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GOD SIGHTINGS

GOD WILL BUILD HIS CHURCH AS WE BUILD HIS CHURCH

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FAMILY

"Discovery Church has been more than just a place of worship for me. It has become a true safe haven where my heart feels at home. It's within this place that I have found profound healing, restoration, and a deeper sense of belonging. One of the greatest blessings has been watching my daughter grow spiritually in this worldly environment. Discovery isn't just a place we attend; it's a part of our story, a reflection of God's faithfulness, and a testimony to the beauty of community."

"The impact has been wonderful. Discovery Church gave me a family. It has opened its arms to welcome us and lift us up, it has given us the gift of experiencing the love of God through service, and it has given us a faith that is lived in freedom."

"Discovery Church has been a true blessing to my family! It is such a privilege to be part of a church that truly shines Jesus's love and light in this dark world. I am proud to call Discovery 'my family'!"

"My family is drastically different from when we moved here exactly two years ago, after 20 years in the military. We have each grown in our faith and are all more healed, whole, and free. I am so grateful for how this Word and Spirit church has impacted my own life, and especially grateful to see my husband and kids truly thriving and living into all that God has for them. I prayed so many prayers asking God to direct us to the exact right church, and He answered in ways greater than I even asked or imagined! (Ephesians 3:20) So grateful."

"My family has been part of Discovery Church for six years. When I first heard about Men's Breakfast and Men's Boot Camp I prayed, and ask friends to pray, that my husband will join them and meet inspiring, godly men. This year he started attending Men's Breakfast and decided to go to Boot Camp. I now have a husband who goes to bed earlier, so he won't miss Men's Breakfast. He shared about Boot Camp with many friends and family. The first thing he said to me was, *"I believe God spoke to me as soon as I got there…"* He wakes up and prays for my life. He affirms that he wants to take care of and protect me and our children. He already was the prince of my life and a great man. Now he is a renewed, faith-filled, strengthened man. My heart is overjoyed, thankful and of course in love."

"When we moved to Florida, we church-hopped. We could not find a church that everyone in my family loved. We needed a thriving youth ministry, anointed church leaders, and welcoming church members—and selfishly, I wanted awesome worship music. I didn't want to drag the family out to another church, so I came to Discovery by myself for the first time. Right after the service, a pastor made a bee-line towards me to introduce himself. I knew in that moment this was our church home. We attend, serve, and more importantly, we baptized our kids at Discovery."

"God connected my family to Discovery Church through a leader who has since become a good friend. We've stayed because of the integrity of the staff and the clear evidence that God is present here and Jesus is the focus."

"We liked Discovery Church right away, but the deciding factor for us to stay, was that it was the first church our kids left service actually talking about Jesus. The bonuses were anointed teachers, genuine worshippers, and authentic staff. Discovery is legitimately concerned with how its members are growing spiritually, as evidenced by all the different ministries and investment in the Discovery Pathway."

"In 2021 Discovery Church became the turning point in our lives and our marriage, offering the spiritual foundation and community we had long been searching for. Through its ministries, retreats, and relationships, we both experienced deep healing—freedom from addiction, selfishness, and long-held secrets—and grew stronger in our faith. The church not only transformed our individual journeys but also restored our marriage, equipping us to serve and encourage other couples with empathy, grace, and God's love."

"Despite the adversities, I can always count on a friendly hand, ready to help without hesitation. It helped my family to know faith and to love helping others. Discovery gave us tools to progress and be economically independent."

For about 25 years, Discovery Church has partnered with me in the major stages in my life. Whether good, bad, or otherwise. They have helped me nurture my spiritual family and have fed and challenged my walk with the Lord. Life would not be the same otherwise.

"Discovery Church welcomed us with open arms, even though we were foreigners, from different cultures, and English wasn't our first language. We always felt very welcomed. In less than six months my husband and I were already serving in worship and getting involved. We have been at Discovery for 13 years, and now we have teenage daughters, and they are just as involved as we are, serving in DC Kids, and they do not miss their Midweek—their favorite day of the week!"

"In our three and a half years at Discovery Church, in just about every message, no matter who is preaching, something is said that our family had either just talked about that week, a verse we had memorized together is mentioned, or a part of scripture that we had just studied as a family is brought up. Our boys, ages 12, 9, and 5 often sit with us and we all look at each other as soon as it happens. They are great confirmations for our family that Discovery is where God wants us."

"My daughter has experienced deep mental health challenges, including a rare eating disorder. Since December, she has made huge progress in finding freedom and healing through God's work in her life, and we continue to pray with gratitude for all He has done."

"Discovery Church has been a huge blessing for me and my family. Moving from a different country, we were able very quickly to find a strong community here, and a place for our spiritual growth. All the resources, groups, and Sunday services have had a profound impact on how much our faith continues to develop and mature. In Discovery, we quickly found a place we can call home, and where our faith grows exponentially."

