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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

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## ADULT MINISTRIES

Wayside's vision statement begins with: "We are a community rooted in the Word." Wayside is not just any community. It's God's community. Here we desire to build authentic relationships vital to the Christian walk. We desire all who consider Wayside their church family to experience even stronger community that takes place in Sunday Studies (formally Adult Bible Fellowships), Life Groups, and various Bible studies. Here you can experience community, care, and help becoming more rooted in the Word.

As people mature in their faith and grow deeper in relationships, we want to see them embrace personal discipleship and give away their faith. Adult Ministries provide a relational context that equips believers to form discipling relationships and reproduce Christ followers.

- This year we renamed our ABF's to Sunday Studies. This change allows us to include and promote our Equipping Ministries studies for our adult learners and more accurately describe all of our mid-sized groups which meet on Sunday mornings without having to explain what ABF means. We will continue to promote authentic fellowship as an important aspect of each Sunday Study.
- The last six months have seen many of our Sunday Studies and Life Groups meeting online and maintaining community and connectedness. The "fellowship" aspect for many has been different in a virtual setting, but we are grateful for their innovation and effort to maintain contact.
- We have 15 year-round, and three "seasonal" Sunday Studies with over 60 key leaders on teams involved in their ministries.
- We have 31 Life Groups, including 11 college and singles groups.
- In the last three months, we have updated our database to a more user-friendly system allowing our various group leaders easier access to their information.

Our desire for Fall 2020 is to open ministry at Wayside as much as possible; as soon as possible; and as safely as possible. With the added imperative of sanitizing before and after usage, we will continue to adjust and adapt procedures in order to provide safe ministry opportunities for people at Wayside. Please join us in prayer for the Lord to continue guiding us through these changes.

## **AGAPE MINISTRIES**

The Agape/AMEN Ministries' primary mission is to demonstrate the love of Christ to those attending Wayside Chapel by providing assistance & service in times of need. Thanks be to God that Agape/AMEN Ministries are possible with God's provision of 280 volunteers and donations:

### **PROVIDING FOOD**

Zip Code Meals, Manna Meals, Holiday Turkeys & Trimmings, and the Food Pantry provide food for times of special need.

### **PROVIDING ENCOURAGEMENT**

Monthly encouragement cards are sent to those unable to attend services. Bereavement notes are written to those who have lost an immediate family member and on the one year anniversary of that loss. We have also been able to provide notes of encouragement to those in nursing homes.

### **PROVIDING ASSISTANCE**

Basic Home Repair, Automobile Repair, the Furniture Shed and the Agape Fund help those with immediate needs in our church. We have also been able to provide financial counseling for families needing that assistance.

### **PROVIDING TENDER, LOVING CARE**

Nursing Home/Shut-in Visitation, Hospital Visitation, Funeral Ministry, Christmas Adopt-a Family, Share Care and the Prayer Line, along with the Monday prayer groups that meet 2-4 PM & 4-6 PM in 117 Ivywood demonstrate a spirit of caring to those in need.

### **OUTREACH**

We are a mega-site for Meals on Wheels and have over 17 different teams picking up and delivering meals for over 800 people. Transient Ministry, Disaster Relief, and Christian Medical & Dental Association Lunches offer outreach into our community. Donated material goods are shared with Wayside church plants, families in need and transients.

### **FUNERAL PLANNER**

We have funeral service teams that help families plan the services along with usher and reception teams. A brochure to assist with planning a memorial service is available.

### **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP**

This group provides encouragement and support for those providing long-term care to a loved one and they have been continuing to meet in homes while participating in webinars on dementia and Alzheimers.

55 Plus is a community of adults in the second half of life who fellowship, serve, and grow together.

### **LUNCHEONS**

We have some wonderful speakers lined up for our monthly meetings. We are continuing to work out the details of how we will meet for the upcoming months.

### **FIRST PLACE 4 HEALTH**

This Bible-based wellness program has continued to meet over the past six months via zoom and plans to continue using that platform for the fall session.

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The men in this beneficial study have continued to meet via zoom each Thursday.

### **GAME NIGHT**

We have continued with these fun evenings which have been hosted in various homes throughout San Antonio.

### **WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL**

Some of our group have written great devotionals which we are emailing out to our members each week. This has been a great way to connect and we look forward to continuing the devotionals this fall.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Wayside Kids is celebrating another year of reaching kids' hearts for Jesus and inspiring them to be His world changers.

