COLEMAN FAMILY TESTIMONY

We moved to Houston in 2014 so Kevin could begin seminary and take on a new role at a church plant. But just a few months in, that job hit a major snag. Suddenly, we found ourselves in a brand-new city, facing a hard reality: the job we'd moved for was in chaos, and we still needed to pay the bills and with the slim hope that Kevin could continue his studies.

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We were confused. Why had God brought us all the way to Houston only for our carefully laid plans to fall apart? Yet we felt a strong pull to stay and serve the church - so we did. But that decision meant finding a job that could support us while Kevin remained in school, and we continued to serve this church.

That's when Kevin came across a grant writing position at the Brookwood Community. On a whim, he applied. The interview process made it clear he was a great fit—not for grant writing, but for something else entirely. Brookwood invited him to join the team as Activities Coordinator, giving him the opportunity to invest deeply in the spiritual life of adults with special needs. That role soon expanded into the position of Spiritual Life Director, allowing Kevin to disciple both residents and staff and share the gospel in meaningful ways.

Years later, he was invited to serve as Residential Director. In that role, he oversaw staff, managed a large budget, and developed leadership and administrative skills that would prove invaluable for pastoral ministry. By the time he left nearly a decade later, Kevin had earned a seminary degree and gained a lifetime of experience – preaching, teaching, discipling, and learning.

Looking back, we're in awe of how God redirected our steps. Far from just covering expenses, He opened doors for a decade of meaningful ministry and deep preparation. His faithfulness throughout this journey—and the rich experiences we shared as a family—have been nothing short of amazing. We're so thankful He changed our plans, brought us to Houston, and demonstrated His great faithfulness even when, for a moment, it didn't seem like there was any plan at all. All praise be to God who works all things together according to His perfect purposes!