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Horizon's Ministry Expansion

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[Frequently Asked Questions]

What is the Ministry Expansion?

We are expanding the ministry facilities of the church to expand Horizon's mission to Win, Disciple and Send more disciples of Jesus Christ.

What is the MIRACLE?

A Miracle is something only God can do, and the power behind it is unlimited. What God has done through the work of the ministry at Horizon is nothing short of a miracle! He has impacted countless lives, one person at a time. Please share your Horizon miracle, and read others, at www.mymiracleathorizon.org.

Why are we calling the Ministry Expansion MIRACLE?

We are celebrating all that God has done through this ministry in the last 19 years as we step out in faith and expand the ministry to claim what He has planned for us in the future.

Why Horizon?

What began as a small church gathering at a local hotel in 1993 has grown into an internationally recognized ministry that impacts tens of thousands of lives around the world.

Why Here?

God has faithfully provided Horizon North County with 30 acres of land in Rancho Santa Fe, California. God has given us a very unique opportunity to further

develop His provision in ways that maximize our capacity for Kingdom impact. Our ministry expansion project will help provide for additional facilities and expanded ministries - better equipping His people for His service - opening up more opportunities than ever before to reach others with the good news of the Gospel.

Why Now? Why take on this Ministry Expansion project in this economic climate?

The church is growing and the Lord is blessing Horizon North County beyond what we could have asked or imagined. Lives are being changed and thousands are coming to know Jesus Christ through the many outreaches and ministries of the church.

What are the goals and timeline of the MIRACLE?

A church devoted to following God's lead, demonstrated in part through the commitment \$15 million over two years. Gifts and commitments will be received at an all-church celebration in spring of 2012.

What are we building?

The capital Ministry Expansion includes: 16,000 square feet in additional classroom and ministry buildings, retrofitting, repurpose and redesign of the existing church campus classroom buildings and the courtyard, remodel of sanctuary, remodel of sanctuary washrooms, relocation of Bookstore, increase office space, and construction of an outdoor stage and presentation area.

How can I pray for the church and the Ministry Expansion?

First, give praise to God for our church family, ministries, and the opportunity to serve Him through Horizon Christian Fellowship. Second, pray for the ministries that we are investing in to reach new families and individuals in our community for Christ.



Then, pray and ask God how He would have you give of your time, talent and treasure to the Ministry Expansion to create these ministry spaces for His purposes. More specific prayer requests are available by joining our Prayer Partners by contacting Jeanie at..... jeanbots4d@sbcglobal.net.

How can I help serve?

There will be numerous ways to get involved in MIRACLE and help serve. There will be opportunities to help plan MIRACLE events, be on the prayer team, and more. We will publicize these in the church bulletin, or you can email Susan Ferrari, Development Coordinator, to get involved at sferrari@horizon.org.

What is a pledge and how could I give?

A pledge is the outcome of a prayer-led decision to give over a period of time. It is not a legal obligation, but it is a good-faith intent to give to the MIRACLE. MIRACLE pledges will be held in strict confidence. Please use the commitment card provided.

I would like to donate assets to the project. How would I do that?

We are equipped to handle your gift of stock, real estate, gift annuity, life insurance or other assets. More information can be found on the MIRACLE page on our website. Please contact Lauren Grizzle, Director of Development, for further information and assistance at lgrizzle@horizon.org.

How do I know that any funds I donate will be used for the Ministry Expansion and not diverted for other expenses?

All funds received are held in a restricted account and may only be used for the Ministry Expansion project.

How much debt will the church carry and how will it be serviced?

The Finance Committee of the Board, and with approval of the Board, has determined that it is wise asset management to carry a loan against assets of \$11.5 million, thereby making use of inexpensive capital. New Miracle funds will be reserved for the building and renovation mentioned above.

Tell me about the overall financial health of Horizon?

The Lord has provided for the needs of the church, even through the recession. The church is in sound financial health and has sufficient assets and reserved funds for emergency needs. Horizon's financial statements are audited on an annual basis by an independent nationally renown audit firm that specializes in the non-profit industry, and the ministry is accredited by the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability, which maintains standards of accountability and financial stewardship that convey God-honoring ethical practices. Reports are available at ecfa.org.

Can the project be paid for through weekly offering?

The Ministry Expansion is a long-term investment in our 30-acre campus. The funds for capital development are not taken from our weekly offering. Weekly offering supports the day-to-day operations of the church. Therefore, separate funds are being raised to make these capital improvements.

How is a gift different from a tithe?

A tithe is a scriptural directive for giving to support the church and its leaders. A gift offering is our response of love and gratitude to God's blessings and goodness. In giving tithes and offerings we worship God and advance His mission to make disciples in the world.