



2025
Light Bearers
Annual Report



TY GIBSON
SPEAKER/DIRECTOR

Dear Friend,



This year is drawing to a close, and what a year it has been—both in terms of joy and sadness! As I write these words, I'm very aware of the political turmoil, violence, division, natural disasters, relational breakdown, and myriad other tragedies that make up the backdrop of our daily lives.

And yet, I'm also very aware of the beauty and joy that persist in this world fighting extinction.

The report you hold in your hands is not meant to downplay the heaviness of our times. It is meant to be a flashlight in a dark room, to remind you that Jesus is still the ultimate King and He has a plan for this world's healing (and we have a part in it).

We kicked things off this year by filming a brand-new podcast series dedicated to all things gospel, which has been received with so much enthusiasm that we've committed to filming a second season. We sent millions of gospel publications around the globe. We equipped hundreds of people to share the gospel, especially young adults, at our ARISE events and programs. And I haven't even talked about the many preaching opportunities in which David, Angelo, and I were privileged to participate.

None of those messages or the podcast, the millions of publications or disciples made, would exist, though, were it not for you, our supporters, people who believe in this work.

I want to take a moment to say thank you on behalf of the entire Light Bearers team.

Next month, December 2025, we're moving into Light Bearers' fortieth year of gospel ministry. From our inception, our work has been fully donor-funded. You are the hidden evangelists, the behind-the-scenes publishers, and the ones spurring us on.

Thank you for showing up again this year.

Light Bearers is a partnership that exists because God has given you and us a shared vision and passion. At some point, you connected with this ministry because you resonate with the message we proclaim and the mission God has led us to execute: vindicating the beauty of His character in a world where ugly portraits of Him are ubiquitous.

As you take in the following report, we hope you are as encouraged as we are by what you read and that you celebrate with us the lives changed, the seeds planted, and the hearts opened through this beautiful collaboration between you, us, and the Holy Spirit. We pray it invigorates you with fresh energy as we all, as followers of Jesus, reclaim territory for the kingdom of God in this dark world.

Bearing the light with you,

Ty

On behalf of the entire Light Bearers team

A Timeline of 2025

January 13–18 — David and Ty preach two series at Walla Walla University

January 28–30 — Ty, David, and Angelo shoot season 1 of *Gospel Conversations* in Colorado

Millions of Pages, Countless Lives Changed

Patrick is a law student in the Democratic Republic of Congo who thought all church folks were grifters. Someone gave him *Truth Link* Bible studies and he is now a follower of Jesus.

Ngoni is a schoolteacher in Zambia who happened to hear some sermons through an open window. The speaker shared *Truth Link* with him and he is now a follower of Jesus.

These are just a couple of the innumerable lives that have been touched because of the support of people like you.

Through your generosity, gospel literature is reaching around the world, speaking to more hearts than we ever could on our own. This year, millions of tracts and thousands of Bibles flowed into homes and hands across six countries. Each page carried the story of Jesus, literally changing lives and planting seeds of faith that will ripple outward for eternity.



Countries Reached:

Republic of Congo, Guatemala, Cuba, Ghana, Kenya, and Costa Rica

Literature Distributed:

4.78 million pieces of gospel literature and 40,000 Bibles

Total Literature

Distributed to Date:

763,076,084



DID YOU KNOW?

It costs only \$1.52 to print and ship one *Truth Link* Bible Study set. With just \$91.20, you can sponsor a full box of 60 sets, delivered directly into the hands of Bible workers in the mission field.



January 31–February 25 — David leads a new *With DA* series on the book *Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing* by Ellen G. White

February 3 — ARISE Australia begins

February 3–21 — Ty teaches at ARISE Australia

February 8–9 — David leads a *Try This at Home* marriage seminar in Calhoun, Georgia

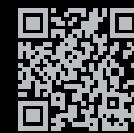
February 24–27 — Angelo teaches at ARISE Australia



A promotional graphic for the ARISE Weekend Intensive. It features two men standing side-by-side against a teal geometric background. On the left, Ty Gibson is shown from the waist up, wearing a light blue button-down shirt. On the right, David Asscherick is shown from the chest up, wearing a light purple button-down shirt and glasses. Between them is a black square containing the word "ARISE" in white. Below the names are their respective titles: "TY GIBSON" and "DAVID ASSCHERICK".

