

## Preparing for the Future

**Progress Toward 540 Campus's Future Home:** God continues to go before us in the development of our Creedmoor Road property. Recent progress on the Mission Home plans, the water line easement, and the latest site plan review has been encouraging, and we remain hopeful as final approvals move forward. With grading projected for early 2026 and vertical construction expected later in the spring, we are grateful for the steady ways the Lord is preparing the future home of Bay Leaf at 540. Our church's generosity through Multiply has helped position us well for these next steps.



100+ volunteers trained



52 new members

## Equipped to Serve & Grow

**Strengthening Our Leaders:** This fall, more than 100 volunteers gathered for our annual Leadership Training Night, a time that re-centers our ministries on God's mission and equips those who serve across both campuses. We continue to see how trained, committed leaders multiply ministry impact in every age group.

**Welcoming New Members:** Over the last several months, we have welcomed 52 new members from both campuses through our August and October classes. Each one affirms a shared desire to make disciples locally and globally, and we rejoice in how

God continues to add to our church family.

**Building Biblical Community:** A new young families' Sunday Group launched in August and has grown quickly. We are grateful to see more people across our church family stepping into biblical community and growing through God's Word.

**Investing in Marriages:** This fall we piloted re/engage, a marriage ministry offering encouragement, healing, and biblical hope to couples. We pray the Lord will use it to strengthen marriages in our church and open doors for gospel impact in our community.

“YOU WILL BE enriched IN EVERY WAY  
TO BE *generous* IN EVERY WAY,  
WHICH THROUGH US WILL PRODUCE  
*Thanksgiving* TO GOD.”

2 COR. 9:11

BAY LEAF  
BAPTIST CHURCH



# MULTIPLY

## FALL 2025 UPDATE

Hello Bay Leaf Baptist Church!

Just over two years ago, we began a journey together as a covenanted community of believers. Knowing that God had called us to saturate North Raleigh with the gospel of Jesus Christ, and believing that He had entrusted us with an incredible piece of property on Creedmoor Road to support that calling, we began taking steps of preparation. We engaged the county with our plans to develop this property. We began conversations with architects and construction companies to determine the best way to build a facility that would serve our gospel vision. And, of course, we began raising the resources needed to fuel this multiplying work.

As we reflect on God's faithfulness over these two years, I can't help but rejoice in how He has continued to work in and through our church. Because of His provision, we are now primely positioned to see this vision for our Creedmoor Road property begin taking shape in 2026. Even through challenges and setbacks, God has brought the right people at the right time to move this work forward.

2025 has undoubtedly been a benchmark year in the history of Bay Leaf Baptist Church, and, should the Lord give us next year, 2026 is shaping up to be just as exciting!

So, as 2025 comes to an end, I want to encourage all of us to finish this season of preparation well. Because we have a glimpse of what God could continue to do in 2026, let's prayerfully and faithfully ask Him to position us in strength for the work that lies ahead. Church, we want to be ready to receive the fruit of all the gospel seeds we have been planting!

Thank you for your commitment to this call to Multiply. Thank you for your commitment to being faithful to this gospel work, not only in Raleigh but to the ends of the earth.

Striving Together for the Gospel,

*Jared Richard*  
SENIOR PASTOR

BAY LEAF  
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### WATCH THE CULMINATION VIDEO

Scan the QR code, or visit [bayleaf.org/culmination](https://bayleaf.org/culmination) to watch the Culmination video and see how God has used Multiply to shape our faith, fuel generosity, and prepare us for the mission ahead.



## Celebrating Gospel Fruitfulness

**New Life in Christ:** Since early August, our church family has celebrated 21 baptisms across both campuses through Outdoor Baptism and Sunday worship. On November 23, we also celebrated the first on-site baptisms at the 540 Campus. We praise God for these lives being changed and for how He continues to draw people to Himself.

**Next Generation Disciples:** At our Men's BBQ, college student Matthew Clark shared how God worked in his life during a summer on mission, encouraging over 150 men to live faithfully for Christ. His story reflects how God is shaping a sending culture among the next generation.

**Training Students to Serve:** Student Midweek continues to form students in prayer, service, and gospel-centered relationships. Twenty students serve in AWANA and Pre-K, while others help lead in worship, support audio/visual needs, and write to shut-ins. God is raising up students who want to serve His church now, not someday.

**Reaching Unchurched Students:** Our Sunday night gatherings continue to prioritize outreach, and many attending come through New Life Camp connections. We thank the Lord for opportunities to reach students without a church home.

## Sent to Our Community

**Serving Our Community:** More than 200 volunteers from both campuses served during Serve NC Week through school projects, community outreach, prayer, and a student disaster relief trip to Western NC. We are grateful for every volunteer who served and for the unity and compassion shown as our church family lived sent.

**Loving Our Neighbors:** Thank you to the more than 160 volunteers who made Trunk-or-Treat possible. We welcomed over 1,400



people, including many neighbors and friends without a church home, and we are grateful for each gospel-centered connection and the relationships that continue to grow from this outreach.

**Generosity That Blesses Others:** Our church family gave generously to this year's Bumper Crop Food Drive as both campuses came together to bless our community. Falls Lake donations will help North Raleigh Ministries feed local families, while 540 gifts will support students and households at Sycamore Creek Elementary. Your generosity met real needs and shared Christ's love.

**Supporting Educators:** Our Teacher Care Team has expanded its ministry to Brassfield and Sycamore Creek Elementary Schools, serving teachers through breakfasts, monthly encouragement notes, and small gifts. We are grateful for these growing opportunities to build bridges in our local schools and show Christ's compassion in practical ways.

## Sent to the Nations

**Supporting Global Partners:** This August, a mission team served in London, partnering with a local church to lead a camp for 88 children where several expressed a desire to follow Christ. In October, another team traveled to Ethiopia to help train over 500 missionaries being sent to plant and multiply churches. Our teams returned encouraged by God's work and grateful for the chance to support gospel ministry where Christ is not yet known.

**Toy Chest: Serving Families with Joy:** More than 100 volunteers served 52 families and 119 children from Southeastern Seminary. In the weeks following, Sunday groups across both campuses adopted additional families in need. Toy Chest continues to bless Southeastern families and local households, and we thank the Lord for multiplying these simple acts of love.

# WE INVITE *you* TO *join us* IN THIS MULTIPLY JOURNEY!



## CURRENT CHURCH GIVING

TWO-YEAR GOAL

**\$17,025,000**

Total Commitments  
and Expected Gifts

GIVING TO-DATE

**\$17,614,216**

(12.1.23 - 10.31.25)

As we shared on Culmination Sunday, giving to Multiply continues through the end of December, and we remain deeply grateful for every gift the Lord provides in these final weeks. We praise God for how He has provided beyond our original goal, and for the generosity that continues to fuel ministry, missions, and future readiness across both campuses. To read more updates or revisit the vision behind Multiply, visit [multiply.bayleaf.org](https://multiply.bayleaf.org).



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