

An Era of **Vision** and **Momentum** on Mission

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Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.
- Hebrews 13:8

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SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG FOR HE IS DOING MARVELOUS THINGS IN OUR MIDST!

“Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors, and let the King of glory enter. Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty; the Lord, invincible in battle. Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors, and let the King of glory enter. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of Heaven’s Armies - he is the King of Glory. Interlude.” Psalms 24:7-10 NLT

Interlude? How could such a contemplative word follow such a bold statement? I almost left it out of the text for the sake of “good reading”. It just didn’t flow with where I felt the Lord was taking us. My heart was to communicate how I’ve witnessed the Lord show up in Strength and Might in Miraculous ways that may go unnoticed, less we stop and...

In the Bible, an interlude is a section of text that provides an

abrupt change in tone or content, breaking the flow of the main narrative to offer a different perspective or a moment of pause.

Welcome to FLC 2025! Our collective moment to “pause”. It is a time to acknowledge and actively embrace the reality that there’s been a Supernatural Shift in the “tone” and “flow” in the “Call to Worship” for the Body of Christ.

If you don’t feel it, if you can’t see it, “Lift up your eyes” and pray to the God of Heaven’s armies to let you in on His Master Plan for this season.

The Church is on Trial, and the lost and searching are fighting for their eternal lives from more of a deficit than history has recorded. Let us not be hostile witnesses! There is the power of life and death in our words.





Artificial intelligence is replacing common sense. **Speak Truth.** Consensus is holding Conviction Hostage. **Live Truth.** Identity has become an abstract, delusional dialogue. **Love Truth.** All while our Babies are being seduced and intoxicated with more access to the world, and the world having more access to them, than we have human opportunity to counter.

Our Families are facing the same realities often relegated to the “ways of the World”: Divorce. Factions. Competing Narratives have the edge on Creating Memories and the Traditional Transfer through Testimony that requires Time and Presence. Nobody seems to have the Time to be Present.

Yet, YOU are Here.
To God Be the Glory!!

God sits high and is looking with intentionality for those that will take off the heavy burden of ministry and Pray:

1. Father Lend Us Your Lens.
2. Heal our Hearts.
3. Inform our Intentions.
4. Provide us with Purpose, lest we work in vain.
5. Let us Establish and Re-Establish Your Truth for the Generations.

Lock in Pastor. Lean in Leader. Listen and Discern as if your life and those around you depends on your “manning your post” well. Alignment is STILL the Assignment.

If we can discipline ourselves to not drift back into familiar and convenient rhythms just for the sake of “survival”. If we will place a premium on Divine Partnerships. If we will commit to being Life-Long Learners with our collective classroom, The Cross. If we will serve from the OVERFLOW that is sustained alongside of personal health and wellness (relationally, emotionally, physically, financially, and Spiritually). Then, I Believe we will experience MORE!!! Multiplication. Organizational Impact. REVIVAL! Energy to Finish Well the Call on your life that He is Clarifying, even now.

I Love You! The Lord Sees you!
Let's Go!

