

Milestones in the Movement

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Celebrating 35 years of Charisma 1975-2010

A look back at some of the most significant stories in Charisma's 35 years of covering the charismatic movement

The charismatic movement started long before the first pages of *Charisma* were ever printed in 1975. Though this magazine has since become the touchstone publication for Spirit-filled believers, the renewed emphasis within the American church on the Holy Spirit's power began decades earlier. The wave started in 1906 with the Azusa Street Revival, continued throughout the first half of the 20th century and expanded beyond non-Pentecostal groups with Episcopal priest Dennis Bennett's announcement on Passion Sunday in 1960 that he'd received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Fifteen years later, at the height of this newfound movement that was now impacting every denomination and part of the body of Christ, an

Orlando Sentinel

reporter named Steve Strang formed

Charisma

as a newsletter for his local church, Calvary Assembly of God.

That was 35 years ago this month. Since then, Spirit-filled believers have joined us for a wild ride through countless highs and lows, triumphs and tragedies, highlights and scandals. For our loyal readers who have been with us through many of those years, here's a walk down Memory

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Lane. And for those newer to the charismatic experience, consider this a crash course on some of the most influential, memorable and significant stories we've covered in the past 35 years. What a ride it's been!



1975

Charisma's premiere issue debuts in August

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1976 Healing evangelist Kathryn Kuhlman dies



1977 Oral Roberts founds CBN University in Virginia Beach, Va., which later becomes Regent



1979 Yonah J. Chertok founds Faith Gospel Church in Seoul, South Korea, and leads 100,000



1980 Oral Roberts founds CBN, laying the organizational foundation for the worldwide Christian Broadcasting Network



1983 Despite ongoing financial struggles, Oral Roberts opens the City of Faith medical complex in Tulsa, Okla.

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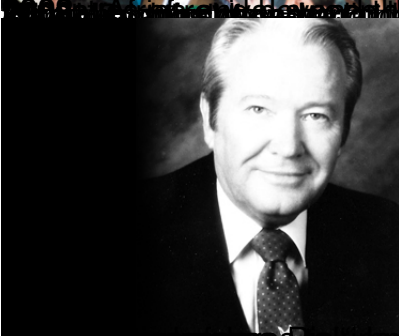


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rate of discipline, as the nation's largest church grows with more

from the 60,000 members in the United Kingdom for

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Mike Burkhart left the church, and says his fellowship

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Robinson's public coming out and his subsequent work as a vocal advocate for LGBTQ+ rights within the church community have inspired many others to come out and speak their truth.



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