

## **EFC GV ELDER BOARD 2025 RECAP REPORT**

2025 started out for the elder board by discovering an irregularity that led to an invitation for EFCA to review our bylaws and policies. Bob Osborne from EFCA district headquarters spent three days interviewing our pastors, elders and staff to advise us in an effort to align our church with current EFCA governing procedures. This then resulted in a complete examination and rewrite of our bylaws and policies and lead us into a more biblical elder lead church. Our teams and committees now have more flexibility to govern and accomplish their ministry goals.

The elder lead pastor search team concluded a 17-month long pastor search by selecting a new Pastor. On June 1, Pastor Carl Lodico assumed the lead pastor position at EFC GV. He and his wife Maria are now settling in Quail Creek and now with seven months of service our congregation has enthusiastically accepted them. The search committee had selected a very capable retired Pastor, Randy Hammonds, from Tucson as our interim pastor. I think all would agree the difficult process of replacing Pastor Steve Lovellette was successful.

Other issues that were implemented by your elders during 2025 are as follows:

- Pastor and staff evaluations have been reinstated along with a personnel committee. New evaluation forms have been designed to measure job performance and goal achievement.
- We have separated the functions of Bookkeeper and Treasurer, which takes a huge burden off our bookkeeper and places additional attention to how we are using our resources.
- The elders have had much discussion regarding the qualifications of teachers and the subject matter of biblical studies being taught; to insure we always teach the truth and do not stray from our statement of faith and biblical doctrine.

With the elimination of the church council, and some added responsibilities, I want the congregation to be assured that the elders have not lost their focus. So, at this point I want to attach an article that defines who we are, or who we strive to be, it's called the "CHARGE TO THE ELDERS", I read this often and encourage my brothers in CHRIST to do the same. Please see attached.

Sincerely, Jim Sage, Elder Chairman



## CHARGE TO THE ELDERS

Every time I say the words of the charge I am struck by the breadth and significance of the responsibilities assigned to elders. Please listen:

### Charge to the Elders

*I charge you, elders, to “guard yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood” (Acts 20:28) Be a friend and Christlike example to children. Give clear and cheerful guidance to young people. By word and example, bear up God’s people in the pain and weakness, and celebrate the joys with them. Hold in trust all sensitive matters confided in you. Encourage the aged to persevere in God’s promises. Be wise counselors who support and strengthen the pastor. Be compassionate, yet firm and consistent in rebuke and discipline. Know the Scriptures, which are “useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness” (2 Tim. 3:16). Pray continually for the church. Remember at all times, that if you would truly give spiritual leadership in the household of faith, you must be completely mastered by you Lord. (1 Tim. 3: 2-7).*

Listening to these words I respond with “woe is me”. Every age group is mentioned and a variety of responsibilities are listed. Conspicuous by absence is administration and leadership of an organization – the very things we spend so many meetings considering. Besides feeling overwhelmed and inadequate, the charge is so comprehensive that we are doomed to experience failure along the way. Will we ever know Scripture well enough, pray faithfully enough, by wise enough? So how do we hear these words as a calling and an encouragement?

### A Way of Being

While particulars are mentioned, the charge is not fundamentally about the particulars. We ought not to start by making a list of activities and checking them off as we go about our work. The charge reveals a way of being among God’s people. I trust that one of the reasons an elder is nominated for the office is because others have seen some evidence of a walk with God. Compassions of Christ, wisdom formed by Scripture, the desire to live in faithfulness to God and follow the way of Christ had begun to take shape in the life of an elder.

This is a way of being. It speaks of the values that shape our lives. The charge is a call to deepen this way of Christ in our lives. This raises a question: what are we doing as elders that will encourage us to be formed by Christ? The way of deepening our walk with God is “putting off the old self and putting on the new self”. It is marked by prayer and gratitude. These are practices and conversations that mark a way of being.

### Relationships of Compassion

The charge does not speak of program management, but of people – people whom God so loved that he sent his one and only son to give his life for them. This is not saying that programs are unimportant and that the stewardship of the church as an organization is trivial. Both are significant concerns. But you will not find them listed in the Charge of Elders. We do hear about children and aged, young people and those struggling in pain and weakness. The Charge focuses on people.

So elders need to focus on their relationships with people. Building these relationships requires action on multiple levels, not just the less-than-annual home visit. Some have more and better relationships

in the congregation at the beginning of their eldership. So the question worth exploring is “what are we doing as an elder that builds our relationships with people who are attending worship?” Are we welcoming people into our homes? Are we spending time with various sectors of the congregation or only with our ‘group’? Do we provide opportunities for conversations on matters of our life with God or do we stay with the easy conversations about weather?

### **Ruled by Word and Spirit**

The Charge reminds us that central to the task is the Word. There we find guidance for life, promises to encourage and words of correction. In Scripture we hear the story of salvation that informs our faith and shapes our own story. Knowing Scripture is not optional. So the question is simple. How is our knowledge of Scripture increasing? The Spirit guides us in harmony with this Word of God. Increasing in knowledge means reading Scripture and studying it. To take Charge of Elder seriously invites us to reflect on our practices that develop this knowledge.

### **Verbs: Calls to Action**

This charge is filled with commands: encourage, guide, rebuke, shepherd. It means we act in our relationships. This is not easy. We all know the hazards of speaking when we should be silent and being silent when we ought to speak. We are well aware of damage that can be done and of blessing that can be given. The wonders of an apt word are many.

So the question is: how are we growing in our understanding (gaining proverbial wisdom) in our practices? We are never done exploring the mysteries of our common life. We are called to act by need wisdom.

Learning does not just happen. It means seeking wisdom. That means elders need to have practices that seek wisdom. So it would be helpful for councils and individuals to ask what do (we) I need to learn to be a better elder? What is the learning plan so that the verbs of the charge and practiced with wisdom?

### **Conclusion**

While the charge can be overwhelming, we are also given an opportunity to work alongside God and serve Christ in our communities. When we see people grow in faith and the church grow in devotion to Christ, we receive a marvelous blessing. May God give each one of you deep joy in your service.

**Dear EFC Green Valley Family,**

They say that the job of a leader is to mind the future. As I look back on 2025 and glance ahead to 2026, I want to reflect on what God has done through us and share our vision for what's to come.

Together, we've accomplished some incredible things! We revised our bylaws to help us become more effective and efficient in fulfilling the mission God has given us. We established biblical governance through the spiritual leadership of our elder board. We also honored our financial commitment to our Madera Church plant. And we're witnessing God move powerfully through our Adulam Hispanic ministry, led faithfully by Victor and Milca Corrales.

I also want to give a huge thank you for your generosity and faithfulness. Because of you, we finished 2025 financially strong. Praise God! We ended the year with \$4,500 in the black and a \$26,000 principal payment toward our building loan.

