

2023

WE ASK

KINGDOM BUILDERS



TWENTY-TWENTY THREE

WE SEEK

WE PRAY

FAQ

What is Kingdom Builders?

Kingdom Builders is an investment in missionaries, ministries, and organizations all around the world who are doing strategic work with those who need it most. They are reaching the lost, serving the poor and changing the world. Kettering Assembly of God believes it is the responsibility of the local church to partner with **global missions** (see page 20), **local church expansions** (see page 22), and **future Christian leaders** (see page 23) to see this world won for Jesus.

Does Kettering Assembly of God still give individually to missionaries on a monthly basis?

Yes, starting in January 2023, Kettering Assembly of God will be giving a tithe (10%) of all tithes received from the Body to fulfill individual missionary giving (see page 24-25). This way, every missionary's need is being met at the same time our church's needs are being met.

When do the pledges toward the Global, Local, and Future projects get fulfilled?

As soon as the funds have been donated to Kingdom Builders, these projects will be fulfilled. Imagine it's like a bucket from a water well. When water is needed, the bucket is pulled up. When the projects are ready to be funded and we have the funds, the bucket will be drawn and the projects will be fulfilled.

I already tithe. Does this mean I have to give another time each week?

Kingdom Builders is different than a tithe or an offering. A tithe is the first ten percent, the firstfruits, of our work. An offering is an unplanned blessing that we are compelled, by the Holy Spirit, to give. Kingdom Builders has been created to operate as a gift that will be given as we recognize the great blessings God has given to His children (2 Corinthians 8:3). We all have been given so much, and we, in turn, give back sacrificially and willingly. It is not about the amount, but rather, it is about allowing the Holy Spirit to teach us how to be a generous people for His kingdom (Luke 21:4).

ask, seek, pray

What a blessing and an honor it is to serve as the Pastor of Kettering Assembly of God. Stacey and I are so thankful for your heart and your willingness to serve not only our church but to serve our community and beyond. Over the last several years, we have seen the faithfulness of God as we have walked out the prayers of those that have gone before us in the 73 year history of Kettering.

In the midst of God's faithfulness, we have been witnesses to the faithfulness of His people as time, talents, and treasures are given to further the mission and vision of the church. So many of you have taken time to invest in the lives of those within the walls of Kettering by teaching classes, greeting at the door, being part of the worship team, and so much more. Others have willingly given of their talents to help meet specific needs within the body. Finally, we have seen many give sacrificially to not only meet the needs of our aging facility but to also further the Gospel on college campuses, in US missions, and in countries around the world that are both open and closed to the Gospel.

Throughout the fall of 2022, the Lord spoke to me and to our church leadership in regards of taking what was laid as a foundation and expanding upon that foundation to build the Kingdom of God in exponential ways. With hearts of generosity, we come to you and ask that you would lean into Matthew 7 with us in **asking, seeking, and knocking** on the door of Heaven, believing with greater faith for all that the Lord can and will do through His church and people here at Kettering Assembly of God.

Kingdom Builders is part of the expansion of the foundation of the Kingdom of God as we seek to be extravagant in generosity, above-and-beyond the tithe, while supporting **Global Missions, Local Church Expansion, and Future Christian Leaders** through a wide variety of high-quality missionary partners and organizations around the world. Especially in the most difficult places to bring the Gospel.

We want to invite you to join us in this new adventure as we begin to build off of the foundation that has been built over the last 73 years for missions and outreach at Kettering. Stacey and I are excited about what the future looks like as we partner together not only with one another but with our partners around the globe to expand the Kingdom of God in tangible ways. We ask you to lean in, to pray, and to give as we trust the Lord for this new partnership with Kingdom Builders. We want to say thank you for stepping out in faith knowing that every gift matters because every person matters to God. We want everyone, all ages, to be part of this movement of world-wide generosity!

Ephesians 3:20-21 sums up our heart and expectation for this year...

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations for ever and ever! Amen.

Together we partner with Jesus so that all may hear!

plan vision dream

By God's abundant grace and blessings and through the sacrifice of many, Kettering Assembly of God has the opportunity to give every year toward supporting reputable organizations and individuals working to expand the Kingdom of God throughout our communities, our country, and the rest of the world.

