



DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH



YEAR IN REVIEW.

As we close out 2025, and even my time as a SCA International intern, I wanted to reflect on what God has done. It's a bit longer, but I hope you'll scroll through and see what we were able to accomplish for God's glory.

This year we moved to bi-weekly services, held our first basketball camp, had a mother's day outreach, held multiple clothing drives, and volunteered in our community. We have had our first baptism and are looking forward to more in 2026!

THANK YOU.

Thank you SCA and all of the support you've shown me and Downtown Community Church over the years. Your support has been a great blessing for us. Thank you for investing in the lives of men and women here.

As you look through what God has done in 2025, I hope you will praise him. I pray that you will rejoice in the doors God has opened for us and know that you all have been a part of starting this church plant.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

- Adam Diamond





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*Our flyer for
The Lantern,
the facility
we rent.*

BIBLE STUDY

*Is the Bible still relevant? Do you
have doubts or questions about
God?*

*Join us as we study the Gospel of
John and come with all of your
questions and doubts!*

Wednesdays

7 PM

Lamaline Room

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THE GOSPEL OF JOHN.

This month we started a new series on the gospel of John. It's been a couple of years since we've gone through one of the gospels, so we felt it was time to do one again. Originally we were doing a video series, but we changed that on the 29th.

Our study is now an inductive one, which simply means we ask questions together about the text. We work through how to properly study a passage in its context and how to bridge the gap to modern day. It was a huge success!

PRAYER NIGHT.

On January 28th we held our second prayer night at the local elementary school. In total we have twelve people join us to pray for the students and staff at the school, for more relationships downtown, and for deeper discipleship in all of our churches.

It was a great time of singing and prayer and it still amazes me that we're able to do this in a public school. Thankfully we don't need twenty people for God to hear our prayers for for this to be considered a success!



*Praying at
the local
elementary
school.*

JANUARY 2025



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FIRST SERVICE OF 2025.

We held our monthly service on January 19th and had fourteen people in attendance. It was a great afternoon with everyone as we sang and heard from the word. I brought a message from Colossians 3:12-17 about Real Friendship and what it looks like in a biblical community.

We want to be a church that models this type of community to anyone who visits us and as we do outreach. Because we are united in Christ we live differently, which means I forgive as the Father forgives. It also means that we bear with one another and even correct one another and don't claim that we're being judged.





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SPRING BASKETBALL CAMP.

I hate to say it, but we've had to cancel our plans for a spring basketball camp. We were unable to secure a facility to hold the camp, so we've had to shift gears for our upcoming mission team.

Please be in prayer as we start working towards a 3-day free clothing market and free music lessons. We're actively looking for ways to engage our community and form relationships. I'm praying we meet new people and can start having a real impact on our downtown!

*Our
advertisement
for our
basketball
camp in
March.*





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It was a blessing to baptize Pius on March 30th.

OUR FIRST BAPTISM.

It was a great honour and blessing to be able to hold our first baptism as a church plant! Pius is a young man from Ghana who is studying in the city. Pius has been a dedicated part of Downtown Community Church since last Fall.

I've been able to walk with Pius since then and have been blessed by his desire to serve the Lord. Pius had never had the opportunity to be baptized before, so we took the opportunity to walk with him through why baptism is important and what it means! Pray for him as he continues to follow the Lord.

MARCH SERVICE.

Our service in March was on the 16th and it was both discouraging and encouraging! We had our lowest attendance yet with 12 people. I was a little discouraged by the poor turnout, as there were a number of people who were supposed to attend.

The Lord guided my mind as I went through the people who were missing. We were missing 7 people simply because of sickness and unexpected events. We would have had a service with 19 people, so I was thankful for that and the 12 people who came!



We have a hope that will not disappoint and it's found in Jesus.



