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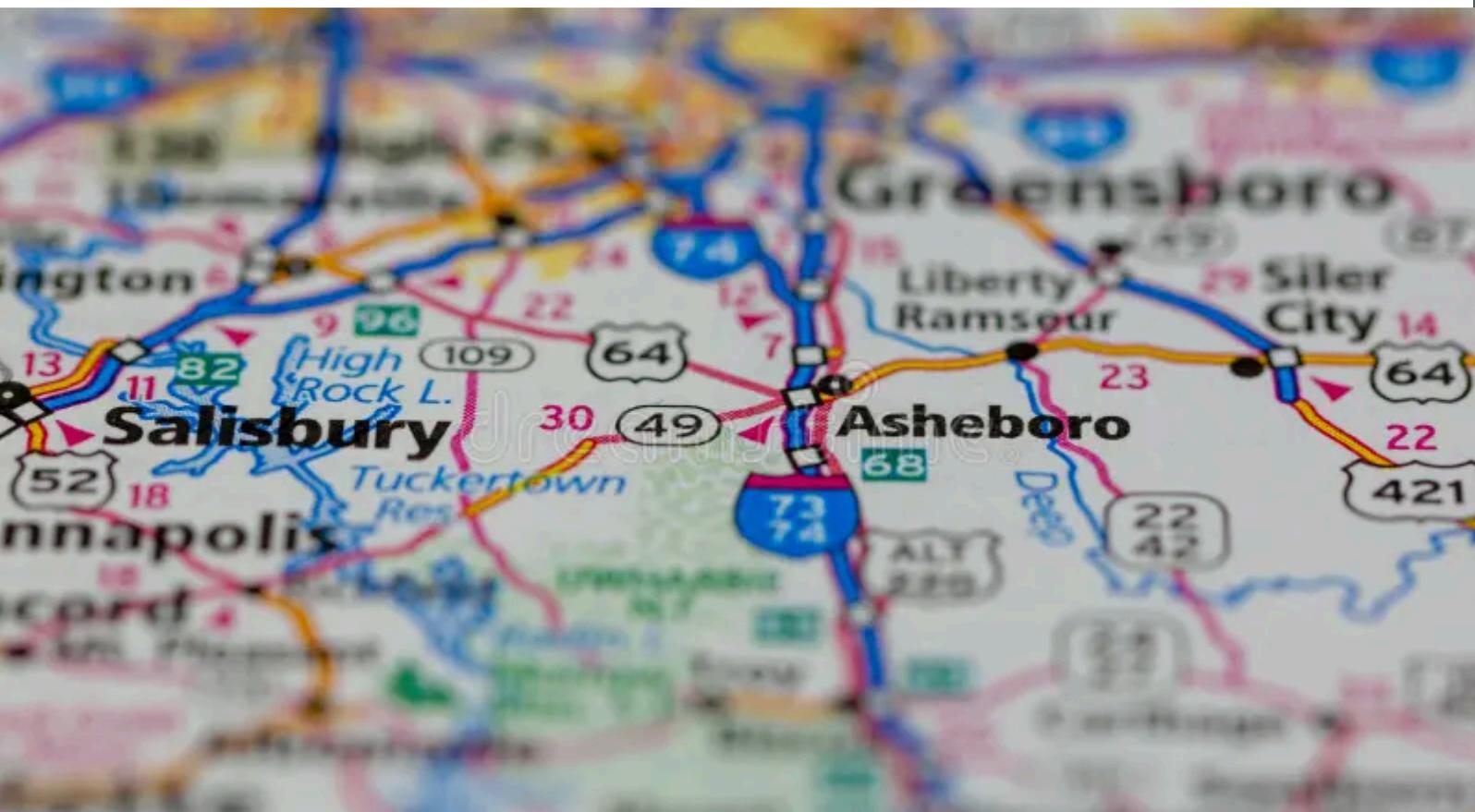
BAPTIST CHURCH



Church Plant Prospectus

Why Asheboro?

