



Matt Lawson

STORY CITY CHURCH (BURBANK)

About the Family

Matt has served in various ministry capacities since 2000. Before moving to Los Angeles, he served as the High School and Student Pastor at First Baptist Church Woodstock under Pastor Johnny Hunt from 2006 until 2014. Matt graduated from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 2005 with an M.Div. and completed work towards a Th.M. in evangelism. Laura graduated from the College at Southeastern Seminary with a major in biblical studies. Matt and Laura have three children: Deacon (born in 2009), Eden (born in 2010), Roman (born in 2014). A few of the things they enjoy most about living in Los Angeles is the endless summer weather, hiking, and the beach.

About the Church Plant

Matt and Laura moved to L.A. in January 2015, having been to the city only three days in their lives before then. They knew no one and only had a few contacts that had been passed along by friends and churches around the country. There were 18 people who showed up at the first meeting in their home on February 14, 2015. After three additional meetings in February, March, and April, the core group had outgrown the home and they moved into a tiny theatre in Burbank. Once again, after three months in the Banshee Theatre, God had grown the core group to nearly 70 people and the church had to move to Flappers Comedy Club in the fall of 2015. Story City would launch weekly services in that comedy club and quickly outgrew that facility as well when God provided a beautiful 268-seat theatre in downtown Burbank. The church has become a regional presence in L.A. although the pastoral team is strongly committed to serving our local community in Burbank through generosity projects that create conversation and build bridges to the gospel. The pastoral team has identified five areas in L.A. where they would like to plant additional campuses in the next 10 years.

Find out how you can

Pray.

Participate.

Provide.

PRAY.

For additional leaders to fill key volunteer positions. For God to raise up a pastoral leader to start a student ministry in Burbank. For five declining or dying churches in our five campus areas to partner with us to replant a Story City campus. For

PARTICIPATE.

Connect as a Supporting Church to help plant additional campuses. Adopt our two other staff members for regular pray and encouragement Send mission teams to assist with Better Together LA generosity projects.

PROVIDE.

There are numerous ways to help a church plant. Please visit sendnetwork.com/planterfunding for NAMB's policy on providing for church plants.

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