WANT TO SHARE YOUR FAITH IN A WAY THAT FEELS REAL? YOU DON'T HAVE TO WING IT.

See the God of Scripture in a way you've possibly never seen Him before at ARISE Intensive: Loma Linda. This weekend will inspire and empower you to share and love the gospel story yourself.



Scan the code or go to ariseintensive.com to learn more and register today.



Loma Linda

January 23–25, 2026

March 3–20 — David teaches at ARISE Australia

March 20–24 — Angelo speaks at the Norwegian Youth Conference

March 21 — Season 1 of *Gospel Conversations* premieres

March 27–29 — David speaks for the faith-based entrepreneurship conference, Hyve

April 12–13 — David leads a *Try This at Home* marriage seminar in Bakersfield, California

ARISE Around the World

ARISE was on the move in 2025. In Australia, we discipled all ages, helping students discover the meaning and mission in the story of God's love. The program in Finland sparked a new generation of enthusiastic and gospel-centered young adults to light Europe with the truth of Jesus.

Our online program reached homes worldwide, and our intensives in Tarragona, Spain, and Houston, Texas, catalyzed communities with gospel clarity.

ARISE is more than a school, course, or project. ARISE is a movement, and Jesus is its champion.



ARISE Australia

31 students representing six countries: Norway, Switzerland, Austria, New Zealand, the USA, and Australia

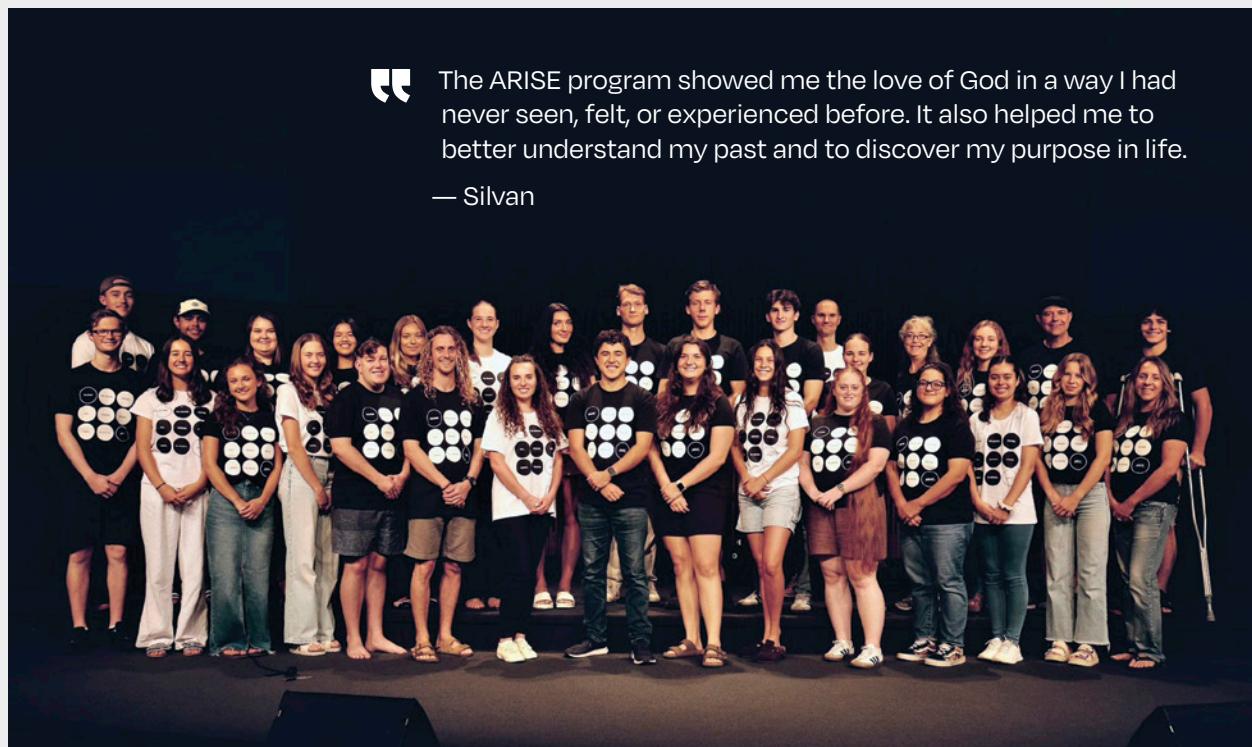
86% of the student body was under 30 years old

