



CITY HILLS CHURCH

KINGDOM BUILDERS

PREPARE THE WAY

OCTOBER–DECEMBER | 2026 VISION GUIDE



A LETTER FROM BRANDON + KARA

Dear City Hills Family,

For eleven years, we have watched God do immeasurably more than we could ask or imagine. City Hills has grown into one church across three locations, serving our region, investing in the next generation, and sharing the hope of Jesus around the world.

We are grateful for all God has done and for every person who has prayed, served, and given to help make this ministry possible. Now, we believe He is calling us to prepare the way for what He wants to do next.

That is why we are launching Kingdom Builders.

Kingdom Builders is an extension of the ministry already happening every week through prayer, worship, Next Gen, groups, discipleship, outreach, and serving our city. It does not replace our regular giving or the ministries that define City Hills. Our tithes support the ongoing ministry of the church, while Kingdom Builders gives us a shared focus for the future and a way to give above and beyond to advance Local Impact + Campus Expansion, the Next Generation, and Global Missions.

The Impact Offering will remain our largest generosity moment each year, but it will now be part of the larger Kingdom Builders vision. You can begin giving at any time, and on December 6, we will come together across every campus for our 2026 Impact Offering.

This is not about every person giving the same amount. It is about each of us praying, listening, and responding to God with faith.

As you read these pages, see more than projects. See people meeting Jesus, families being served, children discovering faith, communities receiving hope, and room being prepared for those who are not here yet.

Let's prepare the way together!

Brandon & Kara Shanks

KINGDOM BUILDERS

ABOVE + BEYOND GIVING

Kingdom Builders is a year-round giving initiative to advance the gospel and prepare the way for what God wants to do next!

Tithes sustain the ongoing ministry.
Kingdom Builders helps us expand the mission and prepare for the future.



LOCAL IMPACT + CAMPUS EXPANSION

We serve families and communities in our region.



THE NEXT GENERATION

We invest in children, students, and future leaders.



GLOBAL MISSIONS

We help take the gospel to the ends of the earth.

THE IMPACT OFFERING

Kingdom Builders giving happens throughout the year, and the Impact Offering is our largest shared giving moment each December.

DECEMBER 6, 2026



OUR VISION
SO THAT ALL PEOPLE WILL...



KNOW GOD



FIND FREEDOM



DISCOVER PURPOSE



MAKE A DIFFERENCE



RAISED
TO
LIFE





LOCAL IMPACT

AS KNOXVILLE GROWS, SO DOES OUR OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE. THROUGH LOCAL MINISTRIES, SERVE SATURDAYS, AND EVERYDAY ACTS OF SERVICE, WE CARRY THE LOVE OF JESUS BEYOND OUR WALLS.

SHOWING THE LOVE OF JESUS IN PRACTICAL WAYS



FOOD

We feed the hungry as an expression of God's provision and care. Through food pantries, food distributions, packing projects, community gardens, and local partnerships, we meet practical needs as an expression of Matthew 25:35, helping people encounter both practical help and lasting hope in Christ.



FAMILY

We strengthen families through relational, multigenerational ministry. Through foster, adoptive, and kinship care, elder care, Hispanic ministry, unplanned pregnancy support, and community partnerships, we create places of belonging where people are seen, supported, and experience the love of Christ.



FUTURES

We help people embrace the hope and future they have in Christ. Through apartment outreach, school partnerships, mentorship, and community initiatives, we invest in children, families, and individuals rebuilding their lives, helping them discover their God-given value and identity.

BEYOND OUR WALLS

LOCAL OUTREACH FEATURED PROJECTS

GIVE FAMILIES IN NEED A CHRISTMAS FILLED WITH HOPE



2,100+ CHILDREN

SERVED THROUGH CHRISTMAS MALL

This December, Christmas Mall will transform our Papermill Campus into a free Christmas shopping experience serving more than 2,100 children across our community. Parents and guardians are welcomed by personal shoppers who help them select gifts, while their children enjoy a special experience where they are cared for and hear about the love of Jesus. Gifts are quietly loaded into each family's vehicle so they can be given at home, preserving dignity and allowing parents to create meaningful Christmas memories. Every detail is designed to help families feel seen, valued, and deeply loved. This outreach is one of the ways Kingdom Builders giving will serve families and share the eternal hope of Jesus.



