Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD... He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17:7-8



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Putting Down Roots is a three-year generosity initiative that will allow Redeeming Grace to be rooted and positioned to more effectively impact St. Mary's county with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Through this initiative God is inviting us to invest ourselves and resources that we may impact the present generation and be rooted to serve generations to come.

1. WE WANT TO BE ROOTED TO EXALT

We believe our highest calling is to exalt the Lord and that corporate worship is an important expression of worship. As a result, we are committed to build a new facility that will provide us a permanent home for corporate worship.

- God willing, we will seek to construct a new sanctuary that will accommodate up to 400+ in worship supporting our present congregation and positioning us well for growth.
- The new sanctuary will be designed with an eye to the present and future accommodating appropriate technology and acoustics that will support a God-centered worship experience.
- In an effort to maximize the use of our new space we hope to build a sanctuary that can double as an extended space for large fellowship gatherings as needed.

2. WE WANT TO BE ROOTED TO EQUIP

Making disciples is non-negotiable and we are committed to growing healthy roots that go deep and wide. We desire to see disciples rooted and built up in Christ. In order to continue our vision to make disciples:

- We will invest in the next generation by constructing dedicated ministry space for our children and youth that will better accommodate Sunday morning ministries and facilitate growth for the future.
- It's our desire to provide adequate space to support adult discipleship ministries and other needs that will include technology capability to support teaching and presentations.
- We will also prioritize fellowship and community by seeking to include spacious commons areas for people to comfortably gather.

3. WE WANT TO BE ROOTED TO ENGAGE

We are determined to spread the seed of the gospel that it might take root in many lives for the glory of God. Having a permanent facility will be a visible statement to our community that we are here to stay.

- It is our hope to relocate our staff offices and reception area to the new facility so we can maintain a visible, weekday connection to the community.
- Priority will be given to an entry area that will provide a welcoming and hospitable environment allowing us to connect well with guests.
- A new facility will allow us to better connect to our community and give us a home base from which to mobilize a variety of ministry efforts.

KEY DATES

JAN 25 & 26 Member Info Dinners MAR 2 Dessert Info Gathering MAR 3-APR 7 Putting Down Roots Campaign **APR 7** Commitment Sunday **APR 28** Big Give Sunday

TOTAL THREE YEAR GOAL: \$1.5 MILLION

As we put down roots we are seeking to raise \$1.5 million over the next three years. We know this is well beyond us but it's not beyond the Lord. He is able to make all grace abound so that we can see lives transformed by the gospel. We are committed to this new chapter for Redeeming Grace and it begins with me and it begins with you. Let's put down roots together!