God is good and faithful. Our Elder Chair, Jim Sage, will share all the details at our upcoming annual business meeting on January 25. We are so grateful for your faithfulness and trust in what God is doing here!

We praise God for these remarkable milestones through our outreach efforts, our global and local missions, and most importantly, the transformative work He's been doing in our hearts.

Maria and I want to especially thank our dedicated Pastor Search Committee. Their diligent work and faithfulness have been a blessing, and we are truly grateful.

We also want to thank you for the warm welcome you've extended to us as we've stepped into this incredible church family. These first seven months have been joyful and deeply meaningful. We are truly overwhelmed by the calling to serve here at a church that loves the Lord, serves one another, and reaches the world for Christ. We love you all and are grateful for your faithfulness and love toward us.

Beyond these milestones, it's inspiring to see how God continues to work through His saints. Volunteers across every ministry are serving passionately all for His glory and the proclamation of the Gospel.

Together, we've grown through sharing moments, celebrating victories, and most importantly, giving God the praise He deserves.

One area of growth I want to highlight is our deepening in the study of God's Word. Over the past seven months, we've explored Scripture through several meaningful series:

- **Walking With Our Shepherd** — A series in Psalm 23
- **Faithful Legends** — Life lessons from biblical biographies
- **The Greatest Sermon Ever Preached** — A study of Matthew 5-7
- **A Holy Christmas** — Exploring the holy ancestry, journey, and significant moment of Christ's birth to bring the holiness of Christmas back into our hearts and homes



## Senior Pastor Annual Report 2025

Looking ahead, we're kicking off 2026 with a sermon series entitled, **21 Days of Prayer and Fasting**. We'll focus in on "Prayer and Vision for the Year Ahead," "Strengthening Your Prayer Life," and "Unleashing Your Prayers."

I also encourage you to choose a Bible reading plan for 2026. I suggest the One-Year Bible or a reading plan of your choosing, but goal is to immerse ourselves daily in Scripture. It's less about finishing on a timeline and more about entering into God's Word consistently.

Let me remind you of THREE KEY VISION PRINCIPLES for 2026, inspired by the story of David and Goliath in 1 Samuel 17:

### **1. Vision Takes Root in Quiet, Intimate, and Private Moments:**

David's greatest strength and clarity came during his private moments with God — tending sheep, worshiping, praying. Those quiet times prepared him to face Goliath. Let's carve out significant time with our Lord.

### **2. Vision Advances Through Criticism, Uncertainty, and Fear:**

David faced criticism, uncertainty and fear, yet he trusted in what God had already accomplished and would do. Confidence in God's faithfulness gave him courage. Let's move forward with courage.

### **3. Vision Inspires People to Do Great Things:**

When David defeated Goliath, it inspired hope across Israel. When we embrace God's vision, it's contagious and spurs on others to do great things for His kingdom. By faith, let's do great things for God.

God will certainly reveal more of His calling for our church as we move forward in 2026 but let's remember our THREE KEY CHALLENGES as we begin this new year with our 21 Days of Prayer:

- **Identify three people by name who need Jesus. Pray for and reach out to them regularly.** (Matthew 28:18-20)
- **Prayerfully consider giving above your regular offerings to help reduce our building and land debt.**
- **Discover and use your spiritual gifts in serving, knowing that your role is vital to God's work.**

Just like David, we're called to see beyond external chaos and trust in God's greater plan. By doing so, we'll face our giants with faith, clarity, and boldness.

2025 has been a fantastic year and I am excited to step into 2026 with faith and expectancy. Let's move forward together, trusting that God will continue to do great things among us!

With much love and gratitude,  
**Pastor Carl and Maria**





## Jack Capen- Assistant Pastor – 2025 Annual Report

What a year 2025! Major changes and challenges abound! For a number of months, it was leadership by committee, and many stood up to help with those changes and challenges. As far as I'm concerned, many and most accolades go to our Pastoral Search Committee and Elder Bd who first came up with Pastor Randy Hammonds to serve as our Interim Pastor starting in November 2024. He and Wanda were a God-send. Then in early 2025 the Holy Spirit led them to Pastor Carl Lodico and Maria. A diamond in the rough! It could only be led by the Holy Spirit as a Godcidence as we like to say here at EFCGV. I truly believe the Lord has look out for us because we follow His Word as I like to say, "We will be Biblically correct, not politically or culturally correct."

In late '24, November I believe, we changed our Sunday evening service from 5 PM to 4 PM for a couple of reasons. First we were constantly preempted by other ministries, be it Global Partner visits, concerts, business meetings and the like. Also, because of our demographics, many do not like to drive in the dark in the late fall/winter months. I think it worked with the exception of one couple I really miss at those services. The time change just did not work for them and I miss their pearls of wisdom. Here's a breakdown of our Sunday evening/afternoon services for 2025:

Service with Bible Study – 42 Sundays (note: in years past, we averaged 25-26)

Global Partners plus others (5 PM) – 7 Sundays

Business Meetings – 4 Sundays (Interestingly ... we moved the business meetings to 4 PM: see note above re: Sunday Services)

Concerts (5 PM) – 6 Sundays

Remembrance Service – 1 at 4 PM

In our Sunday Evening/Afternoon services, we spent the entire year in the Book of Revelation. We started that enterprise in September 2024 ... a verse by verse in-depth study. We ended the year 2025 in chapter 21. It has been a very interesting and yet very challenging study because even amongst Bible scholars, it is often

that we find disagreement on the interpretation of this book. I have used perhaps 15-20 sources and I haven't found one that I totally agree with. Therefore, I tell the class, "you may not agree with me, and that is alright." Many of our folks have dropped out, perhaps because of this or some may have been looking to find out who the Antichrist is or will be. As I've always said, "We're on the welcoming committee, not the planning committee". Yet many have stuck it out as we near the end of the study.

Our PODS Small Groups followed Pastor Randy's sermon series in the winter/spring session. We had the similar 15-17 groups that fluctuate during the "snow-bird" season. For the fall session/semester, we had a new training session in September for facilitators with an addition of Pastor Carl's training manual from his church in northern Arizona. This had some additional ideas over what we have been doing in the past and was well received. I like Pastor Carl's idea to include the small groups that are not using his sermon messages as their main point of discussion. This will still allow those groups to be a part of our small group ministry and benefit from any training sessions we will have in future. The purpose is to get more of our folks involved in small groups, which is still the best way to get connected to EFCGV and our Lord and Savior.

We've done more Information classes this year with many sign-ups. Pastor Carl has now led this class starting with the last class we had in October. Next class is January 17, 2026.