PROVIDE COMFORT TO CHILDREN LOCALLY IN FOSTER CARE

500 CHILDREN

RECEIVING PERSONALIZED BAGS OF HOPE

Children entering foster care sometimes carry their clothes and most treasured belongings in trash bags during one of the most difficult moments of their lives. In partnership with KICKO, we want to provide personalized Bags of Hope filled with age-appropriate comfort items for 500 children across East Tennessee. Each bag replaces something disposable with something personal, reminding a child that they matter, they belong, and they are not forgotten. Kingdom Builders giving will help meet a practical need while allowing the love and hope of Jesus to reach children and families when they need it most.



OUR LOCAL OUTREACH PARTNERS

1TENN Ministries

Students, athletes, coaches, and staff at the University of Tennessee are learning that they are seen, known, and loved by God and are being equipped to love, lead, and live like Jesus on campus and beyond.

1TennMinistries.com

Angelic Ministries

People facing poverty and addiction receive practical help, spiritual care, and Christ-centered recovery support that leads toward freedom and lasting transformation.

AngelicMinistries.com

BattleField Farm

Families in underserved East Knoxville neighborhoods receive greater access to fresh, healthy food through local farming and The One Five neighborhood grocery store.

BattleFieldFarm.org

Hope Resource Center

Women and families facing unexpected pregnancies receive compassionate healthcare, practical resources, and the support they need to make healthy, life-giving choices.

KnoxvilleHope.com

Infusion Ministries

People discover their identity in Christ and experience freedom from spiritual strongholds through counseling, conferences, discipleship resources, and church training.

InfusionNow.org

Knoxville Inner City Kids Outreach

For 30 years, KICKO has transformed Knoxville communities by helping children, youth, and families discover their God-given destiny through faith-filled programs and life-giving relationships.

KICKO.org

Knoxville Internationals Network

International families are welcomed to Knoxville and connected with relationships and resources that help them experience the love of Jesus and thrive in their new home.

Kin-Connect.org

Men of Valor

Incarcerated and formerly incarcerated men receive discipleship, transitional housing, mentoring, and employment support that helps restore their lives and families.

Men-of-Valor.org

Tennessee Kids Belong

Children in foster care find greater stability and connection through the recruitment and support of foster, kinship, and adoptive families across Tennessee.

AmericasKidsBelong.org

Thrive

Knoxville students build meaningful relationships and grow through gospel-centered mentoring and education, including a weekday after-school program hosted at our Papermill Campus.

HelpUsThrive.com

Our regular giving sustains the ongoing outreach and ministry of City Hills. Kingdom Builders allows us to pursue special projects, expand our impact, and respond to opportunities beyond our normal operating budget.



EXPAND OUR IMPACT

THROUGH KINGDOM BUILDERS, WE ARE STRENGTHENING EACH LOCATION BY EMPOWERING GIFTED CAMPUS PASTORS AND STAFF TO EQUIP PEOPLE FOR MINISTRY, SERVE THEIR COMMUNITIES TOGETHER, AND CREATE ROOM FOR MORE PEOPLE TO MEET JESUS.



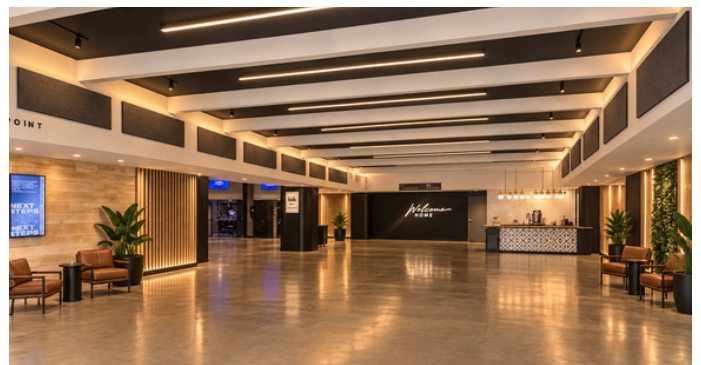
PAPERMILL CAMPUS THREE-PHASE VISION

Our long-term vision is to bring the Papermill church family together in one room, create a connected space for the next generation, and make room for people who are not here yet.



