ADVANCING IN FAITH

THE MOUNTAIN LIFE INITIATIVE

PARK CITY

DEAR MOUNTAIN LIFE CHURCH FAMILY,

Dear Mountain Life Church Family,

I am so fired up about what God is doing! Since Judi and I arrived, we have been overwhelmed by the gracious love and life-giving community that have been built here.

These past several years have brought a level of growth and excitement to our church that we've never seen! Many of us recognize that what God is doing here is bigger than we could have hoped. These days, on any given Sunday, Mountain Life sees upwards of 1,100 kids and adults in attendance, a 25% increase year-over-year. We have launched dozens of new small groups and a variety of key ministries that address deep spiritual needs of people of all ages.

Throughout this time our prayer has been that it would be "in Park City as it is in heaven." God has absolutely used the people of Mountain Life Church to be the answer to that prayer, lifting the hearts of our little town toward Him!

However, all of this growth has brought us to a pivotal moment. Bottom line: our ministry growth has outpaced our facility, and the time to act is now.

That is why I am so excited to invite you to join us in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity called Advancing in Faith: The Mountain Life Initiative.

While this is a bold step forward for us, it is about so much more than a building; it is the fulfillment a vision that started in the early 1990s—to build a church that can bless Park City with the hope of Jesus Christ and shape the trajectory of its future.

The new campus we hope to build will be located right next to our current site and serve as a strategic tool to accomplish this vision. More than anything else, we want our new facility to be a gift to Park City, woven into its very fabric. Our vision is that our new building would be used to strengthen families, put relationships back together, and restore hope among all people.

But to realize this vision, we must move forward with unshakable faith and a total dependency on the Spirit of God to do more than we could ever ask or imagine. That's why I am inviting you to join us in offering a sacrificial gift to this initiative. This is your chance to leave a legacy of faith and ensure that for generations to come, people in our city will have a place to meet God and advance as fearless followers of Jesus.

The time is now. Mountain Life Church is Advancing in Faith. Are you ready?
Let's go!

Fearlessly Following Jesus with you,



Tim Jacobs
Lead Pastor
Mountain Life Church



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A VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF PARK CITY

God is writing an extraordinary story through Mountain Life Church. More people than ever are discovering the hope of Jesus, finding authentic community, and growing as fearless followers of Christ. As more families call Mountain Life home, we have been entrusted with an incredible opportunity—and responsibility—to prepare for what God will do next.

Advancing in Faith is our response. This is more than a capital campaign; it is a vision to create space where future generations will encounter Jesus. **Built on three priorities—Next Generation, Community, and Spiritual Growth—this new campus is designed to serve Park City for decades to come.**

We are not simply building because we have run out of space. We are building because we refuse to run out of room for the people God is bringing. Together, we have the opportunity to create a legacy that will impact lives, strengthen families, and shape the future of our community for generations.



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GOD IS ALREADY AT WORK

Long before we imagined a new campus, God was transforming lives at Mountain Life Church. More people are discovering Jesus, finding authentic community, and taking meaningful steps of faith than ever before. This extraordinary season of growth is not something we created—it is something God has entrusted us to steward.

The evidence is unmistakable. **More than 1,100 adults and kids now gather each week, adult attendance has grown by 132% over the past five years, and our kids ministry has more than doubled in size.** Behind every number is a story: a family finding hope, a student discovering purpose, a marriage being restored, or someone saying "yes" to Jesus for the very first time.

Our current facility was built to serve a different season of ministry. Today, classrooms are full, ministry spaces are stretched, and opportunities to reach more people are increasingly limited. Advancing in Faith is our response—preparing today for the people God will bring tomorrow.



1,100+

Adults and kids worship each week

Kids Ministry has more than doubled in the last five years

132%

Growth in adult attendance over the past five years



WHY WE MUST ACT NOW



Every season of growth presents a choice: preserve what is comfortable or prepare for what God is doing next. We believe Mountain Life has reached that moment. The question is no longer if we need to expand, but whether we will be ready for the people and opportunities God continues to place before us.

Today, our prime-time worship services are at capacity, limiting our ability to welcome new families and first-time guests.

Our thriving student ministry gathers without a dedicated worship environment designed for its unique stage of life. Care ministries, recovery groups, and discipleship classes compete for limited meeting space, while our growing staff works without adequate space to support the expanding ministries of our church. These aren't simply facility challenges—they are ministry opportunities waiting for room to grow.



OUR CHALLENGE IS NO LONGER WHETHER GOD IS BRINGING PEOPLE—IT IS WHETHER WE ARE PREPARED TO RECEIVE THEM.