How do you make a commitment for Kingdom Builders? Raising \$100,000 in 2023 requires a generous sacrifice from all of us — some giving sacrificially and others giving from great abundance. If this is your first time giving or if you're looking to give at a new level, here are some ways to step out in generosity:

First, make a plan to give. When you have plans and are diligent, it leads to plenty (Proverbs 21:5). God is excited when you have a plan! Whatever the amount, have the plan in place, work the plan, and be obedient with it. Start there.

Next, ask God to give you a vision for what He could do through you with His help. This is beyond what you can do in your natural income. This requires you to take a step of faith. Additionally, Habakkuk 2:2 tells us to write the needs, according to the riches in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19). Stepping out in faith pleases God. When you look at what He has in His hands, it goes to another level!

Lastly, what would be a dream amount you could give? Hold on to it. This number is only between you and God. Watch as each step of faith you take God moves you closer to that dream. God can do exceedingly and abundantly more than all we can ask for or imagine (Ephesians 3:20).

While there will be many people giving to Kingdom Builders in 2023, always remember every gift matters to God. It's not the size of the gift but the obedience to God's voice that matters most. Now more than ever, make a plan to give, ask God for a vision in your generosity, and hold on to the dream of what God will do as you step out in faith!

We are blessed to be a blessing.





CHANGE *the* MAP

With nearly one billion Buddhists in the world today, access to the Gospel is still nearly non-existent in over 27 countries in Southeast Asia.

Missionary Mark Durene felt envious of the Muslim world where supernatural encounters through dreams and visions were regularly occurring converting Muslims to Christianity. Upon reflecting, Mark noticed the primary difference between the Middle East and Southeast Asia is that for decades the Western Church has been praying for Muslims and have sadly forgotten the Buddhist people.

Thus, Change the Map started in 2013 with a group of cross-cultural workers in Southeast Asia who were passionate to make a difference for Jesus in the Buddhist world. Change the Map's mission is

to inspire and resource the Church to transform the Buddhist world through prayer and action. Mark stated, "We were inspired by a map, showing nations of the world with the highest percentage of Buddhists. We believe the love of Jesus can and will change this map through our concerted prayers. Change the map of the Buddhist world with us by praying with our weekly Prayer Moments or our Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook posts. Together we will *Change The Map!*"

Buddhism is, in its nature, highly relationship driven. That means for the Gospel to be received, countless hours of one-on-one time are required. The power of prayer cannot be overstated. Prayer is needed for enduring strength for missionaries and for the ground to be softened to receive the Gospel.

"There is no difference of how **lost** people are, but there is a difference in **access** to the Gospel."



Will you commit to being part of the supernatural warfare and fight in the heavenlies for the Buddhist world? Check out Change the Map resources by visiting the website <https://changethemap.net>.



CTM Website



CTM Podcast

Photo taken of a weekly gathering of monks in Thailand.

Missionary Mark Durene, Founder of Change the Map

“I like being your neighbor. I think I’m supposed to tell you about Jesus.” She nods. I tell her I love her. She says she loves me too. She hasn’t accepted Jesus...yet. But she’s listening.



TRANSFORMATION *center*

In our world today, we are faced with every type of crisis and trauma. Daily we hear of mass shootings, political unrest, murder, war, and so much more, and that is just on the nightly news. In the church we are not immune either. All too often, we are faced with the death of a prominent leader due to suicide, moral failure by a pastor, a rise in depression, addiction, and other forms of self-harm.

According to recent studies, 1 in every 5 American adults experience a mental health issue, and 1 in 10 children and adolescents are affected by serious emotional disturbances.

Only 44% of adults with diagnosable mental health problems and less than 20% of children and adolescents receive needed treatment.

49% of pastors say they rarely or never speak to their congregation about mental illness; roughly 38% of pastors share that they are considering leaving the

ministry due to the struggles and challenges they face with leading their churches without feeling they have the support they need to do so.

In Montgomery County alone, calls for mental health services have increased annually since 2017. 2022 was expected to see nearly 10,000 calls by year's end.

Our goal at the Transformation Center is to *change these statistics*.

We want to equip and educate pastors and the local church to communicate effectively the impact and effect of mental illness and to provide a resource where those affected by life challenges, addiction, and mental illness can receive the support they need to experience transformation and personal revival putting them on a path of wholeness.

