



Dear Praying Friends,

June 2020

We are happy to announce that on Sunday May, 24 Community Baptist Church held its first Sunday service. Community Baptist Church has not had the start that we expected but God has been good and has continued to build His church.

On our first Sunday we had a total of 15 people in attendance. Four of those people had never attended a service previously. Please pray as we follow up with those visitors and continue to try to reach out to our community.

It had been our plan to saturate our area with gospel literature and information about our church. However, because of the pandemic and the major impact that it had in Lawrence with over 3,200 confirmed cases and over 120 deaths, our plans had to change. We are still planning to canvass our area but we have had to postpone these efforts. We were planning to have a number (my last count was 10) of supporting churches come from out of state to help us with this effort. However, all but one group has had to cancel or postpone their trip.

Our plan is as follows: Starting in the next couple weeks I will begin canvassing our area with packets of information about our church and the gospel. In July, we are asking for groups to consider coming to help with this effort. We are hopeful to distribute at 15,000 pieces of gospel literature in July and August leading up to our "open house/grand opening" service on August 16. Would you please pray for that service? Would you please pray that we would see much fruit from these efforts? If your church is able, would you consider bringing a group to help?

During the month of May we had the privilege of having Colton and Melodie Lee come and assist us at

Community. Prior to the pandemic the plan had been that they would come and assist with outreach efforts in Lawrence. They were going to spend every day helping me go door-to-door with gospel literature and introduce people to Community Baptist. However, as a result of the pandemic we were unable to do much face to face outreach.

Colton and Melodie were still willing to come and serve in any way they could. So, for the entire month of May the Lee's served our church in a major way. There were a number of projects that needed to be done around the church building and Colton and Melodie worked themselves to exhaustion to get them all done. It would have taken me months if not a year or more to get done what they were able to do in just a month. This couple has been an incredible encouragement to me personally and to our new church.

The Lee's are true servants to the local church with a true heart to serve missionaries and church planters. Their ministry, Project Everywhere, endeavors to reach unreached people groups with the gospel. Colton and Melodie met a few people and were faithful gospel witnesses but their primary task here changed with the pandemic. Yet, they faithfully served the Lord and Community Baptist. I am so thankful for the impact that they have had on our church.

Colton and Melodie are on deputation to raise support for their unique and needed ministry. If you have room in your missions budget/schedule, I would encourage churches to consider having them come present their ministry so that these faithful servants of the Lord can do more to reach people with the gospel.

Thank you for your faithful support and prayers!

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