Powerhouse Prayer ministry is always looking for volunteers to pray in my office during the Sunday morning services. If you would like to pray in private and have an impact to enhance God's Kingdom, please contact Chris Hagen at 360-201-0441 or email Chris at [aehagen@frontier.com](mailto:aehagen@frontier.com) to sign up. You will be blessed if you do and you will be blessing others as well.

Blessings to All,

Pastor Jack Capen

## Annual Report for the 2026 Annual Meeting Part 2

From Pastor Bruce Van Sickle

Church Planting – We just had a great combined service with Madera in which you are all up to date for all the wonderful things God is doing in and through us and them. Praise God for His faithfulness.

Touch Local – This is the local ministries that receive 3% of the budget each year to work with on an annual basis.

This past year we financially supported the following ministries:

Answers for Life, Care Portal, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Crossroads Nogales Mission, Del Coronado Apartment ministries, Green Valley Welcome Team, Hands of Hope, Operation Christmas Child, The Green Valley Salvation Army, Vets for Child Rescue and We Pray All Day.

Part way through 2025 I was tasked with overseeing all of these ministries along with Larry Ashby from the Missions Board. It is a great joy to work with Larry.

There needs to be a point of clarification in that we technically have annual free will offerings to support the Gideon's International and for God's Forgiving Grace Ministries(Nehemiah Brown Concerts). All of our other touch local ministries in 2025 are organizations in which we

have volunteers from our church being salt and light in community with their volunteerism and have asked us to pray for them to be a witness for Jesus as they volunteer with their organization of choice. These are weekly in our bulletin and prayer guide. Please join us in praying for all of our touch local ministries that we support financially and through prayer throughout this next year. Financial support organizations will change slightly for 2026 through action of the Touch Local committee.

Worship – I want to thank my wife, Karen Van Sickle, for her aid and support this past year. I'm no spring chicken and she helps me a lot. I also want to thank Marty Blaine and Victor Corrales for leading when I am unable or on vacation. They do a great job! Our drummers and other instrumentalists are very faithful – so thanks to Jerry Sanchez and Doug Uthman. and I also want to thank Nita Sharpley for her dedication to the traditional service and Sunday nights. Kevin Gordon and Jeff Devaney help fill in and Jeff does a great job with the Men's choirs.

We have outstanding accompanists here –

Connie Achenbach, Jane Chung, Cynthia Fletcher, Janet Funderburk, Beth Kurtz, Nancy Reimann, Agnus Sprunger and Karen Van Sickle. We are finding there may be a few more out there that are willing to step in if needed as well.

What a great team! And our many worship team vocalists and choir members help with worship each week and we have always had plenty or just enough for each Sunday.

Oversight and scheduling of worship ministries here at EFCGV takes up a lot of time in preparation and planning as well as implementing each week.

Victor Corrales takes the reigns when it comes to production supervisor and all things technical and visual. He has a small crew of volunteers but is looking for more. Talk with Victor if you would like to help. Training is provided. And Dan Eckelman is our sound engineer for almost 100% of the time. He has been with this church for longer than I have and is a blessing with his time and talents. Keeping up with all technology is difficult and replacing equipment is always a challenge financially but the tech team is trying to spread things out and be looking ahead to what is needed in the future.

I began my 19<sup>th</sup> year here on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

To God be the glory – great things He has done@

Pastor Bruce Van Sickle



## YEARLY VISITATION REPORT SUBMITTED BY RON & PAT JACOBSON

Dear friends

Our visitation team (including Whisper), along with Pat and me, thank you for allowing us to do the work of ministry through our visitation ministry. In the book of Acts 20:20, the apostle Paul outlines a Biblical model for visiting the sick, widows, and shut-ins. The core of our ministry is to be pastoral in our approach, bringing people hope, encouragement, and addressing a variety of needs. In fact, at one point, Paul taught Biblical truth from house to house and with his very life. That is a solid description of our visitation team. It is through our visitation ministry that lives are changed and in-depth relationships are strengthened. The statistics you are about to read represent far more than a number; it is a revelation of a life touched by the hand of God.

### Ministry Statistics

- Visitation Team Members 68
- Phone calls/Visits 4,398
- Miles 4,477
- Cards 669
- Journey Through Grief books 68
- Memorial Services 20
- Weddings 1
- Sermons 4
- Renewal of wedding vows 1
- Baby dedications 8
- Teaching Bible classes in Oregon
- Counseling/mentoring (includes states such as Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin, as well as Brazil, Arizona, and Indonesia). I am honored to have worked with people, including pastors and missionaries.
- Church consultant. Provide visitation teaching materials for Real Life Ministries Church, Post Falls, Idaho. Tentative in-person teaching opportunity this summer. Mike and Penny Archer's home church.





## **MADERA CHURCH ANNUAL REPORT 2025**

The vision for Madera Church began about eight years ago when the Evangelical Free Church of Green Valley formed a Church Planting Culture Committee. EFCGV launched a search for a church-plant pastor and hired Pastor Bill White on July 15, 2019 to recruit and equip a team for a second church plant. In February 2020, the launch team met and voted to name the new church Madera Church. After a slow start due to COVID, Madera began holding weekly services at Continental School on March 21, 2021. Soon after, the church conducted a prayer walk to vacant land a quarter mile from the school, and EFCGV later purchased that property as a future home for Madera Church.

The year 2022 brought several significant milestones: Madera opened and managed its own bank account and payroll separate from EFCGV in June, hired Ryan Walters as Pastor of Youth and Outreach in July, and approved its church bylaws along with its first Elder and Deacon teams in November. Countless volunteers from both EFCGV and Madera have served sacrificially to make Madera a reality since its founding, and we are deeply grateful for everyone who has been part of this journey.

A few key details:

- 296 people make up Madera Church (231 average in FALL of 2025)
- 35 total public proclamations of faith in Jesus through baptism
- 98 volunteers serving on 19 ministry teams
- 76 children and youth ministered to in Madera Kids (our Preschool and Elementary ministry) and Youth @ Madera (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade).
  - o 2 EFCA Challenge Trips to St. Louis, in 2022 and 2024, with our over 40 youth
  - o 2 summer kids sports camps offered in 2023 and 2024
  - o 2 Family Mission Trips; to Nogales 2023 and Louisiana 2025
- 13 small groups (114 adults)
- 129 financial donors
- Over 2 million minutes of worship services viewed on YouTube
- 80 Madera Church Partners (29 new in 2025)
- October 2025 marked the last quarterly financial support given from EFCGV to Madera Church and also triggered Madera Church's official status (according to the Evangelical Free Church of America) changing from Church Plant to a full status EFCA Church.



# **ADULAM HISPANIC MINISTRY**

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2025**

We are very excited and grateful that EFCGV has embraced a new ministry: Adulam Hispanic Ministry.

