



WOODFIN

Church Planting | San Francisco

“STARTING AGAIN”

JULY - SEPT 2024



My Dad mentioned a quote he heard from a church planter that I have also heard a few times before. The church planter sentiment goes, “I feel like I have started multiple churches, they just happen to be all in the same place.”

The idea trying to be expressed is that because the early years of a church plant fluctuate so much it is really like you have started and restarted multiple times in the same church plant.

For us we are in a season where this sentiment rings very true. Since the launch of our church 3 years ago there remains only one family and two individuals left. Everyone else that was part of the early days of the church plant have moved away. That means that we now have almost an entirely new group of people than we did two years ago.

This presents a lot of challenges...it is hard to get traction and keep momentum in growth...it is hard to build leaders that will be consistent...its hard to constantly be retraining people to serve. However, there are also many blessings... many of the people that have moved away are now serving faithfully in other churches and we got to be part of God’s plan to help them grow and train them to be better ministers for the Kingdom. We also have replaced all of those that have moved away with new people, most of whom are young in their faith and being discipled.

So, sometimes it feels like we are now in a restarting zone again, but God is faithful. Here are some things that have happened over the last couple months.

FRIEND DAY

We had our second biggest attendance of all time with over 80 people in attendance. 20 of those were first time visitors. For some it was the first time in church, for others it was the first time in a long time. It was awesome to be able to plant seeds of the gospel in their lives. We had several of those visitors come back! It has been great ministering to them over the past few weeks.

DISCIPLES OUTREACH

As part of our training process for those we are discipling we have the disciples plan and put on their own outreach. These group of 6 graduates from our discipleship course put on an Outreach in Golden Gate Park that attracted many visitors and we made great connections. One unchurched lady and her husband remarked, “I feel like we have to come and visit the church now, everyone we met has been so nice.” It was awesome to see these young believers that we have trained take ownership of their ministry and do something to plant the seeds of the gospel.



Disciples prep for outreach



Friend Day Shaved Ice

Thank you all so much for your continued Prayers & Support...we could not do this with out you all! Love you!



Scan the QR Code for Update Video of the 3rd anniversary of our church. or search for Jake Woodfin on youtube.



3rd anniversary since church launch

WoodfinCrew.com @woodfincrew jakewoodfins@gmail.com 415-410-4889