



# BUILDING TO BLESS

Dear New Life Family

I'm excited to share the launch of our **Building to Bless Campaign: Bridging Christ and Community**. We invite you to join us in this faith initiative to grow our church.

God has always called His people to be a loving community that blesses others. The prophet Isaiah told the Israelites after their time of exile: *"The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup> Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings."* (Isaiah 58:11-12)

With this same directive, we believe God is leading us to restore and rebuild for the glory of Jesus. This campaign aims to:

- **Maximize our mission** – to be a family of love cooperating with God in making fully devoted, fruitful followers of Jesus.
- **Strengthen our service** – offering more help and more hope to any who come near
- **Enhance our space** – repairing and renovating to modernize and beautify

## **We are building on a legacy of blessing...**

- Founded as the Workers Church in 1893 to serve new immigrant families
- Hosted Bread of Life homeless outreach (2004...), Youth Works summer teams (2006...)
- Helped birth Urban Christian Academy (2013) and our NLB Mandarin congregation (2015)
- Welcomed other churches – Legacy Fellowship, Cornerstone Anglican, Park Bridgeport

## **With faith for the future...**

- English and Mandarin congregations fill our sanctuary, add more services?
- More open gyms, community events, family parties, etc.
- Missions Teams hosting?

With this in mind, we are inviting you to prayerfully consider investing in 2 phases:

## Phase 1– Entrance and Foyer Enhancement

New signage and lighting

Additional restroom in foyer

Industrial water source for beverage station

**Estimated Phase 1 cost: \$15K-20K**

## Phase 2 – Gym Renovation

Repair wall foundations

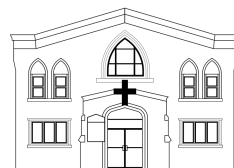
Fill crawl space

Install new floor, new wall padding

Install new door

New restroom

**Estimated Phase 2 cost: \$65K-70K**



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## Total Campaign Giving Goal = \$85-90K

Our campaign officially begins on March 30, 2025 – what we call Firstfruits Sunday. But this 3-year campaign is open from March 2025 – March 2028, or until God provides the funds to do the work. And as He provides, we'll give Him all the glory!

Would you prayerfully consider making a Faith Pledge toward Building to Bless? This chart offers a glimpse of how far our weekly, monthly, yearly giving can go. God isn't calling us to equal giving, but to equal sacrifice.

## Offering Pledge Chart

Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Total Gift
\$10	\$44	\$520	\$1,560
\$20	\$87	\$1,040	\$3,120
\$25	\$108	\$1,300	\$3,900
\$50	\$217	\$2,600	\$7,800
\$75	\$325	\$3,900	\$11,700
\$100	\$433	\$5,200	\$15,600
\$150	\$650	\$7,800	\$23,400
\$200	\$867	\$10,400	\$31,200

As God leads, we invite you to complete a Pledge Card as a record of your faith in this effort. Pledge Cards will be provided.

As you are moved to give, please use the blue Building to Bless envelopes for cash or checks (made out to New Life Community Church, Memo – Bridgeport Building to Bless) OR give online at <https://pushpay.com/g/nlbridgeport> and select Building Fund in the drop menu.

Thank you for your part in God's work here at New Life. Thank you for considering your role in helping us continue to have a Building to Bless – Bridging Christ with Community.

With God's Love

Pastor Luke Dudenhofer and the Elder Team at NLB