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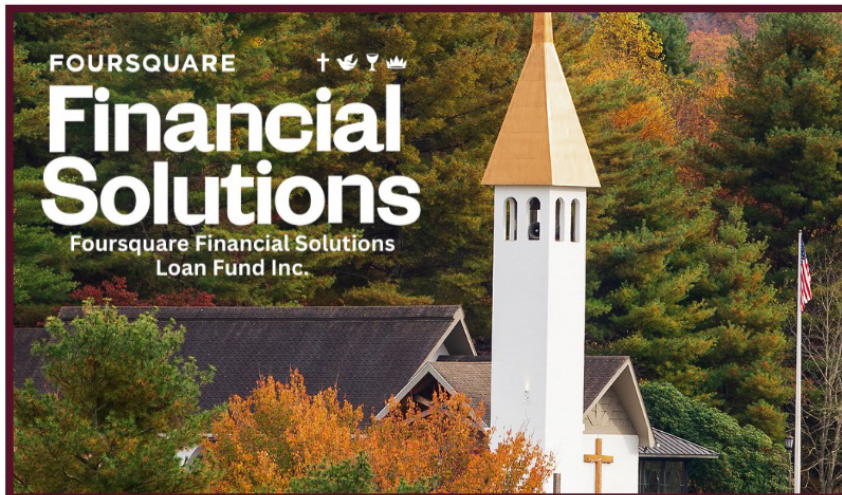
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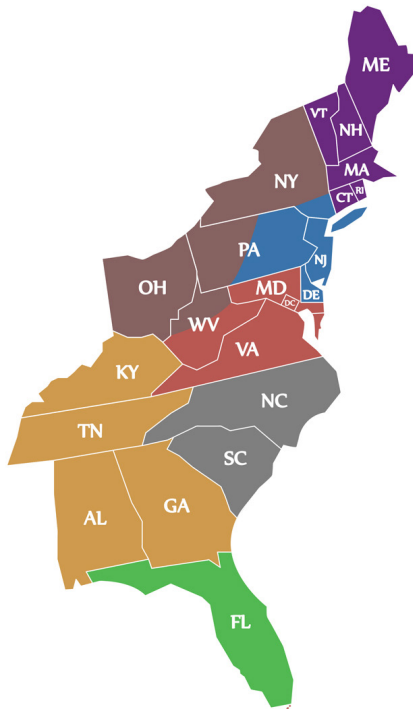
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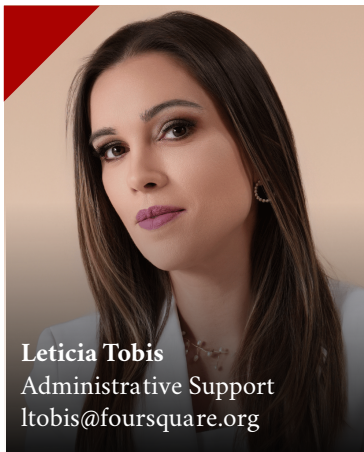
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The Light of the World



PURSUING HIS PRESENCE: by Susan Spousta

This we know: God's presence is everywhere at all times. He is present in the world, and He is present with His people. But the passionate pursuit of His presence—the welcome of a God who knows, sees, loves, and transforms our lives in real time—requires an insatiable desire for God Himself.

In her book *Surprised by Oxford*, Carolyn (Caro) Weber describes her first encounter with William Holman Hunt's mid-nineteenth-century painting, *The Light of the World*. The artwork is based on Revelation 3:20: "Look at me. I stand at the door. I knock. If you hear me call and open the door, I'll come right in and sit down to supper with you." (*The Message*)

Caro, then a faith-seeking student at Oxford, was mesmerized by the haunting masterpiece. She commented that Christ's gaze seemed to look right through her. Her friend agreed: "It's as though He is there." Both experienced a powerful, yet disruptive Presence in the portrayal of Jesus—one hand knocking on an aged door overgrown with weeds and thistles, the other holding a lantern to pierce the darkness.

As Caro turned to leave the chapel housing the painting, she noticed what seemed to be a glaring mistake: the door had no handle. "Hunt forgot to paint the handle!" she exclaimed. Her friend gently corrected her: "Hunt didn't forget anything. No, in fact, he remembered—the door can only be opened from the inside."

What keeps us from inviting His presence into the deepest part of our lives—opening a door only we can open? Why do we resist His entrance? What suppresses our desire to hear His voice and "sit down to supper"

with Him? The answers vary: It's been so long—I'm not sure the door even works. I'm ashamed of the weeds outside and the mess inside. His presence will only complicate things—I need to solve this myself. In our consideration of why His presence eludes or intimidates us, we have overlooked the simple act of opening the door and welcoming Christ to see "right through us." To know us—so that we can know Him. Invitation precedes presence.

When at last we crack open the door to our hearts, we find that Jesus steps in without judgment. In the moment we feel most vulnerable to the sin that has caused us such incredible shame, Jesus doesn't even notice the weeds. He goes straight to transparency. He asks us to relax—we are safe with Him. He nurtures in us a repentant heart that returns to His rest, a heart that begins, again, to trust the Savior. ("In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength." -- Isaiah 30:15a, NIV)

Our pursuit of God's presence is not contrary to His pursuit of us—but we must open the door from our side! The self-will that separates us from God is reversed by a passionate desire to be with Him. We intentionally invite Christ to disrupt our messy lives with His unfailing love, beautiful grace, and forgiveness. Much like the lantern in Hunt's painting, the Lord's presence illuminates the darkness, revealing the best of who we are becoming through His faithful companionship.

