

A group of three people, two men and one woman, are looking down at a device held by the woman on the left. They are all wearing glasses and professional attire. The background is a blurred office setting. The entire image has a blue tint.

**2025**

# MINISTRY IMPACT REPORT



**CHURCH AMBASSADOR  
NETWORK OF TEXAS**

INITIATIVE OF **THE DANIEL IMPACT**

# DEAR FRIEND,

The start of a new year is often filled with anticipation and excitement, and that is definitely the case in 2026 as we look forward to the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. A new year is also an opportunity to celebrate God's faithfulness, and to recognize His hand of favor. It is in that spirit that I am excited to share this 2025 Church Ambassador Network of Texas Impact Report.

Through your partnership, God is building—and has built—a coalition of pastors and leaders in Texas who influence from a Kingdom perspective, interject truth with grace, and impact the culture in ways that benefit families, communities, our state, and even the nation. In the pages that follow, you will see how your partnership with the Church Ambassador Network of Texas is bearing fruit.

This report is not just a scorecard of tangible accomplishments—it speaks to the faithfulness of God to act when His people come together and communicate to the culture with clarity and conviction.

Thank you for your partnership in ministry. The year ahead is filled with opportunities to share the gospel, advance the Kingdom, and be a blessing in Texas. As we remain faithful to the call, I am confident that God will continue to move in the Lone Star State.

**"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now."**

**PHILIPPIANS 1:3-5**



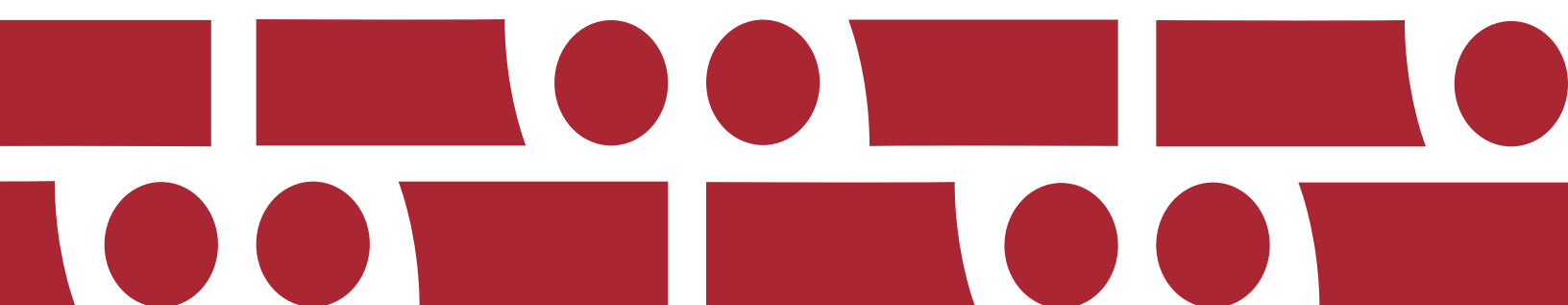
For the Kingdom,

*Bryan English*

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Executive Director

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The Church Ambassador Network of Texas Steering Committee is made up of pastors from around the state, representing the diversity of the evangelical church in Texas.

