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25 at a glance



St John
Baptist Church
Columbia, MD

Here is our impact at a glance:

Grow
Connect
Serve
Give

Helping people deepen faith and build practical tools for daily life

Creating relationships that reduce isolation and strengthen belonging

Meeting real needs with consistent, compassionate support

Mobilizing generosity to expand ministry and community impact with integrity

Dear Members and Friends of SJBC,

As you explore the 2025 Impact Report, I pray you feel the same deep gratitude and joy that fills my heart. This year has been a powerful testimony to what God can do through a church family that is committed to Grow, Connect, Serve, and Give. None of our accomplishments happened by accident. They happened because our staff, our elected and ordained leaders, our ministry leaders, and the faithful members and friends of St John Baptist Church gave their best with humility and dedication. Your prayers, presence, sacrifices, and willingness to serve have strengthened our witness and expanded our impact in ways that touch lives every day.

I look forward to all that God will reveal as we continue to Grow, Connect, Serve, and Give together.

Best,

Rev. Dr. Robert Turner
SENIOR PASTOR



Grow

Virtual Bible Study

- Reached **200+ participants weekly**, including an international audience.
- Offered practical lessons on navigation life's challenges, building healthy relationships, and applying biblical truths to daily living.

Prayer and Fasting

- Over **100 members** joined to intercede for one another and the world.
- Encouraged spiritual renewal, reflection, and collective focus on God's guidance.



Why it Mattered

This ministry equips believers with the tools to grow spiritually. The consistent participation shows that people recognize how powerful dedication and commitment can transform your life and perspective.

200+
Participants
weekly

100+
Prayer
intercessions

Social Presence

This year, we were blessed to interact with others digitally over **480,000+ times through worship livestreams**, encouraging reels, and inspirational content on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram alone.

St John was blessed to engage over **105,000** livestream viewers in our worship services, programs, and events. This means that we are offering hope and support to tens of thousands as a congregation.

Facebook

- **3.4K followers**
- **37,300+ livestream views**
- **177,790+ reels views**
- **29.8K interactions** (likes, comments, shares)

YouTube

- **67,900+ views. (up 15% from 2024)**
- **22,228 hours of viewing time. (up 11% from 2024)**

Instagram

- **938 followers**
- **103.1K people reached** (through posts and stories)

Why it Mattered

We extend God's love beyond our church walls, touching lives both locally and globally. By measuring impact and adapting to changing circumstances, we ensure our mission remains effective. Through online, in-person, and relational connections, we bring God's presence to people wherever they are.

480k+
Digital
interactions

105k
Livestream
viewers

Connect

Ministry Groups

- Opportunities for fellowship, service, and spiritual growth were provided for:
 - **Youth, College Students, Young Adults, Men, Women, and Seniors.**
- Opportunities for fellowship for our members and community:
 - **Over 500** attended Annual Diner En Blanc
 - **Over 1,800 children and families** attended our annual Easter Eggtravaganza and Sweet Tooth Costume Carnival
 - **Over 400 Seniors** gathered for the annual Sr. Line Dance Party and Game Day. These activities provide a safe, fun, and engaging opportunity for seniors in our congregation and community.

Care Ministry

- Supported members and the community through:
 - **Sickness, bereavement, celebrations, prayer requests, shut-ins, ongoing care, and benevolence.**

Why it Mattered

These ministries foster connection, spiritual growth, and meaningful relationships. Ministry is how we put God's work into action—a place where people find real care, community, nurture their God-given identity, and learn from others with different walks of life.

500+
Diner En Blanc
attendees

1,800+
Annual event
attendees

Serve

Community Outreach

- **Cold Weather Shelter Partnership:** Provided food and bedding for **71 individuals experiencing homelessness.**
- **Food Pantry:** Distributed over **125,000 pounds of food to 5,000 people**, ensuring families didn't go hungry.
- **Shoes For School:** Gave **\$9K in gift cards** to 13 area elementary and middle schools providing shoes for over 100 students.
- **Federal Employee Assistance Fund:** Raised over **15K** for members who experienced the Government Shutdown.
- **SERVE Saturday:** engaged 230+ volunteers to impact 7 locations for community service and **blessed 500 families** with personal care, household items and nonperishable food items.
- **Thanksgiving Holiday Giveaway:** Turkeys and non-perishables to **over 800 families.**
- **Christmas Gift Giving:** Adopted and provided gifts to **1,205 students and families.**

Why it Mattered

These initiatives address critical community needs, demonstrating Christ's love through action. Service is how we care for God's flock, making it possible for everyone—regardless of means—to contribute in their own way. Through countless volunteer hours, planning, and generous support, we show just how much our community gains by giving back.

125k
Pounds
of food
distributed
\$15k+
Assistance
program

Give

- Over **\$50K donated** to strategic partners, supporting education, hospital expansions and community programs.
- **\$20,000 contributed** to scholarships, including the Head Start Program and Silas Craft initiatives.
- **\$36K donated** to John Hopkins Medical Center of Howard County Foundation.
- **\$2K donated** to Howard Community College's Food Pantry.
- Over **\$3K donated** to Community Action Council Capital Campaign.



