

Called to Plant:

New City Church of Los Angeles



"The mission of New City Church is to be an inclusive, gospel-centered community of lovers of Jesus Christ who connect people to God, grow together, serve the city, and extend God's kingdom."

As I shared in my last prayer letter, God has called Grace and me to plant New City Church of Los Angeles in the heart of downtown. Our vision is to build a multi-ethnic, multi-socioeconomic community that reaches out to the unchurched people in and around downtown with the transforming power of the gospel. Our focus is on people who don't have a relationship with God, not on church transferees. Since the call, it has been a tremendous journey. We have never felt so guided by God and convicted by God that this is His Thing!

Here's a brief status report:

- **Completed our Mission Statement:** Every word/phrase of the mission statement is a core value. For more, see church plan.
- **Church Plant Team Development:** We have been developing a multi-ethnic and multi-socioeconomic church plant team. It is an eclectic group of about 20 people: reporter, businessmen, teacher, vet, moms, students, private investigator, maintenance worker, and job seeker; Anglos, African-Americans, Latinos, and Asian-Americans; living in luxury condos in downtown or hotels in skid row. It is a team that has committed to do the work of planting this church. We have been in team training mode since the beginning of January, which we will cap off with a retreat on February 1-3, where we hope to deepen our commitment to the mission and to our relationships with each other. Praise God that he is forming a

community out of us!

- **Pre-Launch Worship Services:** We will start our pre-launch worship services on February 10, 2008 at 10am in Imaginasian Center in downtown L.A. God has blessed us with a very good deal on renting this brand new state-of-the art theater in the heart of downtown on Sunday mornings.
- **The Official Launch Service:** The Easter service (3/23) will be our official launch service. We will be ramping up for this service through massive efforts to saturate downtown with news of the church.

In order to accomplish this vision that God has placed in our hearts, we need the support of prayer partners and financial partners. This is a frontline of a spiritual battle for the heart of L.A., so we really need your prayers. We also need finances for sound equipment, keyboards, drums, children's ministry equipment, website, direct mail campaigns, flyers, ads, office supplies, printers, computers, worship space rental, as well as salary for me and a part-time worship leader. Our expected revenue is low because our target is unchurched people and includes skid row residents. For more info on the budget, see church plan.

We ask that you prayerfully consider partnering with New City Church financially for 2 years.

Yours in Christ,

Kevin and Grace Haah

For A Copy of Our Church Plan:
<http://haah.homestead.com/ChurchPlan.pdf>

Commissioning Service:

When: This Sunday, 1/27, 4p, reception to follow at 5p.

Where: Celebration Chapel, Young Nak Campus

Prayer Requests:

- *Raising prayer and financial partners of the church*
- *For Holy Spirit to empower us as He did the early church*
- *That the hearts of unchurched downtown residents would be open to the gospel*
- *Church plant team becoming one in vision and community, growing together, and preparing to do the work of ministry*
- *Our pre-launch worship services from February 10*
- *Finding a worship leader*
- *The transition of our team's kids into the new church*



Sunday Worship Location:

Imaginasian Center (above)
251 South Main Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Time: 10am, every Sunday

Starting from: 2/10/08