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Students and young adults need dedicated ministry environments designed for worship, discipleship, and belonging.



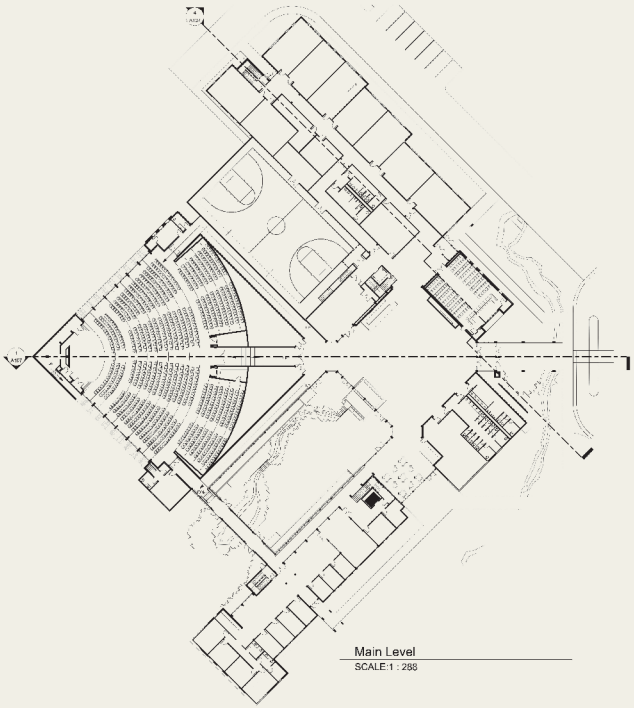
Growing ministries and staff need spaces that match the opportunities God is providing.

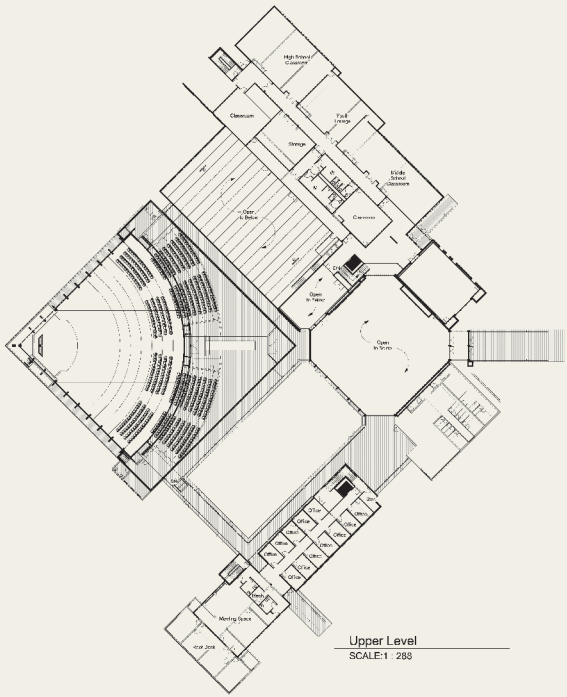


OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE



THIS IS ABOUT MINISTRY CAPACITY, NOT SQUARE FOOTAGE.





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PRIORITY #1

NEXT GENERATION

INVESTING IN TOMORROW

Every generation has the opportunity to shape the one that follows. We believe there is no greater Kingdom investment than helping kids and students discover the love of Jesus during their most formative years.

God is already moving among the young people of Mountain Life. Over the past five years, our Kids Ministry has more than doubled in size, including 26% growth in the past year alone. Every weekend, classrooms are filled with children learning the gospel and students building authentic relationships. These ministries have outgrown the spaces available to them. Dedicated environments designed specifically for children, students, and young adults will allow us to disciple them more intentionally, equip leaders more effectively, and create welcoming spaces where every young person can encounter Christ in an atmosphere of safety, joy, and adventure.





DISCOVERING JESUS

Intentional spaces will help kids and students encounter the gospel during the most formative years of their lives. Every classroom and gathering space is designed to foster biblical teaching and meaningful relationships.

NEXT GE

26%

Growth in kids attendance last year



CLASSROOM RENDERING

BELONGING THROUGH ADVENTURE

Fun, engaging, and age-appropriate spaces will create an environment where kids and students experience the joy of following Jesus. Designed to grow alongside our congregation, these spaces will serve generations of young people as they find belonging.

SHAPING FEARLESS FOLLOWERS FOR THE FUTURE

Our mission is to help kids move beyond just attending to becoming fearless followers of Jesus. Every young person who finds a Christ-centered community today has the potential to shape a marriage, raise a family, lead a ministry, or influence a workplace tomorrow.



