



# Chronic Joy® Annual Report 2025

In 2025, Chronic Joy continued our mission (rooted in God's exceptional generosity) to *outgive God*, stewarding our time, talent, and treasure with diligence and care. Honing our focus enabled us to serve with greater presence and intention enabling us to strengthen core programs, improve accessibility, and reinforce long-term sustainability. Additionally, we prioritized staff development as part of our ongoing commitment to continuous improvement.

In 2025, 100% of donations funded key initiatives:

- 22 free *Envelopes of Hope* (filled with excellent resources) are available across our webpages for all who request them.
- streamlining and deepening our prayer ministry to better meet and respond to the needs of all who request prayer.

## YOUR GENEROSITY made it possible to:

- publish *Permission to Grieve: Moving Forward with Loss*.
- publish a new edition of *#PenToPaper: Note Starters for Every Day*.
- give away 1,000 books (mirroring a milestone set in 2016).
- fund our primary program delivery method of connection and care: 5 global outreach mailings, birthday mailings, and *Envelopes of Hope*, totaling 7,000 #PenToPaper envelopes delivered in 2025.

The generosity of one-time and recurring donors (monthly gifts of \$2 to \$200) reminds us daily of your belief in the ministry of Chronic Joy.

*Thank you so much for your wonderful ministry. I can't really put into words how much it means to me. It helps me to not feel so alone in my walk with chronic illness and pain. I praise God for you and will continue to pray for your ministry.* (Cindy S., Florida)

*THANK YOU for this website, it's heart and the many resources. I am a hospital chaplain who addresses these issues on a daily basis and am so grateful for the work you are doing.* (Nancy B., California)

*I appreciate your ministry! I couldn't go another day without taking a minute to let you know how much y'all have encouraged me ... Thank you! You make a difference in my life and help me feel seen in a way I don't often feel.* (Kate H., Tennessee)

Visit [chronic-joy.org](http://chronic-joy.org) for more resources.



## FINANCIAL • HIGHLIGHTS

**TOTAL INCOME** \$44,758\*

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE** \$26,151

### BREAKDOWN OF SPENDING

Program Delivery \$25,135

(all program's postage \$5,474)

Office/Administration \$ 1,015

Fundraising \$ 0

\*Contributions \$42,925

(specific purpose \$5,000)

\*Product Sales \$ 1,833

### IN-KIND SUPPORT/DISCOUNTS

- Microsoft database hosting valued at \$1,246
- Microsoft Office discounted licenses (2)
- Flickr Pro \$72 (annual x 5 yrs)
- Thrivent Action Teams: purchased print items \$2,250
- Thrivent Choice Dollars \$1,418

In 2025, we took intentional stock of our website resources, identifying those that best serve our community. Your generosity enabled us to review our website's database and utilize a service that helped identify duplicates, unused media, and infrequently viewed content. This allowed us to reduce content, revise webpages, and ensure our website (a primary delivery resource) runs smoothly and effectively.

## 2025 PROGRAM STATISTICS

63,064 email touches

7,000 #PenToPaper envelopes mailed in the U.S. and globally

110 prayer requests

904 birthdays celebrated by mail

90 Posts to Ponder, devotionals, and newsletters published

1,000 Chronic Joy publications gifted

300+ printables (36,550 viewed or downloaded - up from 18,426)

1,346 audio recordings (listened to or downloaded)

*Bless you all at this wonderful ministry! I just received your card of encouragement today. It brought me to tears...You have no idea what this means to someone who is suffering.* (Carol B., California)

*I want to thank those who have been praying for me. My mental health has not been great...a struggle that has been with me all through my ministry since the day I was ordained in 1978. I am so glad I came across your ministry through a friend.* (Ian F., Scotland)

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