

**EVANGELISM
ENDOWMENT
REQUEST
SUMMARIES**

MARCH, 2019

CHURCH PROJECT REQUESTS

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE (1)

A. NEW COVENANT CHURCH PLANT IN SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Continue consolidating the church plant “New Covenant” in San Francisco, CA, and 2020 will be a church organized. All church members involved and helping each weekend with the community with: **Kindness Sabbath-** Create church presence, helping families, sensibility in our church members, friendship, fellowship, gaining souls for Christ. Helping some Saturday mornings with single mothers, elderly, kids and all Hispanic, Chinese, Filipino, Anglo communities in necessity (previously identified with house to house survey), giving out baskets of fruit, water or food, smiling and giving hugs. During worship service, we will have testimonies and time of prayer.

Family Month Evangelism- After identifying families, friends and others, through small groups, prepare with family evangelism & health issues all interested people and families for a big church evangelism.

Shining Sunday- Create church presence, helping our community, make friends, fellowship and relationship with City Council by contacting the City Council and one or two public parks and working together. We would invite the newspaper, media and TV to show this big city that working together we can help the community.

Target Group: Hispanic, Anglo, Filipino and African-American Communities (working with other SDA pastors)

Total Expense: \$25,000

Requesting: \$18,000

NEVADA-UTAH CONFERENCE (1)

B. WINNEMUCCA SDA COMMUNITY HEALTH BUSINESS EVANGELISM PARTNERSHIP

One of the strongest departments in our church and the one many of our members are deeply passionate about is our health department. One of the greatest needs in our community is for dedicated and outstanding health workers to be acknowledged and for individuals to see the need to prioritize their health needs as integral to their overall well-being. The countless hours spent off the clock by nurses and others in the healthcare industry often goes unnoticed and unrewarded. The failing health of many of the families in the community continues to be a great burden on their finances and adds stress to their lives. Our outreach team and the health department want to create a week-long evangelistic campaign that focuses on health and includes ways to acknowledge and award health workers in our city. Our campaign would be launched on a Sunday, with a community health fair where health businesses, that are aligned with our values, would join us and set up booths and have giveaways. At this health fair, we would have an award ceremony where we will acknowledge the outstanding healthcare workers that have made an impact on the lives of people in our community. This would be followed up with a mini week-long evangelistic campaign and health workshops.

Target Group: We hope to reach 75 families in the vicinity of the church and connect with 50 health professionals throughout the city of Winnemucca.

Total Expense: \$15,500

Requesting: \$13,000

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE (4)

C. SPIRITUAL HARMONY

Our main objective is that through free music lessons to the community, that people will become interested in our church and message. We have two Expert masters in musical initiation and instruments, who will teach classes each Saturday from 3-6pm in our church. In addition to the music classes, they will receive the opportunity to be assisted in their spiritual needs and receive a devotional and a 15minute talk on a topic of spiritual and emotional interest chosen by them, according to their needs. In addition to learning music, we hope they find a support group and friendship. At present, we have done pilot tests of this project and have received excellent reputation from the community, with a significant number of visitors who have come to the church through Christian music. We hope to write in these musical courses and evangelize a total of 30 friends each semester and that a significant number of the 20 are interested in knowing more and staying in our church.

Target Group: People who live near the church between 15 and 45 years. For those older than 45, we have other activities.

Total Expense: \$25,000

Requesting: \$ 20,000

D. HEALING HEARTS MINISTRIES

An opportunity for the homeless in the community around La Sierra Spanish SDA Church to receive physical, emotional and spiritual restoration through a sustainable community outreach program of direct engagement.

Phase I-Organizational Meeting - we will create sub-committees (public relations, medical, logistics, resources, culinary services, counseling, finance, personal hygiene and clothing distribution) with interested church members and skilled volunteers.

Phase II- “Official Contact with the City of Riverside, CA” – This phase charges the Public Relations Subcommittee with the scheduling of an official meeting with the Coordinator of Homeless Solutions of the City of Riverside. The purpose is to inform the city of the intent of Healing Hearts Ministries to offer specific humanitarian services to the homeless population of Ward 7 of the Riverside City District. Also, guidance and direction regarding city regulations and policies, referent to assisting the homeless, will be sought, and special permits procured.

Phase III “Ministry of Presence & Initial Outreach”- In an attempt to get acquainted with the target population and assess its needs, seven organized groups of 4-6 church members will go to the designated areas to meet and greet the homeless, providing them with fruit, granola bars, water and socks. The groups will assess the most urgent needs of the homeless they encounter. They will pray with those homeless who accept the offer. This activity will go for 7 weeks, as the groups get to know the homeless and gain their trust.

Phase IV “Launch of Humanitarian Services” The following service will be offered at the church two times per month; hot meal, haircut, basic medical consultation/attention, change of clothing, use of the showers at the church, a special “Worship of Spiritual Rest and Hope,” geared towards the attendees served. Healing Hearts Ministries of LSSC, with the approval of the City of Riverside, will work to supply the needs of the homeless. Moreover, referral will be made to agencies that are equipped to give assistance beyond the scope of what Healing Hearts will provide.