THREE GENERATIONS, ONE CHURCH HOME: THE KORZENIOWSKI STORY



The Korzeniowskis began attending Mountain Life Church full-time in 2020 after moving their family from Salt Lake City. They were immediately drawn to the welcoming and kind community, noting that the church felt like a family opening its arms to them from the very first day.

For Amanda, the church has become a true multi-generational home. Her parents originally started visiting MLC in 2008 and became heavily involved after retirement. Today, Amanda's mother leads small groups and helps with the Fourth of July float, while her father serves as her right-hand man during Vacation Bible School, assisting with snack duty and facilities.

This environment allows her three children to grow up seeing their grandparents actively serving in their spiritual community.

The church has provided Amanda with a deep sense of purpose and individual growth beyond just being a place for her family. Through MomCo, she has found her people and best friends whom she can lean on regularly. Additionally, Amanda and Adam have strengthened their marriage and faith by participating in Rooted and Re-Engage, programs that allowed them to connect with mentors and peers in different phases of life.

Looking toward the future, Amanda is enthusiastic about the church's growth. She is particularly excited about the plans for a new building that will offer dedicated spaces for the kids ministry, middle school programs, and high school youth groups. She notes that as the church becomes younger and more "jam-packed" with families, having a gym and expanded facilities will help foster the same sense of community for the next generation that her family has enjoyed.



TWO DAYS AND HOOKED: JESSICA'S STORY

When Jessica Branch's family pulled into Park City two summers ago — two days after school let out in Texas — she had one thing on her mind: find a church. Her three daughters, Emma, Morgan, and Leah, didn't know a single person in their new city. Summer was stretching wide open in front of them, and Jessica and her husband Greg knew a church community could change everything.

They searched online for a Vacation Bible School. Mountain Life came up. It was starting in two days.

"We were hooked after that," Jessica says. The bounce houses, the arts and crafts, the instant friendships — by the end of that first week, the girls weren't asking if they could come back to Mountain Life. They were asking when.

Jessica had grown up in a small church where everyone knew everyone. Walking into Mountain Life for the first time felt intimidating — big crowd, great music, families filling every row. She wasn't sure a place this size could feel personal. She was immediately proven wrong. "People talked to us right away. They welcomed us, pointed us in the right direction, stopped us to pray for us." Once they arrived, she says, they never looked back.

Now the Branch faimly is woven into the fabric of the kids ministry. Jessica volunteers one or two Sundays a month. The whole family has served during the Daddy Daughter Dance, Fall Fest, and event decorating teams.

Emma has a beloved teacher named Miss Jane — "she's like a grandma," Emma says — who prays with her and encourages her to walk with Christ. Morgan sometimes slips into the adult service and soaks up the music. Leah still talks about the candy she earned memorizing her Bible verse.

What drives all of it, for Jessica, is a mother's deepest prayer: to raise daughters who follow Jesus. "The world is full of people who will tell them to do something different," she says. "With the growth of this church, I'm hoping it will feel so normal to them to stay Christ-centered — because of the people around them."

The capital campaign news about expanded kid's space isn't a small thing to her. It's an investment in her girls' futures. And she hopes the bigger building brings in more of what she found when she first walked through the doors — a community ready to welcome the next family that just rolled into town.



PRIORITY #2

COMMUNITY

We believe the Church exists not only for those who gather on Sundays, but for the flourishing of the entire community. We envision a campus that serves Park City throughout the week—a welcoming place where families find connection, neighbors build relationships, and local organizations discover a trusted partner. This new campus is not simply a church building; it is an investment in the social and spiritual well-being of the community we are called to love.

A WELCOMING CAMPUS SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

Every space has been designed to serve others. A full-size gymnasium, indoor playground, coffee shop, and flexible gathering spaces will provide welcoming environments where meaningful connections can begin. Open throughout the week, these spaces will create opportunities for people from every stage of life to gather, whether they attend Mountain Life Church or simply need a place to belong.





SUPPORTING THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT SERVE PARK CITY

This campus will expand our ability to serve those who are already serving Park City. Community organizations, nonprofit partners, parenting groups, recovery ministries, and local support networks will have access to meeting spaces where they can continue their important work. By providing a dependable home for these partnerships, we can strengthen the organizations that are already making a difference while creating new opportunities to meet the evolving needs of our city.