Adulam is a Hispanic ministry made up of people from our local community. Our heart and mission are to share the good news of Jesus Christ and to introduce a personal relationship with Him to the Hispanic community along the I-19 corridor, including South Tucson, Sahuarita, Green Valley, Amado, Rio Rico, and Nogales.

Our official day we became a EFCGV Ministry was on September 2025. Each service includes praise and worship, a devotion rooted in God's Word, and an altar call that challenges and invites everyone into a deeper relationship with Christ. We also share a hot meal together as a family, fostering fellowship and unity. One of the greatest blessings of this ministry is the strong presence of young people who are growing in their faith and developing a hunger for the Lord.

Our prayer is that everyone who comes into contact with Adulam would truly fall in love with the Lord.

We are grateful that EFCGV allows us to meet in the Fellowship Center on Sundays and Fridays. In addition to our Sunday worship service, we hold Teen Night every Friday evening at 7:00 PM, creating a consistent space for discipleship, biblical teaching, and relationship-building.

Our roster reflects approximately 52 people on Sundays, and on Fridays we typically see 25–35 teens in attendance. Many who attend come from a Catholic background or have never been part of a Christian ministry before. For some, transitioning into a Christian environment can be difficult. Through Adulam, we lovingly challenge and teach them, walking alongside them as they grow in their understanding of faith and in their personal relationship with Christ.

In addition to our regular services, God has opened doors for outreach and unity with other ministries. We participated in an outreach in Amado, partnering with the Amado Youth Center drug prevention program and Sopor Elementary School, sharing hope with local youth and families. We also held a United Worship Service with Momentum, a youth ministry in Tucson, strengthening unity within the body of Christ and encouraging young believers across ministries. Additionally, The Rock of Sahuarita hosted a United Worship Service in Spanish (La Roca).

Over the past year, we organized fundraisers for youth camp, which was unfortunately canceled due to the fires at Mt. Lemmon. Currently, we are fundraising to attend the EFCA Youth Conference "Challenge 2026" in Kansas City, Missouri. We are very grateful to the EFCA for awarding us a scholarship of \$6,012, which has significantly helped move us closer to our goal. With this scholarship, we are now at 30.7% of our total fundraising goal. We are still seeking to raise \$17,169 to make it possible for 20 teens and 4 adult leaders to attend this conference. We truly believe this will be a life-changing opportunity for our youth as they grow in their faith.

We have also participated in special services and gatherings such as Easter Sunday, Good Friday, and the Christmas Program with EFCGV, as well as a time of communion together at Madera Canyon.

#### Leadership Team

- Victor & Milca Corrales – Director & Youth Ministry Leader
- Krystian Kirker – Fellowship Leader
- Grisel Martinez – Assistant Youth Ministry Leader
- Raphael Villa – President, Youth Ministry
- Raul Gastelum – Vice President, Youth Ministry
- Jose & Esther Corrales – Men's & Women's Ministry
- Arlet Gastelum – Social Media for Youth Ministry

We humbly ask for your continued prayers, that God would send workers who love Him deeply and are willing to serve and lead hispanic people to the feet of Jesus.

*"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."*

Matthew 9:37-38

Thank you for your support, guidance, and spiritual covering over Adulam Hispanic Ministry. We are grateful to be part of what God is doing through EFCGV.

With gratitude and respect,  
Victor & Milca Corrales  
*Adulam Hispanic Ministry*

Deacon Ministry

Bob Bybee, Head Deacon

Highlights:

Normal maintenance of the building and grounds continues.

Contracts for services, i.e. Heating and Cooling, electrical, Backflow Valve testing, beyond our capabilities.

All emergency systems are tested monthly and logged for Fire Marshall review.

A new automatic door opener was installed on the Admin office door early in the year.

The kitchen received a new coat of paint and a new stainless sink added in November.

Smoke detectors in kitchen area were upgraded.

We had a "paint party" in November to touch-up outside walls, sidewalk and our information sign. Lettering outside being refinished.

Bob Bybee, HDIC



**New Deacons and retired deacons. 2026**

continuing

Bob Bybee

Joe Campbell

Pat Crilly

New.

Howard Gaster

Bruce Gudanowski

Maurice Rick

Retired.

Paul Witzlib





## **GVEFC Choir Report 2025 – Nita Sharpley – Choir Director**

Your choir's goals and season.

--Sing--

1. Goals – To sing our congregation into the throne room of Almighty God then step aside as they enter to worship.

Plan – season mid-October through May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Every Sunday except two off during Christmas/New Year's season (following our concert).

Rehearsals every Thursday from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Including voice training warmups, devotions and prayer, Concerts – Christmas and Easter.

2. Goals for 2025 and 2026 –

Find more competent singers.

Stay healthy! Singing is Full Body Exercise.

Adjust to new lighting on platform.

Perhaps one-off campus engagement.

3. Time invested in this season      3,315 man hours

28 weeks x 2.5 hours per week per member = 70 hours

plus camps = 12 hours

plus tech rehearsals = 4 hours

86 hours

86 hours x 30 folks = 2,580 man hours

Connie piano practice = 617

Kevin Gordon computer prep of music = 80

Beth Kurtz computer for slides = 8

Jane cantata slides Christmas and Easter = 30

3,315 man hours Total

How can elders and decision makers help?

1. Prayer that we don't slip off the goal tightrope to the ego side. Must keep submission to God paramount and that we stay well.
2. When we ask for technical equipment we need, don't postpone and postpone, please. Many of our members have died while we wait and wait.

Thank you.

Sincerely because I love to sing.

Nita Sharpley



## Christian Education Annual Report for 2025

Praise be to God for this year's Bible teaching. The Schedule was full from January thru December. Christian Education classes are focused on teaching attendees how to become disciples for Christ. The term Sunday School was changed to Christian Education Classes on Sundays. This was done to let attendees know this is not kids Sunday School. It is aimed for adults only.