"For months, a DC Kids volunteer had been praying for a new vehicle for her family. We surrounded her with prayer every weekend, and God provided a newer vehicle—not just meeting her need but exceeding it!"

MENS

"Many formerly incarcerated men who came out of Identity Ministries have attended our Sunday services and given their life to Jesus. Many of them have been baptized as well."

"A father and son recently went to Boot Camp together and, through the teachings of the sessions, they experienced further reconciliation and forgiveness from wounds that were inflicted in the past."

"The Discovery Men's Boot Camp has been a life changing journey for me. My view of God the Father had been restored, agreements and lies have been broken, strongholds are gone, and I am free and alive to become the man that God wants me to be."

"We recently concluded the Men's Breakfast semester and asked for feedback from the Men. One man made a comment that the Men's Breakfast is the most significant hour of his week. We shared that feedback with the table leads, and it impacted them greatly."

"The Men's Breakfast had a profound impact on my life. During the time I attended, I constantly heard impactful messages that consistently encouraged me during a time when I was trying to understand which way I wanted my life to go. I also received much needed guidance and prayer from the guys."

"A young dad at my Men's Breakfast table has faced many life struggles. This semester, he surrendered his life to Jesus in February and was baptized in May—he's now passionate about leading his family in faith."

WOMENS

"My husband and I had been trying for over a year to conceive. We had three miscarriages in that time. We went to the Gathering for healing and got pregnant that month! We are now a week away from our due date! Praise God!"

"About three years ago, I faced major water damage in my home, an uncooperative insurance company, and then the devastating loss of my husband. Alone and in financial hardship, I surrendered it all to the Lord and trusted His provision. A few months later, God provided a breakthrough—a large insurance payout that covered all the repairs and paid off our loan. God is faithful and truly our provider!"

"In Mom2Mom ministry, one sister shared she was going through a divorce. I had the privilege to see all of the women getting together to visit, pray, listen, share in her struggle, and walk with her through uncertainty and changes. About one year later I witnessed that couple remarrying and living through God's restoration plan. This group of women got together again—this time to celebrate what the Lord had done."

"At the Mom2Mom breakfast a person next to me shared how she was uncertain about her future home. Across from us, another person shared how she once was in the same situation a few years ago and how God had redeemed and rebuilt her life, how Discovery Church helped her and became her family, and that Jesus could change her life completely. I witnessed truth, comfort, and faith-filled prayer amongst girls that I had just met."

"I am part of the mentor mom's program with Discovery Church. Recently I found myself worried, stressed, tired, and lost in many thoughts about my family, finances, and health. My mentor and friend unexpectedly texted me with words of encouragement and the truth of God. It was enough for me to feel watched over and loved. To me it meant the Lord was giving me comfort and direction to rest and trust Him."

"During the Women's Retreat, I loved doing the small groups after each teaching session. It really helped to solidify the teaching. It also helped me to meet new women and get to know them."

"A woman in my group shared that despite being a world-traveling missionary, she had always struggled to find meaningful friendships with other women here in the U.S. She took a chance and joined the group—and found real connection, prayer, and support. It's a beautiful reminder that God provides community right when we need it most."

"We had a woman who attended the Women's Retreat because some friends were going and she wanted a girl's weekend. She gave her life to the Lord and since has gotten baptized, and is in a group being discipled!"

"Through the impact of the church, I confessed a secret and have been delivered from a lifelong habit."

"I never attended a women's bible study until now. I gave my life to Jesus."

"About a month ago, I walked into Discovery Church feeling alone in a new city—my parents gone, my children with their dad, and no family nearby. But here, I found a spiritual home where I was welcomed, supported, and surrounded by a new family in Christ. Through this church, my trust in Jesus has deepened, and after being baptized, I now know what it truly means to belong—His presence is all around!"

"Discovery Church has transformed my walk with God, leading me into a genuine, personal relationship with Him—far beyond tradition or routine. Leading small groups helped me grow in faith alongside others who walk with me and with God. The community I found among single moms has become a sisterhood of lifelong friends and prayer partners."

"While God was delivering me from an abusive relationship, at the end of a Sunday service a prophetic word was shared that lined up with my situation. I went to receive prayer and mourned my situation with the Lord and the prayer team. After that the Lord filled me with a joy and a peace that made no sense and was unexplainable and has lasted for several weeks now."

STUDENTS

"Through Discovery Church, God saved my life. Without their Midweek student group I don't know where I would be."

"I'm not alone in my faith—God reminded me that I'm not alone by surrounding me with other teens who love Him, helping me stay strong and grow spiritually through community."

"Midweek has given me a sense of belonging and has surrounded me with faith-filled friends who inspire me to grow in my relationship with God."