### **BABIES**

Childcare staff and 64 volunteers loved and cared for our babies' needs. Great Expectation Ministry touched the lives of 10 families through prayer and encouragement. 15 children were dedicated to the Lord. There has been 16 Wayside babies born in 2020.

### **PRESCHOOLERS**

97 faithful shepherds, praise leaders, and Bible teachers led the preschoolers as they learned Bible truths and participated in praise and prayer. Kids Together and our "God and Me" curriculum provided midweek programs that introduced the children to God and His love.

### **ELEMENTARY**

Children were challenged every Sunday to know and trust God through large and small group experiences by 99 volunteers. Children participated in worship regularly, sang in church services, and led the Family Christmas Eve service. Thirty-five sixth graders were transitioned to the middle school ministry.

### **CAMP IN THE CITY**

Camp in the City was canceled this year due to COVID-19.

### **WAYSIDE KIDS @ HOME**

This online platform began in March with teaching for preschool and elementary kids. Wayside parents were provided a link for Sunday School @ Home which offered downloads for activities, songs, crafts, Bible verses and the worship bulletin.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)**

VBS "Rocky Railway": Jesus Power Pulls Us Through was reinvented to Staycation Bible School and moved online. We had 825 registrations for the week of June 15 and families continued to participate through July 15. We prepared 600 VBS Kits that provided crafts, CDs, and all things VBS. During the month that VBS was online, children partnered with Children's Hunger Fund, raising \$3,400 to purchase meals for families effected by COVID-19.

### **AWANA**

Awana had 24 club meetings before the quarantine. The clubs then began meeting online and finished the year with a virtual Awards Ceremony. The clubs will start the new year in September in an online format.

### MONDAY NIGHTS

College continued to meet on Monday nights for our weekly Bible study with an average attendance of 40-50 students. Each Monday we enjoyed fellowship, worship, and Bible teaching. We covered teaching series including the book of Daniel and the Gospel of Mark. After the pandemic hit, we continued meeting online while studying the book of Jonah during the summer.

### PARTNERSHIP(S)

We continue to partner with the Navigators in the college ministry as they provide an on-campus presence for the ministry. We also attended a Leadership Retreat hosted by the Navigators who trained us in relational ministry and equipped our leaders to share the Gospel in their various contexts.

This partnership continues to prove vital in training our leaders in outreach techniques, especially in light of the challenges of ministering in the midst of a pandemic.

### SUMMER LEADER STUDY

Following in the success of our student-led study last summer, our leaders planned and executed a Bible study over the book of Hebrews. This study was consistently provided to 20+ students in a socially-distanced setting that was led by a dozen students. This in-person ministry was a blessing to many during the isolation of the pandemic.

### SMALL GROUPS

We had four peer-run college small groups meeting in Ivywood homes throughout the week. Once the pandemic prevented in-person meetings, our leaders continued to minister through creative means by leading their groups online and in-person through social distancing. Each college leader was mentored by older leaders who are in our singles group.



## CONNECT MINISTRIES

Connect Ministry desires to make Wayside feel like home as our people take their next steps toward Christ. We want to create an atmosphere of warmth and personal welcome, provide a church home for people to take their next steps toward Christ, and help them use their God-given gifts for the Kingdom.

To accomplish this, we have a team of people with the gifts of leadership, administration, hospitality and encouragement: Greeters, Ushers, Parking Team Members, Welcome Center Hosts, Main Office Receptionists, and Chair Crew volunteers.

- We have 123 people serving on Connect teams with 10 key leaders who encourage volunteers and lead teams each Sunday.
- In 2020 prior to the Pandemic shutdown, we averaged 393 people in the 9:15 am service and 652 in the 11 am service. Our Stone Oak campus average was 166 people in the 11 am service.
- In 2020 during the Pandemic shutdown, we averaged 109 people in the 9:15 am service, 134 in the 11 am service, and 1,189 online.
- In 2019, we averaged 408 people in the 9:15 am service and 738 in the 11 am service. Our Stone Oak campus average was 160 people in the 11am service.
- In 2020, we are holding our first virtual version of the Discovering Wayside class for all who want to learn more about Wayside and become members.
- In 2019, 84 people attend Discovering Wayside with 27 becoming new members.

