

Live Outside the Box



adventurechurch

columbus, ohio

Adventure Church Ministry Plan
prepared for
Ohio Church Multiplication Network

VISION STATEMENT

Helping people discover the LIFE God created them to LIVE

Lets be real. For many, life is nothing more than living out the motions, an endless routine of meaningless actions, obligations. There are moments of deeper meaning, even joy, but the trajectory, the true purpose for living is nowhere to be found. Life was never meant to be lived like that. In fact God created every person with a deeply personal and meaningful story, an *adventure*. Put simply, life was created to be lived. The question is, are we truly living?

MISSION STATEMENT

To **ENGAGE** a culture living outside of God's *plan*, to create a relevant environment where they can **EXPERIENCE** God, to **EQUIP** them to live to their full *potential* in Christ, and to **EMPOWER** them to fulfill the *purpose* He has created them for.

ENGAGE: Community Involvement, Outreach Events, ONE

EXPERIENCE: Worship Experiences, Family Events

EQUIP: Life Groups, Family Ministries, Worship Experiences

EMPOWER: Passion for Purpose (Ministry Teams)

VALUES

Adventure requires **ACTION**.

God is a god of action. Acting, He came to earth, lived among us, and brought about salvation. The Book of James (Chapter 2) says that faith without action is useless. Vision without action is just a dream. For Adventure Church to reach its destiny it will take everyone becoming active in God's purpose for our church. God created you for a purpose. You are needed for God's kingdom and in our church.

Adventure requires **COMMITMENT**.

It's been said that nothing worth having in life comes easy. It takes commitment to make a dream become reality. For Adventure Church to fulfill its mission it will take everyone utilizing their passions and abilities in each of their respective roles. Jesus has called us to be fully devoted followers committed to the calling he's given us individually and corporately. (Luke 9:23)

Adventure requires **COMMUNITY**.

Nothing great happens without a team. We need each other and life is more fulfilling together. In the Book of Acts we see a picture of what an authentic community of believers should look like. Committed, Consistent, and Caring. Adventure Church will strive to build and become a unified community like in Acts. We will be intentional about reaching out and being involved in our city.

Adventure requires **RISK**.

NO risk, NO reward. At Adventure Church we have to be willing to take calculated spirit-led risk to accomplish God's vision. To advance God's kingdom the church must be aggressive. Comfort and complacency will kill the adventurous life God created us to live.

Adventures are **FUN**.

Having fun is a huge part of why anyone is willing to embark on an adventure. Life was meant to be lived. Jesus said He came to give us life and life to it's fullest! (John 10:10) A life that is fun and full of joy! Adventure Church will be purposeful about having fun in everything we do.

STRATEGY

WORSHIP EXPERIENCES:

We will create an authentic and relevant environment for people to connect to God and each other with progressive worship and inspiring teaching from God's word.

FAMILY MINISTRIES:

With our demographic it is a must that we have strong, relevant and vibrant children and student ministries to connect with the young families in our community.

LIFE GROUPS:

We believe that discipleship happens through relationship. Jesus took 12 men, invested his life in them through relationship and changed the world. We will make the big small by connecting people into small groups of people with common interest and places in life.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT:

Everyone is at a different spot on their spiritual adventure. We will take people on a step by step journey to see them grow and mature in Christ.

PASSION FOR PURPOSE:

Your Passion - God's Purpose

Everyone has a passion that God has given them, and He has a purpose he wants to use it for. We will help people discover their passion and how to use it for God's purpose through ministry team involvement.

MISSIONS:

We will build a missional culture by supporting local and global missions.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

We will engage our community through involvement in Chamber of Commerce and participating in community events.

OUTREACH:

ONE 4 ONE

We believe that everyONE can reach someONE. We will challenge individuals and families to focus on one person/family, that is disconnected from Christ and the local church, for an entire year. They will be challenged to pray, invite, bring, and follow through with them. We will have target outreach family events (quarterly) and worship experiences (monthly) that will be designed to reach their ONE.

THE NEED

Since the year 2000 the population of Ohio has increased, but our churches have declined by 1,000,000 people. Right now 11.5 million people live in Ohio, and about 9.4 million are unchurched on the average week. We are always praying that God will draw people to our churches, but let's be honest, if half of those 9.4 million decided to come to church, we don't have enough room for them. We need MORE churches!

It is also statistically proven that churches grow exponentially faster when they are new, and they are more effective at reaching unsaved people. Church planting expert Dave Ferguson says that new churches grow an average of 23 times faster than established churches, and see 3-4 times the number of new converts won for Christ!

TARGET AREA

Delaware County (Powell & Lewis Center) is a fast-growing suburban county in the state of Ohio within the Columbus, Ohio Metropolitan Statistical Area. According to the United States Census Bureau's 2004 population estimates, Delaware County's population of 142,503 made it the fastest growing county in Ohio, and the 11th fastest growing in the United States from 2000 to 2004. According to the 2010 census, it has a population of 174,214, which is an increase of 58.4% from 109,989 in 2000, making it the fastest growing county in Ohio

According to *Forbes Magazine*, Delaware County is the fifth best place in the United States to raise a family and the best place in the state of Ohio to reside.

STATS:

Columbus Metro: 1.8 million people (11% increase since 2000)

Delaware County Population: 175,000 (58% increase since 2000)

Income: average income of over \$80,000

Affluent area with mostly married couples with young children.

Median age of 35

TIME LINE

- Move to Columbus: June 2013
- Fundraising, find location, build core team and staff: June-December 2013
- Bi-weekly pre-launch services begin: January 2014
- Launch: March 2014 (tentative)

KYLE & JESSICA HAMMOND

Kyle was born and raised in Columbus, Ohio. He attended THE Ohio State University for a year and a half before packing up and heading south to pursue his calling to ministry in Dallas, TX at Southwestern University, where he graduated in 2004. After spending 3 years pioneering a student ministry in the "frozen tundra" of Wisconsin, he followed God south again to Springfield, Missouri where he was the student pastor at Central Assembly for 3 years. In 2010 Kyle moved back to Columbus and spent a year helping lead a new church plant. He currently is a Campus Pastor in Norman, OK for Victory Church, a multi-site church in OKC. Kyle has over 12 years of ministry experience and pushes hard to create a relevant culture for people to grow and connect to God. He married his better half Jessica in 2007. They have a daughter, Riley that was born October 25, 2010 and are expecting their son Maddox to arrive in October 2012.