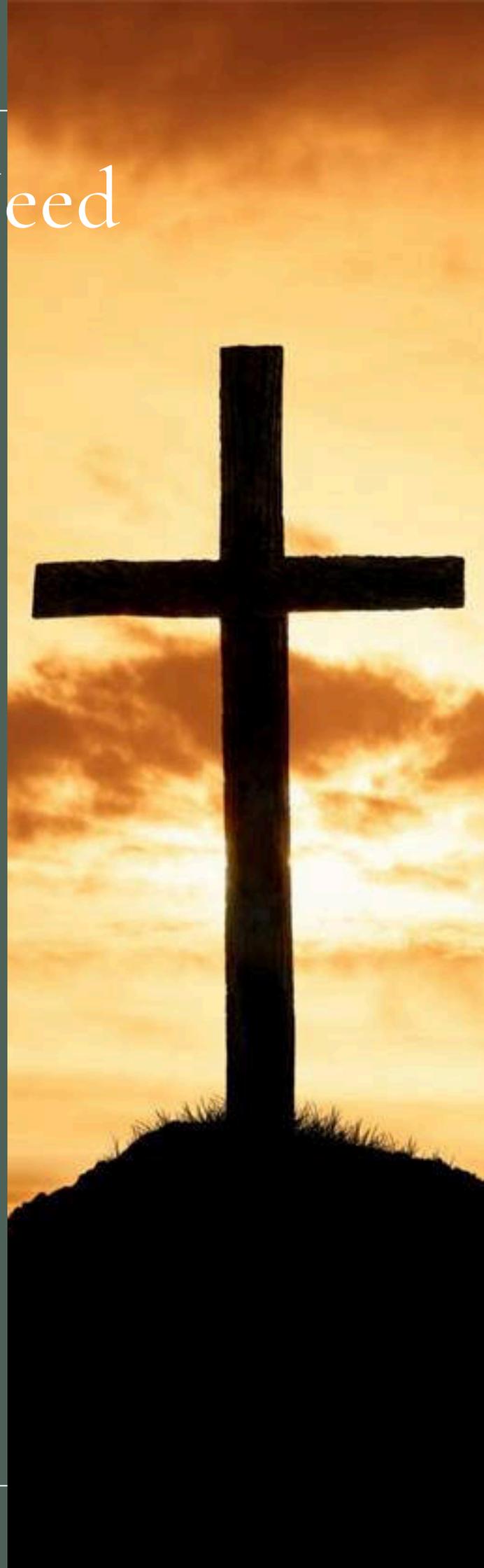
Asheboro is a growing city of nearly 28,000 people located in the heart of North Carolina. It is the seat of Randolph County and is conveniently situated in the center of the Piedmont Triad, offering easy access to many attractive and influential locations throughout the state. The majority of its economic success has been found in manufacturing, as it was once labeled the “home of the American textile industry.” But Asheboro may best be known today as “Zoo City”. It is home to the world’s largest natural habitat zoo, which attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors each year. It is also surrounded by wildlife and outdoor activities found in places such as the Uwharrie National Forest, which is located just a few miles outside the city. These make it an attractive home to those who desire a more rural setting. Between this, the low cost of living, and new manufacturing opportunities, Asheboro is poised to see extreme rapid growth from the 21,000-plus jobs that are coming to the region.



WHERE WE WILL START

The Spiritual Need

Asheboro is a very churched city, resting in the center of the “bible belt”, but statistics have shown that it still remains over 72% lost, with many of its residents having no real connection to a local church. If you add that to the number of churches that are dying each year, there is a compelling need. As one local pastor has said, “We need all the help we can get.” Like many other cities, it is filled with people who seek hope, demonstrating that eternity is written on their hearts (Eccl. 3:11), but because of their sin, many have no real hope and are without God in the world (Eph. 2:12). They are dead in their trespasses and sins, fully deserving of the wrath of God, and are blinded in unbelief (Eph. 2:1-3). This is revealed in many ways, whether that be nominal Christianity that so infects the area, false religions making their way in, or those who claim no religion at all, seeking fulfillment in everything but God. The need for each is the same: **The Gospel of Jesus Christ**. Our hope is to see that gospel transform the lives of many lost sinners where God has placed us.