PHASE 1 - IMPROVE OUR CURRENT ENVIRONMENTS

- Install HVAC, an insulated finished ceiling, and upgraded seating in the North Auditorium to create a more comfortable and engaging environment each Sunday.
- Invest in the current Preschool and Elementary environments to create a stronger experience for children and families.
- Improve the current lobby with sound dampening and additional lighting to make it more comfortable, functional, and welcoming.



Phases 2 and 3 represent our future vision and are not included in the 2026 Kingdom Builders goal.

PHASE 2 - EXPAND THE LOBBY

- Build a larger main lobby. This will include removing the existing wall that separates the current and future lobby areas, creating one larger and more connected space.
- Create improved entrances, clearer guest flow, and additional gathering space where people can connect before and after services.



PHASE 3 - ONE AUDITORIUM + EXPANDED KIDS/NEXT GEN ENVIRONMENTS

- Expand the North Auditorium to approximately 1,400 seats, enabling us to bring the Papermill church family together in one auditorium.
- Transform the South Auditorium into a safe, secure, state-of-the-art kids ministry environment with flexible space for students and young adults.



THIS BRINGS THE PAPERMILL CAMPUS CHURCH FAMILY TOGETHER IN ONE ROOM, EXPANDS CAPACITY, CREATES A PERMANENT HOME FOR CITY HILLS KIDS, AND PROVIDES FLEXIBLE SPACE FOR STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS.

POWELL CAMPUS KIDS ENVIRONMENTS VISION

Our current Powell Campus featured project is to complete and strengthen the environments where children experience Jesus every week. This focused investment will better serve children and families by creating spaces that are welcoming, engaging, and designed to support their growth.



COMPLETE KIDS FLOORING

Install new flooring throughout the Powell kids environments to create spaces that are finished, durable, clean, and welcoming for children, families, and serve team members.

ENHANCE KIDS MINISTRY TECHNOLOGY

Upgrade and strengthen the technology in each kids environment to support engaging worship, biblical teaching, secure ministry operations, and a consistent City Hills Kids experience.

RENOVATE KIDS BATHROOMS

Update the bathrooms serving our kids environments so they are clean, welcoming, age-appropriate, and better suited to the needs of children and families.



**BETTER SPACES FOR EVERY CHILD. STRONGER SUPPORT FOR EVERY FAMILY.
ROOM FOR THE NEXT GENERATION TO KNOW JESUS.**

WEST CAMPUS PERMANENT FACILITY VISION

Our vision is to establish a permanent West Campus that creates room for Sunday growth, serves families throughout the week, and becomes a base for ministry and outreach across West Knoxville.



LOCATION	A permanent facility in West Knoxville that is easily accessible to the people and communities served by the West Campus.
CAPACITY	At least 20,000 square feet, including an auditorium that seats 500 or more people and provides room for continued growth.
KIDS + STUDENTS	Excellent, purpose-built environments for children and students to know Jesus, build relationships, and grow in their faith.
COMMUNITY	Welcoming spaces for ministry and community use throughout the week, including small groups, counseling, care, and connection.
OUTREACH	A permanent base for the West Campus to launch Serve Saturdays and outreach efforts that meet needs and share the hope of Jesus.



BUILD THE WEST PERMANENT FACILITY FUND

City Hills is already saving toward this vision, and we are actively looking for potential properties. Kingdom Builders will strengthen a dedicated reserve, so we can respond responsibly when the right opportunity becomes available.



