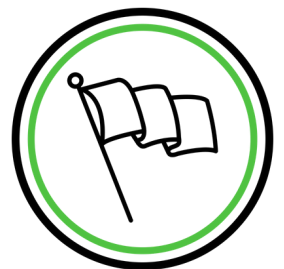




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CHURCH FOR THE NATIONS

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NEW FACES + FRESH PHASES

At the beginning of September we (Luis and Melissa) joined Smokey Point Community Church (SPCC) in Arlington with the intent to raise a core team of people to launch Church For The Nations this coming Fall. Knowing no one when we arrived we are grateful for the many God moments and connections that Jesus has facilitated in the last few months.

These connections include, for us, people at SPCC and members of the community at large--Boeing employees, stay at home moms, small business owners, retirees, school administrators, City of Marysville employees and one of our local police officers. Each of these people are excited that we are here and we are excited that God has brought us together at this time.

Now that the "real work" has begun, we are increasingly aware of our need for Jesus *and* His willingness to see us and our work flourish.

Planting CFTN has five phases:

- 1) Preparation 2) Gathering 3) Development
- 4) Launch 5) Growth + Multiplication.

We are currently somewhere between phase two and three. Experience has shown us that reaching people who are genuinely interested in what we have to say about life, Jesus and the mission that He's called us to takes time. We are finding more and more that this part of the journey--the learning and developing of relationships can't be rushed and that when we keep Jesus at the center the pieces begin falling into place.

WHY WE'RE HERE



1. Because we are called to plant a multiplicative* church that makes a big deal about Jesus, especially among unbelievers in one of the country's most unchurched places

2. To create welcoming environments that reflect the increasing diversity of Marysville and the surrounding areas

3. To add value to our community by serving it in practical ways

*Multiplicative:

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Tending or having the power to multiply

MISSION

Love God.
Love People.
Make Disciples.
Keep It Simple.

VISION

To create a
compassionate
multicultural community
that courageously follows
Jesus together in
Marysville, the Greater
Seattle Area, and the
world.

VALUES



**KEEPING JESUS
AT THE CENTER**



SPIRIT-LED PRAYER



COMPASSION



MULTICULTURALISM



HOSPITALITY



GENEROSITY



MISSION

STARTING WITH PRAYER

I'm not sure exactly when it happened, but a few months ago we got the sense that one of the first things that Jesus wanted us to do as a church plant was to pray for the entire community of Marysville—for every person that lives, works, worships and plays here in preparation for launch.

Here's the plan:

- 1) Break-up all 15sq. miles of Marysville into walkable and drive-able sections
- 2) Train and release people from our team and SPCC to join us
- 3) See what God does
- 4) Join Him in what He's doing
- 5) Launch Church For The Nations

And who is helping us with the planning and preparation of this initiative? The people connected to the city and the police force I mentioned before – three lifelong Marysville residents and disciples who know this city inside and out. Watching God at work during this part of the journey has been both encouraging and fun. Sometimes as I think about the stage that we're in I can't help but feel like we're "building with Lego's." Jesus already has all the pieces here for us to use--after all, it's His church and it's His job to build it. He chooses to use our hearts, heads, hands and feet to do it.

HOW YOU CAN PRAY

1. Upcoming *Pray For Marysville* training and kickoff
2. Continued responsiveness on the part of our community and neighbors to the gospel and the work of CFTN
3. Discernment for those currently discerning their commitment to our team
4. Health for our family
5. Discerning a strategy for an Easter outreach event

YOU CAN HELP

Most church plants will raise money for the first 3-5 years. Fundraising is especially important during the formative years of a new church because there isn't an established congregation yet or many mature disciples to financially support the startup ministry.

We are grateful for the generosity of those who have already joined our support team and look forward to welcoming new people to the team.

Current fundraising focus:

Ministry startup costs, approximately \$35,000

Thanks to the generosity
of our current support team members
**to date we have raised 51%
of our startup costs goal**

We are looking to raise the remaining \$17,150

*One-time gifts and various monthly commitments
are welcome towards helping us meet this goal*

MINISTRY STARTUP COSTS

EXPENSE	AMOUNT
Worship Equipment	15,000
Children's Ministry	5,000
Computers + Tech	5,000
Rent + Facilities	4,750
Hospitality	2,500
Office Equipment	2,000
Office Supplies	750
TOTAL	35,000

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