Our Name



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Our name derives from an understanding of who Christ is (our Redeemer) and who we are in Him (the redeemed). Humanity's greatest need is to be right with God through Jesus Christ the Redeemer, because all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). In our sin we have separated ourselves from Him and therefore brought upon ourselves due penalty for our rebellion against a holy and righteous God (Rom. 5:10). But out of His gracious loving kindness towards sinners like us, He sent His only Son (John 3:16), Jesus Christ to redeem us from our sin through His precious blood on the cross (Eph 1:7, 1 Pet. 1:18-19). Through Christ's redemption, we not only have attained forgiveness of our trespasses, but we have also been adopted into the family of God (Gal. 4:5). Now as the redeemed children of God, we cry Abba Father (Rom. 8:15) and seek to live for Him, proclaiming to a lost and dying world that our redeemer lives (Job 19:25)!

Our Mission

Mission Statement

We exist to love God, one another, and the world through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

- **Love God** - As the Scriptures command, we seek to love God with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind (Lk. 10:27; Mt. 22:37; Mk. 12:30). We love God by seeking to bring glory to Him through our worship, our obedience, and our love toward others. We love Him because of the inherent beauty of His perfections and because of His saving work towards sinners in Jesus Christ.
- **Love One Another** - Sharing life together in the church is one of our greatest privileges as believers in Jesus Christ. We strive to “walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us” (Eph 5:2). That love means living together in committed relationship, serving one another’s needs, bearing one another’s burdens, and using our spiritual gifts to build one another up in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **Love the World** - We know that “God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life” (Jn. 3:16). Not only does God love the world, but He desires that his people love the world as well. Because we have been shown God’s love through Christ, it is our desire, first and foremost, to love our neighbors (Mk. 12:31; Mt. 22:39) through ministries that bless our local community and through lives that show the love of Christ to our neighbors, friends, and coworkers. We also seek to love the world by supporting ministries that spread the gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world so that sinners from every tribe, tongue, people, and nation (Rev. 5:9) will be saved to the glory of God.
- **Through the Gospel of Jesus Christ** - It is the gospel of Jesus Christ that makes all of this possible. The only way sinners like us are changed and come to have faith is through the gospel of Jesus Christ. The only way we can continue to change and to grow in Christ-likeness is through the gospel of Jesus Christ. The only way we can love God, our community, and the world is through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our Commitments

preach **Transformational Truth**

We are committed to the truth of the Bible.

With God's help, we will regularly teach and preach God's life-changing truth, the gospel, from His Word, relying on the Spirit to make our efforts effective. We will seek to follow His truth in all matters of faith and practice.

practice **Persistent Prayer**

We are committed to praying persistently. We will seek God in everything we do, in small and large requests, in prosperous and difficult seasons, for we know we can do nothing without Him. We cast our cares upon Him, for He cares for us.

participate in the **Master's Mission**

We are committed to being on mission for Christ, our Lord, where He has placed us and throughout the world. We will seek to accomplish this with God's help, by raising up God-called, biblically qualified pastors, church planters, and missionaries, that, Lord willing, we will help send and support.

promote **Wholehearted Worship**

We are committed to worshipping the one true and living God. We will seek to do so when we gather by preaching His Word, singing His Word, praying His Word, reading His Word, and seeing His Word in baptism and the Lord's Supper. Outside our local gathering, we will seek to live out that worship every single day with our whole lives in response to God's grace.

partake in **Christlike Community**

We are committed to cultivating a Christlike community by carefully selecting qualified men to lead us as pastors and deacons, who will then seek to equip all of the saints in our community to serve one another, build one another up, and call one another to account when we go astray so that in all that we do, we may put Christ on display!

Our Beliefs

We have adopted as our Confession of Faith a slightly revised and modernized version of the Abstract of Principles. It is a summary of what we believe as a church and is anchored in God's Word and in continuity with historic Christianity. It encourages sound doctrine, protects us from error, and shows unity in Christ.