## EQUIPPING MINISTRIES

Equipping Ministries offer specialized groups and training to engage Waysiders in faith foundations, specific need-driven topics, and ministry-specific leadership training.

We have several equipping classes that are a regular part of our ministry calendar:

### **PRE-MARITAL CLASS**

Engaged and pre-engaged couples – Paul and Deborah Koch, leaders

### **FOUNDATIONS OF THE FAITH**

For new believers – Ron and Sue Huggler, leaders

### **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY & THE LEGACY JOURNEY**

Dave Ramsey's financial curriculum - Jim and Jo Addington, leaders

The Financial Peace University class is offered at both campuses.

### **RE|ENGAGE MARRIAGE MINISTRY**

Re-Engage helps married couples reconnect, reignite and resurrect their marital relationship through large group teaching and honest and open small group discussion. Sandra and Neil Wilkins, leaders.

We are excited to introduce “Re-Engage” in the 2020-2021 ministry year at the 410 campus.

We conducted several training opportunities to support ministry development and leadership training:

- Men's Discipleship leader training
- Men's Ministries leadership development
- Connect Ministry leader training
- Re-Engage leader training
- Financial Peace University leader training

## MEDIA & TECHNICAL ARTS

This last year we saw God move in many ways through the Technical and Media Arts Department. The Technical and Media Arts Department provides support for all technical equipment for services and classes across both the 410 and Stone Oak campuses.

We did several upgrades and repairs to both the infrastructure and daily and weekly use pieces of equipment. We upgraded equipment in the Fellowship Hall, our Closed Circuit TV (CCTV) system, and HD Video Recorders at both locations.

Even though this year through us a curve ball with COVID-19 and the shutdown of many ministry gatherings on both campuses, we were able to move to an online presence with live services and events. To accomplish this, we added the capabilities of an audio broadcast studio and updated equipment to livestream our services.

We supported and sent AV equipment to several ministry events ranging from men's and women's ministries to youth and college groups all over the city and country prior to the COVID-19 shutdown.

We supported several large events this past year including: VBS online 'Staycation Bible School', Night of Worship, Christmas Eve services, several youth events at both campuses, Good Friday service, Awana Grand Prix, National Day of Prayer, and an in-person and livestreamed Hymn-Sing event. We also hosted the Global Leadership Summit for our staff and supported several memorial services.

We have created many opportunities for people to serve in the Technical and Media Arts Ministry at both campuses. We always have space for men, woman, or even couples to serve together in a fun and fulfilling area of ministry.

Our volunteers really make the difference when it comes to our services. Should you be interested in a behind-the-scenes tour or just learning how it works, please contact us.

To find out more about the tech team, you can contact us at BenS@WaysideChapel.org or JonJ@WaysideChapel.org.

## MEN'S MINISTRIES

Everything Men's Ministries does – discipleship groups, Bible studies, events – is committed to one thing: make disciples who make disciples in their families, workplace, and world. We want to become disciples of Jesus Christ who are faithful to carry on the gospel (2 Tim. 2:2).

### EMBARK

Our men's discipleship ministry consists of a few men who walk the journey of discipleship together while building camaraderie, connection, and commitment to one another. These intergenerational groups focus on our personal and progressive commitment to Jesus Christ, our identity in Him, the relationships we enjoy, and our personal and progressive commitment to Christ's work in the world.

### BIBLE STUDY

In-depth studies focus on specific Bible books each fall and spring to get men rooted in the Word. Since 2015, we have journeyed through the books of Hebrews, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, and Daniel. In the fall of 2020 we will dive deep into the book of Revelation in a study entitled, "Jesus Wins!"

### PURITY MINISTRY

Purity ministry helps men break out of the entanglement of sexual sin through honesty, voluntary accountability, and by courageously creating a plan in Christ that results in a lifestyle of purity. We conduct three kinds of groups for men to engage within. Knowing healing can take time, we want men to develop a spiritual growth plan that results in a lifestyle of purity. The key question we ask men is "What's your plan?"

### PERU MISSION TRIP

The Peru mission trip supports and gives helping hands to Carlos and Meredith Block in the jungles of Peru by engaging in construction and ministry within the communities of the Yanesha peoples. Our 2019 team, consisting of seven men, traveled August 30 - September 8.

