

2025



# IMPACT REPORT

Theological Training  
with Global Impact



# Letter from the President

At Grace School of Theology, we see a future filled with opportunity. The need for leaders grounded in truth and grace has never been greater, and we are stepping further into that grace-filled calling.

In the year ahead, we are focused on expanding our global reach, equipping leaders in new regions who will take the message of grace into communities around the world. We are investing in innovative approaches to online learning, ensuring theological education remains accessible to those called to ministry, No matter where they live.

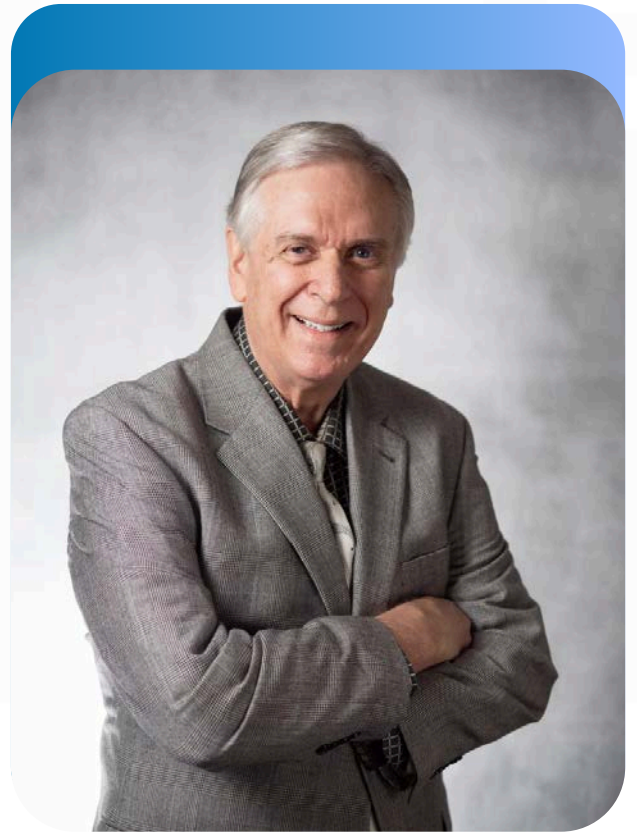
We are committed to strengthening our culture of mentorship, providing personal and relational support so that students are not only learning but truly growing as leaders. We are also building new partnerships with those who share our vision, creating pathways for greater impact and broader reach.

This is not just about institutional growth; it is about advancing God's mission. We believe God is calling us to trust Him for more—to train more leaders, to reach more nations, and to impact more communities with the clear, life-changing message of grace.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Together, we are moving forward with faith, courage, and expectation for all God will do through Grace School of Theology in the year ahead.



**David R. Anderson, Ph. D.**  
**Founder and President**  
Grace School of Theology



# Message from the Provost

## *Rooted In Grace. Growing In Purpose.*



*"The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful people who will be able to teach others also." - 2 Timothy 2:2 - NASB*

At Grace School of Theology, we believe in the power of multiplication. Not just in numbers, but in transformed lives. This verse reminds us that lasting impact comes when the truth of God's Word is passed from one faithful person to another...and then to another.

This year, our students have taken what they've received and are entrusting it to others. We have seen this ministry impact unfold in pulpits, classrooms, boardrooms, and homes worldwide. Whether in large churches or small communities, they deeply commit to sharing the Gospel of grace with clarity and conviction.

Behind every student stands a devoted team of faculty, staff, and gracious donors. Their commitment to developing spiritual leaders isn't a job but a joy and a calling. Through biblical instruction, personal investment, and prayer, we help shape disciples who will multiply ministries far beyond our classrooms.

You, too, are part of this eternal chain. Your prayers, support, and partnership equip faithful men and women for a significant Kingdom impact. We're grateful, we're hopeful, and we're headed to the next level.

Let's keep going...one student...one disciple...and one soul at a time.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Mark Haywood".

