



DAVIS UPDATE

Wow! So much to celebrate since our last update! First and foremost I celebrate you for supporting my family in this ministry! Without you, it wouldn't be possible.

God has been faithful to us, and with your support, we have seen so much happen through our New City family. These first few photos tell a miracle story!

We ended up being able to rent the newly renovated theater on Adams Ave in the neighborhood where we have been gathering. The owners of the theater ended up being believers & hoped a church would want to rent their building on Sundays. Its a beautiful space the community utilizes for many popular events and its **such a blessing to be a shining light smack in the middle of our city.** (Side note: I grew up a few blocks away from the building so its been inspiring to be back in the same neighborhood). With the theater being so

public with foot traffic we have people walking in and checking us out. This change of location has **made a way for our youth & children's ministry to have the old meeting space all to themselves giving them so much room to meet together too!**



This is Trevor leading worship alongside our friend Jackai. Not only does Trevor lead worship but we are very blessed with the amount of other musicians and leaders that lead us in worship and serve every Sunday.



Pastor Vince Larson passionately preaching. We are blessed by the teaching of him & Pastor Kenny Liles. New City is a co-led church. I love what this collaboration & friendship between the two of them has done for the culture of New City.

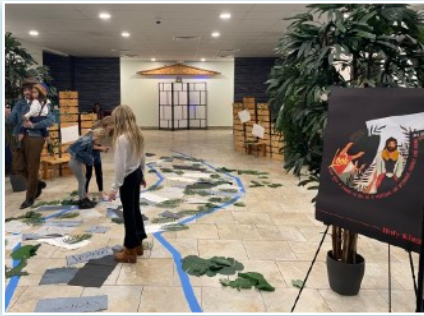
Here are more highlights!

- **Thankful to our over 40 leaders and volunteers who faithfully serve** our church family & surrounding community daily, weekly, monthly throughout the whole year!
- **We witnessed 4 baptisms & 1 child dedication this year!**
- **God has called us to be a praying church!** We have Men & Women prayer groups meeting weekly. We have people praying before every gathering & praying for people at the end of each gathering. We have some even praying 7 times a day. Let us all be prayerful & remember He loves hearing from His children!
- **We continue to host a two day event throughout the year in our home called “The Story of God”** to help people better understand how the Bible is one beautiful story pointing to Jesus. We’ve had the privilege of bringing new believers through this & now for **the first time Heidi put together a version for our youth.**
- **We had a successful Men’s Retreat last summer with 36 guys in attendance.**
- **Our City Groups (home groups) started this past fall with growth!** We added two more groups so everyone had a place to be together and we will be adding even one or two more groups this coming fall making it 8-9 groups.
- **We celebrated 9 Years** as a church with an amazing cultural potluck displaying all the culture within our church family.
- **Our church went to Tijuana, Mexico again in May to build a home for a family through Amor Ministries** to help keep families together who couldn’t afford to provide for basic needs. We will continue to go every year.
- We **kicked off our Summer Meetups this month.** MeetUps are fun events around the city that create opportunities for people (young & old) to connect, belong, and be known. We also get to invite others outside of church.
- **Our core group of leaders is building up and investing deeply into each other.** Vince & Kenny are investing into the elder process to help build a core group of leaders for New City. Trevor is one of the leaders in that eldership process. Although nothing is final, he is moving forward in that process as he prays and hopes to discern that move in ministry.



HOLY WEEK

New City participated in an **Ash Wednesday Service with over 15 churches in San Diego** to lament over the brokenness in our world and posture our hearts to prepare for Easter. It was a beautiful time of music, prayer, and reflection in unity as the big "C" Church. Our **Good Friday service was an interactive and sensory experience of stations related to Jesus' Passion**. It was a reflective moment and an opportunity for our junior leaders to serve the whole church family. We had a young man give his life to Jesus that night! **Easter Sunday was quite the celebration of the resurrection** with family and new visitors. He is ALIVE!



THE NEXT GENERATION IS THE CHURCH

Our core group of leaders felt so compelled to **invest into our next generation** who are the church now & future. We asked ourselves, **"How can we pour into them as much as we pour into every aspect of the church and involve them in it?"** It was so fun to partner with our Lord and see it all unfold. We look forward to how He will continue to do His work in the youth at New City! Highlights are:

- Our **CityKids Leaders hosted a Pizza Planning Party** and included families & the kids to brainstorm what the year could look like. It was a huge success & the kids loved being a part of it.
- We had a **successful Trunk-or-Treat event** in the parking lot with visitors from the neighborhood.
- We **hosted a Christmas party with concert by Trevor** while **gingerbread houses** were made. Our City Groups invited people who may not attend church & our kids read the story of Jesus.
- During one of our special Family Sunday gatherings **we honored our Junior Leaders who serve our younger kids**. They are such rockstars! We don't know what we would do without them.
- **Three of our youth were baptized this year!**
- A lot of them were able to join the **Mexico House building** trip this past May.
- We hosted a **Story of God Youth Event** this last week and 16 youth joined us!



"And don't let anyone put you down because you're young. Teach believers with your life: by word, by demeanor, by love, by faith, by integrity."
1 Timothy 4:12



In March we had the honor of hosting a family who was seeking asylum from Russia. The left picture is us taking them to the ocean which they never saw before! We were so moved by their stories & we treasured every minute. Keep them in prayer as they find housing, community, schooling & work.

OUR PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for our next generation! Pray for our growing children & youth ministry.
- Pray for our Sunday gatherings where we continually see new visitors.
- Pray for our City Groups launch this Fall & more leaders to step in
- Pray we continue to be a GOOD NEWS family on mission in our every day lives together. Spirit move our hearts to love those around us & be His hands and feet.
- Pray for a conference we are hosting with The Center for Faith, Sexuality & Gender in October.
- Pray for our next Story of God event at our home in November.
- Pray for God's vision & wisdom for our pastors as they continue to lead our church and continue in the Elder process to find others to link arms with in shepherding and leading the church.
- Pray for our marriage as we maneuver through ministry. Heidi and I are so blessed to be serving together at New City. She helps bring the structure to my creativity and so much more!
- Pray for my stirring towards playing music again. Not sure if many of you knew this but prior to our daughter Mazelle passing away I was playing music not only inside the church but outside of the church. This was something I've done for years but after Mazelle passed away I lost a certain spunk and only felt comfortable leading worship. This year I can't put my finger yet on what exactly changed but that fire has come back and I'm so excited to get out there again. That missional & evangelistic part of my heart wants to get out into San Diego.
- Pray for our kiddos Anja (7 years) & Hendrix (4 years). They play so well together. It is such a joy to watch!

Thank you for remembering what God has done. Thank you for holding us in your prayers and for all the ways you are giving to New City Church. We are forever grateful for your generous hearts.

With sincere hope!

Trevor, Heidi, Anja & Hendrix

- **PRAY** – Pray over our prayer requests above.
- **CONNECT** – Your support & wisdom in our lives is a key component of encouragement & discernment to us. Feel free to reach out anytime by email at trevor@newcitysd.com & heidi@newcitysd.com
- **GIVE** – If you feel led, [Click Here to Give to the Davis Family](#) - Choose the "Davis Family - Pastor Support" fund and either one time or reoccurring