24 students stayed on for the six-month Bibleworking program, ARISE for Life

ARISE Finland

32 students representing 10 countries: Finland, Norway, Australia, USA, Canada, Czechia, Switzerland, Kenya, Estonia, and the Netherlands

96% of the student body was under 30 years old



April 16–22 — Ty and David preach at the Youth in Mission Congress in Germany

April 28–29 — Ty teaches at ARISE Australia

May 3 — The 2025 ARISE Australia class graduates

May 5–11 — Ty preaches for the Grey Nomads Camp, a series for retirees

May 9 — Season 1 of Gospel Conversations concludes



May 16–17 — Ty preaches at the Yugoslavian Camp Meeting in Michigan

June 6–7 — Ty preaches for the Iowa-Missouri Camp Meeting

June 13–14 — Ty preaches for the Minnesota Camp Meeting

ARISE

Find Your Place in God's Story

ARISE is more than a program; it's a journey of transformation. Discover how Scripture comes alive. Get equipped to live boldly on mission. Learn how to lead others to Jesus.

Choose your path:
3-Month Program | Online Course | Weekend Intensives

Start your ARISE journey:
lightbearers.org/arise

June 15–22 — Angelo preaches a mini ARISE series at a young adult retreat in Finland

June 23 — Light Bearers Community Facebook group reaches 1,500 members

Dwell: The Sanctuary and the Heart of God

For our 2025 Light Bearers Convocation, we gathered in Jasper, Oregon, for four days of worship, fellowship, and studying the sanctuary message. It wasn't just four days of sermons, though. Between the morning walks,

evening afterglows, special feature Convo-sations, and engaging kids programs, the Holy Spirit was moving. Commitments to Jesus were made, friendships were renewed, and all of us saw more clearly a God who wants to dwell with us.



10 sessions covering the sanctuary message

Hundreds gathered, with attendance peaking on Saturday at close to a thousand attendees

8 baptisms



I was expecting to be blessed as usual, but this time I was really, really blessed. I have heard messages on the Sanctuary many times before, but never with God's love so woven in. The messages opened my eyes to the way to God. By the time the last message was given I could see God standing in the Most Holy Place/the Holy City, looking at me with His arms open wide, waiting for me to run to Him so that He could give me a hug and dwell with me forever!

— Sandy



June 25–28 — We welcomed nearly 1,000 people from across the globe to Jasper, Oregon, for our 39th Light Bearers Convocation, where we explored the message of the Sanctuary. [Scan the QR code to watch the recap.](#)



July 3–12 — Light Bearers team networked at the 62nd General Conference in St. Louis, Missouri

July 5–6 — David leads a *Try This at Home* marriage seminar in McAllen, Texas

July 12–13 — David leads a *Try This at Home* marriage seminar in Tacoma, Washington

July 14–18 — Angelo speaks for DiscipleTREK, a young adult retreat, in South Dakota

Dwell

The Sanctuary and the Heart of God



A new 10-part series exploring the sanctuary story and God's invitation to dwell with us.



Watch the *Dwell* series on our YouTube Channel

Also available on:

- Apple Podcasts
- Spotify

July 17–20 — Edgar networks with young adults at the Adventist Young Professionals Conference

July 22–26 — Ty preaches at Oregon Conference Camp Meeting

August 14 — ARISE Finland begins

August 16 + 23 — David leads marriage seminars at Kingscliff Church

August 18–Sept 5 — Ty teaches at ARISE Finland

August 29 — Session 1 of the 2025 convocation series, *Dwell*, premieres on YouTube

Resources for the Growing Christian

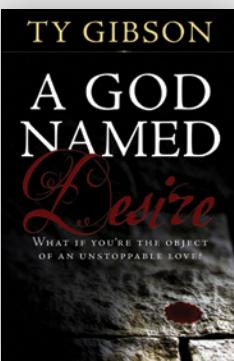


NEW!

Try This at Home

DAVID ASSCHERICK & JENNIFER JILL SCHWIRZER

Learn the practical skills and tools you need to create a happier, healthier, and holier family.