**Dr. Mark Haywood**  
Provost  
Grace School of Theology

# CLASS OF 2025

*Equipped to Go. Prepared to Lead.*

## ENROLLED STUDENTS



**17**

DOCTORATE



**460**

GRADUATE



**329**

UNDERGRADUATE



**23**

AUDIT

## GRADUATES

FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025



**112**

GRADUATES FOR MAY 2025

## DEGREES AWARDED PLANNED AREAS OF SERVICES



**115**

DEGREES AWARDED

Every student who walks through the doors of Grace School of Theology carries a story—a calling. And the Class of 2025 is no exception.

This year, we celebrate a growing community of learners. Among them, 17 doctoral, 460 graduate, 329 undergraduate, and 23 audit students have officially enrolled—each one saying “yes” to the call to be equipped for life and ministry.

These graduates won’t just leave with diplomas. They leave with a mission—ready to serve as pastors, counselors, missionaries, teachers, and leaders across the globe. The harvest is plentiful, and the laborers are ready.

The Class of 2025 is more than a number.  
They are a living testament to God’s grace at work  
through **Grace School of Theology**.



# From the Streets to the Seminary

For years, **Leo Taveras** wandered the streets, trying to answer one question: Who am I?

He searched for love in all the wrong places. Gangs, violence, drugs—it all became part of the life he used to survive. He wore the mask of a tough guy, but underneath, he was a broken young man aching to be seen. He was angry. Addicted. Lost.



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But in 2015, everything changed. One night, tired of only calling out to God when he was desperate, Leo made a decision that would alter his life forever. He said, “I’m not just going to seek God in my trouble. I’m going to draw close to Him in everything.”

As he pressed in, something remarkable began to happen. God started revealing not just who He was—but who Leo was in Christ. The chains of addiction started to break. The urge to use? Gone. The anger? Fading. For the first time in his life, Leo felt peace.

And then came the call. In the summer of 2016, Leo sensed God leading him into ministry. God was calling him to be a preacher! No one would have believed it—not even Leo.

## **But when God calls, He equips.**

That’s when Leo found Grace School of Theology. The name alone stopped him in his tracks. “Grace” was the very thing that had saved his life. He couldn’t believe a school so grounded in truth could also be so affordable and accessible. As a full-time truck driver with a family, it felt like a door only God could open. Leo enrolled and never looked back.

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Over the next four years, Grace School of Theology didn’t just teach him theology—it transformed the way he saw salvation, discipleship, and ministry. ***He learned that God’s grace isn’t just about getting people into heaven—it’s about bringing heaven to earth through everyday lives changed by Jesus.***

In 2019, Leo launched ***Shine Light Ministries***, a community-focused outreach that helps others experience the same freedom he found. He now leads, teaches, and disciples with boldness and compassion—reaching people still stuck in the dark places he once called home. And he’s not done!



Today, Leo is finishing his bachelor’s degree with Grace—and dreaming of a master’s. He says his journey with Grace isn’t just about education. It’s about preparation. “*Grace has equipped me in ways I never thought possible,*” Leo says. “*It enhanced my thinking, deepened my understanding, and helped me teach God’s Word in truth.*”

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# Global Impact

## *Our Mission in Action*

Years ago, **Grace School of Theology** set out with a bold vision: to develop spiritual leaders in every nation who can teach others about the love of Christ, a love that cannot be earned and cannot be lost. Today, that vision is no longer a dream—it's a living reality.

From bustling cities to remote villages, Grace School of Theology is equipping students in **47 countries**—living proof of our global-local heartbeat. And the reach doesn't stop there. With courses offered in seven languages—**English, French, Korean, Nepali, Portuguese, Spanish, and Russian**—students are learning in the language of their hearts and carrying the message of grace to every corner of the world.