LOVE GOD

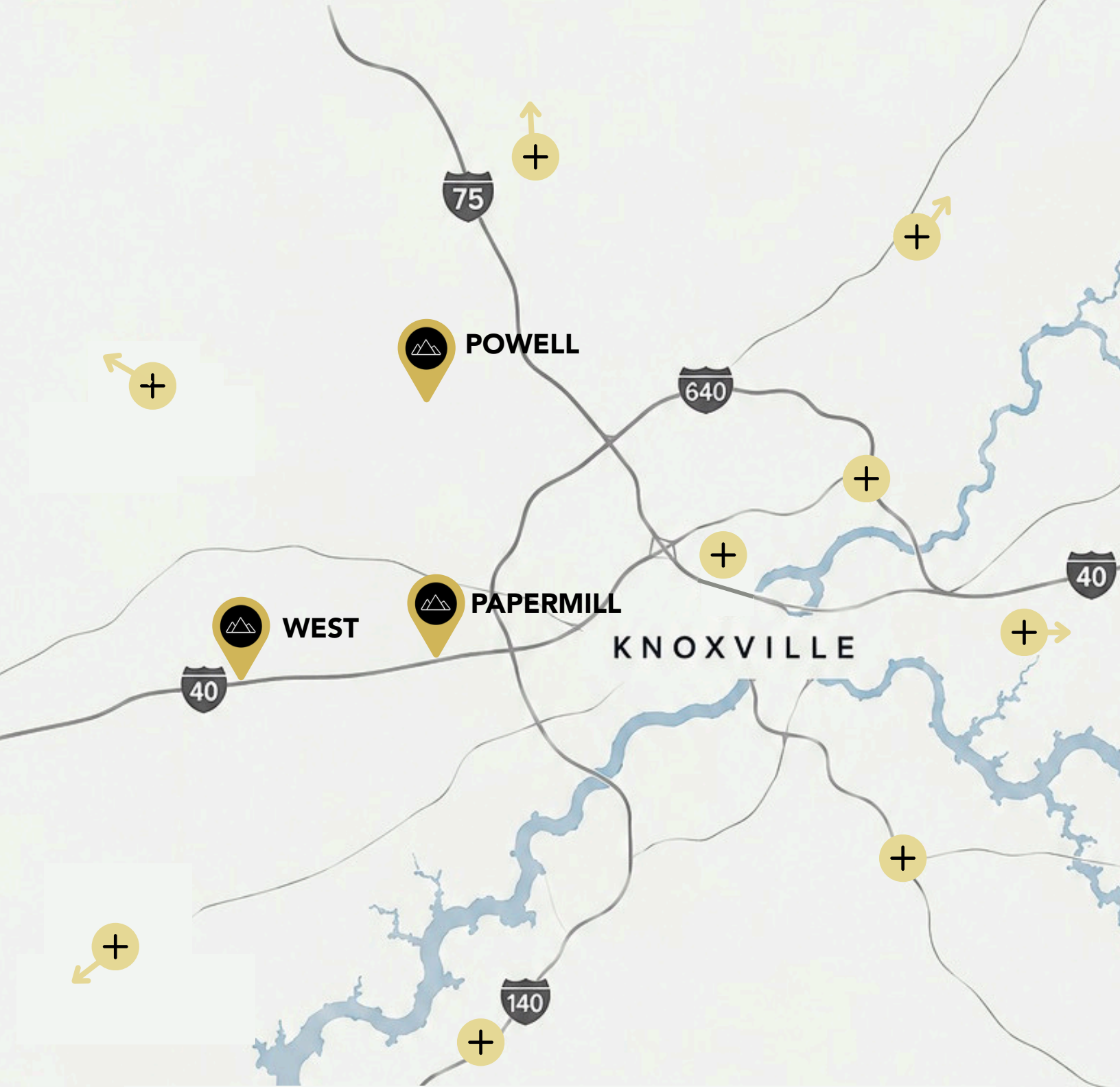


LOVE PEOPLE

CHANGE OUR WORLD



CITY HILLS.CHURCH



FOR KNOXVILLE + BEYOND

One church in three locations + more as the Lord leads.
The best is yet to come!



PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION

THROUGH KINGDOM BUILDERS, WE ARE STRENGTHENING
THE ENVIRONMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT HELP
CHILDREN, STUDENTS, AND YOUNG ADULTS KNOW JESUS,
GROW IN THEIR FAITH, AND LIVE ON MISSION.

INVESTING IN EVERY STAGE



PRESCHOOL

From the very beginning, we want every child to know they are loved, valued, and known by God. We create safe, nurturing environments for newborns and preschoolers, with thoughtful support for children with special needs, so that every child can begin to know Jesus and experience His love in a way they can understand.