A God Named Desire

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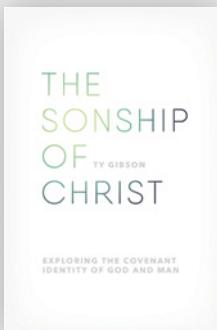
You will never see God or yourself the same way after the insights of *A God Named Desire* are introduced into your mind.



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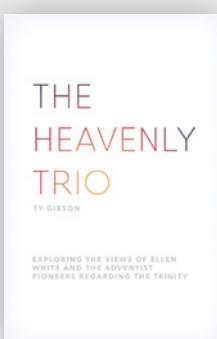
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A unique Bible study experience that achieves a high level of doctrinal clarity while showing the centrality of God's love to every biblical truth.



THE SONSHIP OF CHRIST
TY GIBSON

Explore why Jesus is called both "God" and "Son of God," and why understanding the Trinity is essential to knowing God's heart and character.



THE HEAVENLY TRIO
TY GIBSON

EXPLORING THE VIEWS OF ELLEN WHITE AND THE ADVENTIST PIONEERS REGARDING THE TRINITY



Purchase these books and more online at lightbearers.org/resources

Streaming Grace, One Episode at a Time

In addition to sharing our convocation messages on our YouTube channel, this year, we produced a brand-new series called *Gospel Conversations*, a candid, unscripted video podcast that reveals why the gospel is truly good news. The series clarified what often feels like complex or legalistic theology so listeners can experience the gospel as liberating grace instead of condemnation. People were so enthusiastic that we've committed to filming a second season this winter.



September 1–5 — Angelo preaches at the Georgia-Cumberland Academy Week of Prayer

September 15–30 — David teaches at ARISE Finland

September 19–21 — Ty preaches for an Ohio men's retreat

September 26–27 — Ty preaches for Common Ground, a faith-based rock climbers gathering, in Bend, Oregon

October 2–5 — Ty, David, Angelo, Braeden Entermann, and Levi Johnson speak for the ARISE Intensive: Spain

October 6–9 — Angelo teaches at ARISE Finland



To date this year, viewers have enjoyed the following:

67,000 hours of *Gospel Conversations* (that's over seven full years of watching non-stop)

121,000 hours total on the Light Bearers YouTube channel

So far this year, we've seen a **33% increase** in YouTube subscribers.



You guys have no idea how life-changing these conversations have been for me and how many people I've already shared the series with!