Target Group: The homeless population of the Riverside City District- Ward 7, Riverside, CA. The area is within the perimeter of Arlington Ave. to Tyler Ave.; Tyler Ave. to Magnolia Ave.; Magnolia Ave. to Riverwalk Pkwy; Riverwalk Pkwy to Arlington Ave.

Total Expense: \$23,000

Requesting: \$ 17,000

E. TENNIS EVANGELISM TO YOUTH AND ADULTS

In the Upland/Ontario/Rancho Cucamonga area, we will start with our own youth/Pathfinders and teach them the game of tennis. Then we will organize our youth to do an initial survey among their classmates and those interested in playing tennis. We will visit homes in the community with flyers about our free tennis program for youth and adults. We have three tennis coaches who will teach and will use volunteers to assist as well. We want to engage the youth in sports and hope to minimize engagement in drugs. We aim to have three meetings per week. Those people in the community that become involved will become friends to the church, especially to the coaches and volunteers. Through our friendship and socialization, these youth and adults will come to know us and the church more. It would be easier to invite them to come during visitors' Sabbath or special occasions of the church and invite them to study the Bible with us.

Target Group: Middle school/high school youth, children and adults

Total Expense: \$5,000

Requesting: \$3,000

F. EVENT EVANGELISM

Kennedy Faires.com hosts 13 different fairs in San Diego County each year. For the past two years, Fallbrook Church has been renting a booth space and giving away "Hacksaw Ridge" books to the public. We extended our book giveaway to EGW books, using the Desmond Doss book as a draw. To date we have passed out over 10,000 "Hacksaw Ridge" books, over 1000 EGW books, 270 Mark Finley Bibles with study guide. Our exposure is huge. One fair alone, 80,000 people attend! We hope to give 5400 Desmond Doss books, 1500 "Amazing Health" magazines, 1500 EGW books, 270 Mark Finley guides. We found, if you give out quality product, you won't find it lying around the fair at the end! Dates of events - March 31-Poway American Festival, April 14-Fallbrook Avocado Festival, May 5-Carlsbad Art in the Village, May 26-Vista Strawberry Festival, August 11- Carlsbad at the Village, October 6th- Encinitas Octoberfest, October 20th- Escondido Street Fair, November 3- Carlsbad Street Fair, November 24- Encinitas Holiday Street Fair. We will train church members prior to their helping at the events. Our goal is at least 5,000 more homes housing Adventist literature. This evangelism is a seed planting outreach, results numbered in heaven.

Target Group: The public attending the fairs

Total Expense: \$14,400

Requesting: \$10,000

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE (4)

G. LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE! LIFESTYLE & WELLNESS EVENT

Through lifestyle workshops, providing health and wellness services and consultations, and educating through lectures and literature, we hope to appeal to the need of the local community and broaden their view both spiritually and physically. Lifestyle workshops will include exercise sessions and cooking demonstrations that promote a plant-based diet. Health screening services will be outsourced to the professional AMEN organization (Adventist Medical Evangelism Network) and will include basic services and consultations by medical professionals. Education through lectures will be given by professionals in fields of nutrition, exercise, smoking cessation, diabetes, spiritual wellness and the Bible. A counseling booth will be available for personal, family, spiritual counseling and prayer.

Other services we hope to provide are foot care, massages, nail care, and haircuts. We aim to establish ourselves as a friend of the community and a known resource for lifestyle improvement. We plan to maintain the new relationships by personally following up, providing additional take-home literature and invitations to regularly scheduled events, including exercise and cooking demonstrations. We expect to have an increased attendance to evangelistic seminars and worship services, VBS, and social gatherings.

Target Group: The large Indonesian inter-faith community of the greater L.A. area, as well as the immediate community surrounding the Azusa Indonesian-American SDA Church in Azusa, Ca.

Total Expense: \$45,000

Requesting: \$ 20,000

H. REACHING PEOPLE FOR JESUS

First, we want to fulfill the basic needs; food, clothing, backpacks and strollers as well as providing, in our community service building, showers, washing machines and snacks while they use our utilities. Once we have made contacts, established relationships, we will invite them to hear the gospel through our “Revelation Seminar” from July 7, 2019 through August 3, 2019. The presentations are for one hour, on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays. Prior to our event, we plan on using *Seminars Unlimited Bible Study Response Cards* to garner Bible studies. We will have hand bills that we will distribute while canvassing the community. Our evangelism will provide pre-training for our members. We will utilize the *Amazing Facts* Bible studies, along with *Seeds of Truth* Bible studies. We hope to complete 300 Bible studies by the time we begin our seminar. Our goal is to baptize 30-50.

Target Group: Families in our community, homeless and marginalized.

