

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD AND PUBLIC (2025)

FAITH FOR LIVING, INC., A NORTH CAROLINA
501(C)(3) NONPROFIT CORPORATION

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A WORD OF GRATITUDE AND STEWARDSHIP

Welcome to our 2025 report for Faith for Living, Inc., a North Carolina 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Corporation.
Faith for Living, Inc. Ministry Report to Donors and Prayer Supporters — 2025

Faithful ministry is not about stats. Yet, we are told to till the ground and leave the results to God.

“Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands” (Psalm 90:17 ESV)!

We publish these statistics out of a sense of **transparency and stewardship** for our board and advisers and for those who would choose to give and to pray. Our work is humble, and the numbers that follow are drawn from the sources cited. We focus on research and writing that will equip the saints for the work of ministry by exalting the unsearchable riches of Christ Jesus in every area of life—especially the arts, communication, education, and discipleship—and to *shepherd the shepherds who will shepherd the flock*.

The Lord alone multiplies what is done in obedience to His will. Our deepest prayer is to see a multitude of souls safe in the arms of Jesus when He comes again. As our Lord teaches us, "*When you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty'*" (Luke 17:10).

MINISTRY FOCUS IN 2025

The year 2025 was devoted primarily to **research, writing, and pastoral reflection**. Rather than expanding programs or infrastructure, Faith for Living concentrated on producing durable theological and pastoral resources—materials intended to serve the Church not merely for a moment, but for years to come.

This work was carried out quietly and faithfully, with careful stewardship of limited resources and without incurring debt.

BOOKS AND MAJOR WORKS RELEASED

During 2025, Dr. Michael A. Milton authored or released four significant works serving pastors, church leaders, and thoughtful Christians:

- *Deep Roots: Toward a Biblical-Theological Framework for Church Planting*
- *Ancient Wisdom, Living Mission: Preparing Pastors for Word and Work through the Pastoral Training Model*
- *Foundations of Moral Government: Samuel Rutherford's Lex, Rex in Modern English with Commentary*

- *Approaching God: Lessons from Leviticus* (published in late 2024 with focused distribution in January 2025)

Each of these books reflects a shared aim: to strengthen faith, clarify calling, and encourage faithful obedience to Christ in a complex age.

ESSAYS, TEACHING, AND ONGOING WRITING

In addition to books, more than **130 essays, devotionals, and theological reflections** were written and published during the year. These writings addressed themes such as discipleship, suffering, prayer, memory, pastoral endurance, and Christian hope—often written with pastors and weary believers particularly in view.

DIGITAL REACH (REPORTED INDICATORS)

We share the following figures not as measures of spiritual fruit—which belongs to the Lord alone—but as indicators of reach and distribution:

- **Estimated annual impressions:** approximately **200,000–500,000**¹
- **Total subscribers and followers across platforms:** approximately **15,000–20,000**

These platforms serve as conduits for teaching, encouragement, and Gospel proclamation rather than as ends in themselves.

HEALTH AND FINANCES

A Word on Health

It is appropriate to share, in general terms, that my health continues to shape the pace and scope of the work. Quite simply, it takes longer to

do less than it once did. Nevertheless, by the strength the Lord provides, the ministry continues.

This is not shared in a spirit of complaint or martyrdom—such attitudes serve neither the Gospel nor the Church—but out of transparency and gratitude. The work carried on through Faith for Living is undertaken out of a deep sense of divine calling and, quite frankly, joy. I remain thankful for each day of strength given and for the privilege of serving Christ and His Church in the ways now entrusted to me.

Financial Stewardship

Faith for Living continues to operate with careful stewardship and without debt.

- **Debt:** None.
- **Cash on hand:** \$250 on 31 December 2025. Truist Bank, Charlotte, North Carolina.
- **Salary:** I do not take a salary from the ministry.

Annual expenses related to publishing, editing, music production, and the distribution of writing and teaching resources totaled **less than \$10,000**. Approximately **half of these expenses were generously covered by others**, with the remaining **half covered personally**.

We are deeply grateful for those who have come alongside the ministry in tangible ways. Our prayerful goal is to move toward a position in which the work of Faith for Living is **fully sustained by supporters**, allowing the ministry to continue and, as the Lord wills, to expand its service to pastors, churches, and thoughtful Christians.

Looking Ahead: A Prayerful Glance Toward 2026

The work completed in 2025 directly supports a major forthcoming initiative: **Phase Two of the Pastoral Training Model—the Pastoral Residency**. This project represents the culmination of five years of

research and writing and is designed to help sustain pastors for faithful, long-term ministry. Beginning in 2026, this material will be offered as a course to seminaries, denominations, and digital theological platforms.

We invite your prayers as this work moves from preparation to service.

A Gentle Invitation to Participate

If you are moved to support this work through prayer or giving, we receive such gifts with gratitude and humility. Every contribution—large or small—helps sustain the quiet labor of writing, teaching, publishing, and pastoral formation that Faith for Living exists to provide.

Our desire is not growth for its own sake, but faithfulness: to continue serving the Church, shepherding shepherds, and bearing witness to Christ in word, song, and life, as long as the Lord grants strength and opportunity.

A Prayer

Father in heaven, thank you for the opportunity and joy to participate in Your kingdom work. We are undeserving sinners saved by grace through faith in the risen and living Lord Jesus Christ. We seek to follow You and fulfill our calling to proclaim the Gospel to as many people as possible by all means available. We trust You, Lord, for our provision and for the results. We pray for those who read, listen to, and support this ministry. May these friends know the joy of the Lord and grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. We also pray for other Gospel ministries that they may find blessing and fruitfulness in their ministries. Together, may we be found faithful and advance Your Kingdom so that there will be a multitude of souls safe in the arms of Jesus when He comes again. Through Jesus our Lord, I pray. Amen.

AFTERWORD

For those led to give to support Faith for Living and the D. James Kennedy Institute of Reformed Leadership, please direct your tax-deductible gifts through PayPal at

<https://www.paypal.com/US/fundraiser/charity/1644218>.

Should you prefer to mail your donation, you may do so at the following address:

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Thank you.

NOTES

2. MINISTRY FOCUS IN 2025

1. The following sources were used to compile the metrics and estimates in this report. All figures are offered as indicators of reach rather than measures of spiritual fruit, which belongs to the Lord alone. • Platform analytics from Substack, Apple Podcasts, Spotify, YouTube, and related distribution services associated with Faith for Living content. • Reporting and estimates provided by Atlantic Coast Communications, producer and distributor for the Faith for Living podcast and radio program, " which estimates a combined global outreach of approximately 20,000 listeners monthly across archived and newly produced episodes. • Internal publishing, writing, and distribution records maintained by Faith for Living, Inc., including book releases, essays, and media output during the 2025 calendar year.

The detailed report on all data sources is available to anyone who would like the information. Access it by going to faithforliving.live/2025-Annual-Report.