The *Light of the World* stands knocking. Simple yet profound: He's waiting for us to open the door. ■



MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT: Hany and Diana Asaad

What is a phrase in Arabic that you find meaningful as it relates to ministry?

In Arabic, Salam means “peace” and is commonly used as both a greeting and a farewell. We are especially drawn to this word because it reflects how Jesus greeted His disciples when they were afraid with peace. Salam is also the root of Salima, which means “unbroken” or “whole,” symbolizing wholeness and restoration. This word not only captures the essence of peace, but also conveys safety, wholeness, and blessing - values that are central to Egyptians.

What is a unique challenge in the area where you will be ministering?

Ministering in Egypt presents many challenges, yet we continue to witness the hand of God at work. Egypt is predominantly an Islamic country, and while Christians are among the original inhabitants of the land, they are now a minority. Some laws, create limitations specifically for the Christian community. For many years, for example, Christians were not permitted to adopt children, as adoption is pro-

“It is clear to us that God is actively at work in Egypt, and we feel compelled to be prepared and available for whatever He desires to do.”

hibited in Islam. Only recently has a new regulation allowed Christian families to adopt under the condition that both biological parents of the child are also Christian. Despite these limitations, God continues to open doors. We are encouraged by His faithfulness and remain committed to serving and supporting the Christian community in Egypt with wisdom, love, and perseverance.

Describe a “This Changed Everything” moment. Essentially, describe when you knew that God was calling you to be missionaries to Egypt?

During our trip in March 2025, the Lord spoke to both Diana and me—separately yet with the same message. He impressed upon us the call to return to Egypt, much like how Moses returned to his people. Since then, we have had many serious discussions, prayed diligently, and sought counsel. Through this process, we believe the Lord was leading us to pursue the path of becoming missionaries. It is clear to us that God is actively at work in Egypt, and we feel compelled to be prepared and available for whatever He desires to do. ■



Support the Egypt Project

Your generosity helps bring peace (Salam) and wholeness to the Christian community in Egypt. Every gift directly supports the Asaads and the work they are doing in Egypt.



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Then, after doing all those things, I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your old men will dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.”
Joel 2:28 NLT



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Word/Phrase for the Year: Surrender



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Word/Phrase for the Year: Grow



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Word/Phrase for the Year: Presence



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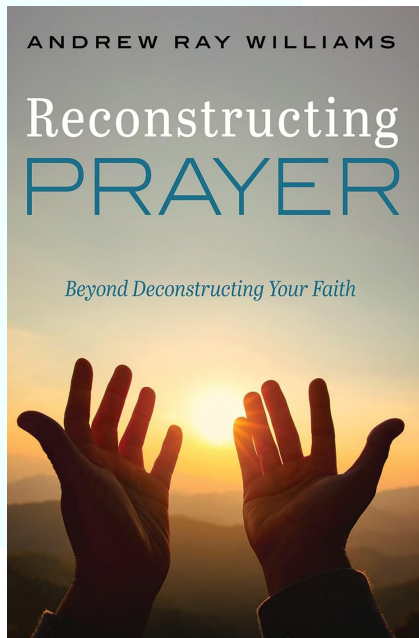


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 In The Midst

VOICES OF THE DISTRICT: Books Worth Reading

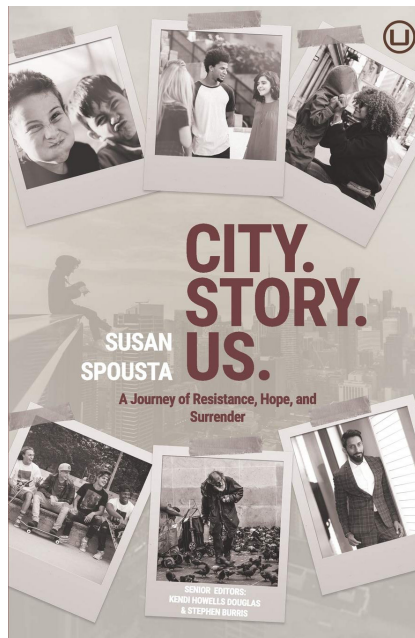


Reconstructing Prayer
Beyond Deconstructing Your Faith
by Andrew Ray Williams

In the West, many Christians are “deconstructing” and/or “doubting” their faith. As a result, some people seeking to follow Jesus have become disillusioned with prayer--perhaps even skeptical about it. And yet there is still a great desire and longing for connection with God. Andrew Ray Williams seeks to provide a reconstructed account of prayer by providing meditations on childlike prayers that open new ways of understanding specific issues related to Christian faith.”



