



# UNFINISHED





neighborhood  
CHURCH

# OUR UNFINISHED VISION

In 2023, our church family is hitting a significant milestone. This year, we are celebrating the 75th birthday of Neighborhood Church.

75 years of community.  
75 years of service to our city.  
75 years of everyday people coming together to live and love like Jesus.

What started as a small gathering of families in 1948 has grown into a thriving, diverse community; a family of Jesus people that has made a huge impact on the city of Visalia and beyond.

75 years ago, it all began with cupcakes, volleyball, and conversation in one front yard. Today, Neighborhood Church is a whole lot bigger, but our mission is more or less the same: extending friendship and hospitality so others can meet Jesus.

We exist to inspire people wherever they are to live like Jesus wherever they go.

We've accomplished a lot together...  
**but we're not finished yet.**

This Spring, as we celebrate everything that God has done through Neighborhood Church, we want to invite you to help write the next chapter in our story.

What does that look like? Well, in many ways, it looks similar to what we've done all along: empowering the next generation, adding value to our community, and inspiring others to follow Jesus.

In this booklet, you'll see big dreams for our next season as a church. Dreams that will require generosity, commitment, and sacrifice from all of us.

Consider this as your invitation to continue our **UNFINISHED** work. I'm hoping you will join us on this amazing journey.



Forrest Jenan,  
**Lead Pastor**



# OUR STORY



## 1948

Bob and Lucille Willems begin inviting kids walking home from school to their front yard for cupcakes and volleyball. Eventually, they begin meeting regularly with other families in their home. As a result, a church is born.



## 1950's

Before long, the church outgrew the Willem's living room and began looking for a new space to call home. Space was rented in an unlikely place: a local tavern!



## 1963

Neighborhood Church moved into its new home at the intersection of Walnut and County Center—our home for over three decades.

# OUR STORY



**1997**

17 acres of pasture were purchased at \$25,000 per acre. The Neighborhood family pledges \$1.5 million to build our current campus.



**2006**

We adopted Houston School in 2006 as a way to be FOR our city and make an impact through real relationships. This eventually led to the construction of Houston Neighborhood Park.



**2017**

In 2017 we kicked off our FOR Visalia campaign to fund a massive renovation to our campus—primarily to expand space for kids!

# TODAY

Neighborhood Church is a diverse community of individuals gathered together to practice the way of Jesus in Visalia, CA. **We exist to inspire people wherever they are to live like Jesus wherever they go.**

Each week, we reach thousands of people in our city—many of them completely new to faith. Through authenticity, inclusion, and restoration, Neighborhood continues to be a place that is FOR everyone, regardless of their story.

Over the past 75 years, Jesus has worked through our community in huge ways....

# ...BUT WE'RE NOT FINISHED YET.

POWER THE NEXT GENERATION  
VALUE TO OUR COMMUNITY  
INSPIRE OTHERS TO FOLLOW JESUS

*AT NEIGHBORHOOD CHURCH, WE WILL...*

- » EMPOWER THE NEXT GENERATION
  - + ADD VALUE TO OUR COMMUNITY
  - ♥ **INSPIRE OTHERS TO FOLLOW JESUS**
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SUMMER CAMPS | MISSIONS TRIPS | BAPTISM BASH | CHILD DEDICATIONS | NBHD HS | NC KIDS | NBHD JH | PARTIES

# » EMPOWER THE NEXT GENERATION

What is the next generation worth? Everything! While Gen Z may be the first truly post-Christian generation in America, we're not willing to give up. We believe the church of *this* generation is called by Jesus to invest in the church of the *next* generation.

PRETEEN HANGS | FALL FAMILY RETREAT | SUMMER TRIPS | MOVIE NIGHTS | HOUSTON PARTNERSHIP | YOUTH HANGS







FOR PROJECTS | THE NEIGHBORHOOD DEGREE PROJECT | THE CHRISTMAS STORE | FRIENDSGIVING | SUNDAY PARTIES

# + ADD VALUE TO OUR COMMUNITY

We are FOR Visalia—that means our entire city. By partnering with Jesus and each other, we work to make Visalia a better place for *everyone*, regardless of what they believe.

