



New Vintage Church Family,

What a year we shared together!

This year we talked about prayer, relationships, lessons from the life of Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the book of Colossians and more. We encouraged our city with thousands of transferable magnets, we invited one another to eat around our tables, we invited the city to the square and we gave generously to help change the lives of those in need. We started a program in a local school, we took a couple hundred students to summer camp, we served together, we prayed over one another, we invited friends to join us and we saw dozens of baptisms as people found life and hope in Jesus.

We're doing it! We're really doing it.

We are not just showing up on Sunday mornings to sit in seats and hear sermons. Of course, that is a part of the process, but we, as a group, have decided that we don't want to play church, we want to do church. We want to look beyond ourselves and into a world full of people in need and respond to those needs.

We can't help everyone, but when we can, we'll help who we can. And in 2023, we, as a church family, helped so many. And in turn, it is my hope and prayer that our own hearts were helped as well. It is my hope that you are walking out of 2023 better than you walked into it because you chose to participate in a movement to be FOR THE CITY of Santa Rosa and Sonoma County in general.

Buckle up for 2024 because we're dreaming big dreams of how our little group on the corner of Yalupa and Sonoma Ave. can be about the good works that God prepared in advance for us to walk into. I'll see you on a Sunday soon, but hopefully our friendship and our impact will reach far beyond Sunday and into all the days the end in y.

I love being your pastor and even more so, your friend in this life of service to our Lord.

*Darren*