### MEN'S EVENTS

The 2020 Men's Summit retreat challenged 100 men to "Lift their eyes unto the mountains" and declare "my help comes from the Lord." At the time, we did not know how practical that theme would become as we've all had to weather the difficulties of a worldwide pandemic. The Father-Daughter/Father-Son events create time to slow down and consider elements of discipleship in our families while spending time with our sons and daughters.

## MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Wayside remains committed to worldwide missions, the ongoing enhancement of local outreach, short-term mobilization and discipling the next generation of believers. We desire to strategically partner with missionaries and organizations globally in unreached places, where less than 2% of the population is evangelical, who are focused on church-planting and indigenous leadership development.

### LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS

- Talented teams with The Colonial Hills Elementary Ministry faithfully served as mentors, teacher aides, encouragers, prayer partners, special event helpers, and more for over 100 kids.
- Our New Hope Connection Ministry continues to minister to refugees and immigrants in the Wurzbach Manor Parkway Apartments, seeing involvement from both the church and those living in the complex. Since the COVID-19 outbreak, New Hope Connection has been meeting at Wayside on Wednesdays and Fridays, to bag up food and distribute them to families at Wurzbach Manor Apartments.
- We had a successful Christmas outreach through our partnership with Colonial Hills Elementary Ministry, as we gave out 100 gift packages that included a Bible and gospel tract so kids could 'shop' for their families.
- This year, Cameron Contrestano, Brenda McCord, and me (Jason Uptmore), organized and led a virtual National Day of Prayer.
- We continue an effective partnership with a variety of local ministries including Any Woman Can, The Pregnancy Care Center, DTM, SAMM, For Her, Grace House, and more!

### SHORT-TERM TEAMS

- All of our trips this past year were cancelled due to COVID-19. We hope to resume those trips this year (East Asia, Czech Republic, Guatemala-HS Trip, MS Trip, Arizona, and Rwanda).

### GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

- We currently support 27 mission partners, 5 international organizations, and 13 domestic organizations in over 20 countries around the world.
- We added a new mission partner, Fayek, with Arab World Ministries/ Pioneers, who ministers to Arab people in Egypt/Sudan.
- In light of COVID-19, we sent emergency relief funds to multiple partners in Uganda, Rwanda, India, Peru, Ukraine, Guatemala, and Navajo Nation.
- For our VBS mission project, we partnered with Children's Hunger Fund to raise over \$3000 to bless the least of these in our city and around the world with food packs and gospel presentations.

## SINGLES MINISTRIES

The Singles Ministry seeks to ground single adults in their 20's & 30's in the Scriptures, molding them into Christ-likeness, propelling them to be missional, and equipping them to love and serve others. Momentum has over 150 people involved with an average of 100 people each Sunday.

### TEACHING

- On Sundays in the fall, we worked through a series over the 'The Multi-Ethnic Church'. We talked about God's vision and heart for the nations as seen in Scripture. How God's desire is for a diverse group of people to come together as a unified body under Christ. We had an ethnically diverse discussion panel, consisting of folks from Ethiopia, El Salvador, China, The Navajo Reservation, and Latin America, who talked about how their cultural heritage had impacted their Christian faith journey.
- In the spring, we worked through the 'Life of Abraham'. My teaching team consisted of Ken Clegg & Bill Mitchell who greatly assisted throughout the year.
- Since Momentum isn't currently meeting on Sunday mornings because of COVID-19, we have been posting weekly devotionals in our Facebook group, and we will continue to do so until we open back up.
- We will begin 'Momentum Fridays' in August, where Momentum will meet the third Friday of each month at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall.

### LIFE GROUPS

- There were eight life groups which included over 90 singles that met throughout the week studying the book of Ephesians and 1 Peter. Most of these groups were peer-led.
- We interviewed 12 leaders for fall groups, and we will have a leadership training in August, where we will work through leadership curriculum. Every other Sunday, all of our leaders met at Bill and Denise Mitchell's house where they, along with Ken and Beth Clegg, mentored and assisted the group with leadership skills.
- We are incorporating principles from T4T, a disciple making curriculum, into all of our fall life groups. We are very excited to see the fruit of this.

### EVENTS

Throughout the year, our group has served downtown with BluePrint Ministries and served the homeless through Taking it to the Streets Ministry, attending the Linger Conference and retreats which engaged them in biblical teaching, worship, and fellowship.

### **ECHO REVERB**

For much of the school year we were able to focus heavily on our Reverb small groups changing the format of Wednesday nights slightly to focus more on relationships and the groups themselves. Reverb maintained momentum for much of the year.