"Midweek has been a great foundation for me to grow in my faith. This year I've felt God move more than ever. He has shown His glory in the messages, the people, and every part of my life."

"God gave me the courage to share His Word for the first time. It has changed my life and brought new friendships that continue to help me grow in my faith."

"After a season of deep pain and lost faith, God met me at Student Camp, and taught me about forgiveness. Now, I boldly share my faith and live with renewed purpose."

"Through a difficult experience with a teacher, God taught me the value of patience and the power of forgiveness."

"I was set free at Student Camp, and my relationship with my parents has never been better."

"Midweek has helped me to start my own faith. It made me able to look for God and see him more. It is also really welcoming and I've been able to find community and become part of an amazing youth group."

"I found my meaning in God after a near death experience changed my priorities."

"Out of all the churches I've been to, Discovery Church is something special. Since I've been going to Discovery it has made me discover new things and helped me with things."

"Through the teachings, community, and the mentoring from Discovery, I have been encouraged to live into the plans that God has placed on my life and have been able to experience more and more of God's working in my life and experiencing His love daily. Since being at Discovery, I have felt a call to become a youth pastor, and I'm headed to college in the fall to pursue that."

"Being invited to Students made me realize not only do I need to take my life more seriously, but I need to take God more seriously as well."

"God showed me that the parts of me that I thought would always be broken can be healed through HIS power, and HIS power alone."

"Four students held a 'revival night' at West Orange High school. It was entirely student-lead. The four students prepared 10-minute sermons to give, and over 100 students showed up after school to be a part of it. This also sparked over 100 students sharing video devotionals of themselves reading scripture on their Instagram."

SPORTS

"Discovery Church provided scholarships for youth sports to families who couldn't afford it. During the sports season, an entire family (dad, mom, and two kids) gave their life to Jesus and got baptized together."

"Parents from the local school signed up their kids for Youth Sports. The father rededicated his life to Jesus, changed his job schedule to accommodate family attendance at church, and began coaching. Now the entire family attends Discovery and serves. The youngest child actively shares his faith at school and invites others to church."

"A softball player with a history of addiction, who is currenty in recovery, gave his life to Jesus and got baptized. He then started a softball team to help addicts and share Jesus with them. One player gave life to Jesus in the Spring."

"A mom and dad helped their son start a softball team for his friends. The whole team gave their life to Jesus and got baptized in one season."

"An athlete with a history of anger and rage was dealing with family trauma and brokenness. He gave his life to Jesus and now has peace for the first time. He shares Jesus with his family."

"Countless sports leaders discovered their spiritual gifts and passions to share the Gospel and disciple over 1,000 athletes and their families during the sports season."

"A leader uses her gift of prayer and intercession. She prays over pickleball players every week. Have seen three players experiencing healing from cancer after being prayed over."

"A Hindu player who has been hardened towards the Gospel is now seeking and asking questions about the Christian faith due his family being invited to Discovery services."

"A man who left the church and carried bitterness and resentment towards it found the grace and humility to forgive those who hurt him due to the care and wisdom of his coach. He now attends Discovery regularly. He invited his whole extended family to attend, and repented of decades of sin in his relationship, and honored God by finally marrying his live-in girlfriend."

RENEWAL MINISTRY & SOUL CARE

"The Soul Care process has been life-changing for me. The teaching helped me to understand from a foundational level the perspective I needed for what was transpiring in my life. I am now on a whole new trajectory with freedom to live more fully into all God made me to be."

"I received healing through transformation. I received release from demonic influence which led to freedom!"

"I've allowed God to step into hurts from my childhood that were inflicted by my parents, and heal me as His child."

"God healed me from the abandonment of my father and the desire to control everything."

"I believed I was broken, evil, sick, unlovable, and no one knew how bad the real me was. I know now that I am loved, chosen, defended, healed, and fully known."

"I received revelations about things my doctors told me, that I was using as a crutch. I rebut it, refuse to claim it, and am now of sound mind."

"The Lord gave me clarity and showed me the lies I was believing and the negative influences I was under that I needed to be free from. I then replaced those things with His truth and what He had to say about me."

"I think one of the most impactful things to me is this team that the Lord so specifically chose for me! They each played an imperative role, and it became so obvious that God picked them for me. I was also humbled that they would care so much for me and my healing."

"It's not about being perfect. It's about giving yourself over to the Lord so He can help you change your behavior."

"This experience with this wonderful team has been beyond enlightening and healing. I am beyond grateful. I have felt more cared for and loved by these two people who hardly know me than by many people I've spent my whole life with. What a blessing to have this time!"

"He is the light in the darkness! I'm no longer afraid of the dark."

"On the outside, I probably don't look much different than I always have, but the Lord has done a profound work in my life. He has healed my wounds and set me free from the spiritual oppression that has followed me throughout my entire life. Today, I can say with confidence that I am no longer trapped, and I am finally experiencing wholeness on this side of heaven."

