

BREAKTHROUGH! A NEW ADVENTURE IN THE CWC JOURNEY OF FAITH

Four years ago, we began in *earnest* exploring the expansion of our facility; three years ago, we launched a debt reduction strategy called the Ezra Project, in an effort to reduce the debt on our facility. Since then we have paid, in addition to our regular monthly mortgage payment, \$538,000.00, through our Ezra debt reduction program. Since that time, we have learned the estimated cost of adding on to our present facility, would be around \$5-7 million dollars; which would place a tremendous debt load on our fellowship.

After much prayer, and council which involved our architect, board members, and our bank; God has led us in the following direction. Rather than sink \$5-7 million dollars into this campus we are going to open a “satellite video campus” on the eastside of Colorado Springs; located at 5505 Palmer Park Blvd. We will be leasing the property located there; which will provide a tremendous savings for us. The “new east” facility sits on 8 acres, and has two buildings on the property. One is a two-story structure with classrooms an upper level fellowship hall, and a 400-seat auditorium. The other building is a smaller adjacent building with additional classrooms. This campus will have a “lead campus pastor,” Pastor Michael Craft, and will also have a functioning children and youth ministry.

We expect to launch our first service there on March 4, 2018. We sincerely believe this is the first of many campuses to come. “One church with many locations,” is the vision the Lord has given us! It is the most economical and practical way to expand the ministry of CWC and to magnify the Lord in our city. In regard to our present campus the Lord has led us to move forward on a “full renovation” of the old building; to thoroughly upgrade our children and youth classrooms. The renovation also includes an upgraded kitchen and small café, with a redesigned foyer. Compared to the cost of building a \$5-7 million-dollar brand new facility; the renovation will only cost an estimated \$1-1.5 million dollars! Thereby netting us a tremendous savings; and extending the life of the old facility, an estimated 15 years! Our bank has approved our loan for the renovation, and we hope to start renovation of the old facility within the next few weeks.

We are excited about the “new direction” the Lord is leading us. Here’s how you can help. 1) Pray, Pray and Pray some more. 2) Support this effort financially. The “new east” facility will need furnishings for classrooms, audio/video equipment, for the sanctuary. 3) We need boots on the ground. Passionate committed servant-volunteers and leaders, for various ministries. We also need 100-150 members to commit to attending the new east campus, *for at least six months*, after its launch on March 4, 2018.

God has brought us a mighty long way. This is a new chapter in CWC's venture in faith. Let's believe God for great things. For He is still able to do above and beyond what we could ask or think, for His glory!

(Isaiah 43:18-19) "Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert." (NKJV)