When it comes to mental illness, addiction, or life challenges, there can be a stigma within the church: feeling or



belief that one lacks faith because of their inability to overcome. This becomes a roadblock to recovery and healing. Matthew 11:28-30 says, “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” Mental illness, addiction, divorce, thoughts of suicide, death, grief, loss, and so much more are all heavy burdens that the Lord invites us to let him carry and sometimes requires help to know how to do.

John 10:10 says “The thief comes only to steal, kill, and destroy. I came that they

may have life and have it abundantly!” Kettering Assembly of God will become the conduit here at 2250 E. Stroop Road to bring the light of Christ in *transforming lives*. Our vision is to assist and see God’s children living out their lives to the fullest by being a resource for Pastoral Counseling, Clinical Counseling, Deliverance Ministry, and Support Group Ministries. With providing this practical yet critical resource, the church and community will receive freedom and experience the grace and compassion of Jesus. Those who are hurting will receive the help needed to understand that they are worthy and created with a unique purpose and design; that they are not forsaken or forgotten.

*"As a ministry of
Kettering Assembly of
God, the Transformation
Center will support the
core value of Spiritual
Health and its mission to
impact the community
for Jesus through love,
compassion and hope.*

SUM

BIBLE COLLEGE & THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Jesus commissioned His followers to be His witnesses in all parts of the world (Acts 1:8). The power to be His witnesses comes directly from the Holy Spirit. In addition, Titus 2 instructs ministers to teach in accordance with sound doctrine.

God has opened the door to have a Bible college cohort campus right here at Kettering Assembly of God's campus for those called into the ministry. SUM is an accredited online Bible College and Theological Seminary whose purpose is to raise up pentecostal ministry leaders through the Jesus Model of Leadership.

SUM endeavors to create a holistic living and learning community in which students develop the character and attitudes of Jesus Christ and display the fruit of the Spirit in all areas of life.

Being in the presence of God and fellow believers for worship is a source of joy and strength for students contributing to their personal formation and corporate spiritual formation.

So who is able to get involved? Students as young as 7th graders are able to participate in SUM through their Bridge program, getting dual college and high school credit for free through College Credit Plus. SUM provides a Bachelor of Arts in Worship and Music as well as a Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies. In addition to bachelor degrees, SUM provides three masters programs: Biblical Studies, Christian Leadership, and Divinity.

Get connected by visiting
sum.edu/get-connected
Select "Dayton" cohort



Spiritual formation and spiritual growth are just other ways of describing *discipleship*, and all of us are called to be disciples of Jesus.



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89%
OF SUM GRADUATES
ARE STILL IN MINISTRY

ANYTIME - ANYWHERE
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- MA IN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP (MACL)
- MA OF DIVINITY (MDIV)

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missions

Boys and Girls Missionary Challenge (BGMC)

Beginning the process of missions awareness, concern, and stewardship in young lives by training kids to give sacrificially and grow a heart for the nations.

Change The Map

Beginning awareness of and inspiring prayer for the more than one billion Buddhists in the world.

Coins for Kids

Beginning awareness of specific mission projects in the next generation of young ladies.

Convoy of Hope

Providing disaster relief from natural disasters or refugee needs, supporting the needs of the hurting around the world.

Guatemala Rehabilitation Project

A partnership with Dave Turner in Guatemala in developing a rehabilitation center in Acatenango, Guatemala.

International Theological Seminary

A partnership with the theological seminary in Brussels, Belgium, being led by missionary Terry Hoggard, equipping the next generation of ministry leaders.

Latin America Church Planting

A partnership with Isaac Smythia who is planting eight churches in Latin America through 2024.

Live Dead

A partnership with a Live Dead team in Eurasia with a new BAM (Business as Mission), an unconventional means to putting a foot in the door of a community which otherwise may be adverse to receiving missionaries.

Master's Toolbox

Providing generators, digging water wells, supplying pastors' libraries, repairing churches, translating literature, training leaders, and holding outreaches in Latin America, Africa, Europe, and Eurasia.

Ohio Missionary Wheels

A partnership with Ohio Missions Department to provide vehicles for missionaries as they itinerate.

Pastoral Discretion

Using discretionary funds to partner with urgent projects worldwide and missionary needs as they appear throughout the year.

Priority One - Nicaragua

Creating a new Assemblies of God Bible institute in Central America for the training of future ministry leaders.