SPRINGFEST | LUNCH BUDDIES | HOUSTON NEIGHBORHOOD SOCCER LEAGUE | COMMUNITY PARTNERS | FALL VIBES PA





**SMALL GROUPS | GROWTH TRACK | SUNDAYS | NC LABS | PEER COUNSELING | TEACHING SERIES | NC KIDS | NBHD YOUTH**

# ♥ **INSPIRE OTHERS TO FOLLOW JESUS**

Life is hard... we want to help. By creating a church environment unchurched people love to attend, we create space for people to meet Jesus at their own pace. Why? Because meeting Jesus changes *everything*.

**BAPTISMS | VOLUNTEER TEAMS | PRACTICING GENEROSITY | SANCTUARY | NC MEETUPS | NEXT STEPS ASSESSMENT**



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# WHAT'S NEXT?

In 2023, as we celebrate **75 years** of Neighborhood Church, we want to invite you to partner with us as we continue our **UNFINISHED** work...

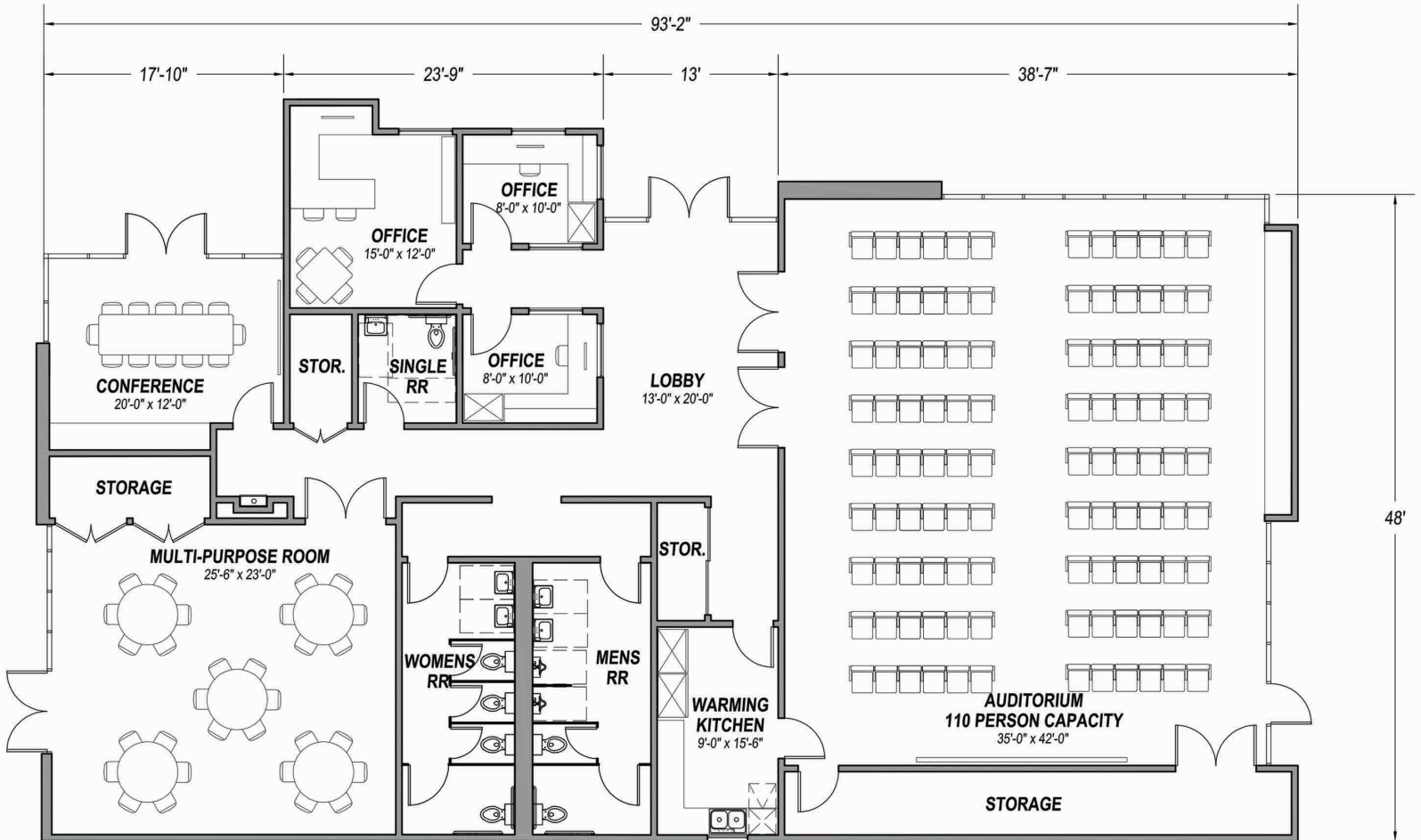


Neighborhood Community Center

\$1.7 MILLION

PROJECT ONE: THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

We are going to build a community center in Houston Neighborhood Park to help us **move Visalia forward, one student at a time.**