The classes held were as listed:

### DVD classes

<b>First Service – 8:30</b>	<b>Second Service = 10:15</b>
01/23/25 thru 3/2/25	01/23/25 thru 3/2/25
Sermon on the Mount by RC Sproul	Sermon on the Mount by RC Sproul
Hosted by Dr J Spencer	Hosted by D Natrass
3/9/25 Supported Global Partners Weekend	2/16/25 thru 3/30/25
3/30/25 thru 6/22/25	Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	<b>Hosted by Tom Henthorn</b>
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	4/6/25 -4/13/25
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Easter by C Stanley
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Hosted by G tackitt
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	4/20/25
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Easter by M Reeves
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	hosted by G Tackitt
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	4/27/25 thru 5/4/25
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Everywhere is Jerusalem
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	hosted by G Tackitt
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	5/18 thru 6/1/25
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Evidence that Demands A Verdict
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Hosted by D Natrass
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	6/8/25 thru 6/15/25
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Carry the Flame with Max Lucado
Parables of Jesus by RC Sproul	Hosted by G Tackitt
<b>6/29/25</b>	6/15/25 thru 6/29/25
Jack Hibbs	Jack Hibbs
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	<b>Hosted by G Tackitt</b>
<b>7/6/25</b>	7/6/25
<b>God in America</b>	God in America
<b>Hosted by G Tackitt</b>	<b>Hosted by G Tackitt</b>
<b>7/13/25 thru 7/27/25</b>	7/13/25 thru 7/27/25
<b>Help is Here with Max Lucado</b>	Help is Here with Max Lucado
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	<b>Hosted by Tom Henthorn</b>

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<b>First Service – 8:30</b>	<b>Second Service = 10:15</b>
8/3/25 thru 9/7/25	8/3/25 thru 9/7/25
Face to Face with Jesus with RC Sproul	Face to Face with Jesus with RC Sproul
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	<b>Hosted by T Milne</b>
9/14/25 thru 10/19/25	9/14/25 thru 10/19/25
True Spirituality with Chip Ingram	True Spirituality with Chip Ingram
<b>Hosted by B Jones</b>	<b>Hosted by D Natrass</b>
10/26/25 thru 11/23/25	10/26/25 thru 11/23/25
What Happens Next with Max Lucado	What Happens Next with Max Lucado
Hosted by B Jones	<b>Hosted by Tom Henthorn</b>
12/7/25 thru 12/14/25	12/7/25 thru 12/14/25
Ninja's of Christmas with J MacArthur	Ninja's of Christmas with J MacArthur
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	<b>Hosted by T Milne</b>
12/21/25	12/21/25
Christmas with RC Sproul/C Stanley	Christmas with RC Sproul/C Stanley
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	<b>Hosted by T Milne</b>
12/28/25	12/28/25
Mysteries of Christmas with J MacArthur	Mysteries of Christmas with J MacArthur
<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>	<b>Hosted by T Milne</b>

<b>In Bible Study classes (10:15, classroom 1)</b>	
1/5/25 thru 4/6/25	
2 Corinthians	<b>Hosted by R Penton</b>
9/14/25 thru 11/30/25	
Book of Hebrews	Hosted by Pastor Anderson
<b>All-Church Bible Study classes</b>	Thursdays 9:30 to 11:00
<b>2/6/25 thru 3/27/25</b>	
<b>Colossians</b>	<b>Hosted by Pastor R Jacobson</b>
<b>9/11/25 thru 10/2/25</b>	
<b>Parables of Jesus</b>	<b>Hosted by Pastor B Van Sickle</b>
<b>10/9/25 thru 12/18/25</b>	
<b>Game Changer, the Book</b>	<b>Hosted by Pastor S Gowdy</b>
<b>Monthly Movies May thru August</b>	
May – Expelled – No intelligence Allowed	<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>
June - Woodlawn	<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>
July – Paul – Apostle of Christ	<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>
August – Facing Darkness: True Story of Faith	<b>Hosted by B Hocking</b>

## **Christian Education Annual Report for 2025**

### **Budget Performance of CE 2025**

The original budget authorized for CE was \$2,500

Movie Licenses: CVLI for 1 year - \$307.59

Honorarium for Pastor Steven Gowdy (for 35 books) – 350

CE Supplies - \$1973.39 (includes videos, licenses and supplies)

Misc Expenses \$526.61 (these expenses were charged to CE, but were not approved by the chair persons)

Balance as of 31 Dec \$422.27

### **Plans for 2026 -**

Christian Education Committee will continue to provide educational subjects to help our members become well-versed witnesses for Jesus Christ. The committee will continue to use videos by well-known presenters for Sunday CE classes. Our Thursday classes will continue schedule in-depth subjects by well versed facilitators. These classes are not fully continuous throughout the year. Sterritt Fuller and Gene Tackitt will continue as Co-chairs of the Committee. Sterritt leads the classes that are in=Bible studies, i.e., Sunday classes in classroom 1 and the Thursday classes. Gene will continue leading the two Sunday video classes and the Bible Journaling meetings held on Wednesday mornings. We welcome any and all new attendees for our classes!

This completes the 2025 year's activities. It was a busy year with many challenges.

Sterritt Fuller, co-chair

Gene Tackitt, co-chair



Décor Committee  
Annual Report 2025

**Décor Committee:**

Judy Alkire  
Janet Barr  
Carole Coney  
Connie Entwistle  
Jeanette Foy  
Donna Gall  
Janie Machina  
Janis May  
Corine Monsen  
Jane Reichert

Purpose of the Décor Committee:

This committee is responsible for the décor in the church building and responsible to God and the Council of the EFCGV. We do our best to design, arrange and display only that which glorifies our Lord and is appropriate for this church setting.

We redesign the donated flowers and then the Jacobson's redistribute them to individuals or to one of the Care Facilities. It is a means to let individuals know they are loved and being thought of and missed.

We are also responsible for working with families as they prepare for the memorial for their loved one.

We would like to thank the various members who have:

- Provided fresh or silk flowers in honor of or in memory of anniversaries, birthdays, loved ones or other celebrated events.
- Donated items or completed tasks that have enhanced our Church and worship experience.
- Helped us set up for special occasions and take down.
- Appreciate each year the support we get from our Deacon liaison and each person who responds to our call for help.

Without your help this committee would not be able to carry out the responsibilities that we have in serving the Lord through this church.

The Décor Committee would especially like to say a special **Thank You** to: Bob Achterberg, Steve Tidwell, Chuck Gall, Dave Coffee, Bob Bybee and Nick Alban.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Janis May, Chairman



## Family Care Report 2025

At the close of 2025 we were able to come alongside many in our congregation.

This year there were 16 members/ attendees who passed on. Several were former members who had since moved away to be near family. There were 5 who chose a luncheon to follow the service. Two chose a cookie reception. Three chose their service out of state and one at the Marana Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Information/ membership classes were held on January 18th, April 26th (11), September 13th (21) & another (4) I am ever grateful to the 4 ladies who brought and set up refreshments & beverages.

On October 19th we welcomed 16 of 25 included in our 90+ Birthday Celebration. They each received a signed birthday card (made for us by Denise) and note cards (from Frankie Hein). A choice of a flavored mini bundt cake was provided. Our oldest member (unable to attend) is 101 years old.

In November, 49 Thanksgiving meals and cards were delivered by 6 drivers. 3 callers helped and 6 + 4 Salvation Army people plated and organized the meals. This couldn't be accomplished without Pat Jacobson who co-chairs this outreach program. Many help throughout the year serving

meals to families in need. They are so appreciated assisting/ serving at Celebrations of Life luncheons.

