

*Parker Street Ministries*  
**Financial Report**

<b>Income</b>	
Church Support	\$59,960
Corporate Giving	173,207
Individual Giving	168,025
Other	8,399
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$409,591</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
Academic Enrichment	\$62,443
Christmas Store	23,258
Neighborhood Mercy	6,935
Automobile Expenses	18,392
Property & Utilities	27,088
Office & Administration	94,446
Fundraising	119,051
Other Ministry Expenses	3,714
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$355,327</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$54,264</b>

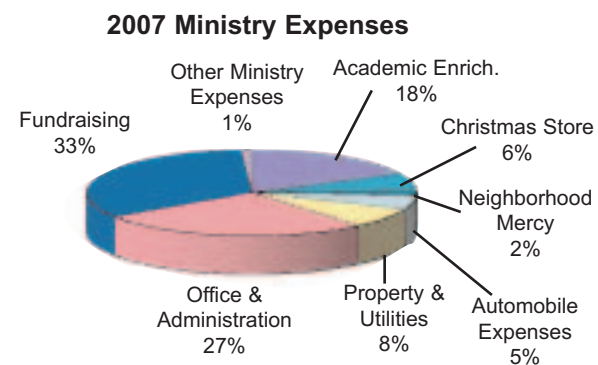
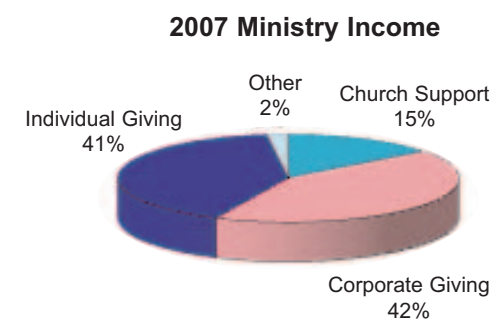


**"The WORD became Flesh  
and moved into our  
Neighborhood"**

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**Mission Statement**

Parker Street Ministries is a Christ-centered non-profit organization committed to individual, family and community restoration, reconciliation and revitalization in Lakeland's Parker Street Community.



**2007  
Annual Report**

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**Welcome Letter**

The year 2007 marked our 12th year of ministry to the Parker Street neighborhood of Lakeland. God's faithfulness to Parker Street Ministries is remarkable as we have seen Him reconcile new hearts to Jesus, restore the physical appearance of the neighborhood, and revitalize a Christian world and life view.

In a time when our economy is slowing, we are extremely grateful for the continued generosity that saw an increase of volunteerism and giving to PSM yet for another year from corporations, individuals, churches, and the City of Lakeland. God nearly overwhelmed PSM with the fundraising event we called "Taking Victory to the Streets". This event featured Danny Wuerffel, the current Executive Director of Desire Street Ministries and Heisman Trophy winner from the University of Florida. Over 400 people attended this event and \$240,000 was raised.

The Lord is blessing the commitment of Tim Mitchell, our director, and his wife Christy in phenomenal ways. We especially see this in the form of trust from the people of the neighborhood, the various aspects of our city's government, our donor base, and our volunteers.

The most challenging new project was our "Housing Initiative". We began by purchasing two houses and an empty lot and began the renovation of one of these houses in order to begin the process of moving neighborhood families into homes that they will own. This has been a goal for several years and 2007 saw the beginning of this project become a reality!

In addition to purchasing homes to turn over to residents we have seen five Christian families either purchase old homes and renovate them or build new homes and move into the neighborhood. God is changing the neighborhood in ways that we couldn't have imagined a few years ago. Come see what God is doing!

Thank you from all of us to all of you who gave prayer, time, labor, energy, and finances to this ministry in 2007.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Tucker  
 Board President

Tim Mitchell  
 Executive Director

**Board of Trustees**

<b>President</b> John Tucker - 8 yrs	<b>Chairman Finance &amp; Operations Committee</b> Rob Tritton - 5 yrs	Archie White - 6 yrs Sarah Johnson - 2 yrs Teresa Bray-Paul - 2 yrs
<b>Vice President/ Chair Elect</b> Tracy Wilson - 4 yrs	<b>Chairman Community Relations Committee</b> Tracy Wilson - 4 yrs	Michael Pallos - 2 yrs Laura Pallos - 2 yrs Mike Wells - 2 yrs David Boulware - 7 yrs
<b>Secretary</b> Judy Barger - 5 yrs	<b>Chairman Property Committee</b> Randy Mathews - 4 yrs	

“It's a **desire** to serve people who **don't have** the resources, **the means to help themselves** and to **spread the gospel.**”

- Tim Mitchell

Parker Street Ministries  
**Mission & History**

Parker Street Ministries, Inc. (PSM) is a Christ-centered, nonprofit [501(c)(3)] organization committed to individual, family and community restoration, reconciliation and revitalization in Lakeland's Parker Street community. The Parker Street neighborhood is defined by Memorial Boulevard to the north and the in-town bypass to the south. It extends east from Massachusetts Avenue to roughly the Lake Parker Avenue area.