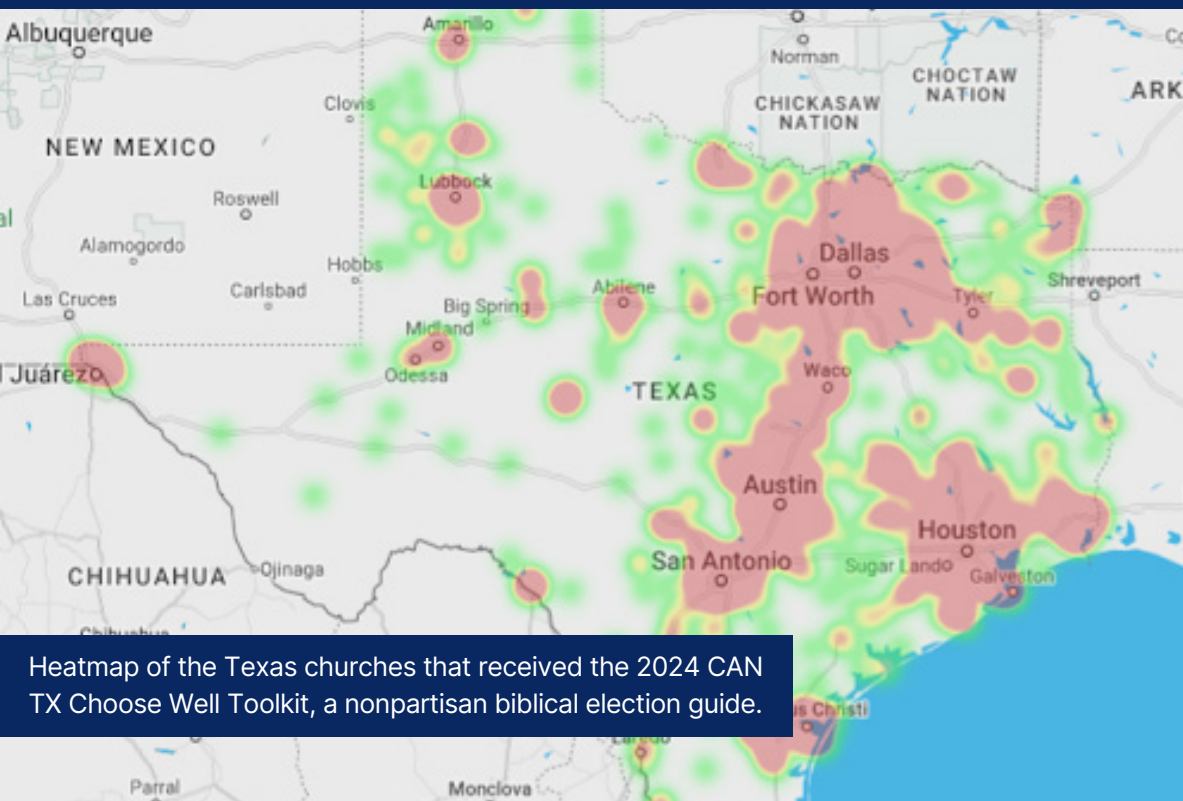
## BY THE NUMBERS

Our ministry moves at the speed of relationships, and one of our major areas of focus is on the relationship between pastors, the shepherds of God's church, and governing officials, the shepherds of government.

Even before the legislative session started in January of 2025, our team was aggressively connecting with pastors. Our approach to ministry to government is comprehensive, and part of inspiring the church to engage government is to walk alongside local pastors as they navigate elections.

## CHOOSE WELL 2024

The **Choose Well Initiative** is local and pastor-centric. Pastors, as the shepherds of their congregation, are not only the best, but also the ones placed by God to biblically equip their people in all matters, including elections. This unprecedented outreach strengthened relationships across the state and expanded our network of engaged church leaders. The results of Choose Well 2024 were critical to building a foundation for the Church Ambassador Network to build upon in 2025.



Heatmap of the Texas churches that received the 2024 CAN TX Choose Well Toolkit, a nonpartisan biblical election guide.

**10,207**  
CHURCHES CALLED

**3,212**  
CHURCHES REACHED

**85%**  
OF CHURCHES REACHED  
RECEIVED OUR TOOLKIT

# SHEPHERD-TO-SHEPHERD CONNECTIONS

On the heels of the success of the Choose Well Initiative, our team began scheduling pastors to come to the Texas Capitol. From the Bible Distribution event, to our first-ever Assemblies of God Day, our first Baptist Day, and the small groups of pastors who gave of their time to make sure there was a gospel presence in the Texas Capitol, 2025 was a resounding success!

# 1,061

**"SHEPHERD TO SHEPHERD" CONNECTIONS FACILITATED IN 2025**

# 134

**CONNECTIONS IN TEXAS SENATE**

68% OF ALL SENATORS, INCLUDING 45% OF SENATE DEMOCRATS AND 80% OF SENATE REPUBLICANS

# 624

**CONNECTIONS IN TEXAS HOUSE**

66% OF ALL REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING 56% OF HOUSE DEMOCRATS AND 73% OF HOUSE REPUBLICANS

# 303

**CONNECTIONS AMONG STATEWIDE OFFICIALS**



Bryan English joined El Paso pastors and ministry leaders for a Bible distribution modeled after the event that was held in Austin in January.

# BIBLE DISTRIBUTION EVENT

The mission of the Church Ambassador Network is to inspire the Church to engage government for the advance of God's kingdom. To that end, shortly after the legislative session began in 2025, we hosted an event in Austin that included nearly 200 pastors from across the state.

## An Evening of Prayer, Praise & Preparation

Before engaging at the Texas Capitol, we met at the St. James Missionary Baptist Church for a time to prepare our hearts, to come together as the Body of Christ, and to seek God's hand of favor on our ministry during the session.