# PROJECT ONE: THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY CENTER



For over fifteen years, **Neighborhood Church** has partnered with families in the **Houston community**. We've crossed cultural and socioeconomic boundaries to build relationships, host dialog, and work together as neighbors to make life better for kids.

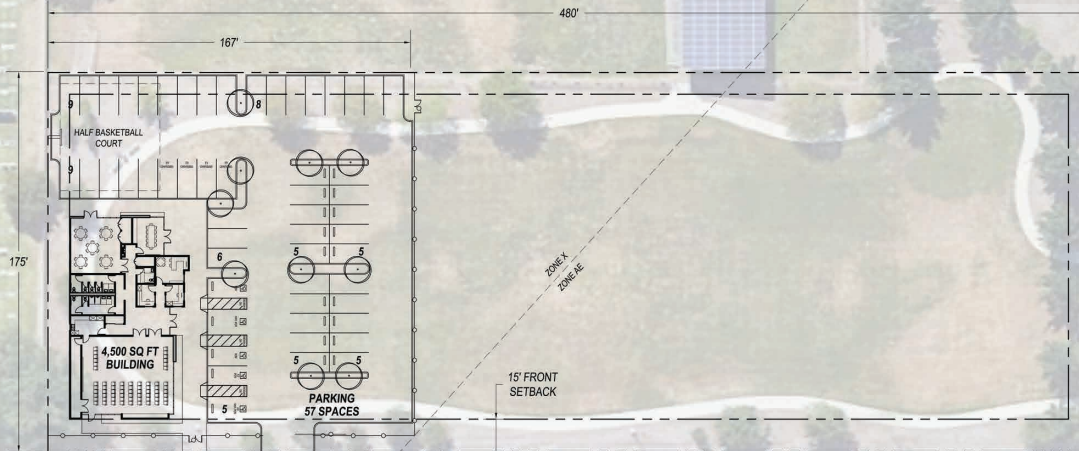
We've mentored students, resourced families, hosted parties, sent students to college, and even built a park! We're so grateful for everything we've accomplished together with our Houston friends...but we're not done yet.

This year, we are celebrating the 75th birthday of Neighborhood Church. We're marking this milestone with a radical, fresh commitment of friendship with the Houston community.

How? Well, we're literally going to move into the neighborhood!

You're invited to partner with us as we launch **The Neighborhood Community Center**—a space where friendships are forged and our city is transformed.

By investing directly into the Houston area, we are showing a commitment to our neighbors for generations to come.



We're hoping to build The Neighborhood Community Center on the grounds of Houston Neighborhood Park.