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PASSING THE FLAME: A Journey of Legacy and Transition at Grace Chapel by Ricky Poteat

God blessed Grace Chapel with an abundance of gifted individuals over my 42 years as Senior Pastor. Yet, about 20 years ago, a teenage boy named Paul McGinnis arrived alongside his brother, whom we had just hired as our youth pastor.

It quickly became clear that God had a unique purpose in sending Paul to Grace Chapel. Over the following years, a strong friendship and ministry partnership developed between Paul and me. Paul eventually became our Youth Pastor, and his impact began to extend across every facet of our church community.

Our bond was deeply personal, as well as professional. Years earlier, my son Eric had been tragically killed at age 13, and Paul had lost his father, Dan, to cancer. While God was not replacing those losses, He wove our lives together in a relationship that mirrored the father-son bond in profound and healing ways. It has been a sacred privilege to steward and nurture

this relationship. I watched as God opened doors for Paul that had never been opened for me. Rather than feeling jealousy or regret, I chose to celebrate every moment of Paul's growth and the opportunities given to him.

Although I had originally planned to continue serving as senior pastor until the age of 70, about a decade ago I began to see that God had other plans. It became clear to me that Paul was the one God was preparing to succeed me. As we continued to minister together, Paul's gifts and leadership became increasingly evident. I sensed that under his leadership, God would take Grace Chapel to new heights. As time went on, I included Paul in more and more areas of ministry, preparing him for the leadership role I knew he would one day assume. Then, in 2023, I discerned that the time had come sooner than I had anticipated. God impressed on my heart that it was time to begin transitioning the role of Senior Pastor to my "son in the faith."

When the time came to formally announce the pastoral transition to the congregation, I washed Paul's feet before the church as a symbol of my joy, humility and full support for his leadership. It was a holy moment, a testimony to the spirit of love and unity God had fostered between us. Because of the strength of our relationship, we were able to guide Grace Chapel through this transition in a way that was healthy for the church, for Paul and his family, and for my wife, daughter, and me.

Today, I am filled with joy as I watch what God is doing through Grace Chapel under Paul's leadership. Though my role has changed (we jokingly call it my "grandpa role"), my calling and passion remain. I continue to support Paul's ministry and contribute to the ongoing work God has set before me, and I get to celebrate my "son in the faith" as God now uses him to take Grace Chapel into a fruitful future. ■



CHAPLAIN SPOTLIGHT: LCDR Mark E. Beaudet, CHC, USN



What is one thing you wish people knew about chaplaincy?

Chaplaincy is a very personal ministry with people. Meaning that when I am ministering to people in the context of chaplaincy, I am usually amid someone's crisis or at a challenging point in their faith journey. Being a chaplain means being very present with a person through that moment, as you come alongside them to walk it out. Most chaplains call it a "ministry of presence" bringing God's peace and hope to the situation they are facing.

Why should someone be a Foursquare chaplain?

There is an absolute need for chaplains in every context of chaplaincy. There has never been a higher need in our military, especially in the Navy. Foursquare is down to less than a handful of

Navy chaplains and we need good chaplains more than ever.

I could go on for a long time about why people should become a chaplain, but the biggest thing is knowing you are called to do so. If God is calling you, then be obedient and follow after it.

Can you point to a pivotal moment in your chaplaincy career that forever changed how you do ministry?

When I was in high school, I received a prophetic word that said I would be a pastor to many. I never knew what that meant until I became a chaplain. I have been a pastor to so many people over my career as a chaplain with the Navy. Every day keeps me humble because of the people I serve. My flock changes every two to three years and it has caused me to trust God and his plan for my time in each location to do the work He's

called me to.

What would you say to someone who wants to be a chaplain but doesn't know where to start?

Talk to a current chaplain. Foursquare Connection is always a great place to do that because you have all the chaplain types to speak with. Reach out to our Foursquare Chaplain director or reach out to me. I love where God has me and I know there are many out there who would be great chaplains. ■

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What is one unique challenge to sharing the gospel where you are planting, and how are you creatively meeting this need?