Priority One - Tanzania

A partnership with General Superintendent Dr. Barnabas Mtokambali, Assemblies of God Tanzania, to build 36 bible training schools.

Royal Rangers, International

A partnership R.R.I. to establish, strengthen, and serve the growing number of nations seeking to impact the next generation.

Royal Rangers, Outpost 24 Partnership

A sponsorship of Kettering Assembly of God's Royal Rangers as they develop relationships and communicate with members of other nations, developing the heart of God for the nations.

Speed the Light

Youth raising money for missionary projects around the world, including essential resources, transportation, and creative communication equipment.

Translating the Bible

A partnership with missionary Jeff Dove through the efforts of Fire Bible, who is translating the Bible into all the world languages.

World Prayer Center

Engaging the Church to engage deeper in prayer by creating a dedicated place of prayer at the Assemblies of God national office in Springfield, MO, developing training for prayer ministries and mobilizing teams of prayer missionaries.

LOCAL

church expansion

Christmas Drive Thru Experience

Providing a tangible representation of the incarnation of Jesus through a large picture book presentation on Kettering Assembly of God's property leading up to Christmas.

Fall Carnival

Providing a fun outreach to local Dayton families by inviting them to come onto Kettering Assembly's property and enjoy the fellowship of believers, games, and more.

KAG Benevolence

Developing the ability to provide for the physical needs of members of the KAG Body as well as members of its community through benevolence.

KAG Building Fund

Partnering with the vision God has instilled with KAG to advance the church facility for effectiveness and ministry.

Kettering Backpack Program

A partnership with other ministries in the Dayton area to ensure students in the Kettering School District are provided a nutrient-rich meal over the weekend.

Kettering Cruise In

An outreach that provides an event for the Greater Dayton community to come have fun, receive information about the church, and enjoy the fellowship of believers.

Transformation Center

Creating a space at Kettering Assembly of God to equip and educate pastors and the local church to communicate effectively the impact and effect of mental illness and to provide a resource where those affected by life challenges, addiction, and mental illness can receive the support they need to experience transformation and personal revival putting them on a path of wholeness.

FUTURE

Christian leaders

Church Match Scholarship

Funds donated by Kettering Assembly of God for ministry students attending Christian universities.

Dayton Chi Alpha

A partnership with Chi Alpha leaders and students at Dayton university campuses as they collectively reach over 40,000 students with the Gospel.

Heartland Conference and Retreat Center

A partnership with Heartland as it continues to provide opportunities for kids, students, and adults to develop in their faith, assist in those being called to ministry, and providing the space for the Spirit of God to operate through camps.

Jim Palmer Senders Fund

A partnership with the Ohio Missions Department to support newly funded missionaries as well as special missions projects.

Kingdom Builders Limitless Kids Scholarships

Partnering with kids to go to camps, mission trips, gender-specific retreats, and other activities to develop their relationship with God.