Espresso  
Americano  
Macchiato

Cafe Latte  
Cappuccino  
Cafe Mocha

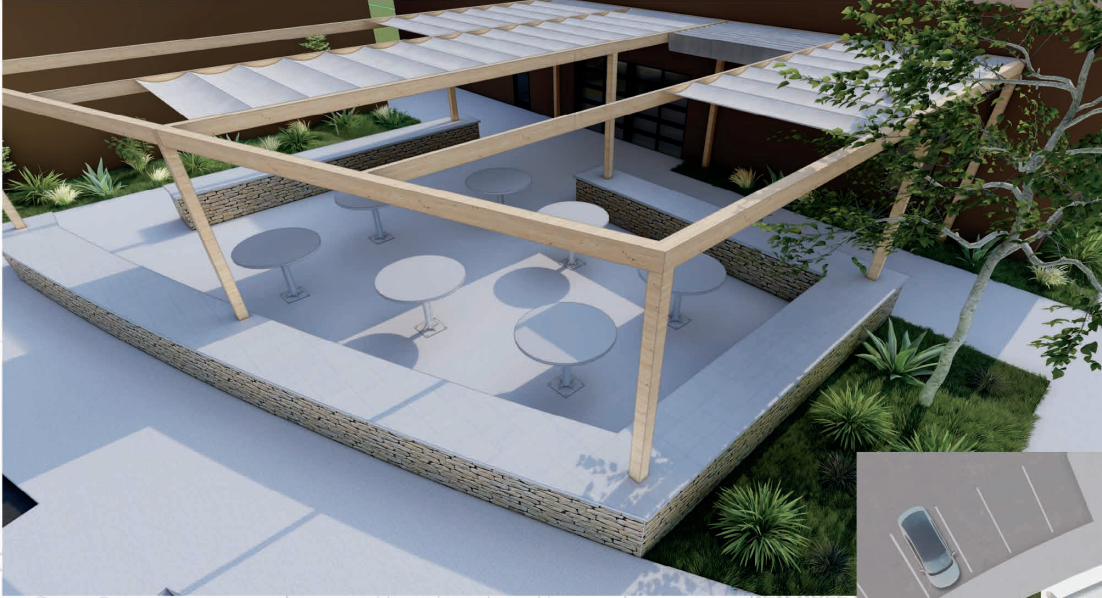
Black Tea  
Green Tea  
Chai Tea

Muffin  
Scone  
Brownie

\$650,000

## PROJECT TWO: THE COMMONS

We are renovating Room One into a **brand new Cafe and community space that will help us continue to be FOR Visalia.**



Check out the image below to see the proposed layout of The Commons.

The renovation will also include new outdoor seating, perfect for Sunday mornings, parties, events, and more.



Community is the center of our life. The Commons is a new space we're creating to share with our city. By renovating existing space with others in mind, **our campus will grow in its capacity to show hospitality and friendship.**





♥ INSPIRE OTHERS TO FOLLOW JESUS

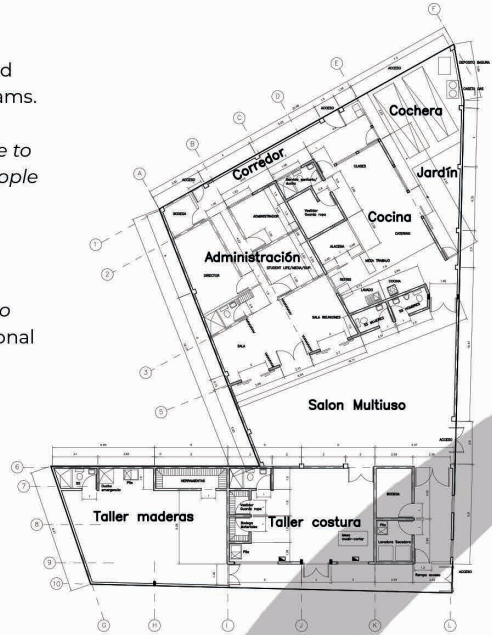
\$50,000

At Neighborhood, we want to make an impact at home, in our city, and across the world. **That's why we're partnering with Students International to build a community center in Costa Rica.**



After purchasing property in 2018, SI is planning on building a central hub to tangibly transform the lives of locals and participants on short-term missions teams.