Total Expense: \$32,442

Requesting: \$ 19,442

I. CROSSWALK: FOOTHILLS

Crosswalk Foothills is a church plant, the likes of which hasn’t been done in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. We are seeking a project that while contributing, enhancing, and edifying the work of local conferences, also transcends these boundaries to provide a meaningful expression of gospel rooted Seventh-day Adventism to groups seeking a place to belong. The goal of the project (as seen in CW Chattanooga) is to foster cross conference collaboration to provide a meaningful connection, authentic community outreach, and excellent worship experiences to individuals that live in the territory of the Southern California Conference. This project is not geared to shift church populations from one location to another. It is to take up the mission of the Son of God, who “seeks and saves the lost”. There are large numbers of people who have left the Adventist Church, and many more who remain unreached. The evangelistic thrust is that in these dark times, the gospel must be preached. Jesus must be lifted high, and His grace offered free of charge to all who desire it in preparation for His soon return. The issue is that our traditional methods of evangelism have met with limited success in our context. This plant offers a relevant means of meaningfully evangelizing communities in the LA County area. Crosswalk Church believes that Evangelism is not a program, but an orientation of the heart of each of its members. This is why Crosswalk has felt the need to set up sites in coordination and cooperation with local conferences aside from their own.

Target Group: Former Adventists, members who are no longer attending an SDA church and those in our territory who haven’t been meaningfully or appropriately reached with the gospel. We believe this is an intersectional church, and as seen in Crosswalk Redlands, there is a wide range of representation and diversity. While the worship style typically resonates with youth and young adults, every age has connected with our worship.

Total Expense: \$ 46,000

Requesting: \$ 23,500

J. VICTORY CRUSADE

The Smyrna SDA Church will be conducting a four-week evangelistic meeting. Each night we will have power-packed preaching, inspiring music, gift giveaways, prayer and anointing services, and baptism. Objective is to baptize non-Adventist and non-churched men and women, boys and girls, and to meet the need of the community through feeding programs.

Target Group: Educated professionals who have no denominational affiliation.

Total Expense: \$62,000

Requesting: \$19,000

CONFERENCE PROJECT REQUESTS

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE (1)

A. SANTA CRUZ-SOQUEL COMMUNITY OUTREACH

A multifaceted health initiative that consists of a variety of health clinics that serve as an entering wedge ministry (the Gospel of Christ with feet on it) to serve the population of Santa Cruz and Soquel communities. The objective is to serve the felt needs of the community that will attract a minimum of 2000 people and involve community agencies, thereby building relationship opportunities with the community and its leaders.

Target Group: The uninsured and the underinsured non-Christian non-Seventh-day Adventist population of Santa Cruz and Soquel.

Total Expense: \$120,000

Requesting: \$80,000

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE (1)

B. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SERVICES

A shared community service center supported by five SDA churches; Gracepoint, Carmichael, Roseville, Citrus Heights, Woodside. Our goal is a shared center of service and witness providing services in one location that can benefit the community. Services will include a food bank. The location of the building is in an undersized neighborhood with limited food options. It would also include lifestyle education which would introduce "Blue Zone" education. As partnership grows with AHS, we would provide a family practice clinic as we see a need for dental care for the target community. The ideal building is an empty grocery store - vacant for 6 years, which would be used to establish a partnership with a thrift store manager who is currently running 4 successful outlets. He would like to work with us in providing clothing. We would sub-lease from him and work with other community partners, most of which we currently share ministry goals, such as AA, GA, HART, WEAVE, Affordable Housing Sacramento, Winter Sanctuary and Traditional Housing for Homeless. It is our desire to demonstrate a model service that can be repeated across our conference. In partnership with the thrift store, we can become sustainable with lower assistance in the future.

Target Group: First generation emigrants, low income language isolated families, elderly whose income is at near poverty levels, unemployed families that are homeless, trying to keep the kids in school. We would work with San Juan school district and their families identified in need. Our district counted 1200 students living with families in cars two years ago.

Total Expense: \$255,920.00

Requesting: \$56,920

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE (1)

C. "LA FE DE JESUS" IN ENGLISH

To fulfill the great commission of Jesus Christ by baptizing & teaching using Bible study student and teacher guides in English. We want to produce in English, what is already

created in Spanish. The Spanish world has a standard baptismal Bible study guide for \$.95ea, available in South America and the U.S. The Spanish guides are called *La Fe De Jesus*. We need to also have a universal and standardized set of Bible studies in English. This has already been translated and formatted into the English version but we need them produced and printed. The younger generation, even in our Spanish conferences, prefer to have the Bible studies in English, as it is easier for them to understand. Therefore, these studies will benefit both the youth of the Spanish cultures, as well as the English-speaking congregations. We hope to double the number of baptisms in the Southern California Conference in the first year of publication.

Target Group: The five regions of the Southern California Conference, as well as the schools in the Pacific Union Territory

Total Expense: \$100,000

Requesting: \$75,000