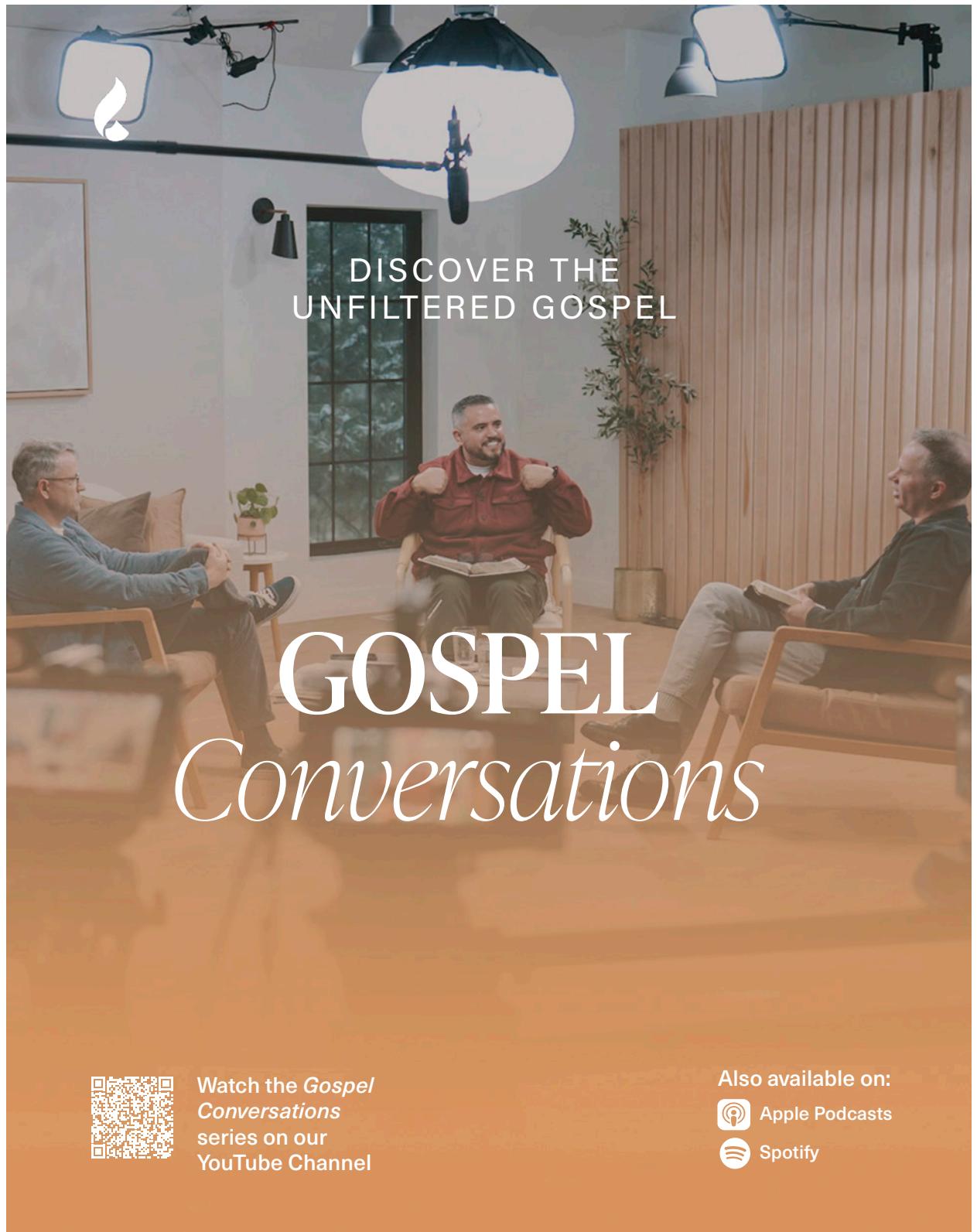
— Haley

GOSPEL Conversations



Watch the *Gospel Conversations* series on our YouTube Channel

Also available on:
 Apple Podcasts
 Spotify



October 31 — The 2025 Convocation series, *Dwell*, concludes with Session 10 on YouTube