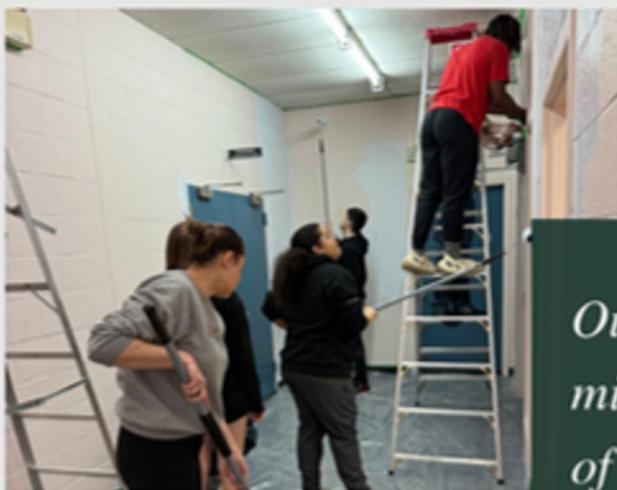
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SPRING MISSION TEAM.

Despite having to cancel our plans for a Spring Basketball Camp, we found some fantastic ways to reach the community. We painted the community centre that we rent and we held a free clothing market for three afternoons. We served 60-80 people in those three days!

God both opened doors and our eyes this week.

Businesses took information about the clothing drive and put it in their windows, something we didn't think would happen without a previous relationship. We think we've now found a way further into the community while meeting a physical need, but still pointing people to a solution for their spiritual needs.



*Our first
mission team
of the year
hard at
work!*



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OUR MONTHLY SERVICE.

We held our service on May 18th and had eleven people join us. It was our smallest attendance yet, which really isn't that bad! I preached a message on our first value as a church plant, Genuine Love.

It was great to be able to speak to our people about what love really is and why it's important for us to value it. My message came from Romans 12 and we learned that Genuine Love is for the good of the Christian and unbeliever. The greatest good for an unbeliever being their salvation, which is why I can ask God to bless them.

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH.

This was our first attempt at a true outreach event. We offered a free Mother's Day brunch to the community while telling them there would also be a devotional on motherhood. Our event had 35 women and children registered and on the day of the event we had 16 total.

It was still a great success in a number of ways. The ladies made great community contacts with new people, and the men of our church plant came together and worked very well together in the kitchen.



*My wife,
Sabrina,
giving a
devotional at
our Mother's
Day Brunch.*



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BASKETBALL CAMP.

This was our first attempt at holding any type of summer camp and I would say it was an overwhelming success! We had a team of students come from Indiana and they worked hard!

We had a total of 28 registrations and the majority of them were from the community. Throughout the week we taught the kids all about being a good example in their youth, in their words, in live, in conduct, and in spirit. We reinforced each lesson with scripture and applied it to life on and off the court.

At the end of the week we invited all of the families to attend a closing ceremony. We served pizza, had awards for the kids, and showed the parents some basketball drills. A number of parents asked if we were doing this again next year.

One of the best stories was a leader of ours overhearing parents talking about how much we seemed to actually care about their children, and they loved that we were teaching actual life lessons. It was a great week for God's glory!



*We were
very blessed
by the team
from
Graceland.*



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*Preaching
from 1
Thessalonians
during our
August
service.*



AUGUST SERVICE.

In August we looked at our value of being God focused from 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12. It was blessing to lead our people through what it means for us to be God Focused as a church.

In 1 Thessalonians 2 I used Paul as an example for what it means to be God Focused. The main idea and the points I preached were:

Being God Focused puts us at odds with the world, has God as our final authority, and puts others in the church first.

We had a total of 8 people in this service, but one of them was a new lady from the community!

BETTER PARTNERSHIPS.

One of our long time church partners is changing their missions pastor, so we were able to meet the new replacement. He flew here for a day to meet the planters and see for himself what we're doing.

It was a real pleasure to meet this brother, just as we like to meet all of our partners. We have some churches that support us without having ever met us. Like you at SCA, we are continually blessed by your support and prayers!



*Meeting the
new missions
pastor from
a partner
church.*



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MISSION TEAM CLOTHING MARKET.

We hosted our final mission team this month from a partner church in Oregon. Along with showing them around our city, we held a free clothing market at The Lantern. We had no idea how this would go in the summer.

We filled up our 15 passenger van and filled two rooms with clothing. Our team set everything up and continued to promote the market while we were there. We had a total of 18 people come through, some of who were repeats from back in March!

I was able to meet a man who had extensive knowledge about Roman Catholicism and church history. He was an alcoholic who said he would come out to our services in October. Please pray that he comes out in the coming months!





