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Church members also see opportunities around them. "There's a lot of homes in that area with lots of little kids," Andy explained. "We're looking forward to reaching them for Christ."

PRAY FOR:

- Church Acadiana to be fully funded for the work on their new building.
- Schedules to align so that the church has the help it needs through volunteer teams.
- Unity among church members as they prepare to reach the community for Christ.

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