*"Once complete, we will have the space to host a large gathering of about 100 people and the flexibility to facilitate several smaller activities simultaneously. This project will allow us to expand our programs and continue to serve the community and share Jesus for years to come."* —Jeff Dixon, Students International



# PROJECT THREE: COSTA RICA COMMUNITY CENTER

\$497,000

## PROJECT FOUR: CAMPUS UPGRADES AND DEBT PAYDOWN

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We have plans to make significant upgrades to our video projection technology while simultaneously retrofitting our power systems to be more efficient. Additionally, we will update campus furniture and create a new Volunteer Hub. This investment will help Sundays continue to be an excellent experience for those we reach.



By reducing our debt, we can better equip ourselves to reach people more effectively. This debt paydown will free up thousands in interest and gain ministry dollars. We want to leverage every resource while remaining good stewards of our assets.

# UNFINISHED CAMPAIGN: \$2.9 MILLION

We are inviting all of Neighborhood Church to come together and celebrate our 75th birthday with a radical act of sacrificial generosity. Through our two flagship projects, along with other campaign initiatives, we will ensure that Neighborhood Church continues to be at the forefront of Jesus' **UNFINISHED** plans for our community and world!

## HOW WE GET THERE

Pledges Needed	3 Year Pledge Level	Annual Pledge	Monthly Pledge	Pledge Level Total
2	\$500,000.00	\$166,666.67	\$13,888.89	\$1,000,000.00
2	\$250,000.00	\$83,333.33	\$6,944.44	\$500,000.00
5	\$75,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$2,083.33	\$375,000.00
11	\$35,000.00	\$11,666.67	\$972.22	\$385,000.00
16	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$416.67	\$240,000.00
19	\$7,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$208.33	\$142,500.00
29	\$5,000.00	\$1,666.67	\$138.89	\$145,000.00
45	\$2,500.00	\$833.33	\$69.44	\$112,500.00

**No matter the size of your investment, our primary goal is 100% engagement.**  
We believe that God's work in us is unfinished. We want this to be first and foremost a discipleship journey that grows our faith and our generosity.

# CREATIVE STRATEGIES TO MULTIPLY GIVING

As you consider how God is leading you to give, don't overlook stored assets that you own. Gifts of appreciated property (stocks, real estate, mutual funds, collectibles, etc) often make great gifts with significant tax advantages. Please consult with a professional advisor about your circumstance.

## **SALE OF ASSETS:**

Sale of major assets, such as a house, land, stocks, or a business provide available funds for giving.

## **BEQUESTS BY WILL OR TRUST:**

Leaving instructions in a will or trust naming Neighborhood Church as a beneficiary.

## **RETIREMENT PLAN or LIFE INSURANCE:**

Make a gift in your IRA or Life Insurance Policy naming Neighborhood Church.

## **SPLIT-INTEREST GIFT:**

Provide tax savings and a stream of income.

## **CORPORATE GIFTS:**

Use your business as a source for giving to make significant donations.



# READY TO GET STARTED?

Scan the QR code above to make a pledge today!

# KEY DATES

**February 26:** Unfinished Series Begins

**March 5:** Worship Night/21 Days of Prayer Launch

**March 12-14:** Vision Nights

**March 26:** Commitment Day + 75th Birthday Party

Be a part of our **UNFINISHED** story...



## PRAY FOR GOD TO WORK...

- as you and your family live out the ways of Jesus.
- as Neighborhood Church inspires people to live like Jesus and make a difference in our world.



## COMMIT TO GIVE GENEROUSLY...

- even sacrificially, above and beyond your usual giving for the next three years.
- remember God does great things. Ask him to transform you and Visalia through your generosity. Trust Him to answer your prayer.



## TAKE THREE ACTION STEPS...

- attend a **Vision Night** on March 12, 13, or 14 and our **Prayer in the Park** on March 19.
- give to the initial **Unfinished** Offering on **Commitment Sunday, March 26.**
- pledge a 36-month **Unfinished** Commitment.  
(April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2026)



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