Countries: **47**

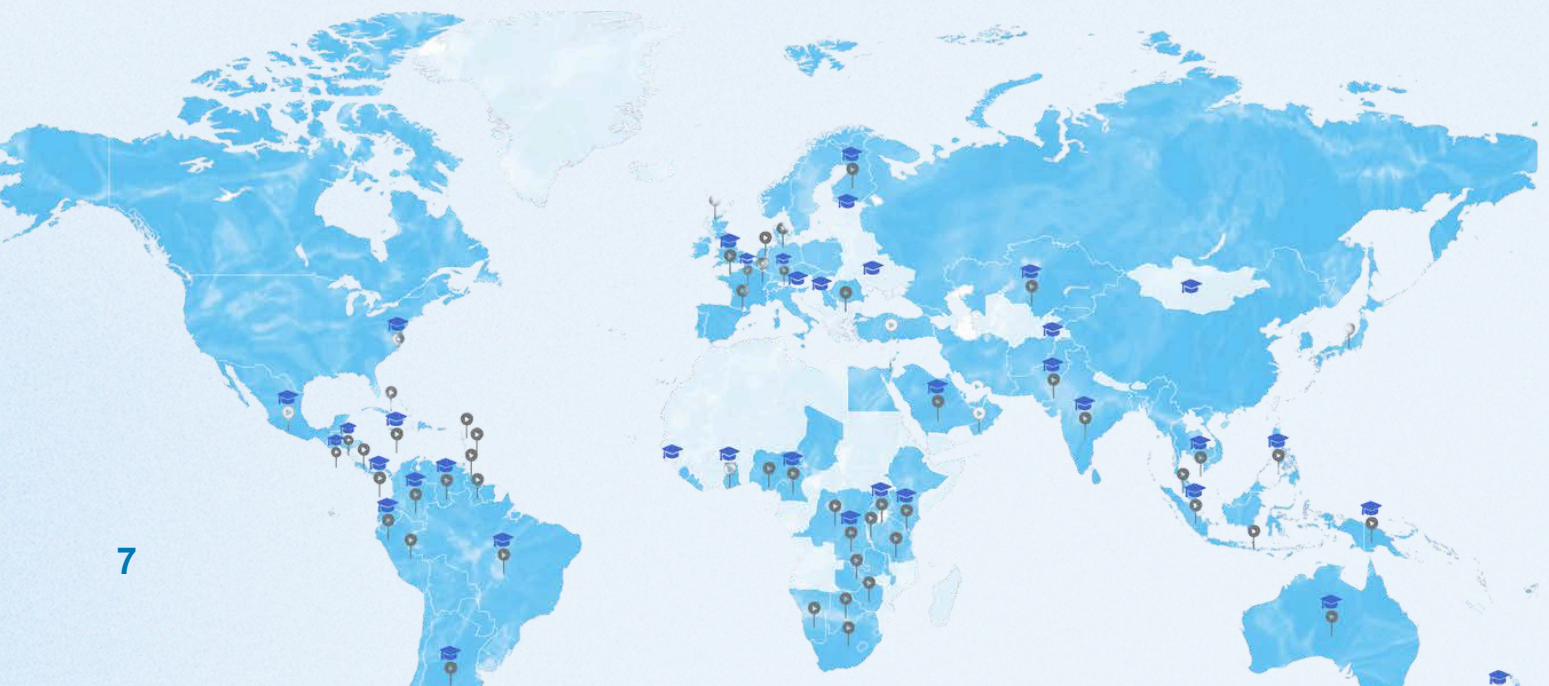


Languages: **7**

*English, French, Korean, Nepali,  
Portuguese, Spanish, and Russian*

**The Gospel is going forth, not bound by borders or language barriers.  
This is what global discipleship looks like.  
This is the Grace story in motion.**

***“Training spiritual leaders to teach  
the love of Christ—a love that cannot  
be earned and cannot be lost.”***





# Lasting Impact

## *Aggies for the Nations*

For years, **Grace School of Theology** has been empowering and partnering with students not only to study the Word but to live it out—and **Aggies for the Nations** is a powerful reflection of that. In December 2024, Grace hosted 17 athletes from Texas A&M on a mission trip to Panama, partnering with former student and missionary Randy Weets. Randy set up three days of sports camps for these Aggies to not only share their love of sports, but they also had the opportunity to share their love for Jesus with over a hundred students and indigenous people. It was a transformative experience!