I continue to attend Women's Ministry meetings and 2 Calendar Summits each year.

Barbara Cucci, FC Chair

Our current need is a Special Events Coordinator. Please help if you can.

# Finish Well Annual Report for 2025

## Overview of Achievements in 2025

- Mission statement was created to guide our vision and activities.
- Development of a brochure was completed
- Survey of the congregation was conducted as to their needs and interests.
- 6 classes were held. Average attendance 50

## Finish Well Team Members

- May Moss
- Ted DeZurik
- Karen Long
- Marie Belles
- Shirley Gray
- Maria Lodico
- Sylvia Collins

## Topics Covered

- End of Life Planning
- Hospice
- Wills and Trusts
- Burial and Cremation Options
- Community Resources – Valley Assistance, Fire Department, and Friends Indeed
- Living Options – The Peaks, Evercare Placement Services, Organizing & Decluttering

## Challenges

- Assisting those reluctant to seek help
- Effective advertising to whet appetites for class attendance
- Finding qualified speakers for the topics

## Projected Goals for 2026

Continue helping congregants work on Finishing Well by holding 7 classes

## Possible Topics for the Future

- Legacy Giving
- Life story writing
- Products to organize end-of-life papers
- Home safety / Security
- Cyber Security
- Handling Digital Footprint
- Group Homes
- Assisted Living Options
- Self-Care (Nutrition, Physical health, Mental Health)
- Memory Care Options
- Caregiver Awareness
- Helpful Tips

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Collins, Finish Well Team Leader

## FITNESS – MARGO CAMPBELL

The 2025 EFCGV Exercise Class met on Mondays and Fridays 9:00-10:30 January through November.

There were 12-20 participants at each session where we worked on balance, strength, and stretching. We not only worked on keeping our physical body strong but also had

Devotion and prayer time.

Margo Campbell



## **GRIEFSHARE 2025 ANNUAL REPORT – KATHY WILKE, GROUP LEADER**

- Beginning in January 2025 we had the largest Grief Share 13-week program ever, with 23 people initially registering and 20 completing the program. As our "baby boomer" demographic ages, larger groups can be anticipated to be the norm rather than the exception.
- We completed the transition from Chris Humes as Program Director to Kathy Wilke taking the helm in late 2024. During 2025, God has sent five new volunteers to help us meet the need. Each of these volunteers has been through the program themselves as a grieving participant, and all have now gone through Grief Share training and are participating in the January 2026 class.
- Chris Humes coordinated two "alumni meetings" over the summer, which were opportunities for discussion of ongoing issues, a devotional time and continuing fellowship. Also, a Grief Share "graduate" opened her home to an Ice Cream Social that was well-attended.
- Additionally, the program "Loss of a Spouse" was presented in October 2025 and the "Surviving the Holidays" program in November. Combined, these programs had 13 attendees.
- We have begun the 2026 Grief Share season on January 5, with 15 participants registered at the first meeting. This class will run through March.

The above are bullet points for your annual report, Katherine. Let me know if you need any additional info. As you remember, I don't take pictures at our meetings, for obvious reasons. I believe there are some stock pictures at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org) you might be able to snatch if you need artwork, or you can call them and ask for any ministry coach, and I'm pretty sure someone can get you something. 800-395-5755 East Coast business hours.

For Jim's further information, I will say that I do intend to have a table at the Ministry Fair (room permitting) but I am very blessed that I have a large enough staff of volunteers (almost all are year-round residents, a couple are "snowbirds") that I don't need to try to recruit more. Also, it was a God-sent blessing to get all these new leaders; I did not put out a call or make any requests other than pray and ask God for guidance as to whether the program needs to be expanded beyond once a year for the long program and Loss of a

Spouse. His response was to send volunteers unasked! I believe he has fully equipped this ministry such that we are in a good position to provide more programs and events to our church and the community going forward. I will continue to watch throughout the year as to the degree/number of losses our church family experiences, and perhaps we will want to repeat GS at the end of the summer/early fall. I feel very good that we can do this without overburdening the volunteers, and as the program is basically self-funded (we charge participants \$20 to cover the cost of the participant workbook; occasionally we "eat the cost" if it is a problem for someone), it will not materially impact the church budget.

God is GOOD even in the face of loss, grief and suffering!

Kathy Wilke

GriefShare Leader



# LIBRARY REPORT 2025

2025 was a very busy year. Once again over 542 books checked out, and we received over 1,000 donated books. The donated books were divided between our use, gifts to the Nogales Library, and the White Elephant.

Our annual book sale brought in only \$30 as we gave most of the books out free to those who wanted them. The \$30 was given to the church.

We helped the Pastor unload and ~~move~~ his books and we continue to help him with arranging and giving away.

Puzzles, as always, were the MOST loaned out items, averaging 25 a week, we added a new committee person who checks all the puzzles and cares for them. We still have not ever bought a puzzle and most weeks we receive donated ones.

We rearranged the portable shelving and book drop to make the library more open and to have less crowding at the entry to the Fellowship center. All small tables and shelves went back to their owners or to the White Elephant.

Many free Bibles were given to us and most were taken by others to give to neighbors or family members. We were given so many that there is always a few for the taking. We also save and give out calendars.

Another great year for the four members of the committee.

Kate Crilly, librarian

Chris Hagen  
Marion Zuck  
Shirley Niel



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**Evangelical Free Church**  
**Account QuickReport**  
 January through December 2025

2025 Budget  
\$400.00

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES</b>					
<b>Library</b>					
Credit Card Charge	01/06/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	tape dispenser	37.01
Credit Card Charge	02/10/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	Book	15.90
Credit Card Charge	07/30/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	Pastor's Book	33.92
Credit Card Charge	08/27/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	Pastor's Book of the M...	16.75
Credit Card Charge	09/09/2025	AMEX	Demco	supplies	64.11
Credit Card Charge	10/20/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	Book	26.51
Credit Card Charge	10/31/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	book	14.58
Credit Card Charge	12/02/2025	AMEX	Amazon.com	Book	14.42
Total Library					223.20
Total ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES					223.20
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>223.20</b>



## MEMORIAL GARDEN - PAUL WITZLIB/ LINDA UTHMAN

The Memorial Garden located on the east side of the church. We have an area with two benches, and you will notice several plaques on the wall with the names of dearly departed loved ones. It is a quiet area where one may sit and reminisce of the times with your loved one. We have added a nice pergola so one may sit in the shade.

To purchase a nameplate, there is an information pamphlet in the foyer on the right side when you enter the church. The cost is \$150.00.

For any additional information please contact Linda Uthman, Paul Witzlib, or the front office.



