

APPEAL #494

THE BRIDGE COVENANT CHURCH P.O. BOX 211037 DETROIT, MI 48221

The Bridge Covenant Church

Since our inception, The Bridge Covenant Church has felt called to the Warrendale area of the city of Detroit. It is a neighborhood that is transitioning even as it remains one of the most racially diverse parts of the city. It is also an area that doesn't have many Protestant churches.



Our efforts to find space in Warrendale to worship encountered many obstacles. In April 2010 we finally started weekly services as a mobile church in the nearby area of Cody/Rouge. We discovered that although the areas are close geographically, the people and ministry circumstances are quite different. Although we endeavored to reach Warrendale, there was a disconnect. People were excited about the church but were unwilling to travel to our site.

The Kingdom Builder's grant will allow us to finish the build-out of our space in Warrendale, which gives us a base of operation in the community. Our vision is to become a community hub where people can be changed spiritually, which will then affect every area of their lives. We are an outreach-focused church. Our building is a tool to invite our neighbors to events relevant to their felt needs in order to eventually address their spiritual needs. Ultimately our hope is to empower individuals to live in the fullness of God's plan for them—first as they accept Christ, then as they mature into fully engaged disciples, and finally by empowering them to further the kingdom where God gives them influence.

Prayer Requests:

Job Readiness Ministry—Designed to help individuals prepare for employment, this outreach includes résumé preparation, interviewing skills, appropriate attire, etc.

Friday Night Live—once a month we plan to open our doors to the community to enjoy family fellowship through movie nights, game nights, open mic, etc.

Please pray that God will give us wisdom in reaching the community now that we have a stable base of operation.

Pray for wisdom as we seek to find the best way to minister to the 15- to 25-year-old young men in our community.

Pray for finances to enable us to do quality ministry, including having paid staff to coordinate our efforts.

Marin Covenant Church

San Rafael, California

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A few years back, Marin Covenant Church celebrated forty years of fruitful ministry. As Pastor Art Greco recalled, when the celebration committee began their work, they couldn't help but note how different their



situation is now, compared to when the church began in 1968. The commitment of early leaders and the skills of the founding pastor enabled the church to weather difficult seasons in their past. They are thankful to Kingdom Builders for their generous investment in this church plant in Marin County, where approximately 2.5 percent of the population attends church. Throughout their history they have partnered with other area churches to assist them in developing active and vibrant ministries. Marin Covenant is a living example of a community who, through the love of Christ, engages the spiritually hungry, introducing them to a life in Christ that is inspiring, intelligent, and involved. Marin Covenant is one of the leading churches in the county, with people coming to Christ through ministries like Alpha, youth and children ministry, and an increasingly exciting ministry to adults and families. They make no claims to be a perfect church, but they try to be real, attempting to seek God without pretense.

Kingdom Builders: Helping build God's kingdom since 1952

What is Kingdom Builders?

Kingdom Builders, formerly Frontier Friends, is a ministry of Church Growth and Evangelism that provides grants to churches purchasing property or building a facility.

Who are Kingdom Builders?

Kingdom Builders are committed Covenanters who want to help build God's kingdom through prayer and the sharing of their resources.

How does the program work?

Members receive a number of appeals per year, with information about the church seeking support, an update on a past project, and prayer requests. Members set their own giving levels, with the most

common gift ranging between \$1 to \$100 per appeal and member.

How do I join? If you or anyone you know is interested in joining Kingdom Builders, or would like more information about donation options, please contact the Kingdom Builders coordinator at kingdom.builders@covchurch.org, or by phone at (773) 907-3355, or by mail to the address below.

How can I give to Kingdom Builders? It is important to us that you are able to give to Kingdom Builders in the manner most convenient for you. To that end, we offer the following giving options: 1) by appeal; 2) monthly; 3) quarterly; 4) annually. We also accept electronic transfer of

funds. If you would like to change your donation plan or open an electronic transfer of funds, please call (773) 907-3355 or email kingdom.builders@covchurch.org.

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Questions? Comments?

More information is available at the Covenant website. Visit CovChurch.org, and click on the Kingdom Builders link.