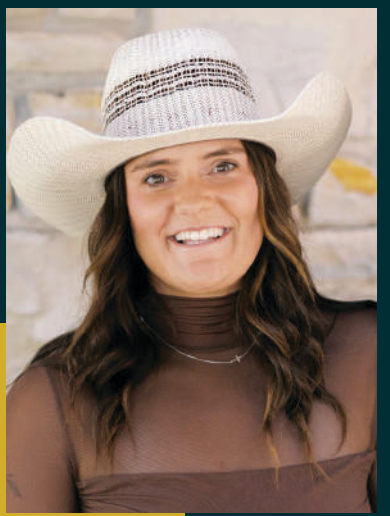
CREATING SPACES WHERE LIVES ARE TRANSFORMED

Healthy communities are built through relationships. We believe the local church is uniquely positioned to foster those relationships by creating places where people experience belonging before they believe and support during life's most difficult seasons. This campus is designed to be a gathering place where lives can be transformed.

Our vision is simple: to create a place where the people of Park City experience hope, connection, and community—every day of the week.

MMUNITY

FROM ISOLATION TO A TRIBE: KINLEY'S STORY



Kinley grew up in a small town. She was a believer — she'd always had a fire for Christ — but she had no community to express it in, no place where her faith felt at home. That changed the day a friend invited her to Mountain Life Church.

She remembers being a little nervous walking through the doors for the first time. What she felt instead was freedom. "It just felt like flying," she says. "A free, uplifting Holy Spirit feeling." She had been craving exactly this without knowing what to call it.

That was March of 2025. Within a year, Kinley had made a New Year's resolution to show up every single Sunday she was home — and she kept it. She joined the Greet team, started running slides for the media production team, and dove into not one but two Bible study groups. Through the Rooted dinner, she connected with a Kamas Valley group of believers and discovered something that stunned her: there were other Christians living in her valley all along. One of them turned out to be her next-door neighbor — a woman she had never once met.

The community she found stretched far beyond Sunday mornings into dinners, volleyball games, barbecues, and bridal showers. "It's something I've always been craving," she says. "To find it has been just unreal."

In April, Kinley was baptized. She invited her family — and over 50 people showed up just for her, filling the right side of the sanctuary and spilling into the lobby and overflow. It was a picture of exactly what she'd hoped to find: a place big enough to hold her whole life.

The possibility of a new building has personal meaning for Kinley too. Her younger sister has special needs, and her parents had long been hesitant to bring her, worried about disrupting others. Kinley kept encouraging them, connected with Hollie in the Kids Ministry, and made it happen. Her sister started coming. Her parents started coming. The family that once felt on the outside found their way in — together. A dedicated special needs space in the new building means that welcome will only grow wider.

"I want to help bring people to Jesus," Kinley says simply. "And the bigger the church gets, the more opportunity God has to bring great people into your life."

FEELS LIKE FAMILY: DANIEL'S STORY



The first time Daniel walked into Mountain Life Church, he came as a translator.

His family had just arrived, and none of them spoke English. So Daniel — nervous, unsure whether his own English was good enough after so long away — sat beside them and interpreted every word. He was so focused on helping everyone else feel okay that he almost missed what was happening to him. "This place let me feel so welcomed," he says. "I felt like I was in community. This place felt like family from the moment I stepped in."

Daniel grew up going to church. In Ecuador, though, the kind of faith community he'd known as a child was hard to find. He drifted — not just from church, but from himself. "There were so many dark thoughts," he recalls. "I was so far away from the church, from the Bible, from anything. I had no one to guide me." He did what he always did: everything alone. Good decisions or bad, they were all his to carry.

Mountain Life changed that. Through the people around him, Daniel says he found Jesus again — not as a concept but as a living presence guiding his steps. "I've never been so happy in my life," he says simply, "until I got to God here."

What strikes him most about the church is how Pastor Tim ends services — opening space for people to come forward, to be prayed for, to stop carrying things alone. "Those are the services I remember most," Daniel says. "When he just makes people feel comfortable and welcome." It's the same warmth he feels every Sunday from people who remember his name, ask how his week went, and mean it.

For someone who used to do everything solo, learning to ask for help has been its own kind of transformation. "Mountain Life taught me how to look for more people," he says. "How to ask for help. How to open up. How to feel like — hey, you're not alone."

Daniel is now part of the church's young adult community, and the capital campaign lights him up. He thinks about future generations — the kids who will grow up in a bigger space, the young adults who will finally have a place of their own to share their worries and their faith. "The new generations are the ones coming next," he says, "and they're the ones who need to teach the next one, and the next one." He plans to be part of that chain — pouring out every bit of the energy and joy he's found, into whoever comes through the door.

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PRIORITY #3

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

CREATING SPACE FOR TRANSFORMATION

At the heart of Advancing in Faith is a simple conviction: every person deserves the opportunity to encounter Jesus, and grow in a life-changing relationship with Him. While buildings cannot transform lives, they can create environments where people experience authentic worship, find hope in difficult seasons, build meaningful relationships, and take their next step of faith. Our vision is to create spaces that remove barriers and invite more people into the life-changing work God is already doing.

