

"For where two or three gather in my name I am with them."

Matthew 18:20

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A NOTE...

At C3, we believe God is calling us to plant more church locations in the Tri-Cities area. As thousands of people are moving to the Tri-Cities every year, putting these churches in strategic places that are visible and growing will help us reach lost people for Jesus!

As we look back to the 1970's, we see that C3 had a vision to reach lost people when they created a drive-in theater at their church building. Today, we have the same heart to reach lost people – but instead of building a drive-in theater we want to put churches closer to where people live so that they can find us, and most importantly, they can find Jesus!

For Christians, God's mission has always been the same: To reach the lost! At C3 we say it this way: "To lead people into NEW and GROWING relationships with Jesus.

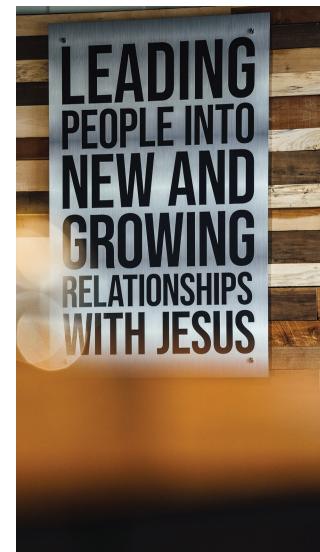
We hope you will press in to help more NEW people come to Jesus. When we as Christians do that, we are GROWING!

As you read through this booklet, you'll learn more about the vision, goals and ministries God has for C3. The sooner we can launch each ministry, the sooner we can reach more people for Jesus. IT'S NOT ABOUT US. I'm hoping you will join us on this amazing journey.

Pastor Mark

WE BELIEVE the weekend gathering is the dynamic launch point from which people meet Jesus and grow through a series of simple and specific growth steps. These steps in turn equip the church body to serve inside the church, outside in the region, and to shape the world.

"Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share..." I Timothy 6:8



1948 C3 STARTED THE CHURCH FAMILY.

May 9, 1948 (Mother's Day) was the very first public worship service, held in the rented facilities of Marcus Whitman Elementary school with **23 IN ATTENDANCE**.

In 1953 **THE HERMAN DEPARTMENT STORE** was purchased for building materials. Two acres were purchased in the far West end of Kennewick. The first Sunday service was held in this location on July 31, 1955. During this time, the church name was changed to **HIGHLANDS CHURCH OF GOD**.







"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

Romans 15:13

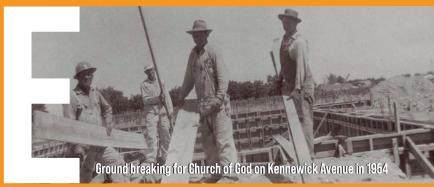


In 1974, the church decided on a new name. Columbia Community Church. At this time, a drive-in church was launched, like that of a drive-in theatre, where people could come and experience the good news and remove the potential religious barriers to faith.

C3's DNA is tied to inviting and **SERVING THOSE WHO DO NOT FOLLOW JESUS.**

RADICAL HOSPITALITY, PERSONAL INVITATION & JOYFUL GIVING

God's vision carries this mission today as we have grown to over 3,000 who call C3 their



IN 1980 A HISTORIC SUNDAY OCCURRED.

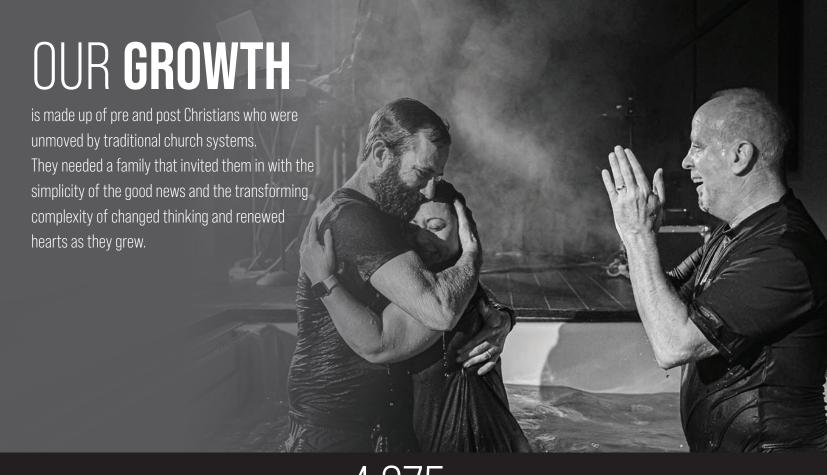
A caravan motorcade began at the former church building and ended at the new and current location on Gage Blvd.

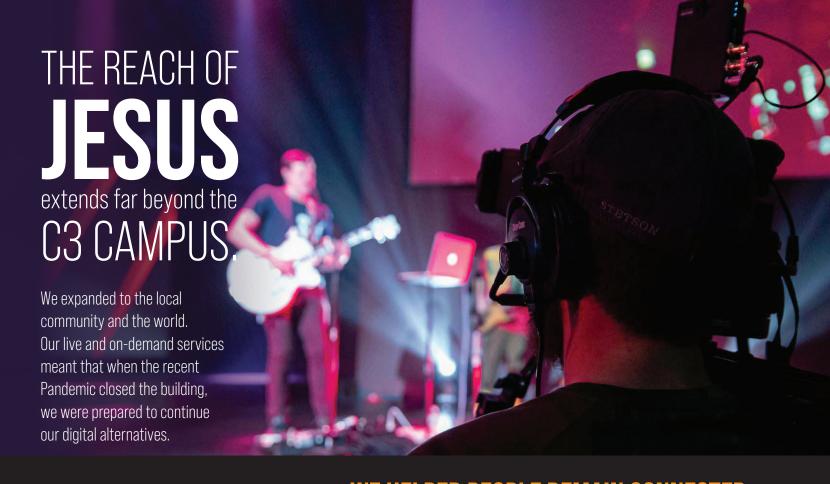


"In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit."