Why it Mattered

Generosity changed lives, offering hope, resources, and opportunities to those in need.

\$50k
Partner
donations

\$36k
Johns
Hopkins
Medical
Center
donations

Youth at St John

St John Baptist Church's Youth Ministry has had a powerful impact on our lives, helping us grow spiritually and personally. These experiences have shaped us into more compassionate and faith-driven Christians and have helped increase our knowledge of the Bible.

BellaGrace Lucienne Annibal &
BelleGabrielle Willow Annibal

Outreach

- Touched over **3,000 youth** through events, discipleship, mentorship, and skillbuilding programs.
- **Partnership with Long Reach High School:** Assisted 9th-grade and 10-grade students with transition support and practical life skills.
- Hosted a **7-week Summer STEM Camp** for over **100 youth**, combining creativity and real-world skill building.

Why it Mattered

Empowering youth ensured they had the tools, guidance, and opportunities to succeed both personally and academically.

3k+
Youth
outreach
events and
programs

100+
Youth
STEM Camp
attendees

Engagement

Youth Church

- Taught biblical truths in interactive ways, engaging dozens of children and teens biweekly.

Weekly Programs

- **Kingdom Kidz Bible Study** nurtured faith in children.
- **Teen Virtual Bible Study** empowered teenagers with practical biblical guidance.

College Impact

- **\$30,000 in scholarships awarded** to high school graduates and recurring college students.
- **Meal Voucher Program:** Provided 900 free meals at Howard Community College every first Monday.

Why it Mattered

Our youth ministry lays a strong foundation of faith for the next generation. Consistent youth participation highlights the lasting value of investing in their future—and gives us reason to celebrate every milestone along the way.

\$30k
Scholarships
awarded

900
Free meal
vouchers
provided

Partnerships for Greater Impact

We have had plenty of organizations that ask what they can do to support the students at Long Reach High School. St John is a partner that delivers. The Lightning Empowerment Program provides students with a safe place for mentoring, homework assistance, dinner and transportation home if needed. In addition, the congregation always considers new ways to partner with Long Reach HS. If I were to describe this church, I would say they "talk the talk" and "walk the walk." Thank you for being a "real" partner by going above and beyond for our Long Reach High School community.

Malcolm S. Anderson, Assistant Principal, Long Reach High School

- Collaborated with over **20 organizations**, including Grassroots, Long Reach High School, Power 52, Columbia Association, and the Community Action Council.

Why it Mattered

Strategic partnerships amplify our reach and effectiveness, allowing us to serve more people in meaningful ways.

20
Collaborations
with local
organizations

Our Partners

Civic Engagement and Service Partners

- **Howard County Board of Elections** Supporting voter access and engagement.
- **Red Cross of Howard County** Collaborating on disaster relief and preparedness efforts.
- **Howard County Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)** Responding to community crises with efficiency and compassion.

Social Justice and Advocacy

- **Howard County Courageous Conversations** Engaging in dialogues to promote equity, inclusion, and understanding, addressing systemic challenges and building a stronger, more compassionate community.
- **PATH (People Acting Together in Howard)** Advocating for systemic change and social justice.

Corporate and Fraternity Partners

- **Maryland Food Bank** Combating food insecurity through impactful initiatives.
- **Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity: Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter** Supporting mentorship and leadership development.
- **Omega Psi Phi Fraternity: Tau Pi Chapter** Promoting service and community engagement.

Youth and Family Development

- **Jack and Jill of Howard County** Providing enrichment and leadership programs for youth.
- **Bobbi Engram Foundation** Committed to supporting research for curing sickle cell disease while inspiring and empowering youth through impactful outreach programs.

These partnerships exemplify our commitment to being a resource and beacon of hope for our community. Together, we are making a profound difference by living out our mission of service and love.

Thank You

To Our Members

Your faith and dedication drove these life-changing ministries. Continue to serve, give, and share Christ's love as we build on these accomplishments.

To Our Guests

Discover how you can be part of a community where faith and action intersect. Join us in worship, service, and fellowship to make a difference in the world.

To Our Donors and Partners

Your generosity fueled our mission. By partnering with us, you helped empower youth, feed families, and expand our outreach to those in need. Together, we achieved tremendous impact and set the stage for even greater things to come.

We look forward to continuing this journey of discipleship through faith, connection, and service. Thank you for being part of the St John story!

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WORSHIP & SPIRITUAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

Hybrid Sunday Worship Services:

8:00 am and 10:15 am

Hybrid Sunday School:

9:10 am

Virtual Bible Study:

Mondays at 7:00 pm

Kingdom Kidz (K-5):

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Teen Virtual Bible Study:

Thursdays at 7:00 pm

First Wednesday Hybrid Power Hour:

7:00 pm

Virtual Power Half-Hour:

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Virtual Connect Discipleship Classes:

Saturdays at 9:10 am

Congregational Prayer:

Mondays at 6:00 am (Online)

Food Pantry

Every 1st & 3rd Saturday:

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Location:

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