South Lorain is an under-resourced, high-needs community with diverse cultural backgrounds (over 55 nations represented!), high rates of unemployment and violence, and systemic poverty. Many know about religion or tradition but have not yet encountered the transformative, grace-filled relationship with Jesus that brings personal and community renewal. Many of the churches in this area are either traditional/legalistic or smaller, exclusive church communities birthed out of division more than calling.

We are able to bring Jesus to this community directly through relationships before they are even introduced to organized religion. They have seen our love and commitment for over three years now as we've served a local elementary school. Without "shouting" Jesus, we've been His hands and feet behind the scenes, and it has made all the difference.

What is the Mission of your church plant?

We're here to redeem, restore, and rebuild. Redeeming lost souls to the Savior, restoring broken identities to new life as children of God, and rebuilding our city. This is the mission for our church plant.

When you dream and talk with God, what does "rebuilding a city" look like practically?

In short, it's taking South Lorain from surviving to thriving. The picture I get is of a literal new city - new businesses, buildings, better roads and parks, safer areas and a desire to live and enjoy life in this community. God wants to do a rebuilding work spiritually, economically, socially, and relationally in South Lorain - healthier churches with interdenominational collaboration, more and growing businesses, self-sustaining individuals and families, unity among people groups, cultures and races. This vision is far greater than just one church plant. This church plant is one of many gears all interconnected and working together. ■



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POSSESS THE LAND: by Mark Chester

During his inauguration in 1961, John F. Kennedy challenged every American with the now famous words: “Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country.” I have led our church to accept this challenge many times in reference to our denomination. Instead of asking how Foursquare or the Atlantic District can serve us, we first ask how God wants the Gettysburg Foursquare Church to serve our denomination in Kingdom work. Therefore, we take personal responsibility to fulfill the recent charge from President Randy to “Possess the Land,” asking, how has God uniquely positioned our church to take part in seeing this vision come to pass? We believe He has called us to do this in at least two specific ways.

Our church hosted the first Foursquare-wide MENACA Conference on August 1-2. (MENACA stands for Middle East, North Africa and Central Asia.) These areas are part of what missiologists have coined the “10/40 window” due to their very limited access to Gospel and significant socio-economic challenges. Our church has faithfully supported missionaries and opportunities in this region for 20 years, but our focus and approach drastically changed a couple years ago after I

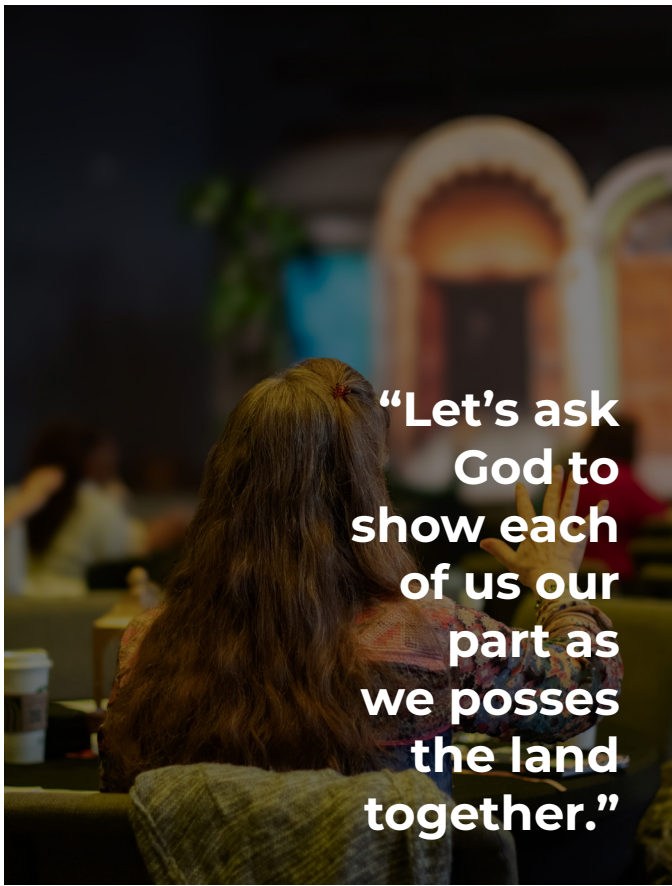
heard a Sunday message delivered in my own church.

