

305

kids attended VBS with 217 volunteers serving

~70

people attending our new campus, Bay Leaf at 540

NEW NEIGHBORHOODS. NEW FAMILIES. A GROWING MISSION FIELD. NOW IS THE TIME TO GO.

Nearly 10,000 new residents have moved into North Raleigh since 2020

A nearby zip code has grown by 11.4% (6.7 points higher than the national average)

Laying the Groundwork for a New Campus

After several months of team training and preparation, Bay Leaf at 540 has begun meeting weekly for worship and groups at Sycamore Creek Elementary. Around 70 people have been gathering each Sunday, with several first-time visitors attending even before public promotion began. Setup time has been streamlined to just 25 minutes, allowing the team to focus more on hospitality and discipleship. On July 20, welcome flags were placed along the road to build momentum leading up to the official launch in early September. Please continue to pray as we prepare to welcome new families and take this next step in reaching North Raleigh with the gospel.

Church-Wide Unity & Growth

God is at work in our church family. At our recent Family Meeting, **members voted with 98.2% approval to move forward with the next steps at our Creedmoor Road property—including grading the site, establishing water access, and building the Mission Home.** This is a significant milestone in preparing for the future home of Bay Leaf at 540. As North Raleigh continues to grow, we’re trusting the Lord to use both campuses to reach our community and disciple every generation He brings our way. As we prepare for what’s ahead at Bay Leaf at 540, we see the Lord working through Bay Leaf at Falls Lake, where so much of our church’s ministry, sending, and discipleship continues to flourish.

“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



Bay Leaf at 540

MULTIPLY
SUMMER 2025 UPDATE

Hello Bay Leaf Baptist Church!

In Romans 15, Paul invites the church in Rome to “strive together” with him for the sake of gospel advancement. As we have made our way through the book of Romans, I have come to love the image of that invitation. The more we learn about the beauty of the gospel and the need of the gospel, the more we should be compelled as a people to strive together to see that gospel message go forth, both locally and globally for God’s glory.

This Multiply initiative is simply one way that we are striving together as the people of Bay Leaf Baptist Church for the gospel. We want north Raleigh to be saturated with the good news of Jesus Christ, and the work that this initiative will help to fund will seek to do just that.

As you read the updates from the last several months of ministry in our church, be encouraged by what God is doing in our midst. Be encouraged by what God is doing through our church among the next generation. Be encouraged by what God is doing through us in our state. Be encouraged by what God is doing through us among the nations.

Would you also, though, begin to imagine what else God could do through us as we strive now together not just in one location, but in two? Let’s pray that God would do even more in and through us as a church. Let’s pray that this report is just the beginning of what God could do through our collective striving.

Striving Together for the Gospel,

Jared Richard
SENIOR PASTOR

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Reaching Our Neighbors and the Nations

From North Raleigh to the nations, Bay Leaf Baptist Church continues to prioritize making disciples locally and globally for the glory of God. This spring and summer, teams served in Western NC, Prague, London, Toronto, and Thailand. They rebuilt homes, engaged in refugee ministries, led Bible programs for kids, and provided workshops on subjects such as evangelism, discipleship, and leadership development. God opened doors: our people served, the gospel was shared, people came to faith, the church was strengthened, and God was glorified.



Western NC



London



Toronto



Make Sycamore Shine

Sent to the Nations

After years of preparation, a Bay Leaf family is stepping out in faith to serve full-time on the mission field. While we are unable to share their names or location due to security concerns, we invite you to pray for grace in transition, gospel fruitfulness, and for their children to thrive. We thank God for those already serving around the world, for this family He is sending now, and for others He may be calling from among us.

SEE GOD AT WORK

Watch mission trip highlights and stories of gospel impact around the world.



Scan the QR Code or visit bayleaf.org/videos.



Student Summer Camp

Students on Mission

This summer, several Bay Leaf students stepped out in obedience to serve on mission—locally, nationally, and globally. These students were equipped and sent to share the gospel, assist with ministry efforts, and learn what it means to live as ambassadors for Christ. Many students went on trips organized through Bay Leaf, while three students went for a longer period of time through our missions partners. Their willingness to go and serve reflects a culture of multiplication that begins early and extends beyond our campuses.



Thailand



VBS Volunteers



Student on Mission



Family Summer Kickoff

Local Evangelism

Bay Leaf at 540 continues to build momentum through neighborhood outreach, including park events in the community and a school cleanup at Sycamore Creek Elementary. In addition, volunteers from our church regularly go into downtown Raleigh to share the gospel with those they meet. Meanwhile, our police support team remains active in encouraging local law enforcement through regular meals, prayer, and notes of appreciation. These local efforts remind us that the gospel often advances one relationship at a time.

Equipped to Share

This summer, our adult Sunday groups at Bay Leaf at Falls Lake combined for a focused teaching series on entry and evangelism. Members identified and prayed for people in their daily lives using an “Oikos Map”—a simple tool to help make intentional spiritual connections. Stories are emerging of gospel conversations in workplaces, neighborhoods, and homes. Additionally, a new group for young families is launching this fall to further equip and encourage believers during a vital stage of life.

Discipling the Next Generation

Our kids and student ministries at Bay Leaf at Falls Lake continue to grow in both reach and depth. This year’s Vacation Bible School was a highlight, not just for the children who attended, but for the students who stepped up to serve. Through leader training and hands-on roles, students helped shepherd children, lead games, and model Christlike service. Behind the scenes, our student ministry staff continues to pursue meaningful connections and spiritual growth with teens. From Sunday morning discipleship to service throughout the week, we see God at work in the next generation.

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



CURRENT CHURCH GIVING

TWO-YEAR GOAL	GIVING TO-DATE
\$17,025,000	\$15,898,031
Total Commitments and Expected Gifts	(12.1.23 - 6.30.25)

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