ELEMENTARY

We want your kids to love church and look forward to being here. Through high-energy worship, fun activities, age-appropriate teaching, and intentional support for children with special needs, we help every child build a strong foundation of faith that will last a lifetime. Our prayer is simple: that they would know Jesus, love His Word, and discover the joy of living a life for God.



MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL

The next generation is not just the future of the church. They are the church right now. Through City Night, groups, summer camps, retreats, and leadership opportunities, middle and high school students encounter Jesus, build real friendships, worship together, and have honest conversations about faith and life. We are preparing the way by giving students a community where they can belong, grow, lead, and become who God has called them to be.

YOUNG ADULTS

The years between 18 and 25 are filled with big questions, big decisions, and big opportunities. 1501 exists to help young adults find community, grow in their faith, live on mission, and discover that they do not have to do life alone. Through worship, teaching, Table Talks, and authentic relationships, we are creating a place where the next generation of leaders can lose the world, find their people, and gain their souls.





GLOBAL MISSIONS

THROUGH TRUSTED PARTNERS, WE HELP PLANT CHURCHES, EQUIP LEADERS, MEET PRACTICAL NEEDS, AND CARRY THE HOPE OF JESUS ACROSS OUR NATION AND AROUND THE WORLD.



UNTIL THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS

The mission of Jesus has never been limited by borders. As we look beyond East Tennessee, we believe God is inviting City Hills to play a greater part in what He is doing around the world. Preparing the way means praying, giving, going, and being ready when God opens the next door.



PRAY + GIVE

Every mission begins with prayer, and every mission needs people willing to invest. We are asking our church family to pray for the people, communities, and partners we serve around the world, and to give financially so that the love of Jesus can reach places we may never personally go.

GO

We want to see more people experience the joy of going. Our long-term goal is for at least 10% of the City Hills family to participate in mission trips and outreach, meeting needs through disaster relief, ministry, and practical care. From Honduras to the Dominican Republic and beyond, we want to send people who are ready to go wherever God opens the door.



GLOBAL MISSIONS FEATURED PROJECTS

BRING CLEAN WATER TO FAMILIES IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



500 FAMILIES • APPROXIMATELY 2,500 PEOPLE RECEIVING CLEAN WATER SYSTEMS

Safe drinking water remains out of reach for many families in the Dominican Republic. Through our partnership with Second Chance Global, your Kingdom Builders giving will provide clean water systems for 500 families, impacting approximately 2,500 people. Through established local partnerships, these systems will meet a basic need, reduce financial burdens, build lasting relationships, and create opportunities to share the gospel. Together, we can provide clean water and introduce families to the living water found in Jesus.



PROVIDE BEDS FOR PASTORS AND CHURCH LEADERS IN TANZANIA



332 BEDS NEEDED FOR NORTHEASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE

Our global missions partner, Priority One, is helping complete key facilities at Northeastern Bible College in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, where pastors and church leaders receive practical and biblical training. The new dormitories need 332 beds to house leaders traveling from communities across the region. By giving through Kingdom Builders, you can help furnish these rooms so leaders are equipped, churches are strengthened, and more communities across Africa are reached with the hope of Jesus.



OUR GLOBAL MISSIONS PARTNERS

Association of Related Churches

Church planters receive training, coaching, resources, and financial support to launch life-giving churches that reach people with the message of Jesus.

ARCChurches.com

Charis in Action

People across Zambia are encountering Jesus through Bible distribution, evangelism, discipleship, and church planting. Local believers are being equipped to share the gospel and establish healthy, multiplying churches.

CharisInAction.org

Convoy of Hope

Families facing hunger, poverty, and disaster receive food, emergency relief, agricultural training, and practical support that brings help and lasting hope.

ConvoyOfHope.org

Dan and Sherry Davis, Missionaries

Church leaders across Africa are equipped to understand, teach, and share God's Word, strengthening churches and reaching communities with the gospel.

AGMD.org

Deeper Still Ministries

Women and men wounded by abortion experience forgiveness, healing, and lasting freedom through free, confidential, Christ-centered retreats.

DeeperStill.org

Effective Ministries

Children and families in Niger receive Christian education, orphan care, clean water, food, and opportunities to build sustainable futures.

