

REACH QUARTERLY UPDATE

In 2 Corinthians 9:12, speaking about the ministry of financial generosity, the Apostle Paul writes, “For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.” I thank God for your financial generosity toward making disciples of Jesus to the glory of God and securing Citylight Church’s long-term home at 4050 Main Street!

A POWERFUL WORK OF GOD

Citylight Church is enjoying a sweet season of fruitfulness. One particular example of God’s grace to Citylight Church is the powerful work He has been doing among Citylight Church’s elementary students. Last month four elementary school students who are involved with Citylight Kids were baptized as a sign of their new life in Christ through repentance and faith. It was truly incredible to hear each student articulate their personal trust in Jesus Christ as their only hope in life and in death.



AN ANSWER TO FERVENT PRAYER

Citylight Church’s facility continues to come along nicely. Last month Citylight Church overcame a major hurdle with Philadelphia’s Historic Commission. 4050 Main Street is designated “historic,” which means that Citylight Church requires approvals from the Historic Commission before construction can commence. At Citylight Church’s first meeting with the Historic Commission, we were unanimously denied approval for our project. However, many of you prayed fervently ahead of Citylight Church’s second review with the Historic Commission last month. By God’s grace, Citylight Church received unanimous approval for our project. All glory to God for getting Citylight Church through another milestone in this exciting facility process.

WAYS TO PRAY

Over the last couple of months, the Lord has been impressing on my heart the following quote from Paul Miller’s book *A Praying Life*: “All of Jesus’ teaching on prayer in the Gospels can be summarized with one word: ask.” As Citylight Church embarks on exciting ministry opportunities and significant facility milestones, let’s ask our Father to help us boldly, all the while surrendering to His will completely.

- Ask to use Citylight Church’s first ever VBS powerfully in August. Ask Him for 80 kids to attend VBS, 20 of whom have never come to Citylight Church before.
- Ask to make Citylight Church more and more into a praying community that depends on Him for everything.
- Ask for the selective demolition at 4050 Main Street to reveal the building to be in better shape than we previously expected.
- Ask that final construction pricing will be at or below Citylight Church’s budget.
- Ask that Citylight Church will be able to break ground at 4050 Main Street by October.
- Ask that the description of the early churches in Acts 16:5 will be true of Citylight Church now and increasingly so when we occupy 4050 Main Street: “So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.”

Yours in Christ,

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OUR PROGRESS



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GIVEN TOWARDS OUR 2 YEAR **4.8 M** GOAL

(as of July 1st)

