

2021: Year in Review

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Church Ministries, Preaching and Teaching

Speaking opportunities (by messages)

Total – 152

Sunday services – 74

Midweek services – 17

Good Friday – 2

Thanksgiving Eve – 1

Christmas Eve – 1

Bible conference – 4

Funeral – 2

Men's breakfast – 1

Conference workshop – 1

Conference report – 2

Campus ministry – 2

Online Bible study group – 41

Radio interviews – 2

FOI chapel – 2

Ministries in church services (by days)

Total – 68

Sundays – 47

Midweek – 17

Holidays – 3

Funeral – 1

Churches in which we ministered (by states)

Total – 35

Wisconsin – 21

Iowa – 5

Texas – 4

Illinois – 3

Minnesota – 1

North Carolina – 1

I did 14 presentations on **Passover** for 9 churches/groups.

I did 9 presentations on **Hanukkah** for 4 churches/groups.

I exhibited at 8 **conferences** –

Conference on the Church for God's Glory (Rockford, IL)

IFCA International Annual Convention (Lincoln, NE)

IFCA Wisconsin Regional (Fond du Lac and Union Grove, WI)

Iowa Association of Regular Baptist Churches Annual Conference (West Des Moines, IA)

Refresh Conference—Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary (Ankeny, IA)

Shepherds 360 Church Leaders Conference—Shepherds Theological Seminary (Cary, NC)

Wisconsin Fellowship of Baptist Churches (North Hudson, WI)

Media Outreach

I wrote 4 **blog articles** for FOI.org.

I wrote 33 additional **columns**. All of these ran on SharperIron.org and 1 ran on WorldviewWeekend.com. Columns are also posted on SermonAudio.com in both written and audio formats.

I had 15,964 downloads on **SermonAudio.com/pscharf**. These reached all 50 states and 102 foreign countries.

Communication

I sent out four **quarterly prayer/newsletters**. The final one, in December, went to 58 individuals (in eight states), to 10 supporting churches (in two states) and to 120 additional churches with which we have a direct connection (in 15 states).

I sent 78 letters to churches to thank them for ministry opportunities.

I sent 125 letters to people (in 15 states) who had previously signed up for *Israel My Glory* at our display table, but did not provide us with an email address.

With the help of a faithful volunteer, we launched our **weekly e-newsletter** on Dec. 14, and sent 3 regular and 2 special holiday editions during December. At the end of the month, we were sending the email to 626 subscribers.

I produce a “**Weekly Prayer Update**” each Wednesday morning, which I currently send to 7 churches and 1 family, as well as posting it on Facebook.

Thanks to everyone who prayed for us and supported us financially in 2021—making this ministry possible. It is wonderful to have you as part of our team!

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