Ephesians 2:21-22









LOCAL **OUTREACH**

C3 partners each month with multiple agencies in Tri-Cities to reach and help people in their greatest need. Additionally, we seek to provide volunteers and opportunities to connect our members with the community in various projects.

Each month we are committed to giving 10% of our tithe income to support these missions in being the hands and feet of Jesus in a lost and broken world.

GLOBAL **OUTREACH**

In Guatemala, 80% of the households are unable to find work or provide for their family's basic needs and therefore 80% of the children are malnourished.

Currently C3 is honored to partner with global outreaches. We built a Christ centered school, community resource center and church in Guatemala. C3ers sponsored hundreds of children, allowing them to go to school and learn about Jesus as well as receive nutrition and healthcare. As these students progress through High School, they will learn a needed trade and will be more likely to provide for their family. We also had the privilege of building a home in Jamaica for orphaned children, and we support their ongoing work.

LOOKING AHEAD

As we considered where God is leading us, as well as the next steps our vision requires of us, we began dreaming and planning. Specifically, we believe the 4 areas of impact below represent key opportunities for C3.

UNLEASH HOPE (Relational Ministry)

CONNECT PEOPLE (Groups & Growth)

EQUIP THE NEXT GENERATION (Internships and lead young)

EXPAND & GROW (Multi-Site)

YEAR 1

UNLEASH HOPE (Relational Ministry: Counseling Network)

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

Ministry directly to people is crucial, which is why we connect C3ers and people who are not connected to C3, to our Pastoral and Professional Counseling Ministry. We help Unleash Hope to every person in the Tri-Cities through the healing power of a listening ear, healthy psychological practice, and wise Biblical counsel.

Our current C3 Counseling location is not enough for the demand, which is why we envision a relocation to the 2nd level of the lobby. This will allow us to have more counseling rooms, more counselors meeting at the same time, and help us to expand the amount of people who can be seen daily, with a confidential waiting area.

- \$300,000 investment will allow C3 to staff and create a counseling center to minister to people inside and outside of C3 that desperately need hope!
- · With annual support of \$300,000, and due to our creative engagement with gifted and sacrificial counselors we can provide up to 6,000 hours of counseling sessions in a private setting each year.



We believe the Hope of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the wisdom of love expressed through God's word is the sustaining power and constitutes the baseline for the freedom people need.







EQUIP THE NEXT GENERATION

(Internships and leading the young)

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

C3 has a vision to raise up high schoolers and young adults that are considering going into church ministry. C3 will start an internship to give interns training, and will connect each student with an online school, such as Grand Canyon University. Our goal will be to cover a significant portion of our interns last year of tuition to help them to be able to graduate debt-free.

\$250,000 will allow C3 to equip 10-12 interns to serve at C3 or other churches/nonprofit ministries.
 We'll be raising up the next generation to become church leaders!

The next generation is essential to reach! THEY ARE THE CHURCH NOW!



YEAR 5

EXPAND AND GROW (Buy/lease land: Multisite)

The Tri-Cities is growing rapidly in every direction! The number of people living in Benton and Franklin counties jumped by more than 50,000 in the last 10 years. Our area is now home to more than 304,000 residents according to newly released 2020 U.S. Census data. Franklin County grew the fastest in Washington state over the decade at 24%, and Benton County was the third fastest at 18%.

This new growth is providing an opportunity for C3 to spread the Good News much more effectively and efficiently than ever before. C3 envisions a multisite strategy that fuses campuses in each of the major cities together as one!

Our goal is to purchase or lease land in approximately 6-acre parcels in growing locations.

We desire to see people connecting to a C3 CAMPUS IN THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITY.

THEOLOGY OF STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY

Together, our vision is to lead more people into a personal first-time relationship or re-engagement with Jesus Christ and to help each connected person grow in their faith and practice.

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it."

Psalm 24:1

C3 is a community motivated by individual transparency, the simplicity of growth steps, and inviting our neighbors, family, friends, and co-workers to experience through faith the salvation and Lordship of Jesus Christ. We believe God accomplishes His purposes through people like us. By managing God's blessings, God's way, for God's glory we will leave a legacy of love in the Tri-Cities and throughout the world.

A vision of this magnitude requires each of us to be fully committed and invested in seeing it through. We honor God by wisely stewarding all He entrusts to us toward accomplishing His purposes. This means giving freely and sacrificially of our time, talents, and treasure to others, without expecting anything in return. This type of giving is inspired by love and gratitude for all that God has generously given to us.

We give because **He first gave to us**.





IT IS OUR **HEARTS DESIRE**

to see everyone at C3 become part of a unified family of believers who are motivated by the Great Commandment and devoted to the Great Commission. Therefore, we will teach them to obey biblical principles for how to manage the resources God entrusts to them.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called to worship God, giving Him the central place in our lives. We worship God when we recognize Him as our Creator and Provider and submit to His authority in every area of our life. In a very practical way, how we manage the material resources entrusted to us reveals who, or what, we worship.

It is our desire to live and to engage in such a way that God will be glorified in not only what we achieve, but also in how we have achieved it. We believe that if we do our work God's way, the outcomes will always end well.

After all our labors are done, we want to hear, "Well done, good and faithful servant."