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BACK TO SCHOOL.

The church plants of Mile One Mission were all blessed to receive backpacks from Send Relief again this year. We filled a total of . Thirty of those went to a church close to downtown that has a great need.

This is a small way we are able to give back to our city and form relationships with the staff of multiple schools. We still have more backpacks and have plans to use them downtown.

Our team wants to fill our remaining backpacks with essentials and winter items. The plan would be to have them available and hand them out downtown. We want to continue pushing into downtown for more opportunities to spread the gospel.





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*Preaching on
carrying our
cross at
Lakeside
Baptist
Church.*



LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH.

In September I was blessed to be able to visit a partner church in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. I was able to bring the word and speak on what it means to carry your cross. I was able to meet and connect with a number of congregation members there.

During my visit I also spoke at a homeschool group, a senior ladies group, and at their youth group! It was great to meet so many people from this supporting church and to create deeper relationships with them!

ASSOCIATION MEETING.

During this trip to Myrtle Beach we were also able to attend the Waccamaw Baptist Association meeting. Pastor Steve Bray brought the word and a challenge to go into the hard places in our cities and the world.

At the end of the meeting they called us up to the front for the prayer. There weren't many dry eyes in the room! We were all challenged and encouraged by what God is doing and the work that is left to do!



*Attending
the
Waccamaw
Baptist
Association
meeting.*



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SEPTEMBER CLOTHING MARKET.

While I was away in Myrtle Beach we partnered with Mile One Mission's newest church plant, Rabbittown Community Church, and held another clothing market together. We had a number of bins of clothes left over and thought we would try a market one more time for the year.

This one was our biggest one yet with over 40 people coming through the doors! What a blessing it was to see and meet so many people from our neighbourhoods. We use these moments to promote our churches and their events/Bible studies.

I believe this was also a beautiful and simple example of how churches in the area can work together!





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*Our church is
now working
through 1
Timothy
during our
Sunday
services.*



BI-WEEKLY SERVICES.

SCA has supported our work in downtown St. John's for a number of years and we are now meeting for bi-weekly services! From Bible studies in my living room to services! All of this is to the glory of God and thanks to the support of partners like you!

We are faithfully pushing forward downtown. Our first service of this month saw a total of 16 people! Our second saw only three from the community. God is still good no matter how many come out! Keep praying for God to move in our community.

NEVADA BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The state of Nevada invited me to their state convention to represent Mile One Mission. I was given time as a breakout speaker, and was able to meet with a number of pastors about ministry in Newfoundland and Labrador.

It was a blessing to meet brothers and sisters on the other side of the continent. I was able to make connections with other ministries in downtown Las Vegas who are willing to help us in St. John's. Pray with us that we can continue to learn how to reach the people in our community.



*Attending
the Nevada
Baptist state
convention.*



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TRUNK OR TREAT.

We were able to partner once more with Cornerstone Ministry Centre and hold a Trunk or Treat together. This year was extremely well attended with over 100 children coming out in just an hour!

Below you'll see Ben and Jasmine who really outdid themselves on their car! Jasmine is our women's ministry worker and is a huge part of DCC with her husband. We served the community with free hot chocolate and BBQ wieners as well.

We are already planning for next year on how to use this event better. As a church we want to find better ways to use this event for outreach into the community and to have more of a gospel presence.





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On November 30 we had a total of 14 people attend our service. Our text was 1 Tim. 2:1-7

BI-WEEKLY SERVICES.

In November we were able to hold three services with an average of 14 people in each service. We have been working through the book of 1 Timothy in order to teach a proper view of how churches should function.

We've actually had great engagement with these sermons and a number of our people have been asking questions after the sermon and coming for prayer. We'll be taking a small break in December in order to do an Advent series.

CHRISTMAS PARADE.

Downtown Community Church was contacted by Downtown St. John's to ask if we could volunteers for the Christmas Parade. We were asked to hold signs for the sensory friendly zone of the parade. It was a great opportunity to be involved in our city and community.

I was also able to have great conversations with people as a result of this. Including being asked to pray for specific needs and deepening already existing relationships.



Volunteering at the St. John's Christmas Parade.