## Meetings & Distribution

The next morning, several busloads of pastors made their way to the Texas Capitol, and after breaking into teams, set about meeting various governing officials. Each meeting included a presentation of a personalized Study Bible and a time of prayer.

Pastors were well-received during the event. They were able to meet, deliver Bibles to, and pray with members from both political parties and both legislative chambers, as well as Justices, Judges, and Commissioners of executive agencies.

The impact of the Bible distribution reverberated across the Capitol complex, throughout the session, and far beyond the city of Austin. For example, several pastors from El Paso who participated in the Bible distribution in Austin decided to host a similar event for their mayor and city council. In April, Bryan was invited to El Paso to speak to pastors and participate in their Bible distribution.



Pastors pray with Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham



Over 30 pastors stepped up to lead groups during our day at the Texas Capitol.



Pastors praying with former Chief Justice Nathan Hecht. Justice Hecht was the longest-serving Supreme Court Justice in Texas history, having served for 36 years at the time of his retirement on December 31, 2024.



CAN Staff and Texas Pastors meeting with Speaker Dustin Burrows and Rep. Ken King during the 2025 legislative session.

One of the many ministries we partner with is the National Day of Prayer. In 2025, it was announced that our own Doug James will serve as the Chair of the annual Governor's Prayer Breakfast, following in the footsteps of Jim McGee, who served in the role for many years.



## MINISTERING TO ALL THREE BRANCHES

The Church Ambassador Network ministry model is unique in so many ways. In an arena where relationships are transactional and influence is often measured by the acquisition and application of political power, we represent the King of Kings. As a result, our ministry moves at the speed of relationships, and rather than seeking “a seat at the table,” we operate where God’s hand of favor opens doors of opportunity.

For example, a generous donor caught the CAN vision, and paid for plane tickets so a group of pastors from Lubbock could come to Austin to meet with Speaker Burrows, who is also from Lubbock. As a result, we were able to spend nearly an hour getting to know the Speaker during session.

In addition to our ministry in the Texas Capitol, God provided opportunities to minister to officials serving in the judicial branch and executive agencies.



The atmosphere amongst pastors during their time at the Texas Capitol is always electric. In addition to sharing Scripture and prayers, pastors’ smiles and laughter frequently fill the building.



As a result of the DFPS appreciation events, pastors became aware of a desperate need for updated furniture, paint, and toys in the foster care visitation rooms. CAN TX helped facilitate the collaborative effort that led to a dramatic update for families who need to use those facilities.

## JULY 4TH FLOOD RESPONSE

When tragedy struck on the 4th of July, the Church Ambassador Network was in a unique position to lend assistance.

As a result of our relationships with the local church, governing officials, and community impact ministries, our ministry was able to quickly lend assistance following the flood.



Nino Gonzalez helped coordinate and lead response teams from the San Antonio area.



Nino Gonzalez, CAN TX Senior Director for South Texas, facilitated several "Social Worker Appreciation" events for DFPS staff in San Antonio in 2025.

# MINISTRY BEYOND AUSTIN

As we inspire the church, and pastors respond by engaging with government, the fruit is often a partnership where the heart of the church for meeting needs creates an opportunity to share the gospel in unexpected places.

When the church takes the time to demonstrate to governing officials that we not only care about the things they care about, but that we also take action through community impact ministries to meet tangible needs, doors open for partnership and ministry.

In 2025, the Church in Texas stepped up to answer the call, to share ideas, and to lay the groundwork for future collaborative ministry in partnership with government.

The CAN team also hosted Land Commissioner for a Breaking Bondage Tour stop in Dallas at the headquarters of Texans on Mission where the partnership between government and the church following a natural disaster was highlighted.



Education Commissioner Mike Morath joined the Church Ambassador Network for Breaking Bondage Tour stops in Austin, Houston, and Dallas in 2025. The discussions highlighted ministries at the local level that are impacting public schools and the new Bluebonnet Curriculum the Commissioner's team has put together.



CAN TX Executive Director Bryan English, joined by Pastor Clark Reynolds (Houston's First Baptist), Dr. B.W. McClendon (St. James Missionary Baptist Church, Austin), Pastor Demetris McClendon (One Church, Midlothian), Pastor Matt Kendrick (Redemption City, Fort Worth), Pastor Tony Evans (The Urban Alternative), and Pastor Bobby Garcia (Grace Christian Church, El Paso), pray with Chief Justice Jimmy Blacklock of the Texas Supreme Court during the 2025 Bible Distribution Event.



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ministry across the  
Lone Star State.