"I came to Discovery through GriefShare after losing another son. In Discovery I found a community that supports and encourages me, one that holds me accountable and corrects me when needed."

"At Discovery I read the Bible for the first time, attended my first ever bible study, and tithed for the first time. But the most important impact Discovery has had on me is the awesome, intimate relationship I have with God. I've gotten much closer to Him through the teachings, pastoral spiritual guidance, and the access to learning experiences such as Soul Care, where I received deliverance. Discovery feels like home to me!"

MISSIONS

"In an ESL class, the leaders felt drawn to share the "How to Have a Relationship with God" brochure, resulting in a man accepting Christ and becoming a part of the church."

At the baptism of a woman in hospice (at their home, in their pool), many from her family were present. After hearing the gospel, her sister gave her life to Christ and was also baptized."

"A woman who had been a life-long Christian but hadn't shared her faith, felt led by God to get involved with the Community Resource Center. She was extremely reluctant to even share her story in the group but grew in confidence and began sharing her faith and God's story regularly. She has now led people to Christ, and is overseeing the only third-generation Bible study in the training center."

"In the Community Resource Center there have been over 100 salvations that have happened through the witness of people involved; many of whom have also led others to Christ."

"A woman that had struggled to find a place to serve in the church became the first leader of what are now 10 monthly serving opportunities with our missions partners. People who have participated regularly share how these opportunities are changing their lives as they see others coming to faith and finding hope and healing."

"A chronically homeless man with serious mental illness became a regular in the CRC, surrendered to Christ, got permanent housing and help with mental illness, and is now involved in the church."

"A young woman who works at Chick-Fil-A asked if she could lead a Bible study on Sundays when the store is closed. This required corporate approval and has led to several salvations and serious growth for her."

"A Haitian woman from the neighborhood came to the CRC for help, developed a relationship with Christ, led many others to the church and got reconciled with her husband."

"We posted a job in the CRC that a member had available, and that same day, a qualified person come in to the CRC asking for that job. This led to profound life change in him and encouragement for the business owner."

"At both of the Job Fairs we have held, there have been several salvations and a dramatic healing of a chronic bone condition in a woman's back, that forever changed her life."

PHYSICAL HEALING

"A woman asked us to pray for her blindness. She came to us later and asked if we had been praying because she could now see. She said it was clearer and better than she could ever see before. "

"My husband was walking with a cane because of pain in his legs. We went up for prayer and God healed his legs. He did not need his cane on the way out of the church."

"I was diagnosed with a rare form of Lymphoma and a side effect from the treatment was that my lungs would fill up with fluid and need to be drained. I came forward for prayer at the Gathering and the next day went to the doctors to have my lungs drained. They were completely dry, and I was five and a half pounds lighter. My cancer is now in remission. Jesus healed me!"

COMMUNITY & BELONGING

"I have never been in a place that I felt accepted until I found Discovery Church. Here I feel loved and accepted. I never lived this in my life, not even in my home."

"When I walked in this place, it felt like home. I am so grateful for it."

"My husband and I sold our dream home in South Florida to become a part of Discovery Church. We knew God placed Pastor Don and all of the Discovery leaders in the right place for such a time as this. Our marriage and children have flourished like never before and we have gained a priceless community of brothers and sisters of all races, colors, languages, cultures and nationalities. We are beyond grateful for God's direct instruction to move to Orlando to belong to a gem of a church home!"

"My church supported my family when we had a death of a loved one and didn't quite know what to do."

"Discovery Church is a place of growth. This church has helped me so much and has been God's hands, feet, and heart toward me and my son."

MORE WAYS GOD IS MOVING

"At the Winter Garden campus, all classes except This is Membership *(to include 101: Baptism, 201: Spirit-Filled Living, 301: Spiritual Gifts, and This is Discovery)* are volunteer-led. This was made possible by each of those volunteers identifying their spiritual gifts, such as teaching and leadership, through the 301: Spiritual Gifts class. This has blessed them and countless others who have sat under their teaching."

"I was consulted to place an IV in a man at the ICU where I work. I noticed the wife was very anxious and asked her if we could pray for her and her husband. She asked me how she could have peace and joy like she experienced in the prayer. I shared the Gospel of Jesus with her and she surrendered everything to Jesus."

"The battery in my car died so I went to the auto parts store, where an emplyee told me that it would be covered under warranty. I started praising Jesus right there. He was blessed by my response, and I was able to give him a bible and invite him to join me in a Bible study."

"The teachings of each week are getting me a lot more involved in the Bible, and this has impacted me. I'm now in several activities that are related to the service in the church. Thank God daily for everything that gives us both in the spiritual and in physical health."

"By learning good, sound scripture, my life has been impacted. It has allowed me to look into myself, not to be so self-righteous, and to show more mercy to others."