

Water's Edge Community Church - History

God began the story of Water's Edge Community Church in the summer of 2007 in the heart of Randy Beck, *Lead Pastor*. Following 12 years in student ministry and 2 years as Pastor to Families, God placed the vision of Water's Edge into the pastor's heart. After months of searching for a location of this new work, the Richmond/Pecan Grove community was confirmed. Within a few months, the preparation stage began, a sponsor church from the Lake Jackson was revealed, and the beginning of a Launch Team with 17 adults was formed.

God's Idea...Water's Edge Community Church

Joshua 3:15-16 reads, "*Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the **water's edge**, the water from upstream stopped flowing.*" (Emphasis added)

The passage in Joshua points to God's people who were called to walk by faith, *even into* difficulty where the current and depth were unknown. We believe each person at Water's Edge can add value in God's Kingdom, but God calls us to trust Him each step of the way.

The first few months WECC called a back ballroom at Safari Texas Ranch home. In a matter of months, God opened a door for a new location at Foster High School, right in the middle of our target area. After 4 ½ years of being portable each week, God provided our current location where we currently meet as a transitional space to finding our permanent home.

Our location on FM 359 serves as a presence in the community and a more permanent footprint in the community we love. We believe God has a permanent location at some point for WECC as a future home. This vital next step will allow us to better live out the purposes God has placed in our hearts for a long-term investment in a community we call home.

February 2018 marked our Ten Year Anniversary of ministry in our community, yet we know the work ahead is not completed. For over a decade, the people of Water's Edge have been witness to new faith born, deep sacrifice shared, and a desire to see Jesus shown in all aspects of life.

Our focus is on Loving God, Serving People and Sharing Christ *so that* every man, woman, and child in our circle can have the repeated opportunity to see, hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We believe our church family is a part of a story that is still being written. Come and join the next chapter in a story we believe God Himself is authoring.

Bethel Bible Fellowship - History

November 2010 Kingsland Baptist Church Pastoral Leadership shares the vision of kingdom growth through church planting

January 2012 Kingsland Baptist Church Pastoral Leadership challenges church to pray about going to the future church plant

February 2012 Paul Cockrell named the Pastor of the new church plant

June 2012 Bible Study launched for the new church plant

July 2012 the new church plant, Bethel Bible Fellowship, held a preview service

August 2012 Bethel launched publicly

December 2012 First Elder Installation Day

January 2013 Site Team formed and tasked with determining Bethel's future location

December 2013 Site Discovered

May 2014 property at 25335 Fulshear Gaston Rd purchased for \$1,894,000.00 without incurring debt

November 2014 Contractor selected for Phase 1 Remodel of existing facilities

April 2015 Financial Gap identified to initiate Phase 1

October 2015 Financial Gap closed

November 2015 Construction begins

July 2016 God provides all cash needed to complete Phase 1 debt free

July 24, 2016 First service in the new Worship Center in Richmond

August 2016 Bethel hires first Worship Leader, Matt Schroeder

Today...His story continues