



2025 Ministry Report

MOBILIZING CHURCHES



MULTIPLYING IMPACT



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Greetings from the 2,836 churches of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention!

This is a historic year as the SBTC, along with Southern Baptists worldwide, celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Cooperative Program and the Baptist Faith and Message.

The SBTC was established for missional cooperation and theological agreement. Today, affiliated churches demonstrate missional cooperation by contributing through the Cooperative Program and express theological agreement by affirming the Baptist Faith and Message 2000.

Therefore, it is fitting that this 100th anniversary is recognized as a significant milestone for our convention of churches.

The SBTC remains focused on **mobilizing churches to multiply disciple-making movements in Texas and around the world**. We come alongside churches, guiding them onto three strategic pathways:

Resourcing Churches

with tools and training

Networking Leaders

with relationships and partnerships

Advancing Mission

with giving and sending opportunities

God is blessing this focus, as highlighted in this report. I will be praying for you as you gather to celebrate God's work in 2025 and seek His guidance for the year ahead.



Mission Focus

We mobilize churches to multiply disciple-making movements in Texas and around the world.

Mobilization occurs through three strategic pathways.



Resourcing Churches

This pathway provides churches with practical tools and training opportunities for all aspects of ministry and mission.

Equip Conference

Equip Conference is a key event on this pathway, offering more than 200 breakout sessions for pastors and lay leaders. At this year's conference in Houston, there were 975 attendees from approximately 186 churches. In January, we launched a regional Equip Conference in Lubbock, which was attended by 350 leaders from 57 churches.

Deacon Training

We have launched a new deacon training curriculum called, Chosen to Serve. This resource aims to equip deacons with biblical principles and practices—empowering them to serve their churches faithfully, support their pastors effectively, and help sustain the overall health of the church. SBTC field representatives are available to assist churches with implementing this valuable training.

Regenesis

Many SBTC churches are experiencing renewal through the Regenesis process. Since its launch in 2022, over 467 churches have participated in some capacity—162 so far in 2025. The recent addition of Regenesis Español has significantly expanded the initiative's capacity.

Networking Leaders

This pathway is designed with an increasing number of networks, groups, teams, and events to encourage leaders by fostering relationships and partnerships. The signature event on this pathway is the SBTC Annual Meeting. This year's meeting is scheduled for October 27-28 at Southcrest Baptist Church in Lubbock, featuring an International Mission Board Sending Celebration.

New Networks

We are identifying affinity groups that need an ongoing network. Recently, we launched a network for Executive Pastors and Administrators. Additionally, the Shepherds Collective network for lead pastors is set to launch this fall at the Annual Meeting.



Advancing Mission

This pathway provides opportunities to give and send that maximize the church's impact. The key event on this pathway is the annual Empower Conference, which encourages churches and leaders to fulfill the Great Commission. This year's conference in February attracted over 3,200 attendees from more than 400 churches.

Church Planting

In 2024, the SBTC planted 65 churches across Texas, and the momentum has continued into 2025. God is blessing, and together we are working to fulfill the Great Commission by planting healthy, gospel-focused churches. Sending Labs are being held throughout Texas to equip pastors and church leaders to become effective sending churches. We have also launched a residency builder workshop to help churches realize their potential in discovering, developing, and deploying leaders.

Collegiate Ministry

The future of the church continues to grow stronger through this ministry, which has engaged over 616 staff members, leaders, and students so far this year. This year's Roundup Conference equipped 75 churches in college ministry. The Commons Student Conference remains an effective tool for reaching students.

Disaster Relief Ministry

The ministry continues to make an impact in Texas and beyond, responding to 34 disasters over the past year. To date, we have recorded: 2,827 professions of faith, 64,100 volunteer hours, prepared 138,095 meals, washed 4,447 loads of laundry, and cleaned up 181 storm-damaged homes. The response to the floods in Central Texas is ongoing. The generosity of SBTC churches in this effort has served as a powerful witness in the area.

SBTC En Español

This ministry is experiencing a significant increase in engagement across all areas. Over 650 people attended the Hombres de Impacto men's conference. There were 750 attendees at the Florece Women's retreat. The Youth Week summer camp had 540 students registered from 26 churches. We continue to see growth in the Spanish tracks offered at our major events.

Reach Europe

Europe's Christian population accounts for 1.1% of the continent's 820 million people. As a result, it is not only one of the least engaged continents but also one of the most strategic. Nearly every people group and language in the world is represented on the continent. Recently, we formed a partnership with the International Mission Board in seven cities across Western Europe. In May, the SBTC led a group of pastors and leaders on a vision tour across Europe to build partnerships with IMB teams.

Student Ministry

The ministry mobilizes churches to reach the next generation for Christ. In 2025, students participated in events, retreats, and camps. This summer, 6,360 teenagers and 184 churches attended M3 Camp. At these camps, an estimated 815 students responded to the gospel through professions of faith, commitments to be baptized, or by answering a call to serve in vocational ministry.



Celebrating 100 years of SBC Cooperation

Throughout 2025, the SBTC and Southern Baptists worldwide have been celebrating this milestone, giving glory to God for His favor on the Cooperative Program.

We have been encouraging churches to celebrate this milestone in three ways:



Pray
for record CP giving



Plan
a CP Sunday



Post
a personal testimony

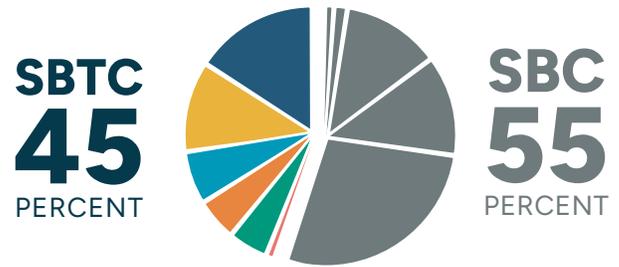
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Celebrating 100 years of Cooperative Giving

The Cooperative Program (CP) is the SBTC's primary funding source. The SBTC budget retains 45% of each CP gift to mobilize affiliated churches, while sending 55% through the Southern Baptist Convention for national and international ministry and missions.

The Reach Texas State Missions Offering further advances SBTC's mission. 100% of the Reach Texas Offering is used for missions and evangelism.



Southern Baptists of Texas Convention

35.1%

Missional Ministries

- Church Planting
- Evangelism Training
- Disaster Relief
- Children, Student, & Collegiate Ministries

24.82%

Church Health & Leadership

- Pastors, Staff & Church Leadership
- Church Ministries, Revitalization
- Regional Connections

15.01%

Digital Ministries & Communications

- Digital Resources
- Technology Ministries
- Texan Magazine

11.76%

Business & Operations

- Stewardship
- Tax Seminars
- Administration

11.32%

Cooperative Ministries

- Cooperative Program
- Reach Texas Offering
- Associations, Networks

1.99%

In-State Special Allocation

- Protection Benefit
- Minister's Outside Retirement

Southern Baptist Convention

50.41%

International Mission Board

22.79%

North American Mission Board

22.16%

Theological Education

2.99%

SBC Operating Budget

1.65%

Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission

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ANNUAL  MEETING

OCTOBER 27-28

Southcrest Baptist Church, Lubbock

MONDAY NIGHT

IMB Sending Celebration

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