Our Partners

Sending Church



Church Planting Networks



Convention Affiliations



Our Lead Planter

Blake Whitley

Blake has been married to his dear wife, Brittany, for 13 + years, and God has blessed them with three beautiful children: Ruby (10), Adaline (3), and Levi (1). They are both lifelong residents of Asheboro, and Christ graciously saved them both at an early age. In 2021, they began searching for a healthy church in the Asheboro area but were sadly disappointed at their local options. So, after months of looking, the idea of church planting began to become attractive, but they knew they needed to establish themselves at a healthy church, be assessed, further trained, and if the Lord saw fit, be sent out to lead a church plant in their hometown. In God's kindness, they landed at Grace Reformed Baptist Church in Mebane, NC. After about a year there, they joined, and Blake began a two-year apprenticeship program, which he completed in the spring of 2025. Upon the completion of that, GRBC officially sent Blake out to begin core team preparation for Redeemer Baptist Church, which is scheduled to be planted in the spring of 2026. He is expected to serve full-time as the Lead Pastor of Redeemer Baptist Church in Asheboro, NC.



Our Timeline

Fall of 2024

- Begin an Ephesians bible study in Asheboro to gauge interest and recruit 15 committed core team members
- Develop strategy, values, and the basic vision and blueprints for this plant



Fall of 2025

- Core team settle in Asheboro
- Secure jobs, engage our community and show hospitality
- Begin Core Team preparation
- Host fellowship events

Winter of 2026

- Finalize meeting space
- Recruit service teams
- Advertise initial service
- Begin Discipleship Groups

Spring of 2026

- Build excitement for constituting service
- Assemble all church equipment
- Constitute our church

Our Budget

Starting a church takes a lot of resources. Please consider partnering with us financially through a one-time gift or recurring giving to Redeemer Baptist Church.

We desire to be a completely self-sustaining church after year 3. To do this, we need to raise \$30,000 our first year and \$100,000 over our first three years. This will go toward compensating one full-time pastor, renting gathering space, purchasing start-up equipment, supporting missional initiatives, and adding other key staff roles as soon as able.

We are asking for partners to commit to an ongoing investment for at least 3 years or give one-time gifts to help offset some of our missional and operational costs. This could come in the form of monthly or quarterly support, or larger gifts that decrease annually as our church grows toward self-sustainability.

Our Budget

2026-2028	Personnel	Operations	Missions	Annual Budget
Year One	\$116,000	\$49,400	\$4,600	\$170,000
Year Two	\$124,000	\$52,000	\$12,500	\$188,500
Year Three	\$131,000	\$56,000	\$18,000	\$205,000

Partner With Us



Pray

We invite you to pray that God will open wide doors for the gospel to multiply, while protecting and providing for our core team as we work to see Redeemer Baptist Church planted.



Join

Church-planting is not for the faint of heart. We are praying for God to raise up tough, faithful, gospel-centered Christians to go with us to plant Redeemer Baptist Church. We are praying specifically for God to send people who will engage their neighbors and co-workers with the gospel and actively seek ways to advance the gospel in the community of Asheboro. We are praying for people with a servant's heart, who will lead in worship, serve as deacons, teach equip classes, serve as nursery workers, work security, help clean, be willing to set up and tear down, cultivate youth and college ministries, and seek to do the good work of discipleship and evangelism.



Give

Church planting is a leap of faith and a step of obedience for us. Would you take a step of faith with us by committing to support us financially for the first 3 years? It is our prayer that within three years we will be able to support ourselves through the regular giving of our members. Until that time, we have outlined a financial plan that will support us as a family and support the ministry endeavors for the church. Would you commit to financially supporting us as we plant Redeemer Baptist Church?

Giving by Check

All gifts are tax-deductible. Checks should be made out to Grace Reformed Baptist Church for the Asheboro church plant and sent to:

P.O. Box 221, Mebane, NC

Giving Online

You can give securely online at **<https://www.grbc.net/>**. You simply click on "GIVE" in the top bar and designate the funds to GRBC Church Planting, and that will direct the funds to Redeemer Baptist Church.



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