broken pieces
MADE WHOLE
May God continue to make broken people whole as we advance the Kingdom of God here in South Florida and beyond.

A recent new member shared their encouraging testimony with me as they expressed how: “Coral Ridge has been a refuge of grace and truth in a dark world.” God is working through you, his Church, to bring the good news of Jesus to a lost and dying world. Your generosity and support are changing lives forever!

It’s true that the challenges ahead in our culture are enormous, but the promises of God are greater than the schemes of mankind. The Church has always been the hope of the world, and this moment is no different. Jesus said, “I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it” (Matthew 16:18b). This bold declaration is the promise the Church has held onto from generation to generation. It is the rock-solid hope that has allowed Christians to navigate the fiercest cultural moments throughout history. Great empires, kingdoms, and nations have all come and gone, but the Church outlasts them all. How does anyone explain the expansion of Christianity from a marginalized group of Galileans to the greatest movement this world has ever seen? It is the reality that the Church historically has been advancing a public faith that transforms people, places, and things. Our faith declares and demonstrates the sovereign Lordship of Jesus Christ to the nations. It is the uniqueness of the hope offered in the Gospel that has turned this world upside-down.

The road back is clear—engaging the culture with the Gospel and the truth of God’s Word is the key to revival and reformation.
For the people of God, revival and reformation always begin with remembering the heights from which we have fallen, repenting, and returning to our first love (Revelation 2:5).

In doing so, we remember that God promises to honor his own Word wherever it is faithfully proclaimed and followed. Coral Ridge is ready and willing to faithfully answer the call in the 21st century. As we approach year-end on December 31, I am asking you to partner with Coral Ridge to reach South Florida and beyond with the message of Jesus Christ. We are committed more than ever to equip Gospel-centered, culture-shaping Christians from generation to generation. When you give financially to Coral Ridge you give hope to our people, our city, and our world!

Many decades ago, D. James Kennedy prayed that our church would be used to bring about revival. Let’s continue to trust that God would use this ministry during this time to awaken people like never before as we partner with God to advance his kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Lead On O King Eternal!

For Christ and His Church,

\[\text{Pastor Rob}\]

Rob Pacienza
Senior Pastor

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**GOSPEL-CENTERED**

New member Bruce Bartlett shared that it is the emphasis on the Gospel that drew him to Coral Ridge. He said, “In every sermon Pastor Rob preaches, I hear the Gospel clearly presented. I have been to many churches, and sadly that is not something you hear from every pulpit, but you hear it from Coral Ridge. This is the beginning of revival here at Coral Ridge.”
In 2022, we saw our congregation continue to grow as we welcomed 153 new members, 25 communicants, and had the privilege of baptizing 29 people. Our children’s ministry grew to over 120 children on Sunday mornings and children’s choir grew to over 60 as we welcomed young families into the church.

Men’s and women’s studies, along with community groups, had over 500 participating weekly. “The women’s Ruth study has really captured the essence of community, bringing women together where we can share and grow as a church,” said Lesa K. Wilder.

SHALOM’S STORY

Coral Ridge is the answer to a prayer I surrendered to God at the beginning of this year. I was interviewing for a position that required relocating to Florida and leaving my community in Virginia. I wanted a church where the Bible was opened and unapologetically taught, so I prayed boldly for God’s will to be done. Five days after moving to Florida, I walked into Coral Ridge for the Kingdom Come Conference. I found a prayer I wrote before the conference: “Jesus, you provide abundantly. I pray that you would provide the resources for me to be the godly woman your Word talks about.” Coral Ridge embraced me before they even knew me. A church member introduced me to another, and that weekend I was invited to a church service, young adult gathering, and community group. I felt God slowly easing my fears, because even though I moved by myself, I wasn’t alone. Church members prayed for the apartment I would later rent, helped me with furniture, and welcomed me with open arms. Pastor Rob and Jen were a blessing as I entrusted myself to the leadership of the church. The classes Coral Ridge offers have deepened my understanding of the Bible. Serving in Gangway, I get to see the next generation’s faith and joy in community every week. I think God placed that prayer in my heart, so that I would know Coral Ridge was the church he wanted me to attend and cherish.
In the wake of Hurricane Ian, the Coral Ridge Outreach team ministered to countless people on the west coast of Florida. In addition to truckloads of supplies, our church was able to charter a plane filled with generators, donated items, and much-needed supplies. A team of 128 volunteers (above) spent a day cleaning out damaged homes, delivering gift cards to residents, and clearing debris from a neighborhood.