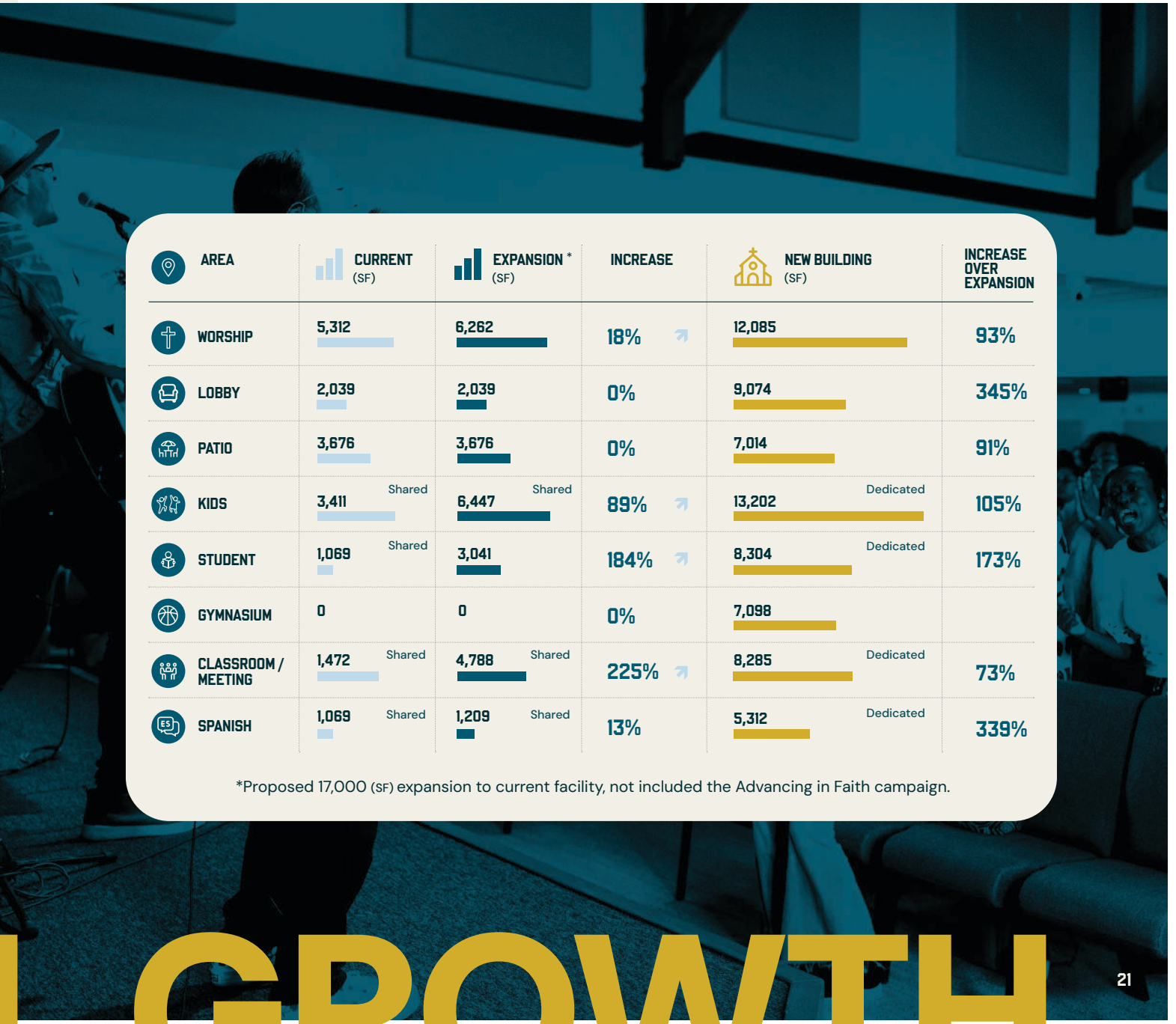
As Mountain Life continues to grow, so does the opportunity to help people experience the hope of Christ. A new 1,200-seat Worship Center will more than double our current capacity, allowing us to welcome new families, first-time guests, and future generations without turning people away because of limited space. But worship is only the beginning. Dedicated rooms for care ministries, discipleship classes, recovery groups, and leadership development will allow people to experience healing, discover purpose, and grow into mature followers of Jesus.

Our Discipleship Pathway helps people move from discovering the gospel to engaging in authentic community and advancing as fearless followers of Jesus. As more people take those steps, we also have the opportunity to identify, equip, and empower new leaders who will serve the church and the broader community for generations to come. The investment we make today is not simply expanding our capacity—it is multiplying our ability to care for people, develop leaders, and share the hope of Jesus with everyone God brings through our doors.