A Foursquare leader in MENACA shared that less than 2% of missions’ giving from the U.S. goes to missionaries working with “unreached people groups.” This number is staggeringly low but what really caught my attention was the fact that this number hasn’t changed since I first heard it in youth group twenty-five years ago. I was shocked. All the talk, promotion and campaigns didn’t move the needle one percentage point. In response, our church believes God wants us to make a difference by increasing our support and awareness of Foursquare missionaries and work in MENACA. We’ve already seen miraculous giving to this region from our congregation and now hope to multiply the resources, support and partnership through the MENACA Conference. God orchestrated a beautiful opportunity where missionaries and national leaders from 10 nations were present in Gettysburg for two days literally bringing MENACA to us. Our prayer is to move the needle on giving, partnership and new missionaries in MENACA in the years to come!

A second way our church hopes to help “possess the land” is through starting an LPU micro-

campus in Gettysburg this fall. Once announced, we were eager to partner with LPU’s vision to educate, train and send leaders on mission from the local church. I believe this model is not only the way of the future in higher education but also in the church. Micro-campus aren’t designed to redirect students from LPU campuses but rather provide an additional option for education at the local level with affordable tuition rates for nearly everyone. I often dream of a network of LPU micro-campus throughout the Atlantic District enabling students to even periodically swap locations for a semester to experience the various styles of ministry and leadership all within our Foursquare denomination. With the ultimate goal of placing these students as pastors, leaders, and missionaries throughout the Atlantic District.

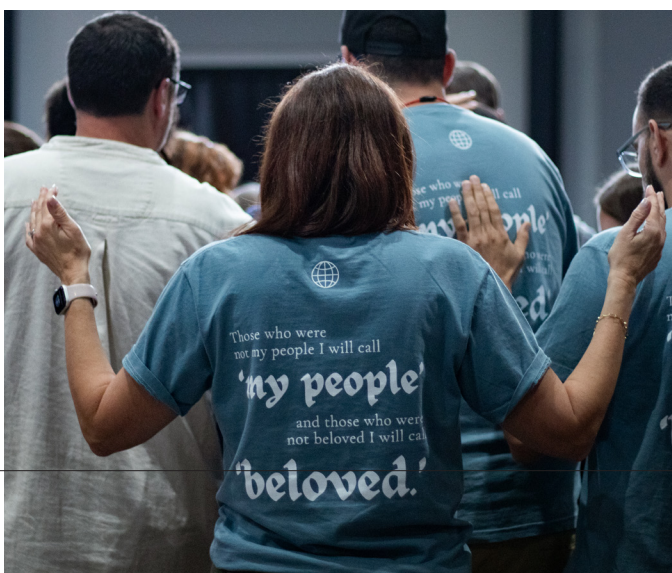
These are a couple of ways God has led the Gettysburg Foursquare Church to contribute to possessing the land. Now, what I would like to know is...how will God lead your church? Let’s not ask President Randy how Foursquare is going to possess the land but instead ask God to show each of us our part as we possess the land together. ■



“Let’s ask God to show each of us our part as we possess the land together.”



Curious about attending or starting a micro campus? Scan here!



Those who were not my people I will call 'my people' and those who were not beloved I will call 'beloved.'



2026 SAVE THE DATES

Key Events and Gatherings for the Year Ahead

New England NextGen Winter Camp

Feb 6 - 8

Alton Bay, NH

Florida NextGen Winter Camp

February 20 - 22

Fruitland Park, FL

Church Council Training

February 28th, 2026

Online

African Awareness Conference

March 19 - 21

Christiansburg, VA

LPU East Spring Preview

March 20-21

Christiansburg, VA

Resonate

March 20-21

East + Mid-Atlantic

One Days

March 7th - Florida + Mid-Atlantic

March 14th - Carolinas

March 28th - South Central

April 11th - Great Lakes

April 18th - East

April 25th - New England

Foursquare Leader Conference 2026

September 24 - 26 | The Square Church | Atlanta, GA

October 1 - 3 | Gettysburg Foursquare Church | Gettysburg, PA



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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

We can't wait to gather with you.
To our dear pastors and leaders — your presence makes every moment richer. As we look ahead to 2026, we hope these gatherings become spaces of refreshing, equipping, and deep connection. We truly hope to see you there!
foursquare.org/districts/atlantic/events/