For 12 years, PSM has ministered to this complex, transient and compact neighborhood plagued by a high-crime rate, violence, drug use and prostitution. What began as Parker Street Project became Parker Street Ministries, Inc. in 2001, and in 2002 Tim Mitchell assumed the position of Executive Director. Tim leads a dedicated staff that includes an office administrator, development assistant, education program coordinator and two support staff members. Tim and his family (his wife Christy and son James), along with other Parker Street staff and supporters, have chosen to live in this inner-city neighborhood in an effort to seek transformation from the inside out.

Parker Street Ministries, Inc. believes that community development requires spiritual development and thus aspires to change lives daily through their Christ-centered mercy ministry. With the prayer and financial support of individuals, churches and corporations, PSM designs and develops programs to meet the needs of the community. A Board of Trustees consisting of 12 local businessmen/women and community leaders, as well as an Advisory Board of seven, volunteer their time to oversee ministry administration and govern the operating budget.

Through the combined efforts of Parker Street Ministries' staff, generous supporters and trustees and advisors, Parker Street Ministries' programs benefitted over 200 children and their families in 2007.

**STAFF**



Tim and Christy

Executive Director  
**Tim Mitchell**



Education Program  
 Coordinator  
**Christina Allen**



Office Administrator  
**Janette O'Brien**



Education  
 Coordinator Assistant  
**Travis Jones**



Education  
 Coordinator Assistant  
**Ben Turner**

**2007 Program Highlights**

**Academic Enrichment Program (AEP)**

The Academic Enrichment Program (AEP) is a volunteer-supported program and consists of homework help, small group learning activities, one-on-one mentoring, supplemental and basic skills education and Bible study. The students in this program have the opportunity to participate in outdoor activities and club time with fun activities on Friday afternoons. This program operates Monday - Friday afternoons during the school year. AEP enrolled 30 children, which is the maximum capacity of children able to participate in this program, in 2007.

**Christmas Store**

The Christmas Store operates two weekends in December and allows parents in the neighborhood the opportunity to purchase new toys for a fraction of the retail cost. More than 100 volunteers from local churches make this event possible by serving as cashiers, personal shoppers and gift wrappers. The Store ensured Christmas gifts for 221 children from the neighborhood.

**Community Dinners**

Community Dinners are served the first and third Monday of each month throughout the year. The dinners are free for the neighborhood residents and provide an opportunity for the residents to fellowship with one another. Food preparation and hospitality are provided by parents of the children in AEP and volunteers from local churches and civic organizations. More than 100 residents from the neighborhood are fed at each Community Dinner.

**Holiday Meals**

On the eve of both Thanksgiving and Christmas, volunteers deliver 100 turkey dinners provided by Publix Charities to neighborhood residents. The purpose is to share the love of Christ during the holidays.

**Housing Initiative**

Parker Street Ministries is embarking on an endeavor to revitalize the Parker Street neighborhood through the construction and renovation of homes in the neighborhood. It is Parker Street Ministries' hope that by selling rehabilitated and newly constructed homes to neighborhood families, a sense of community ownership and pride will be established and as a result reduce the high turnover rate due to escalating rent and poor conditions.

**Neighborhood Mentoring Program**

The staff of Parker Street Ministries builds relationships with the Parker Street neighborhood by mentoring residents and incorporating them into the various programs. Parents with children in AEP are required to fulfill community service hours.

**Neighborhood Mercy**

Parker Street Ministries, Inc. provides financial and physical support for neighborhood residents with whom the ministry has established relationships. The support includes a range of services from assistance with utility payments to home repair.

**Summer Camp**

The Summer Camp provides experiences in extracurricular activities, i.e. art, cooking, sewing, sports and wood working; daily Bible lessons; one-on-one reading help and academic skill-building activities for elementary and middle school students. Summer Camp operates for eight weeks in June and July, Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and is staffed by two full-time assistants and many volunteers. The 2007 Summer Camp reached a maximum capacity of 30 enrolled children.