PREPARING FOR WHAT GOD WILL DO NEXT

Throughout our history, God has faithfully entrusted Mountain Life with opportunities to reach more people than we imagined possible. We believe this season is another invitation to respond with courage and faithful stewardship. Advancing in Faith is about creating more opportunities for lives to be transformed by the love of Christ. As we prepare for the future, our prayer is that every new seat, every meeting room, every classroom, and every gathering space becomes a place where someone encounters the life-changing grace of Jesus.





AREA	CURRENT (SF)	EXPANSION * (SF)	INCREASE	NEW BUILDING (SF)	INCREASE OVER EXPANSION
WORSHIP	5,312	6,262	18%	12,085	93%
LOBBY	2,039	2,039	0%	9,074	345%
PATIO	3,676	3,676	0%	7,014	91%
KIDS	3,411 Shared	6,447 Shared	89%	13,202 Dedicated	105%
STUDENT	1,069 Shared	3,041	184%	8,304 Dedicated	173%
GYMNASIUM	0	0	0%	7,098	
CLASSROOM / MEETING	1,472 Shared	4,788 Shared	225%	8,285 Dedicated	73%
SPANISH	1,069 Shared	1,209 Shared	13%	5,312 Dedicated	339%

*Proposed 17,000 (SF) expansion to current facility, not included the Advancing in Faith campaign.

GROWTH

FROM DEFEATED TO DISCIPLER: CHRIS'S STORY

Chris Ehlers walked away from her previous church feeling something no one should feel after a Sunday service: defeated. Week after week, she left with the weight of her failures and none of the hope of God's love. "I felt like a sinner, and that's all I am," she recalls. In her heart, she knew something was off. God is love. God is joy. That wasn't what she was experiencing.

A friend mentioned Mountain Life Church. Chris decided to give it a try.

The moment she walked through the doors, something shifted. **"I felt embraced, I felt loved, I felt welcomed, I felt joy, I felt hope,"** she says. **"I thought — this is what God is all about."**

That was nearly eight years ago. Today, Chris is one of the first faces people see when they walk into Mountain Life — because she's a greeter, and she's deeply gifted at it. She knows firsthand what it means to need a warm welcome, and she gives one freely every single week.

Her faith has been stretched further through serving. A crisis response trip to Hunt, Texas, left a permanent mark on her heart. Among the flood debris and grateful faces, Chris felt the Spirit move her to stop a woman she didn't know and pray with her. "It wasn't me," she says quietly. "It was truly the Spirit." That moment awakened something in her — a confidence that God could use her words, her presence, her willingness to show up.



A VILLAGE SHOWS UP: MICHELLE'S STORY

When Michelle's son Tanner was just one year old, he was diagnosed with a Wilms tumor. In the terrifying fog of that season, something unexpected happened — her church showed up.

People in small groups were praying for Tanner by name. Meals came. Messages arrived. The community of Mountain Life wrapped itself around a family navigating the unthinkable. "It made us realize," Michelle reflects, "that you need a village to raise kids. And Mountain Life was a huge part of that village."

Michelle had already been building roots at the church through MomCo, the monthly gathering for moms that became one of her most life-giving spaces. But Tanner's diagnosis revealed something deeper: this wasn't just a program she attended. These were her people.

Sunday sermons have continued to meet her exactly where she is. "It's very rare that we come in on a Sunday and listen to a sermon that doesn't speak to me in some way," she says. **Mountain Life doesn't shy away from hard topics — and that honesty, grounded in Scripture, has given Michelle and her family a place to wrestle honestly with real life and come out stronger.**



Even for those who aren't natural extroverts, Mountain Life has a way of pulling people in. "You can try and be a turtle in a shell," she laughs, "but people are going to pull you out of that. It's just the love you feel."

Today, Michelle sees the church on the edge of something exciting. The preschool class is bursting at the seams.

New families are filling the seats every week. A new building — with a playground, expanded kids ministry space, and room to grow — feels less like a construction project and more like a promise.

"I see a lot of new people showing up," she says, "and it's really encouraging." Her hope is that her children will grow up here surrounded by a community of young believers, kids who will walk with them into adulthood and remind them, in a tough world, that they are never alone.