## **Men's Ministry 2025**

### **Bible Study, Prayer and Fellowship**

**Our Bible study was very strong this year. We had fellow Church members teaching. Steritt Fuller, Dale Cook, Gary Loving and new to Men's Ministry Butch Watkins who was a big hit.**

**We also had Guest Speakers featuring: Stefan Silver from Israel, Pastor Bocheck from Turkey and Bryon Brock from UIM Ministries. Craig [Sawman] Sawyer gave us an update on vets4childrescue. Kieth Wiede reported on his trip to the Congo representing the Gideons.**

**We had our conference in March with Guest Speaker Dr. Erwin Lutzer. We did not sell out as hoped. Our ticket sales were \$4996.00 and our cost was \$7951.20. It was voted on and passed to not have a conference in 2026.**

**We also had a good fellowship and outreach event when we sponsored our First Responders lunch featuring 3 food trucks. We had a wonderful turnout from First Responders and Church members.**

**Our prayer time is very important to our ministry and we receive many thank you cards for our prayers.**

**Jorge and Angie Legazppy did a great job of serving our monthly breakfast.**

**Our leadership team will have the following men coming off the team.**

**Don Densmore, Bill Medcalf and Pat Palmer. Jim Volenck also might come off. The new Chairman will be Bill Jones and the new Secretary will be Bruce Hocking with Kieth Wiede remaining as Treasurer.**

**In 2025 we gave out \$1200 in Honorariums. Our budget ending account balance is \$1532.17 and reserve account is \$458.72.**

**It's been my pleasure to serve,**

**Pat Palmer**





Evangelical Free Church of Green Valley

## **Missions Committee Annual Report – 2025**

Joe Ellis, Chairman

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Meetings of the Missions Committee are held on the third Tuesday at 9:00 am of each month with the exception of July when the Committee is dark.

Members that served this calendar year are: Larry Ashby (past chair); Robin Barnes (current Treasurer); Marty Blaine (ended term in December); Joe Ellis (past Vice Chair, current Chair); Sterritt Fuller (Elder rep); Janet Funderburk; Pam Graham; Louise Gordon; Pia Harrison (left Committee after '25 GPW); Carl Lodico (senior Pastor); Tom Marek (current Vice Chair); Kirk McFall (Elder rep); Jerry Miel (past Treasurer); Mike Millikin; and Jane Smith. During the year, various church staff attended such as Bruce Van Sickle and Jack Capan, who filled in with the vacancy of our senior pastor. Each Committee member is responsible to shepherd from two to three GPs.

As of January 2026, we have one vacancy on the Committee and are planning for two additional vacancies before our term year that ends in June. Announcements for additional members have been made and vacancies will be timely filled going forward.

Our calendar for the year ramps up in December with final preparations for Global Partner Weekend (GPW) that is customarily scheduled for the first weekend in March, though the GPW sub-committee meets during the year shortly after the GPW is done in March. For the remainder of the year, we endeavor to keep in touch with our 29 Global Partners (GP) and determine what special needs might arise over the year, such as natural disasters, medical emergencies, ministry opportunities, and unanticipated travel needs.

An annual highlight is always preparing to send our Christmas “Bonus” Gift of \$505.00 to each individual GP. If you are wondering why the extra \$5.00, it is to differentiate the monthly support transactions of \$500.00 from the one-time Christmas gifts. Last December, the Committee distributed \$13,635.00 to directly our 27 GPs (note, we didn’t send gifts to our two organization GPs — NACA and Resourcing Ministries Partners).

March, 6-8, marked our GPW weekend where we invited and brought Nina and Slobodan Jankucic (EFCA ReachGlobal, Roma Networks); Tom and Dora Becker (EFCA ReachGlobal, Roma Ministries); and Lisa Schlunga (YWAM Ukraine but temporarily in Poland). Funds raised during the weekend was \$30,375.00 and divided between the three GPs.

## Missions Committee Annual Report – 2025

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During the year, the Committee evaluates special needs that are brought to our attention from our regular communications our members have with their GPs. These special projects can amount to Bibles, funds for scholarships to seminars, money for pizzas for high school evangelistic events, and special seat covers for UIM Aviation aircraft seats. We discuss and evaluate the needs which are made mainly by Committee members. Occasionally, some needs are tabled for more information. Regardless, every need presented is voted on and recorded in our minutes for that month. One of the joys of serving on the MC is the residual funds that allow us to help one-time needs as they occur.

The following table represents the distribution of funds from the 26% allotment from church donation income:

1	Monthly GP Support	\$312,150.00
2	Christmas Gifts	\$13,635.00
3	Special Projects	\$37,138.00
4	GP Visits	\$11,450.00
5	Disaster Relief	\$3,000.00
6	GP Weekend Expenses	\$6,661.40
7	Miscellaneous Expense	\$541.45

*Note: these figures will not balance with actual 26% income due to reserve funds and balances. For accurate accounting, the Committee's Monthly Accounting Reports are available in the Church office along with the Minutes from our monthly meetings.*

*Prepared by Joe Ellis & Robin Barnes, January 7, 2026*



## **POWERHOUSE PRAYER ANNUAL REPORT 2025**

The EFC Powerhouse Prayer Ministry currently has 17 regularly active couples and individual volunteers and a few 'back-up' folks available in a pinch. Every Sunday service during 2025 (104 services) was covered with prayer by an individual or a couple. Prayer is done in Pastor Jack Capen's office, or in some cases from the home of the volunteer.

Since some of our ministry members are couples, theoretically each couple or individual was needed to pray during 6 or 7 services throughout the year. Many are monthly volunteers, but not everyone's schedule can accommodate an every month commitment. So, it can seem like a bit of a juggling act sometimes, until God brings the right member to the fore and blesses us all with prayer coverage. After spending a service praying for everyone in the congregation and on the church property, Powerhouse Prayer volunteers regularly report that they feel like they are the ones blessed!

New volunteers are warmly welcomed as we carry the Powerhouse Prayer Ministry into 2026. Powerhouse Prayer has no budgeting needs.

Chris Hagen, Coordinator



## REMEMBRANCE SERVICE – MARGO CAMPBELL

The 2025 Remembrance Service was held on Sunday November 09, 2025.

The theme this year was God's Comfort the message was given by Pastor Lodico and twelve verses from the Bible were shared about comfort along with five comfort hymns the congregation participated in singing led by Pastor Bruce Van Sickle.

The Remembrance Committee consisted of Pastor Ron and Pat Jacobsen, Sue Coffee, Myra Jane Murphy, and Margo Campbell.

Margo Campbell



## **2025 Annual Report for the Safety, Security and Medical Team Ministry**

**Mission Statement:** The Safety, Security and Medical Team is a ministry consisting of both men and women dedicated to providing a safe and secure environment to all individuals who come onto EFC Green Valley property. Our goal is to be a welcoming point of contact for anyone requiring any type of assistance.