### **ECHO SUNDAY MORNINGS**

Sunday morning large-group meetings continue to be a major part of the ministry to students. Students continued to take more of a role in making the weekly program happen.

### **ECHO WEEKEND "X"**

Echo Weekend continued its growth and was our biggest weekend yet. This was the 10th anniversary of Echo Weekend, so we focused on X, Christ. Students engaged in large group worship and teaching and dug into God's word in small groups in host homes.

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT**

This year we focused on the life of Moses and how it affects our lives. Over 80 students and adult leaders experienced worship, Bible study, and free time activities together at Deer Creek Camp.

### **HIGH SCHOOL SPRING BREAK UP**

High School students and leaders travelled to Twin Oaks ranch in March for a great weekend of worship, learning that worship is a lifestyle and not just singing and spending time together growing relationships.

### **ECHO LIVE**

Following the decision to go to an exclusively online format for church, student ministry began a weekly 30-minute "show" on YouTube for students to watch before meeting with their Reverb groups via Zoom. Student and leader participation remained quite high throughout the rest of the spring semester of Reverb which ended May 20.

### **ZOOM LUNCHESES**

Student ministry has been focused on making sure students can be connected and have lots of content. We have been active on social media platforms, there are three weekly "lunches" for students to join in and spend time together digitally, and there are three different weekly Sunday lessons available for students to view.

### **SUMMER EVENTS**

We saw good numbers and students who were excited to see each other again. We met both at the 410 Worship Center and on the grounds of Stone Oak for fun events like a Water War and Scavenger Ball and somewhat more serious events like a worship night and Echo Live, complete with worship and teaching times.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

This season of Women's Ministries has been different, exciting, challenging, and has tapped into the utilization of creative ideas. I am thankful for the use of technology as well as the opportunity to learn and grow during this unusual time in history.

Fall 2019 Bible studies experienced 10-15% increase in attendance. These Bible study groups (Precept, Sojourn, and Women of the Word) provided opportunities for discipleship by drawing women of all ages into a closer walk with the Lord.

During October and November, Mug & Muffin groups met in homes and women enjoyed fellowship and devotional discussions. Through these events it's our desire to draw women of all ages into new friendships and encourage participation within the body of Christ.

In December, we hosted "Operation Christmas Salute" where Wayside women wrote messages in over 1,000 Christmas cards and baked over 2,000 cookies for Air Force recruits. The cards and cookies were given to the recruits on the Sunday before Christmas.

Our support and care groups, Redeemed & Restored and Sisters of Strength, offer fellowship and ministry to women who seek godly counsel, wisdom, and friendship.

Moms Together provides community for mothers with preschool age children through small groups led by mentor moms. The leaders of Teen Moms Together offer a caring and vital ministry to teenage mothers at the Healy-Murphy Center.

In March, 17 women joined me on the Wayside Women's Israel trip. At each site along the way, I taught devotionals about women in the Bible.

Groups of women and individuals have participated in Wayside Women Online since March. With the COVID-19 quarantine, I developed three Bible study series for women to view online.

- Mary Magalene - 4 week study
- Life's Waiting Rooms - 5 week study
- The Names of God - 8 week study

Registration for fall Bible studies is open. Women can choose to participate in Precept or Women Together. Each study will provide the choice for in-person study groups as well as virtual or home groups. These Bible study groups will provide opportunity for women to stay connected with others and rooted in God's Word.



### VISION

The Wayside Worship & Arts Team is passionate about giving God excellence and equipping His people to lead His church in worship.

### BLENDED SERVICE

Directed by Jose Irizarry, the 410 blended worship team, choir and orchestra seeks to balance new songs with great hymns of our faith, uniting our congregation each week in a time of corporate worship. We praise the Lord with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Eph. 5:19, Col. 3:16). Our ministry seeks to live out Wayside Chapel's vision: A community of Wayside volunteers, singing songs with lyrics that are firmly Rooted in the word of God, Reaching out to the world as God provides opportunities, Reproducing Christ Followers through dedicating time to study God's word together.

### CONTEMPORARY SERVICE - 410

Led by Ryan Fonseca, the 410 contemporary worship team brings us into a time of heartfelt worship with recently-released contemporary Christian songs.