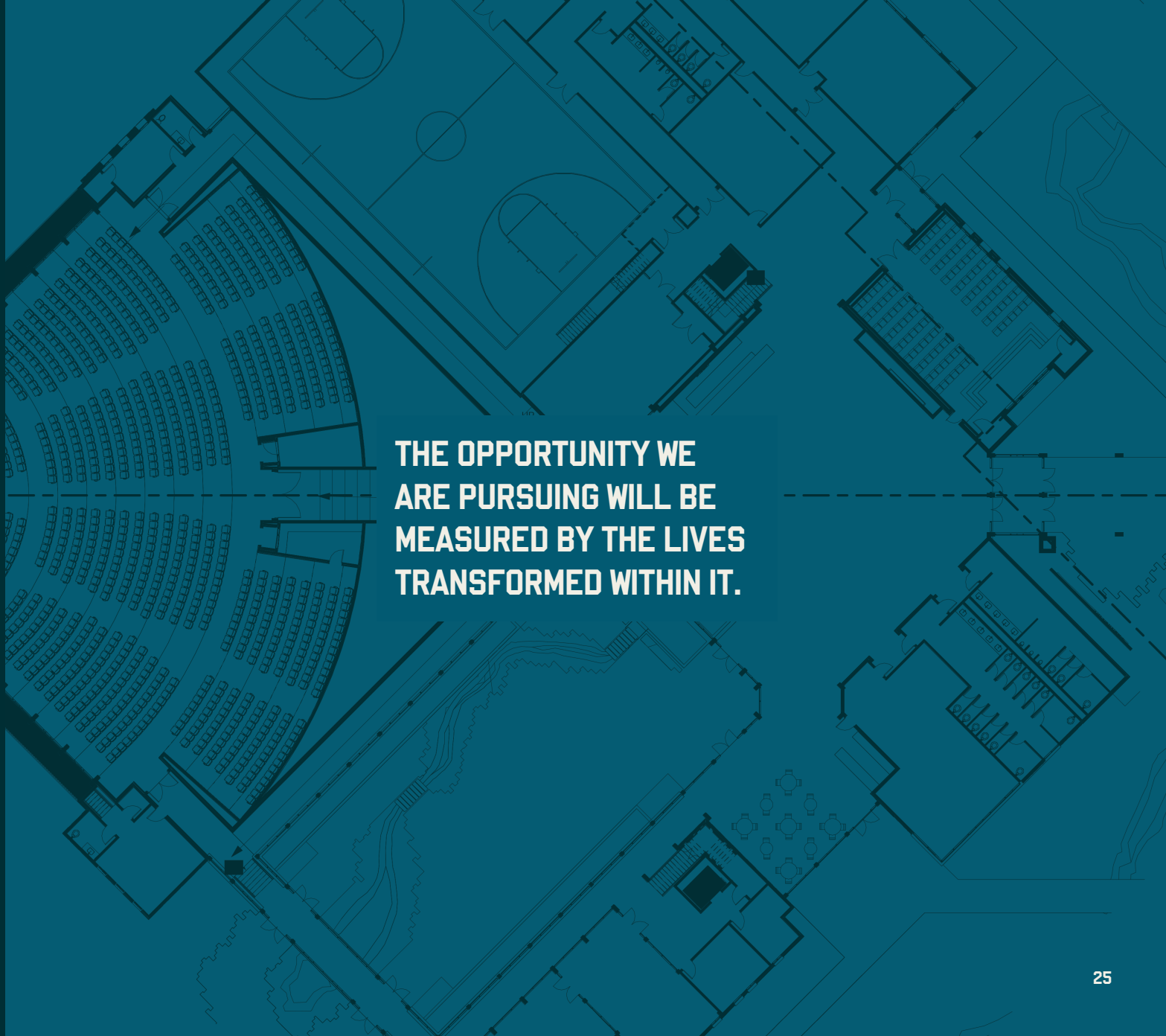
THE OPPORTUNITY WE ARE PURSUING

Every generation is given moments that shape the future. We believe Advancing in Faith is one of those moments.

The opportunity we are pursuing will not be measured by the size of a campus, but by the lives transformed within it. Children discovering Jesus. Students developing an enduring faith. Families finding hope and healing. Neighbors experiencing authentic community. These are the stories that will define this vision for generations to come.

Every gift is an investment in a future we may never fully see—but one we trust God is already preparing. Together, we have the opportunity to create more space for more people to encounter Jesus and to leave a legacy of faith that will bless Park City for generations.

NEXT GENERATION **COMMUNITY** **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**



THE OPPORTUNITY WE ARE PURSUING WILL BE MEASURED BY THE LIVES TRANSFORMED WITHIN IT.



YOUR ROLE IN THE VISION

PRAY WITH US

Commit to praying regularly for God's wisdom, provision, and guidance as we step forward in faith.

