

Welsh Road Church

Prayer Letter, January 2026

Welsh Road Church saw the faithfulness of the Lord in 2025!

We have continued to keep the focus on revitalizing WRC as we strive towards becoming a healthy church and a particular church once again. The Lord has worked powerfully in growing the church both spiritually and numerically. We have made tremendous strides in 2025 and the plan is to go through the graduation process in 2026. Although we are the Lord's instruments through whom He works, this progress is attributed wholly to the Lord.

Our church focus for 2025 was developing a passion for God's Word. We focused on being grounded in Scripture in everything we did and through the preaching and teaching of God's Word, emphasized growing in our love for the Word of God. In 2025, we finished preaching through the book of Ezekiel and finished preaching the book of Ezra. Both books pinpoint and expound revitalizing principles. In both books we see the centrality of the Word of God for the people of God. A church will not be revitalized apart from an unwavering commitment to preach and teach the Word of God with depth, rigor, and accuracy. We also launched a 10-month leadership class called, "ACTS: Applied Christian Theology and Servanthood." This class is designed to disciple people deeper in their faith and to help raise up leaders (elders, deacons, and ministry leaders), give them a solid foundation theologically, and help to form their heart by reading three books (*3D Leadership* – Reeder; *A Praying Life* – Miller; *Counsel from the Cross* – Fitzpatrick). This class has supported the vision of developing a passion for God's Word and those who are participating are growing in their faith by leaps and bounds. God is doing a mighty work. We look forward to offering this class starting next fall and there are several people wanting to participate. Pray the Lord blesses this work.

Our major outreach for 2025 was continuing Drive Through Prayer. We had success in 2024 with this ministry and prayed that God would expand this ministry in its reach. And we quickly saw the Lord moving through this ministry and the impact that it had on people, both those serving and those pulling in to be prayed for. In 2024, we had roughly 50 people pull in and allow us to pray with them. But in 2025, it doubled and we prayed for 100 people. We have started hearing from locals that WRC is becoming known for the church that prays - a wonderful thing for the community to know a church by.



Church Planter AJ Miller, wife Stephanie, and Zach, Isaac, Claire



WRC saw numerical growth in 2025. We welcomed seven people into membership and baptized two people. Praise the Lord! Our average attendance also continues to increase. This is a result of new members and visitors with many visitors beginning to call WRC their church home. We prayerfully and eagerly look forward to seeing how God will use these people to further his kingdom through WRC. We have been self-sustaining financially since we started the revitalization, but we have seen increased giving over the past 6 months. But the Lord greatly

provided in 2025 because it was the first year we finished by a healthy margin in the black.

We know that there will be more hurdles to work through as we press on towards graduation next year. But our faith in the Lord is unshaken and we believe that the Lord will provide the resources and the people needed to accomplish His purposes for WRC. God is doing a mighty work in the life of WRC in many ways, so rejoice with us and praise the goodness of God; give all glory, honor, and praise to the Lord because it's all of Him and for Him.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray that God uses this church in a mighty way for His honor and glory and that God would grow His kingdom at WRC
- Praise God who is faithful and good and for His care and growth of WRC over the last year
- Pray that God would continue to work in the hearts and minds of all who come to WRC
- Pray that God would prepare the hearts of those in our community so that they would be receptive to our evangelism
- Pray for WRC to be a beacon of hope in the community in the name of Jesus Christ
- Pray that God would give me wisdom in how to lead and shepherd the flock well
- Pray that God would provide the funds to accomplish needed projects to the property
- Pray for the men stepping into a leadership role
- Pray for our children's ministry to expand, for more volunteers, and more kids
- Pray for God to raise up more elders, deacons, and ministry leaders
- Pray for the church to be grounded in the Spirit and the Word
- Pray for the Lord to continue to provide for and protect my family (AJ, Stephanie, Zach, Isaac, and Claire)

In Christ,

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