



ONLY GOD COULD...

- **STIR** the hearts of 4 individual men, unknown to one another, in the same direction of a vision for a new local church
- **START** a church in 2 months with absolutely no fund raising or strategy meetings and have all logistics in place
- **PLAN** out the Sr. Pastor's family finances "in reserves" to aid in this big ministry transition
- **PROVIDE** the Sr. Pastor with an extended salary situation from his former job at Park Community Church in Chicago so the church could start without asking for families to commit financially
- **PROVIDE** a building site on the 1st day of searching
- **SET** the rental agreement budget to meet the churches financial capacity
- **PROVIDE** thousands of unsolicited dollars even before the church had an established bank account to help cover start-up costs & the purchase of supplies
- **GROW** 4 men/families to 11 for our 1st informational meeting...then grow to 60 individuals for our 1st actual church service with no recruiting, no facebook, no twitter, no mailers, etc.
- **GIVE** strength & endurance to our family for the initial weeks of storing, loading, hauling, then repacking all the church supplies/equipment for a few weeks before the Lord would...
- **PROVIDE** a website manager/creator within the body to initiate our online access
- **PROVIDE** an unsolicited trailer to haul our supplies
- **PROVIDE** a second unsolicited trailer after realizing the first one was too big
- **PROVIDE** an unsolicited baby grand piano (useful for worship rehearsals)
- **PROVIDE** faithful givers within this new body to match the needs of the Sr. Pastor's family just as his salary extension expired
- **KEEP** the focus of the church on preaching the word & shepherding the flock over getting side-tracked with starting programs, recruiting volunteers, or trying to be strategic rather than surrendered to a biblical model and waiting on God's provision for all things (not working in our own strength or wisdom)...affecting the direction of children's ministry, women's ministry, life groups, worship, and so on to structure the church to be relationship driven rather than consumer driven