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WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

Our current facilities at Alafaya and Winter Garden have reached capacity and cannot contain all God wants to do through our church. Given this, our ability to fulfill our Mission to make disciples of Jesus is being overwhelmingly undermined.

This year is the 40th anniversary of our church's birth. God Himself has brought exponential growth from those first days—including nearly 40% growth overall in just the last decade! This growth will quickly slow, unless we GO where God is calling us.



WHAT CAUSED THE PROBLEM?

Well, as Don says, ***"God will build His Church as we build the Church."*** Since that's what we've been doing, that's what He's been doing! The constraints of our current spaces in Alafaya and Winter Garden are snowballing with every passing week. At optimal worship service times, these campuses experience maxed-out parking lots and seating, as well as over-crowded hallways and bathrooms. These are ever-growing barriers to creating an exceptional experience for our guests to encounter Jesus and connect with our faith community.

Our Kids and Student Ministries spaces are woefully inadequate for the growth God is bringing. Students are now meeting in hallways and offices. Community outreach events and gatherings hosted in these facilities are losing their effectiveness due to mounting space limitations. We are in dire need of "only God" solutions. Thankfully, God has provided!



WHAT IS OUR SOLUTION?

Following an extensive multi-year process of diligent prayer and expert analysis, God has enabled us to purchase the entire property where Alafaya currently gathers and ample land for Winter Garden's future home. Building Winter Garden's new facilities and renovating Alafaya's current facilities will enable us to provide both campuses with permanent homes where they can flourish.

Both properties offer plenty of additional room to grow and are ideally positioned within growing communities. They will not only supply our mission with the necessary capacity for future growth, but they will strategically position our collective presence within the heart of our region.

While these are wonderful provisions from God, we know that these properties are not the mission. They are, however, very needed means by which we can further accomplish our mission of making disciples of Jesus.

HOW DOES OUR SOLUTION BENEFIT US?

Between 2017-2019, due to our growing needs, all three campuses came together to help us move from our Orange Avenue location to our current Sand Lake Campus location. Unsurprisingly, as we have been faithful, God has proven faithful and has continued to work through us. In the years since, He has brought hundreds of new families to Discovery Church, resulting in our Sand Lake campus growing by 25%. Now, we are asking all three campuses to come together again to further "build the Church"—this time, in our Alafaya and Winter Garden locations—so that all of our campuses can continue to experience increased influence to the glory of God.

After bringing our best thinking to exhaust every possible short-term space solution at our current properties, our diligent study and search has presented us with the most economical options possible, which aligns with our proven growth rates and financial feasibility studies. Our plan is to build a new facility on the Winter Garden property and do an extensive renovation and expansion at Alafaya. This is going to be a spectacular way to make room for more people to find and follow Jesus, and will significantly expand the opportunities for ministry for those of us who already attend Discovery.

GOD IS MOVING.

So here's what we're asking of every person who calls Discovery Church their home: **LET'S GO** with Him! We're inviting you to join us on a journey of faith. We ask that you begin to pray for our church regarding this LET'S GO challenge, and specifically regarding the role He would have you play in it.

As Don likes to say, "Healthy things grow and growing things change." By God's grace Discovery Church is healthy and growing and therefore needing to make necessary changes in campus facilities in order to accomodate future growth. We are confident that as we surrender in aligment to God's leading that He will be faithful to provide for all of our needs.

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. - **2 Corinthians 9:6-8**



WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR YOU TO GO?



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