

prayer note

***TL;DR** The building proposal has been submitted, we're a top candidate, and there's quite a few steps ahead in the process; the launch team starts gathering next week!*

Building Update:

I submitted the proposal a few weeks ago. I'm biased, but it's an incredible proposal. We had multiple launch team members write letters, there was a map that plotted out where Redeemer families live related to the church building (nearby!), and a clear articulation of our vision and its intersection with the stories of our city. At this point, we've done everything we can to get our story and our interest in front of the people making decisions about the future of this church building. There's been quite a bit of interest from other established churches and plants in recent weeks. But I had lunch with a committee member this week and he encouraged me to stay invested in the process. We're one of their top candidates, but there's numerous conversations that need to happen to move this into the *"is this really, like actually, happening?!?"* phase. At this point, we're waiting for them to tell us how they'd like to proceed.

Launch Team Update:

Hard to believe, but the building isn't anywhere close to the most exciting thing happening for us right now! After months of conversations, meals, interviews, and

vision casting, the time has come for Redeemer Longmont's launch team to begin gathering! Starting next week, the launch team will meet weekly to grow around a vision; learning to embody it, cultivate a culture, and sacrificially laboring to establish and launch Redeemer Longmont. This is another significant step towards our vision coming to life, and it will mark the first official gathering of people *around* our vision! Watching this team come to life has been an absolute joy and privilege. We're starting with 19 adults and 11 kids. *God's brought together a phenomenal group of people that are deeply committed to embodying the redeeming story of Jesus in Longmont.* I'm immensely thankful for this team. It's going to be exciting to watch God work through their stories and generous love for their neighbor. And we're going to have a lot of fun along the way!

Here's how you can join us in prayer:

- Thank God for his hand of providence with this building opportunity and the team that he's brought together to plant this church!
- Ask God to prepare our launch team for the work that's ahead — and to give us a quickness to trust him, an eagerness to be sacrificial, and a courage that can come only from him
- Ask God to work *through* Redeemer Longmont's launch team to establish a foundation of pervasive grace and deep dependency on Jesus
- Ask God to give us the eyes to see our neighbors, their stories, and the opportunities to invite them into the redeeming story of Jesus — and the courage to follow him into all those places!
- Thank God for the mere opportunity to be discussing a building that's *in our neighborhood*; and ask for his wisdom and generosity to go before the committee making decisions about the building's future
- Ask God to meet our financial needs in new and gracious ways as our budget grows in this new stage of planting

In case you missed the last *Prayer Update*, I wrote about our church name. You can read about it [here](#).

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Grace and peace,

Justin Chappell

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