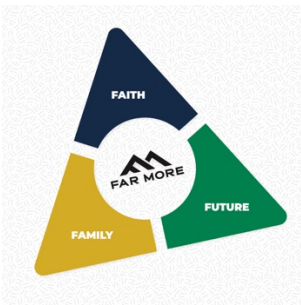




Far More Vision Update – 10.23.25

It has now been seven months since our historic Commitment Sunday on March 9, where, as a church, we brought our commitments and prayed for God to do FAR MORE in and through First Nazarene in the next two years! Although it's only been seven months, it's been amazing to see how **God has already been doing FAR MORE than we asked or imagined!**

FAITH

- 172 people have said YES to begin a relationship with Jesus in 2025!
- 36 people have been baptized in 2025.

FAMILY

- We have shared the good news with 354 different kids in NazKids on a Sunday morning this year.
- 425 different people have attended a Life Group this year, with 113 attending for the very first time.

FUTURE

- Phase 1 of construction is COMPLETE
- Building renovations are on time and under budget
- We continue to give away 15% of our operating budget to our denominational and mission partners

When I think of God doing FAR MORE in this place, I can't help but think of a few of our recent baptisms and their stories of how God has transformed their lives!

- A young adult in the midst of a serious medical journey proclaimed that Jesus has saved her in baptism and that He will use her story to make him known.
- A father in his forties was baptized, choosing Jesus for himself and as an example for his children.
- A mother was baptized who was raised in the church but came alive to Jesus in her faith as an adult in the last year at First Naz.
- A teenager proclaimed that Jesus has saved her and given her identity, value, and purpose.

Together we praise God for what he is doing in this place!

While the FAR MORE vision is large and encompasses so many ministries and priorities, the heartbeat of the vision is that God is doing FAR MORE in each one of our lives! We can see it through stories like these, and I pray that every person a part of the FAR MORE vision gets to know the impact that their serving, giving, and prayer is making through First Naz!

Even as I write these words, I'm sitting in the new, finished Family Lobby where our preschool kids are playing, and Meissl Boyce, our Preschool Director, is giving a tour to a new family. I just heard the mom say, "This place is just so incredible, I think we'll come here!" Now the mom is trying to get her daughter to leave, but she doesn't want to leave the new play place! May the story of First Naz and the Far More Vision continue to move forward, for our church, for us as individuals, and for families like this one that to serve!

▪ Pastor Galen Ryman

*Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think,
according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. [Ephesians 3:20-21]*