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PREACHING CHRIST, BRINGING

Joy

Adventure [ad-ven-cher]

:an exciting or very unusual experience.

:a bold, usually risky undertaking; hazardous action of uncertain outcome.

I don't know if you realize it, but the word "adventure" is a pretty good definition of what it means to walk by faith and not by sight. At times, it would seem that walking by faith is way more on the "risky undertaking" side than it is the "exciting adventure" side. We all like as much certainty as we can get!

The reality is that the future is always an uncertain and unknown adventure.

The last few years have certainly been an adventure. As you look through this booklet, you'll notice it gives us the ability to look forward and backward all at the same time. Looking back, we can see both the "unusual" and "exciting" nature of the word adventure. I mean how much more "unusual" is it that a creative arts pastor from Trinidad/Tobago, by way of Toronto, Canada, staying in Hannibal, Missouri, end up in central Minnesota? It only seems crazy, until it happens!

What about the "risky undertaking"? The future that extends in front of us is unknown and the "unknown" is what makes it feel so "risky". Most often, we can only see the obstacles, but God sees what we cannot. That's why we're encouraged to walk by faith, not by sight.

Check this out...

Psalm 77:19 (NLT) Your road led through the sea, your pathway through the mighty waters—a pathway no one knew was there!



God was leading them into a risky and unknown future. The way was filled with hazards, but God had a way that no one else could see. Anything of lasting value and impact requires risk and faith. Our past experiences as a church have taught us that whenever we step out in God's purposes, we step out in His power.

I encourage you to prayerfully look through the following pages. Some of the things laid out in this little booklet might seem like a giant undertaking, but we are not people who see only with a natural eye, we see with an eye of faith.

Yes, there is an unknown future in front of us and yes there's always a risk, but let's RUN into the future with boldness and confidence!

Shelly and I want to thank you for your love and faithfulness. It is a privilege and an honor to be called the pastor of such a remarkable body of believers. We love and appreciate you more than you could possibly know.

RUNNING TO THE ADVENTURE!

Pastor Brian and Shelly

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And the Lord said to me, "Write my answer on a billboard, large and clear, so that anyone can read it at a glance and rush to tell the others."
Habakkuk 2:2 (TLB)



BLESS Every Home

B-We **B**egin with prayer

L-We **L**isten

E-We **E**ngage

S-We **S**erve

S-We tell our **S**tory



EXPAND Digital Outreach

THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CHURCH HAS MOVED & CHANGED OVER THE YEARS.

Statement from 1998 vision Sunday

announcement: "A new "internet ministry" with this statement. Beginning March of 1998 we will launch out into the World Wide Web. Our web page is located at www.greatjoy.org. We are going to use this cutting edge tool as an outreach, as well as, to further minister to the local church."



MENTOR Apprenticeship

THE SECOND MILE

God has a special purpose for you and your life. **The Second Mile** is for young adults who are wondering if ministry might be a "next step" for them. This gives them the opportunity for education and ministry experience necessary to build a foundation for their calling.

TRACKS TO RUN ON

- The Arts
- Kids Ministry



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RAISE A MILLION+ TO HELP US

- Eliminate debt
- Make much needed building improvements

By the inch, it's a cinch.

By the yard, it's hard.

BUY the foot, we'll take root!



PRAYER Increased Prayer

Instead of a last resort, prayer will be our first response

COMING IN 2022

- Prayer of Agreement Sunday, April 10
- Week of Prayer, April 11-14
- Special Sunday night services with praise, prayer & communion
- Worship Wednesday's September 2022
- Weekend Prayer Conference in Fall 2022

SERMON SERIES COMING SOON

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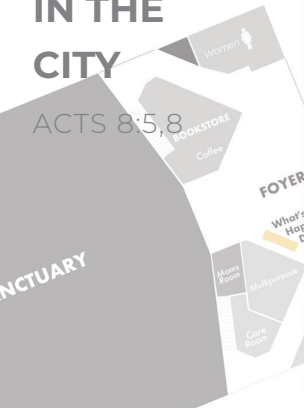
TAKE A STEP FORWARD WITH US



SPONSOR GROWTH TODAY

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ACTS 8:5,8



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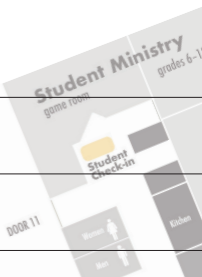
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