NW 16th Avenue during our two weekly meetings. We still have not posted our audio sermon recordings on our Website, but that milestone seems now within reach.

Apart from some incidental costs (insurance, postage, etc.), the Fellowship has been self-supporting from the beginning. We saw a good increase in giving in 2025, which has permitted us to meet the extra costs involved in renting.

Financial Report:

	2024	2025 (through Sept.)
Income	\$22,652.80	\$25,697.25
Expenses		
Pastor Reid	\$19,200.00	\$14,400.00
Building	0	\$4,500.00
Other	\$5,699.10	\$3,768.66
Total	\$24,899.10	\$22,688.66
Net Change	-\$2,246.30	+\$3,008.59
Balance	\$36,650.15	\$39,658.74

We are thankful to God for the three treasurers serving us this year: Bob Terry, Elijah Goerner, and Scott Bailey. They have been wonderful to work with and responsive to our needs.

Plans for 2026 already include: a Church Membership Class (began January 11th); communion with the Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church on March 1st; regular pastoral visits; a joint (with the Christian Scientists) work morning, concentrating on the lower level of their building; and additional studies on the mediatorial kingship of Christ with a local group of Christian men.

“Brethren, pray for us!”

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Reid

Report on Celebration Fellowship 2025

General

Since launching in March 2023, Celebration Fellowship has gathered as a Reformed worshiping community. Our commitment stems from a desire to bring faithful preaching and worship directly to the people of the Kissimmee and Celebration area, where many of our members live and serve. Also, with a conviction, “The Spirit of God maketh the reading, but especially the preaching of the word, an effectual means of enlightening, (Neh. 8:8, Acts 26:18, Ps. 19:8) convincing, and humbling sinners; (1 Cor. 14:24–25, 2 Chron. 34:18,19,26–28) of driving them out of themselves, and drawing them unto Christ; (Acts 2:37,41, Acts 8:27–30,35–38) of conforming them to his image, (2 Cor. 3:18) and subduing them to his will; (2 Cor. 10:4–6, Rom. 6:17) of strengthening them against temptations and corruptions; (Matt. 4:4,7,10, Eph. 6:16–17, Ps. 19:11, 1 Cor. 10:11) of building them up in grace, (Acts 20:32, 2 Tim. 3:15–17) and establishing their hearts in holiness and comfort through faith unto salvation” (WLC 155).

Attendance

We are grateful to meet each Lord's Day at the Artisan Clubhouse, where the staff has been generous, charging only \$100 per month for our weekly 4:00 PM worship.

Attendance has ranged from a solid core of 10 to the mid 20's throughout the year. Last year the Song family moved, which lowered our numbers. Visitors are mostly tourists who are on vacation and staying closer to Celebration. We had one family visit who found us through an AI search for “Reformed Churches near Disney.” Last year, we were listed on the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Orlando (ORPC) website, which we hope will connect us with residents seeking a church.

Preaching/Teaching

This past summer, while my family served by preaching in Northern Ireland, gifted brothers, Mark Kohler, Joe Johnson, and Jared Gonzalez, faithfully filled the pulpit and blessed the congregation with solid, Christ-centered teaching.

In 2025, I finished preaching through the book of Hebrews and a short series through Galatians. Currently, I am preaching through the Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 5-7), applying the Lord's instruction for His disciples.

Future

Looking forward with hope, I am eager to continue preaching the Scriptures and inviting people from the local community to join us in worship and fellowship.

A key goal for the coming year is to launch a weekly Bible study, something that would deepen our growth together as a body and give more ability to invite others in the community. While time has been limited so far, I am prayerfully trusting the Lord to open doors and provide help to make this a reality.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and partnership as we seek to glorify Christ, seeking opportunities throughout Central Florida and here in Kissimmee/Celebration!

2025 Christian Education Committee Report

“...telling to the generation to come the praises of the LORD” – Psalm 78:4

The Christian Education Committee met several times in 2025. Committee members are: Vanessa Le (chair), Samantha McCaskell, Scott Bailey, Stephanie Garrow, and Alejandro Ramirez. Many additional informal conversations were held between the chair and various members of the committee as we sought to maintain our Sabbath School program this year.

We planned the Sabbath School curriculum, classes, and teachers for the 2025/2026 school year. We started fall of 2025 with thirty-four children age preschool to ninth grade, and since then have added eight more children to the Sabbath School program.

For preschool through fourth grade, the students are studying *The Biggest Story*, a curriculum that is designed to go through the big story of the Bible in seven years. Kindergarten through fourth grade continues to meet with Donna once a month to go over the Westminster Shorter Catechism and the Psalm of the month. The high school class was changed to ages fifth to ninth grade, and is studying *Matthew for You* by Tim Chester.

One of the big changes this year was the addition of a preschool class for children ages two to four years old. Since the curriculum we are using is not specifically designed for this age, the teachers have had to do a fair amount of behind-the-scenes lesson preparation and planning. We have also needed a helper in that class due to the large number of students. This class is a blessing to our younger children and we are grateful for the ability to offer it.

We are grateful for the teachers who have offered their time and resources to teach. This year we have had the following teachers, one in the fall and one in the spring semester: preschool: Kelly Baily (helper Thea Rorke) and Dianne Schaefer (helper Rachel Koller); K-1st: Anna Goerner and Parker Duffey; 2nd-4th: Lucy Goerner and Vanessa Ramirez; and 5th-9th: Isaac Goerner and Jared Rodriguez. As always, if you are interested in teaching, please let a member of the committee know!

Sincerely,

Vanessa Le
CE Committee Chair

2025 Social Committee Report

It's been another busy year for the Orlando Reformed Presbyterian Church. Due to circumstances outside our control, we didn't do as many formal events as we would have liked but the church's social life was still very active. At the start of 2025, the committee was made up of Lydia Eshelman, Kelly Bailey, and Kinsey Townsend, but after the Townsends moved away, we searched for new committee members. Lydia and Kelly were joined by Jenn Duffey, Isaac and Anna Goerner, and Lucy Goerner. We are open to new members to help us run this year's events! Please talk to one of the committee members or to the session if you are interested.

Here are the events we did this year:

- Annual church picnic hosted at Farrants'
- Night on the Town for our graduates
- Cowboy Chili Cookoff

We also had monthly fellowship lunches, baby showers and a bridal shower, and sadly, we had two funerals. Nursery has also been regularly occurring, with the schedule and toys maintained by Jenn Duffey. Jenn is also on the shower committee, alongside Debra and Kelly. Debra additionally has organized fellowship lunches. Kelly also has been busy running the many meals trains for those in need of them this past year. Other than planned events, people have hosted many times of church fellowship, on the Sabbath and outside of it.

In 2026, we are hoping that we will bless the church with more opportunities for fellowship. We hope to refresh or update some of the items in the much-used kitchen. We're also planning ways to encourage fellowship lunch participation in setting up and cleaning up.

Our goal is to have at least two events for all in our church.

And of course, if anyone has ideas for events, we would love to hear them and help you organize those!

Respectfully,

Isaac Goerner (chair), Kelly Bailey, Lydia Eshelman, Jenn Duffey, Anna Goerner, Lucy Goerner