BUILD WITH US

Consider making a financial commitment that reflects your gratitude for what God has done, and your hope for what He will do in the future.

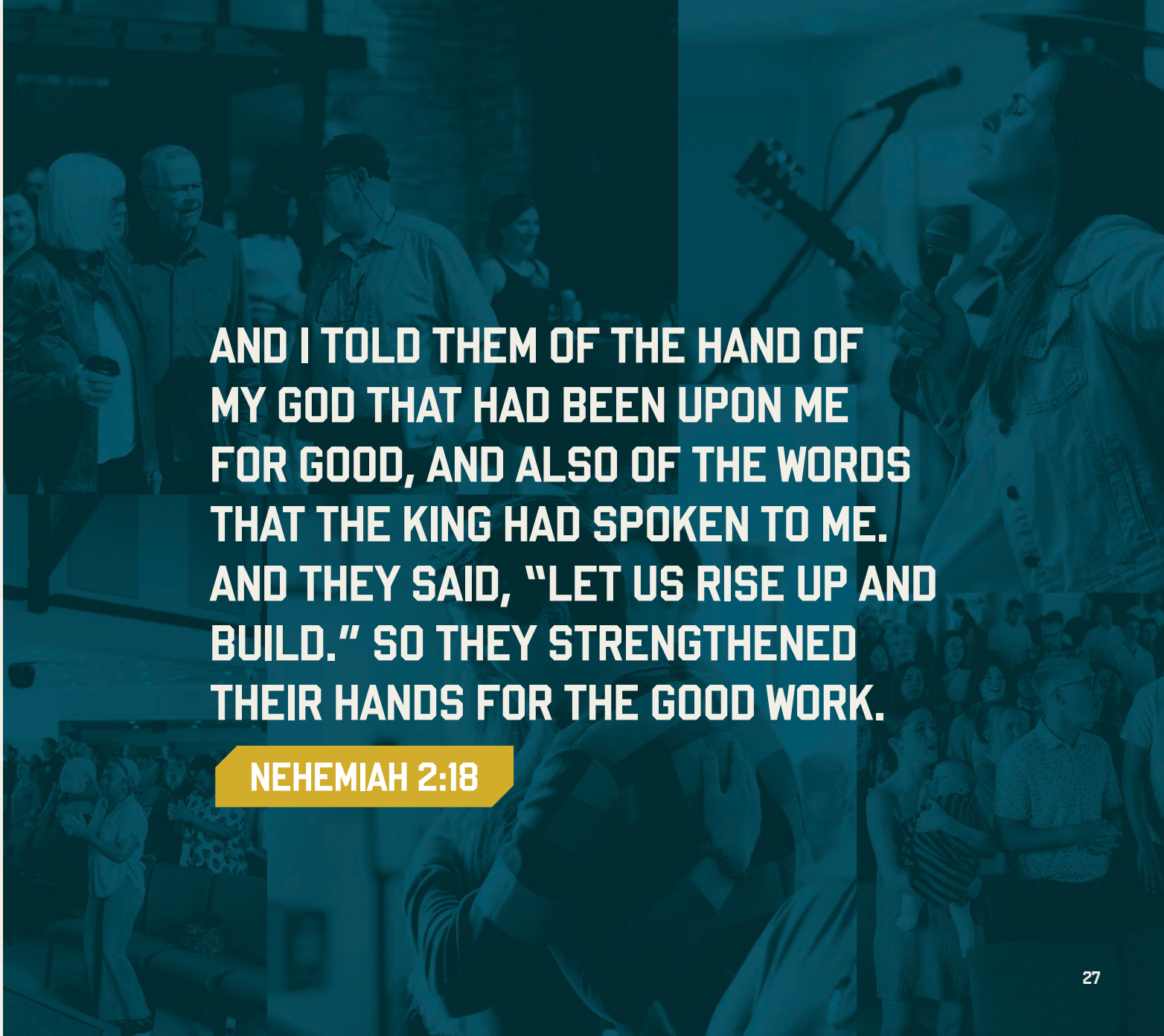
SHARE THE VISION

Invite others to discover how this vision will impact future generations, strengthen families, and serve the Park City community.

CELEBRATE WITH US

Rejoice in every milestone as we watch God accomplish more than we could ask or imagine, and celebrate the lives He will transform for generations to come.

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AND I TOLD THEM OF THE HAND OF MY GOD THAT HAD BEEN UPON ME FOR GOOD, AND ALSO OF THE WORDS THAT THE KING HAD SPOKEN TO ME. AND THEY SAID, "LET US RISE UP AND BUILD." SO THEY STRENGTHENED THEIR HANDS FOR THE GOOD WORK.

NEHEMIAH 2:18


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