**Aggies for the Nations** will be returning to Panama December 2025, to be the hands and feet of Jesus through simple acts of love and bold conversations.

“During my time in Panama, I saw how powerfully God moves through service and humility. Whether playing with children or speaking with the tribe, I felt His presence in every moment. Being with a community so hungry for both physical and spiritual nourishment renewed my appreciation for the gospel’s simplicity. This experience pushed me to lean more on Christ—not just as my Savior, but as my daily guide—and reminded me that ministry begins in my everyday life.” — Heather Abadie



# Grace's Generosity at Work:

## *Pastor Christopher “Tof” De Guzman*

For nearly two decades, **Pastor Christopher “Tof” De Guzman** has faithfully served his church in Laguna, Philippines. But despite his long years in ministry, he still considered himself a student pastor—hungry to grow, deepen his knowledge of God’s Word, and become better equipped to shepherd others.

In 2016, a friend invited him to explore Grace School of Theology. What started as a simple recommendation turned into a life-changing journey. “The first time I set foot at Grace, I felt like I belonged,” Tof recalls.

Coming from a Reformed background, Tof initially wrestled with the school’s theological distinctives—especially the core of Free Grace Theology. But over time, the message that God’s love is unearned and unlosable began to settle into his heart and transform his perspective. Grace’s culture of compassion, open dialogue, and community became not just a place of learning—but of healing.

Yet Tof’s journey wasn’t without hardship. While pursuing his degree, the COVID-19 pandemic struck. Tof got sick and failed Greek—twice. The first time, he was battling COVID. The second, he was diagnosed with a more serious condition. He sent a letter to his academic advisor saying he was ready to give up.

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## But **Grace** didn't give up on him.

In reviewing his progress, Grace helped Tof realize that he had actually completed all the requirements for his Master of Arts in Biblical Studies—except for Greek, which was only required for his Master of Divinity. This was the turning point in his journey with Grace. He was encouraged to apply for graduation and was inspired to continue his studies.

In 2023, Tof marched in Texas—thousands of miles from home—celebrating not just a diploma, but a victory over doubt, illness, and discouragement. “I was ready to quit,” he said. “But Grace reminded me that I had already come so far. That changed everything.”



Thanks to Grace's scholarship support that made it possible, Tof didn't just earn a degree. He became a better teacher of the Word. A more confident pastor. A more grounded Christian. “Jesus used Grace to change my life—not just my ministry, but my heart. I grew as a person, as a pastor, and most importantly, as a follower of Jesus.”

Today, Pastor Tof continues to lead Christian Home Baptist Church (CHBC), where he ministers to over 100 members. And he's not stopping yet—he recently finished his Master of Divinity, with eyes set on a Doctor of Ministry afterward.