### **Highlights from 2025:**

- \* Over 25 dedicated members serving between an hour to 8 hours or more every week.
- \* More than 60 man-hours served per week on Sunday mornings = more than 3,100 annually.
- \* More than 25 man-hours served per week at Sunday evening and weekday events = more than 1,300 annually.
- \* Totaling more than 85 man-hours served per week or nearly 4,500 annually during 2025.
- \* Besides Sunday morning Services, nearly 100 other weekday and Sunday Evening events that team members were present for during the year included:  
  
Women's Bible Studies, Women's Luncheons, Celebration of Life services, Grief Share classes, Special Holiday Services, Concerts, Global Partner Events, Christmas Tea, White Cross, Estate Sales, Exercise Classes, Men's Ministry, and more.
- \* 4 former medical professionals are serving, and an additional 10 members are trained in First Aid, AED and CPR.
- \* Currently serving is an AZ Ranger, as well as men retired from USCBP, NJ State Trooper, MN LEO, and numerous Military Vets.
- \* 10 members annually certify as AZ Armed Security Guards, 6 more are expected certified in 2026.
- \* Monthly training of armed team members is scheduled.
- \* Training for Parking Lot Personnel using Sheriff's Dept protocols.
- \* Periodic Team meetings to learn and train together.
- \* Membership and training through both the AZ Church Security Network and the US Concealed Carry Association.

\* Implemented a complete building key - code installation and distribution / records system - using a master locksmith serving on the team at no expense to EFC Green Valley.

Goals for 2026: To provide a safe and secure environment to all individuals who come onto EFC Green Valley property, and to be a welcoming point of contact for anyone requiring any type of assistance.

If you are looking for a ministry to serve on, please consider joining the Safety, Security and Medical Team Ministry.

Todd Gould

Safety, Security & Medical Team Ministry

EFC Green Valley

203-650-1684



## Budget for Welcome Center/Greeters & Ushers

Total Budget for 2026        \$300.00

Bags

Toys, Color book & crayons

Mints for Candy dish at welcome counter

No leadership change

Training meeting scheduled Sat, after Volunteer Fair

Sincerely,

Pam Graham



## White Cross Report 2025

There are an average of 12 ladies that come to sew and knit or crochet.

Our outreach is to YOYO (Youth On Your Own) in Tucson, Crossroads Mission, Unto, Hands of Hope, Answers for Life, Cuirim Outreach, & Samaritans Purse.

In June a suitcase was sent to Nina Jankucic in Europe. Tom & Dora Becker were traveling there and were kind enough to bring it to them.

Each one brings their talents and is a blessing to the group.

Barbara Cucci



## **WOMEN'S MINISTRY YEAR-END REPORT 2025**

**2025 was a full, busy year for Women's Ministry.  
Following is a list of planned events and activities for the year.**

### **BIBLE STUDIES**

**Johnna Bryant - Bible Study Chair until May when Jenifer Clark accepted that position**

**Attendance: From 50 – 60 women each study**

Winter Bible Study

ROMANS 8 – A three-week study

Jean Capen, Facilitator

PROVERBS – A four-week study

Johnna Bryant, Facilitator

Spring Bible Study

HEAVEN – When Faith Becomes Sight

By Jenifer Rothschild

Beth Adair, Facilitator

Fall Bible Study

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

By Melissa Spoelstra

Jenifer Clark, Facilitator

### **WOMEN'S LUNCHEONS**

**Alice Simmons - Women's Luncheons Chair**

The Women's Luncheons were held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of January, February, April, May, September, and October. The lunch was either catered or potluck, followed by a speaker, and were a great time of fellowship and inspiration for the 50 – 60 women who attended.

### **SPRING RENEWAL**

**Jenifer Clark – Spring Renewal Chair**

SPRING RENEWAL Theme – Restoration

Kathleen Fleming – speaker

Eighty women attended the Friday evening, all-day Saturday Spring Renewal. There were 16 women on the Spring Renewal committee, who put their talents together to make it a wonderful time of self-reflection and healing. On Friday evening the music was provided by the Men's Choir and Saturday worship was led by Marty Blaine and her team. The lunch was catered by Angie's Catering. This year prayer time was incorporated into the program and the

comments were so positive, both about the renewal and about Kathy, our speaker, and how much the women who attended were blessed.

Jenifer Clark

2025 Spring Renewal Chair

### **CARD MINISTRY**

**Jenifer Clark sends card to women of the church, giving words of encouragement and hope to those who are suffering from illness or loss of a loved one.**

### **CHRISTMAS TEA**

**Corine Monsen – Christmas Tea Chair**

**Christmas Tea theme – WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS**

This year the Christmas Tea had three sold out days. 120 each day for 3 days. Saturday, our final day we had 1 empty table. The Hostess was invited to sit at another table because she had no guests show up. The meals for that table were packaged to go for the homebound. Jerry Bob's left the excess food that had at the end of each day that we also used for the homebound and guests that could not attend. Our entire meal this year was gluten-free and I believe everyone was pleased with that.

We had 10-15 NEW guests each of the three days. And we had 3-4 NEW HOSTESS' each of the three days.

Total Hours put in for the year on the Christmas Tea was 800-1000 hours. This includes our monthly meetings, our Centerpiece and Ornament workshops and all our volunteers decorating and helping during the week of the event.

There were approximately 30 men per day serving the women for the three days of the Tea.

We were able to complete decorating in the Fellowship Center all in One Day (Monday). Tuesday and Wednesday we spent ironing Chair Backs and Seat Covers, placing them on the chairs, setting up and dressing tables for Thursday. All the Centerpieces were given away, 8 per day (special placement of tickets each of the three days), and were picked up by Sunday after 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

Even though we had a few minor hiccups on Thursday, everything went relatively smoothly.

I only heard positive feedback from all the attendees, volunteers and hostesses. Everyone loved the program and many tears were shed as hearts were really touched this year.

Corine Monsen

2025 Christmas Tea Chair

A special thank you to all those who worked behind the scenes in the kitchen working with the caterer, and to those who prepared and served meals to the men who served the women. Well done.

### **PREPARE HIM ROOM**

Our final event of the year was PREPARE HIM ROOM, a virtual event offered at no charge on the Wednesday morning following the Christmas Tea. It was a beautiful program, coordinated by Kathy Wilke and attended by about 50 women.

I have also attached a copy of our budget provided by Gail Volenec, our treasurer showing how we keep track of income/expenses during our year. We appreciate the backing of the \$4000 budget we are allocated by the church. We make every effort to cover most of our expenses for each event.

Respectfully submitted,  
Johnna Bryant  
Women's Ministry Chair

