Investing in the Next Generation in Charleston

Overview

Harbor City Church is on a mission toward a Gospel renewal movement in Charleston and the world.

Planted in 2022 out of The Summit Church in Durham, NC, Harbor City has not only hit the 200 mark in attendance but has also sent out another church plant, Ten 27 Church, within its first year of planting. They also saw 12 baptisms in their first year, including current believers who'd never taken a step towards baptism and new believers who had experienced Christ for the first time.

Engaging the Community

Harbor City considers itself in a strategic location. "Less than two percent of those in Charleston attend church more than once a month," Will Taylor, Director of Harbor City's Holy City Institute, said.

One way the church is involved in efforts to reach the lost is by partnering with their regional Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) to engage students at the College of Charleston and the Citadel. Bronson Baker, Collegiate Minister for the Charleston area expressed his thankfulness for Harbor City. "I have been able to treat Harbor City staff as an extension of my staff, and it's been crucial to getting our ministry up and going this year," Collegiate Minister Bronson Baker said.

Harbor City regularly partners with BCM to go on campus prayer walks, sponsor events, bring volunteers to serve on campus, and provide students with rides to church since many students are without a vehicle.

As Taylor explained, "Just being on a college campus, you're rubbing shoulders with people who have little to no regular Gospel engagement in their lives." For Harbor City, it's important to partner with BCM. "We realize that we're not the only people doing this kind of work, so we partner with them heavily through building relationships and community on campus," Taylor said.

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