Kingdom Builders Ignited Youth Scholarships

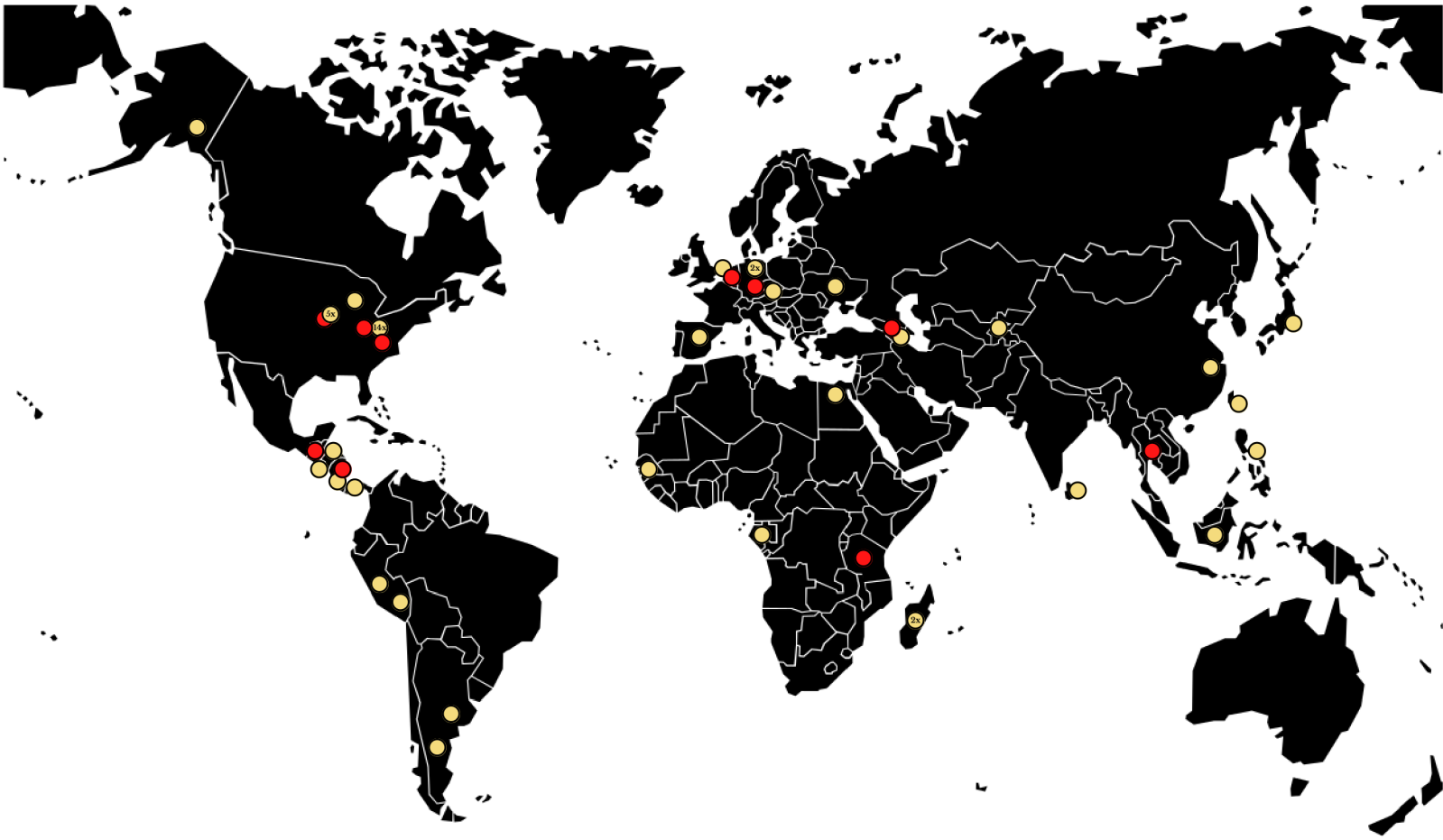
Partnering with youth to go to camps, mission trips, and other activities to develop their relationship with God.

Ohio Church Multiplication Network

Equipping and funding leaders to plant healthy, Spirit-filled churches in Ohio.