Through one of our partner ministries, HomesUnited, we were made aware of ten mothers whose babies (bottom) had to be transferred from a NICU in Fort Myers to Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital in Miami. Our team was able to meet with those families, share the Gospel, and help provide the essentials they needed while they were displaced from their homes. Our team continues to maintain contact with several of the families to minister to and serve them.
Over 285 people from Coral Ridge gathered at the Love Life prayer walk to ask God to protect the lives of the unborn at a local abortion clinic (left). Kailey Bonds, Cindy Heise, and Christy Carlson joined 125 other volunteers to help serve on the west coast of Florida in the aftermath of Hurricane Ian (right).

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What an incredible job by Coral Ridge at the Prayer Walk! We are so grateful for Pastor Rob's leadership and Coral Ridge's faithfulness in your partnership with Love Life!

PASTOR FRANK TROTTA

HOPE FOR THE WORLD

This year, Coral Ridge partnered with TBN to produce a program called “Hope for the World.” The program features biblical teaching from Pastor Rob and is broadcast throughout Ukraine and surrounding countries via satellite. This is an exciting opportunity to expand our global impact—with the potential to reach millions of people in a very hopeless region who are seeking to know Jesus Christ.

Rev. Rob Pacienza brings the hope of the Gospel to Ukraine.

Airing on Ukrainian TV
A team of **29** students and leaders traveled to San Juan, Puerto Rico, to serve and witness to the community of La Hormiga. In addition to serving a local family by helping to build their home, the team also had numerous opportunities to share the Gospel with members of the community. Students were able to teach children the Gospel in Spanish using what they had learned through Evangelism Explosion. Mia Kostelidis said, “I felt a bit nervous before talking to others about their faith. However, when my group had a conversation and took the time to get to know people, I felt God’s peace over me. One man we spoke to was very understanding and eager to listen to what we were saying. We were able to share the entire Gospel with him and pray!”
Teaching at youth group has been an amazing experience because it's allowed me to learn about worldview topics and share what I learned to everyone at Sunday School. It allowed me to get more comfortable speaking in front of a crowd and showed me how God can use me to spread his message around our world to people my age and younger.

ELLIE FARRAR

This summer, Coral Ridge hosted a Lemonade Social to raise money for Stand for Orphans. This was a great opportunity for our younger girls to learn that God has given all of us the opportunity and ability to affect change in the world. They don't have to wait until they are older to be a part of God's work. The lemonade social raised $2,688 for vulnerable children.
We have seen God continue to use our church to advance his Kingdom in new and exciting ways. One of our newest members recently shared that it was the prominence of the Coral Ridge steeple that drew his family to visit the church after moving to the area. While it was the building that first caught their attention, it was the biblically sound teaching, focus on reaching others for Christ, and strong community of believers that caused them to stay. In August, we held the Wall Breaking Celebration for the new Kennedy Fellowship Hall and Education Center, as a part of the Generation to Generation Vision Campaign. The congregation prayed over the new space and wrote prayers and scripture on the masonry walls of the building. As construction continues on campus, we look forward with excitement to see how God will use these new facilities to equip people to share the Gospel and shape culture.
We are so blessed that Coral Ridge is taking the initiative to train up our community to face the barrage that is before us in today’s culture. Thank you Coral Ridge for getting this message out.

MIKE CRITCH

Luca and Enzo Gaitan, Lariza and Eliza Ora hand out kids’ bulletins before a Sunday service (left top). Sherif Shaalan writes his verse on the wall of the Kennedy Fellowship Hall; Pastor Rob speaks to Westminster Academy seniors about Christian influence on America’s founding and its relevance today (left bottom). Demolition is well under way in the Kennedy Fellowship Hall; our children helped pull down a wall during the Wall Breaking Celebration as they wore hardhats (right top).

INSTITUTE FOR FAITH AND CULTURE

The Institute for Faith and Culture officially launched with a mission to equip Christians for this cultural moment. Author Os Guinness said, “We need voices that are faithfully Christian, but also distinctly engaged in our world. The Institute of Faith and Culture is of enormous importance and may it flourish here in South Florida, but also be a precedent for many similar movements around the country.”
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