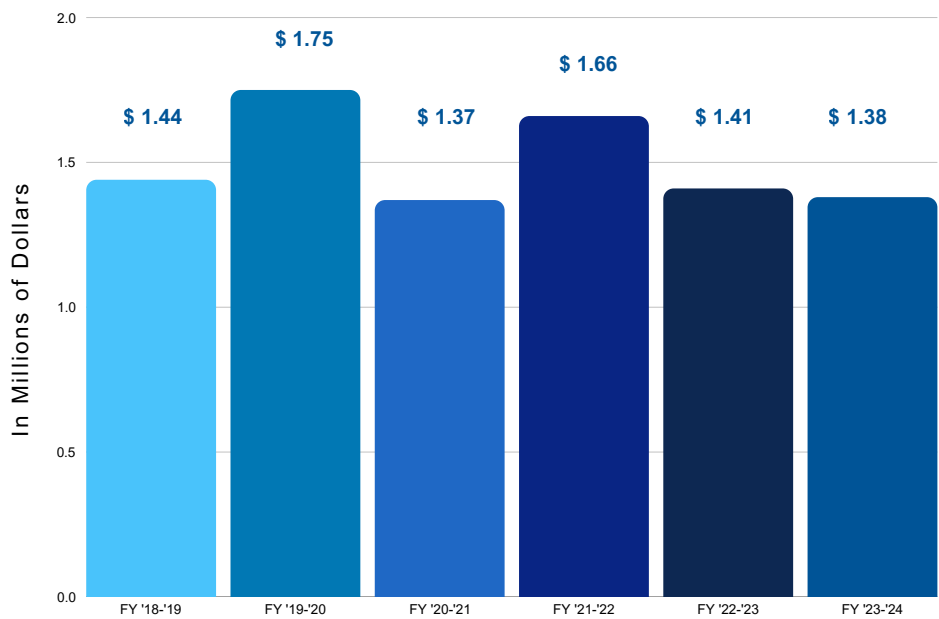
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# Financial Accountability

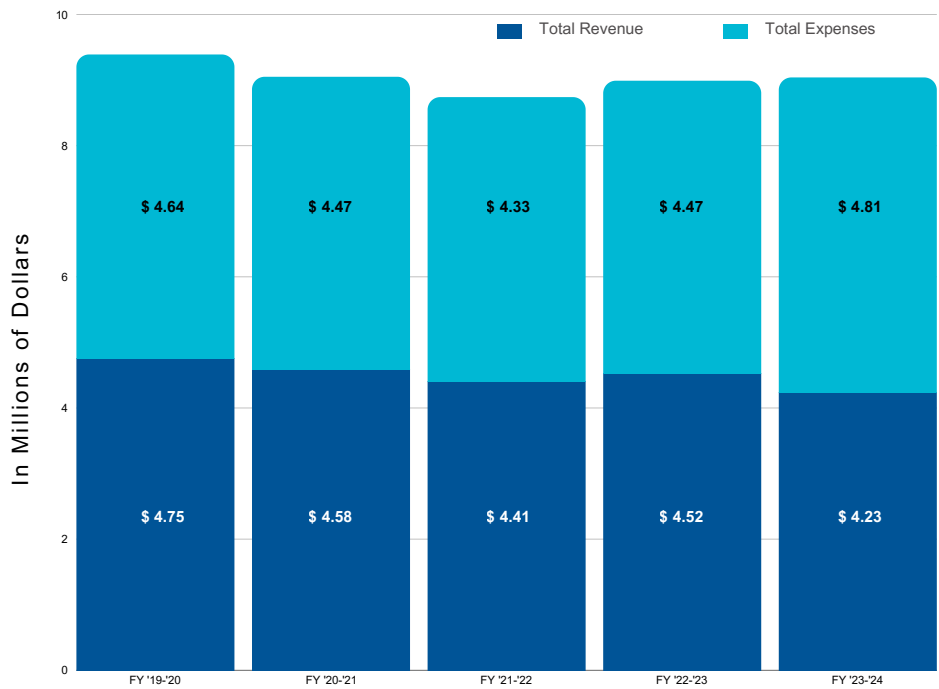
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Grace School of Theology is financially accredited as a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability. ECFA provides accreditation to leading Christian nonprofit organizations that faithfully demonstrate compliance with established standards for financial accountability, transparency, fundraising, and board governance. The Christ-centered ministries accredited by ECFA include churches, denominations, educational institutions, rescue missions, camps, and many other types of tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations.

## Tuition Assistance Impact



## 5-Year Financial Overview




Grace's cost per credit hour: \$650 per credit hour  
Average Grace student cost per credit hour: \$100

Grace's annual cost per student: \$6,073  
Average amount paid by a Grace student annually: \$945



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