## **APRIL 2017**

Thank you for taking time to continue to read about the challenges we face planting Parish LB. It is meaningful for us to communicate our burdens in order to transparently engage any of you who are generously considering a one-time financial gift or monthly support. Since our needs will change as our church matures, we encourage you to sign up for our newsletter where we will be communicating and updating the details frequently.

On April 4th, our family will be relocating from Charlotte to Long Beach. Our initial efforts are to find a home to rent. This is one of our most crucial decisions, as it will serve both us and Parish LB in its infancy. Until we outgrow it, our home will function as the primary meeting space for the church. It will also serve as a transition place for other team members who will be arriving from the east coast in the summer of 2017. We are not looking for anything extravagant, only modest and inviting where we can continue to live creatively, making every inch matter. We ask you to keep in mind that Southern California is quite expensive. For example, in Charlotte, median houses will rent for around \$1.15 per sq. ft. In Long Beach, they begin at around \$2.50+ per sq. ft.

We would like to be able to be full-time church planters who choose jobs strategically as part of our mission to be woven into the fabric of the city. Ideally, it would be the kind of work that would allow us to become acquainted with the city's diverse people while learning their questions and obstacles. This is where your gifts not only shape our journey, but make new possibilities for our church and the lives of those with whom we intersect. Our objective is to secure enough support to pour our entire effort into birthing and forming this church that we have been entrusted with.

We hope to become a self-sustaining church within 24 months. If you would like to support us regularly, we ask that you consider a 12-month commitment. A detailed list of our relocation and organization costs along with our monthly expenses are included here. You will not find a church office or a meeting space on our list. We are not ready for either of those things yet. This is the list of a church moving towards a launch.

Perhaps you would like to come along side of us to carry one of our burdens specifically. In order to do so, see a breakdown of the costs below and fill in the appropriate amount online through the donation platform on our site's "Give" page. All gifts are tax deductible.

Moving Expenses		
Moving Truck/Travel	\$2,300	
Plane Tickets	\$630	
Lodging (temporary)	\$3,500+ /mo.	
Storage (temporary)	\$225 /mo.	

Monthly Expenses - Church		
General Operations		
Website Hosting	\$20	
Hospitality Items		
Giving Platform	TBD	
One-time expense 501C3	\$3500	

Monthly Expenses - Personal		
Rent	\$2,900 est.	
Utilities	\$100	
Internet	\$90	
Health Insurance	TBD	
Auto Insurance	\$120	