November 7–9 — Ty, David, and Angelo speak for the ARISE Intensive: Houston

November 10–21 — David leads a Seven Churches tour in Turkey

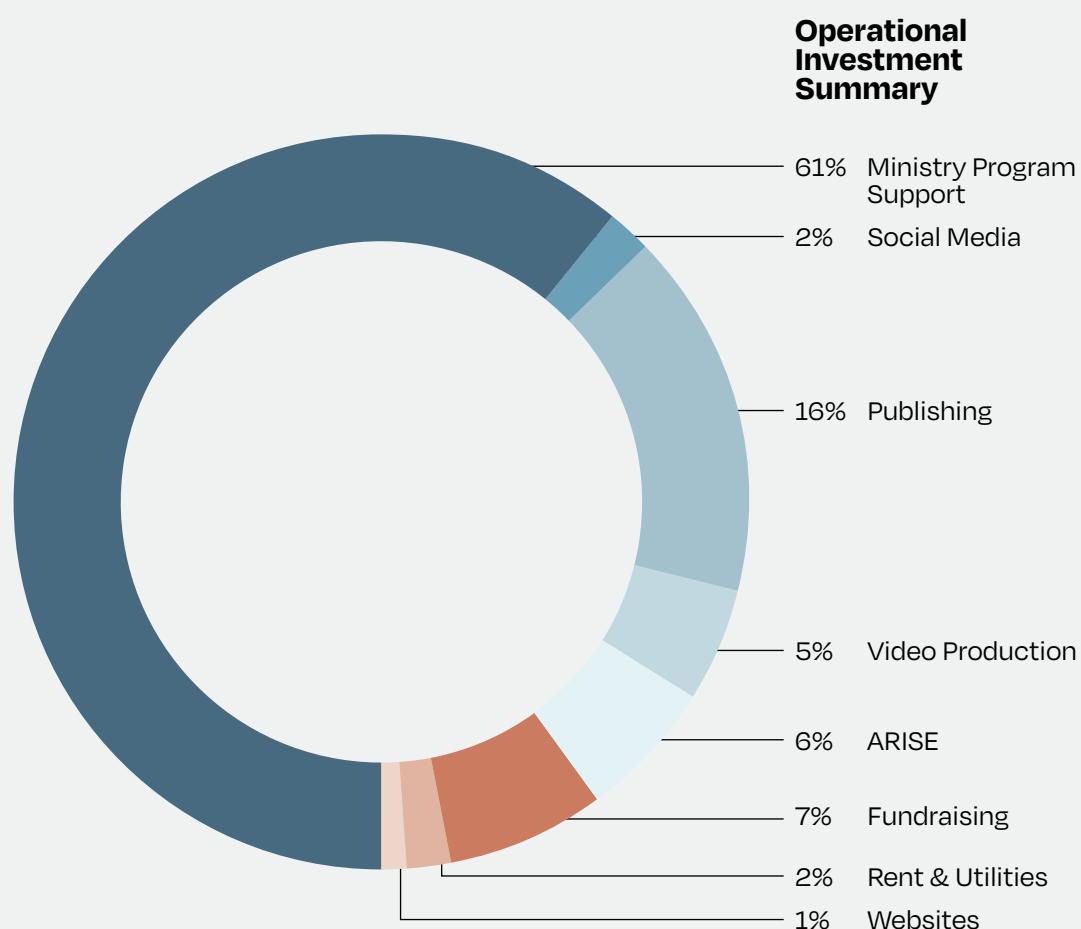


November 15 — The second ARISE Finland class graduates

December 8–12 — Ty, David, and Angelo shoot season 2 of *Gospel Conversations* in Colorado

Allocation of Resources

Every gift is put to maximum use with the highest standards of financial integrity.



**Your generosity allows us to do everything we do.
We're so grateful for our community of givers and
prayer intercessors who undergird everything we do.**



From Provision to Proclamation

Your gift extends God's provision to the world.

Every resource God entrusts to us is an opportunity to reveal His character of love. Planned giving transforms what you've been given into a lasting witness, ensuring the gospel continues to be shared long after today.

Light Bearers offers professional guidance for those who want to include the gospel mission in their estate plans. If you'd like to explore how to remember Light Bearers through your will, trust, or retirement giving, we'd be honored to talk with you.

Email donations@lightbearers.org or call 877-585-1111 to learn more.

The Work Isn't Done

As I alluded to at the beginning of this report, we are living in strange times. In the digital age, we have the unique problem of being under a constant barrage of bad news juxtaposed with the normalcy of our daily lives. With a few taps of a finger, we can read about all the terrible tragedies happening in the world before we've even eaten breakfast.

Our world is crying out for good news.

Not good advice, mind you. Not a self-help book or inspirational quote. Humanity is definitely beyond books and quotes. We need good news.

Our world is crying out for and in desperate need of good news.

This year, with your help, we gave people that. On behalf of the entire team at Light Bearers, I want to again

say thank you for helping us spread the good news of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus around the world. In a time when you have likely struggled with cynicism, grief, defeat, anger, and a million other emotions, you also chose to hope.

Your contributions helped bring that hope and faith to others. I write with no hyperbole that every tract handed out, every Bible shared, and every disciple trained was possible because of you. Each dollar you gave helped reveal to people from Kansas to Kenya the opulent grace and mercy of God, which is the ultimate story this world needs to hear.

Thank you.

But the mission isn't over yet.

As you read these words, church planters are trekking through steaming jungles to reach the indigenous tribes in Central America. They need more literature. Young adults are searching for meaning and confidence in their faith. They need to be discipled. Countless people wounded by religion may never step foot in a church again. They need to encounter the gospel where they are, often online. Your support keeps our mission in motion.

As we enter our fortieth year of ministry, we celebrate all that God has done through our partnership and look ahead with renewed determination to keep sharing the unadulterated gospel together.

As we close out 2025, would you consider making a special year-end gift? Your donation will not only strengthen our financial foundation as we wrap up this year but also position us to fund our initiatives in 2026.

To learn more and give, simply scan the code below, go to lightbearers.org/year-end-fundraiser, or fill out the response card enclosed.

Warmly,

Ty Gibson



Journey through Scripture, encounter Jesus, and connect in community

**BODY
BRAIN**

Ty Gibson



Jeffrey Rosario



David Asscherick



Mark your calendars for the 2026 Light Bearers Convocation.

**June 24–27, 2026
Jasper, Oregon**



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