SUM Bible College and Theological Seminary Cohort

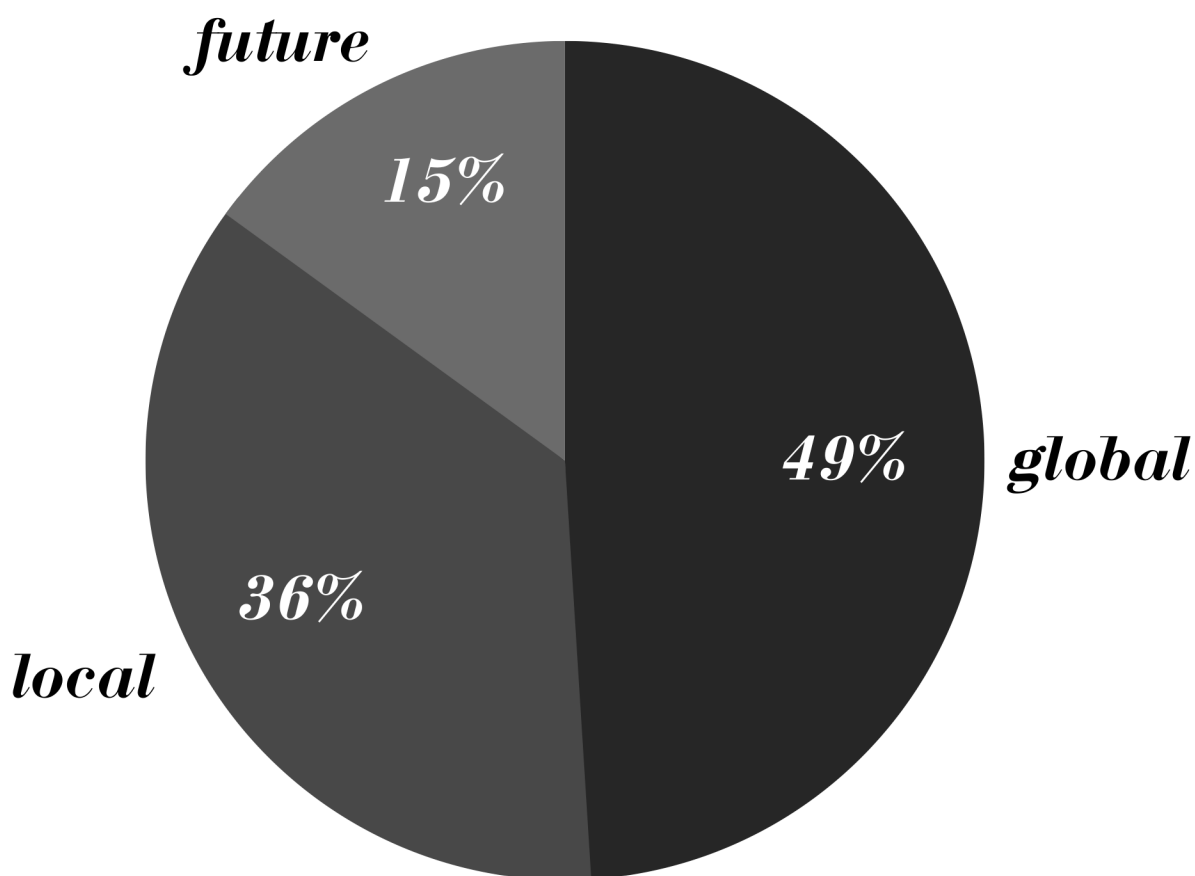
A partnership with SUM's main campus in Oakland, CA, to raise up and train pentecostal ministry leaders in Dayton, OH.



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Men and women's lives will be changed and transformed by coming to Christ; they will be set free from addictions, their families will be restored, and they will be able to provide for their families.

The Gospel impact on the Buddhist world seems like small cracks in these walls that have stood for hundreds, and in some places, even thousands of years.

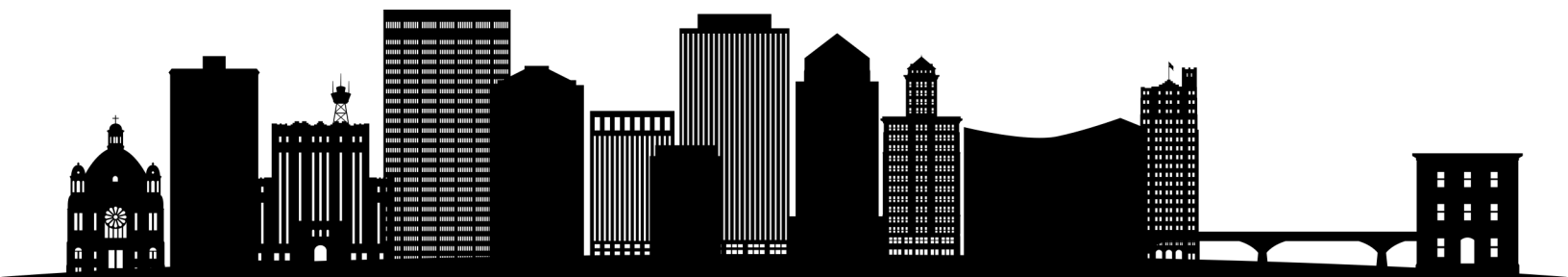
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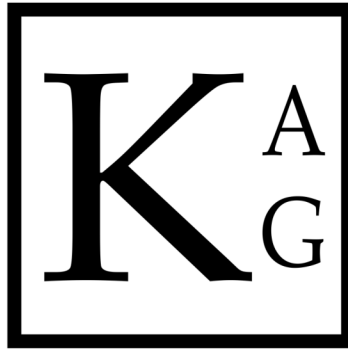
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