

December 2025

Dear Pastors, Friends, and Partners of Selah International,

Several of you have asked us if we had a successful Selah Refresh 2025.

- ⇒ We enjoyed unified **worship** and exalted our Savior.
- ⇒ We received the Truth of God's Word and personal application to **enrich** our souls.
- ⇒ We were **equipped** to better care for our marriages, counsel our flocks, and live out the Gospel, not just preach it.
- ⇒ We **approached the throne of grace** and found grace to help in our deepest need.
- ⇒ We are returning to our places of service **strengthened and rejoicing**.



I can say wholeheartedly, it was a tremendous success! Many have commented that it was the best one we've experienced yet. We are so grateful for all of you who prayed and invested to make SR25 possible.



In addition to the refresh retreat, we were privileged to conduct a marriage retreat in Tennessee, present in several churches in Texas and Tennessee, attend a wonderful missions conference, and minister to a couple during a counseling intensive. Amid traveling to churches to serve and present, there is a constant rhythm of counseling no matter where we are. **We are so grateful that the Lord has provided 13 men and women who serve as Selah associate counselors.** They are able to help meet the need of so many requests that continue to come in. Please pray that the Lord will use all of us to be His hands, feet, and voice to come alongside these servants who are on the frontlines.



As we enter the holiday season, we want to remind you that in order to continue serving your pastors and missionaries, we depend on your love and generosity. We're excited to announce our special end-of-year fundraiser! This year, we're offering a beautiful Christmas ornament inscribed with "Pray for pastors and missionaries all over the world - Colossians 4:3." With a donation of **\$200 or more** during the month of December, you'll receive this ornament as a heartfelt reminder to lift up those faithfully serving around the globe. We're also thrilled to share that every gift will be **matched up to \$50,000** doubling your impact! **Our goal is to max out the match to provide scholarships, support our staff, and meet the growing needs of pastors and missionaries worldwide.** Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference for those who pour themselves out in ministry every day.

"My soul, wait thou only upon God..." (Psalm 62:5)
"The LORD taketh pleasure...in those that hope in his mercy." (Psalm 147:11)

As 2025 ends and we look forward to 2026, may your soul learn again to "wait patiently" on Him, trusting that His timing is wiser and better than your own. Your Lord delights in those who remember to hope in His eternal, steadfast love. Anchor your expectations in His unchanging character. As you are waiting and hoping, remember that God does His deepest work in the heart that is totally surrendered to His plan. **This means you can step into the new year with renewed strength, confidence, and peace. We love and appreciate each one of you!**

Only by his Grace,

Chris Phillips

