



# Bellevue

## BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear Prayer Partner,

Praise the Lord, we held our Grand Opening Service on September 18<sup>th</sup>. We had been holding services for the 5 weeks prior to the grand opening. During that time, we were passing out personal invitations and door hangers promoting this special service. With the help of our sending church, Foundation Baptist Church and Woodin Valley Baptist Church we got out over 10,000 invitations. Thank you for those that were praying for those invitations!

At the Grand Opening Service, we had workers ready to help, play the piano, and sing specials from both Foundation and Woodin Valley. South Campbell Avenue Baptist Church also sent up their youth pastor to be a blessing and a help. Since we had so much help, Christelle and I were allowed to focus on the people rather than managing the service and the lunch afterwards. That was a huge blessing!



The Lord brought 17 adult guests from the community for our Worship service. Six guests were from personal invitations to friends and colleagues at Microsoft. Four guests were directly from door hangers. Five guests were from other personal invitations. Additionally, we had Two guests that contacted us from the Website. Christelle and I had an



opportunity to get to know this couple over coffee earlier in the week and they attended on Sunday! My favorite story is that of Ming. Ming was one of our guests that came via personal invitation. He is a waiter at a Chinese restaurant up the street that Christelle and I have gone to over the last several years. We took a visiting preacher out to eat the week earlier and the staff saw us and said, "hey it's your big week". They had received invitations and they knew we were starting the church. That was special and surprising to us. Ming came to the service Sunday morning and had to leave a little early to get to the restaurant, but it thrilled my soul to have him there.

We started our series in Luke, titled, The Gospel Beyond all Reasonable Doubt. Luke 1:1-4 was a wonderful text to preach for this event. I am thankful that there is certainty in the Gospel and that those that were at the service heard that.

Although we had a great mountain top moment, the work continues. We will keep preaching the word and reaching the lost, praying that God moves in the hearts of those we meet. Thank you for getting us to this point through your financial support and prayers. We ask that you keep it up.



In Christ,

Joel Creekmore