



generosity

AT REDEEMER

MAY, JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2022

Hey Redeemer!

Sending Out and Welcoming In: The last 4 months are a good snapshot of this theme in the life of Redeemer. Because our community operates on a school year calendar, May tends to be a month of graduating and sending out. We send members to live life among the unreached, while other members move to a strategic city to be “all-in” church members and invest in a new community for the sake of the Gospel. Come August, we’re welcoming in new families and college students every Sunday. In August alone, we received 150 Connect Cards and had 118 people say they want to connect to a group. That’s 118 people looking to belong! Our City is full of people asking: “What do I believe?”, “Who do I become?”, and “Where do I belong?”. Those questions can only be answered in relationship with the Father and in community with others.

So, while you’re dodging the increased traffic on our City streets or waiting in line at the grocery store, take time to pray that the Lord would use Redeemer to help people know the grace and mercy of Jesus and form family in healthy community. Further, pray that the Lord would continue the cycle of equipping more people to send out, and that by His grace alone, we get to welcome in more people seeking the love of Jesus.

So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied. — Acts 9:31

LET’S GO!

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P.S. I can’t wait to take a slow journey through Romans over this next school year! Join us on Sundays and on our church-wide reading plan by visiting www.redeemerlubbock.org/Bible!



Generosity is Stewardship

Generosity embraces a biblical understanding of stewardship built on three key truths:

- 1. God is the owner of everything.**
- 2. What we have has been given to us by God.**
- 3. The resources we possess are assets to be invested in the kingdom.**

Generosity flows from an understanding that everything we have, are, and will become is not ours to possess. The free gift of God’s grace shapes our faith and leads to the conviction that all we have has been given to us for a purpose. Generosity is the fullest expression of the life of a steward, one who has been given a gift, a gift that must be used wisely and for a purpose, bringing glory to God.



Student Camp

This summer, Redeemer Students brought over 90 middle school and high school students to Rec Camp in Glorieta, New Mexico. The theme of the week was “Unlikely”, looking at how God calls unlikely people to live unlikely lives, showing the world the unlikely story that God loves us and wants us to be part of His kingdom. We saw students invite friends from school and their neighborhoods to come hear the Gospel outside of their normal rhythms and have a lot of fun!



Pine Cove City

Ten out of ten kids agree that Pine Cove City is the best week of the summer! Camp kicked off on July 4th with 181 kids ages K-5th in attendance (with 90 receiving scholarships to attend) - our biggest group yet. Everyday was filled with singing, dancing, learning about Jesus in Bible Study, fun camp activities, and so much more! Our church members were able to host and serve Pine Cove’s college staff as they served and partnered together with parents to proclaim the Gospel!



Summer Trips

From megacities to South Asian mountain cities, 74 people were sent out from Redeemer on short-term trips and 8-week church planting intensives overseas. Our teams were able to partner with the ongoing missional efforts of international goers and local churches. From hosting biblical trainings for national believers to leading a VBS camp and sharing the Gospel in the community, our trip participants were exposed to cross-cultural ministry and the global reach of the good news of Jesus Christ, growing their hearts for the nations and their neighbors!



Building Updates

Our staff is now in a leased office space down the street from Redeemer, allowing for a remodel at the church! The old office space is now 3 new equipping spaces and we were able to add 2 additional classrooms. This has allowed us to safely serve families on Sundays with record attendance. This has allowed us to connect members to Gospel Communities, train volunteers for Parkridge, provide meeting spaces for the launch of relengage, and host our weekly Middle School and High School Gatherings.



College Gathering Kickoff

On the first Tuesday after the Texas Tech fall semester started, our College Gathering Kickoff had 417 students in attendance. Our college staff and leaders invited students they met through RRO, Foundation Retreat, and outreach on campus to come enjoy free food trucks, worship, and hear the gospel! Students were able to connect with one another and take steps to connect in student-led small groups this semester!



Formed

Family is not found, it is formed. One of our rhythms of discipleship is to form family through Gospel Communities. We started the fall semester with a three-week sermon series aimed at developing our understanding of our relationship with God and the implications for our relationship with the church. More than 118 adults and 225 college students took a step to connect with a Gospel Community at Redeemer for the first time!