### CONTEMPORARY SERVICE - STONE OAK

Doug Hurt heads up Stone Oak's contemporary worship team and brings years of experience leading worship. He is an excellent musician and band leader and has a genuine heart for worship.

### A NOTE FROM RYAN:

"Much has changed in our world in 2020, including our worship service format at Wayside. With current events being as they are, Ryan Fonseca, Jose Irizarry, and Doug Hurt are on rotation leading worship at the 410 campus at 9:15 am and 11:00 am. These two services are identical, with rehearsal being Sunday morning at 8 am. Though these three worship leaders are uniquely gifted, the calling is the same, to lead a worshipful experience that edifies the people, glorifies God, and strives for excellence in skill and humbleness of heart. Following recommended health guidelines for safety, our volunteers and staff have also remained committed to helping achieve this goal as well. On behalf of the entire worship ministry, thank you for your selfless giving and allowing the worship ministry to serve you the very best we can. We are thankful for your generosity brothers and sisters, and pray for God's peace and safety to comfort you during this time."

Not being able to physically meet for several months has made us all the more grateful for our beloved church family who call the Stone Oak campus their home. We are excited for that day when we can gather together again in person for worship and fellowship!

- From January to March (before the shut-down), we had an average worship service attendance of 170 adults.
- This past year, our Adult Sunday Morning Class saw great attendance as several men took our people through the books of Colossians, Galatians, and a study of Christology. We were working through Philippians before the campus shut-down in March.
- Our campus has been greatly enriched by the addition of our Worship Leader, Doug Hurt. Doug has not only done an exceptional job leading our people on both campuses and sharing his talents in multiple ministry events throughout the year.
- Before the quarantine, our Men's Breakfasts provided great opportunities on Saturday for our men to connect. We are planning to resume our Men's Breakfasts in September.
- This Fall, we will have 7 Stone Oak Life Groups meeting (some in-person, some via Zoom, and some using a combination of in-person and virtual formats). During the time of quarantine, we were able to start a virtual Life Group for 4 couples who were new to the church.
- Our student ministry did an exceptional job in this season staying connected with our students through online youth group, Bible study, weekly Zoom lunches, and monthly gatherings at both campuses this summer.
- Michelle has also been key in providing Bible resources to our children and families in the midst of the pandemic. Congrats and kudos to the Children's Ministry team on both campuses who put together an outstanding virtual Vacation Bible School.
- Our Children's Center is currently getting the flooring replaced in the hallways and classrooms.
- We completed our second year of our marriage enrichment ministry: "ReJengage".
- Our Women's Bible Studies are resuming for the fall on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with multiple options including in person and online.

The Wayside Kids team desires to reach kids' hearts for Jesus and inspire them to be His world changers.

### **SUNDAY MORNINGS**

When we were meeting in-person on Sunday mornings, we had an average attendance of 43 children and 15 volunteers each week. During in-person worship, the youngest children are cared for in the nursery where the activities help them learn God made them and He loves them. Preschool through 5th grade gather together to begin the morning with corporate worship and then return to their classrooms for their age-specific Bible lessons and activities.

### **WEEKDAY CHILDCARE**

On Tuesday mornings, we provided childcare for nursery through kinder age children whose moms attended the Women's Bible study. On Wednesday evenings in the fall, we provided childcare for parents who were attending the Re|engage marriage enrichment class.

### **KID'S DAY OUT**

In March, our third year of Kid's Day Out was cut short. We will not be meeting this fall but hope to begin again in January. Kid's Day Out give us the opportunity to root young children in God's Word as we teach them from a Bible-based curriculum, reach out to the Stone Oak community as the program is open to non-church members, and reproduce Christ followers as the children learn about Jesus and take what they learn home to their families.

### **KIDS @ HOME**

When COVID-19 shut down in-person ministry, Children's Ministries went online. We created a web page called Wayside Kids @ Home where we post our Bible lessons and activities each week. We also shared a Google folder with our Wayside Kids families called Wayside Kids @ Sunday school. This folder contains the take-home pages that the children would receive each week if we were meeting in person.

### **STAYCATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

COVID-19 did not stop VBS! More than 800 children participated in the at-home version of VBS this summer. The VBS team recorded videos that we posted on our website and put together supply kits that families picked up. Through these videos and activities, the children learned that Jesus' power helps us do hard things, gives us hope, helps us be bold, lets us live forever, and helps us be good friends. Trust Jesus!

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