EffectiveMinistries.org

Hope Through Him Ministries

Children and families in Honduras experience the hope of Jesus through Bible teaching, education, feeding programs, relationships, and community outreach.

HopeThroughHim.org

Matthew 10 International

Unreached communities encounter Jesus through gospel crusades and local partnerships that bring spiritual and physical freedom to families trapped in modern slavery.

Matthew10.com

OneCry

Churches and believers are mobilized through prayer, resources, coaching, and events to seek God together for revival and spiritual awakening.

OneCry.com

The Pastors Collective

Pastors, spouses, and ministry leaders receive rest, soul care, encouragement, and relationships that help them lead well and finish strong.

PastorsCollective.com

Priority One

Bible colleges and training centers are built around the world to equip future pastors, strengthen churches, and advance the gospel for generations.

PriorityOneSchools.com

Second Chance Global

Communities in Haiti and the Dominican Republic break cycles of poverty through discipleship, education, healthcare, nutrition, and economic opportunity.

SecondChanceGlobal.org

Our regular giving sustains missionaries and trusted partners serving across our nation and around the world. Kingdom Builders allows us to fund strategic projects, equip local leaders, meet urgent needs, and carry the hope of Jesus into more communities.



FAITHFUL WITH WHAT GOD PROVIDES



WE STEWARD WISELY

Every gift is handled with prayer, wisdom, and strong oversight. We are debt free, maintain emergency reserves, follow sound accounting standards, and undergo independent financial reviews. Projects will move forward as funds become available, with church leadership prayerfully determining timing and priorities.

WE STAY INVOLVED

City Hills will remain actively engaged with every Kingdom Builders project. We will carefully evaluate each opportunity, work closely with our ministry partners, and hold every organization receiving church resources to high standards of integrity and accountability.

WE SHARE PROGRESS

We will regularly communicate the needs, progress, and impact of Kingdom Builders so our church can see how generosity is being used. We will celebrate changed lives and share the difference we are making together.

WE GIVE WITH FAITH. WE STEWARD WITH WISDOM.

OUR SHARED KINGDOM BUILDERS GOAL BY DECEMBER 31, 2026

\$1.3 MILLION

PREPARING THE WAY FOR WHAT GOD WANTS TO DO NEXT

GIVE ABOVE + BEYOND

Kingdom Builders giving is above and beyond the tithe. It allows us to move forward with special projects and opportunities across Local Impact + Campus Expansion, the Next Generation, and Global Missions.

GIVE ANY TIME TO KINGDOM BUILDERS

You can give to Kingdom Builders at any time through any of our regular giving methods. Whether you give once or throughout the year, every gift helps advance the Kingdom of God.

IMPACT OFFERING DECEMBER 6

On Sunday, December 6, we will come together across every campus for our annual Impact Offering, our largest shared Kingdom Builders giving moment of the year. Every gift will help us move toward our 2026 Kingdom Builders goal.

OCTOBER–DECEMBER 2026

WHAT YOUR KINGDOM BUILDERS GIVING WILL HELP MAKE POSSIBLE:

**LOCAL OUTREACH FEATURED PROJECTS • PAPERMILL PHASE 1
POWELL KIDS IMPROVEMENTS • WEST PERMANENT FACILITY FUND
GLOBAL MISSIONS FEATURED PROJECTS**



TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT YES?

Kingdom Builders is an invitation for every person to pray, serve, and give as God leads.

PRAY

Ask God how He is calling you to participate. Pray for the people, partners, and projects Kingdom Builders will serve.

SERVE

Put your faith into action by serving at City Hills, joining local outreach and mission opportunities, and making a difference wherever God has placed you.

GIVE

Ask God what He would have you give above and beyond your regular tithe. Whether your next step is beginning to give or growing in generosity, respond with faith and obedience.

GIVE TO KINGDOM BUILDERS

SCAN TO GIVE, THEN SELECT KINGDOM BUILDERS.



LEARN MORE AT
[CITYHILLS.COM/KINGDOMBUILDERS](https://cityhills.com/kingdombuilders)

“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably
more than all we ask or imagine, according to His
power that is at work within us.”

EPHESIANS 3:20



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