

THE GATHERING HARLEM



OUR VISION

A Harlem where everyone is dignified and unified because justice, love, and mercy are present.



LETTERS FROM OUR PASTORS



Last year, I took on the role of interim pastor at The Gathering Harlem.

The church was going through a difficult time due to the unexpected resignation of its lead pastor, who was also my brother and mentor in ministry. Prior to his departure, I had been a familiar and supportive presence at the church for several years. In the midst of the congregation's disappointment and grief, I was compelled to remind them of God's headship and faithfulness to His church. It's been a year since then, and with God's guidance, we have made progress in coming together and working towards healing and stability. However, there is still much work to be done in order to continue to impact Harlem with the gospel. Nevertheless, I am inspired by the

progress we have made and the hope that lies ahead. I would like to invite you to join us in our mission and help create a Harlem full of hope, where the community is dignified and unified, and where justice, love, and mercy are present.

- Pastor Charles



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I was there from the beginning when the founding pastor invited me to join the core team at TGH.

While studying for my Master of Divinity at seminary, I worked there as a church administrator and later as a Planter in Residence after graduating. In 2020, I was sent out to start a church in the Bronx, but due to the pandemic, I returned to TGH as an Associate Pastor in 2022. Just as the church was starting to recover from the pandemic, our founding pastor suddenly resigned at the beginning of 2023 due to a moral failure. This led to a decline in attendance and giving, and some members left. In the midst of my own disappointment with our pastor's resignation,



I was overwhelmed with trying to shepherd a wounded community and keep the church running. However, despite the challenges, we continued to have new people join the church, and Charles stepped in as our Interim Pastor. During the spring and summer of 2023, we started to see things turn around as we celebrated the baptism of 10 people on Easter, followed by another 11 in July and 6 more in August. We had 13 more baptisms in October, for a total of 40 over a six-month period! Although we have been limited due to the pandemic and experienced financial constraints during a period of decreased membership, God has blessed us with an abundance of fruit at TGH. We are excited about what He will continue to do with your partnership in the future.

- Pastor Nate





GOD'S FAITHFUL NESS IN 2023





SUSTAINED OUR CHURCH THROUGH A PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TRANSITION AND IDENTIFIED A NEW LEAD PASTOR





2023 IMPACT GODS' FAITHFULNESS



130
AVERAGE WEEKLY
ATTENDANCE FOR
2023

122
NEW MEMBERS
IN 2023
(After implementing the church's first membership process)



2023 IMPACT: GODS' FAITHFULNESS







40
BAPTISMS
INCLUDING 7 YOUTH



2023 IMPACT GODS' FAITHFULNESS





ENGAGED 80 PEOPLE IN LIFE GROUPSFOR THE SPRING AND FALL





MOVED TO A NEW LOCATION





SAVING \$100K ANNUALLY







EMBRACED THE VISION FOR RESTORATION AND DISCIPLESHIP IN 2024





OUR MISSIONAL GOALS FOR 2024





WHAT PARTNERSHIP WILL SUPPORT:



Short term vision

- To launch our discipleship program that will equip new members/converts
- To healthily grow our church staff to support all ministry needs
- To fund community/outreach and local initiatives



Long term vision

- To restore the various ministries within our church that have been impacted during the many transitions
- To guide and nurture believers, fostering their growth into long-term leaders poised to carry TGH into the unfolding seasons ahead.







BAPTIZE 80 people and increase membership to 200 people.



RAISE a total of \$150,000 increasing our operating budget by 100k and securing a savings of 50K.



INCREASE weekly internal giving average from 8k to 12k.



SERVE the local elementary school that we gather at weekly.



RELAUNCH our outreach ministry to engage our community.





HOW TO PARTNER WITH TGH IN 2024







PROVISION

Commit to giving financially to our mission for 2024.



PARTICIPATION

Join us on mission in Harlem by scheduling a mission trip.

Refer us to churches in your network who may be interested in partnering.



PRAYER

Commit to praying for our needs to be met this year and sign up for quarterly updates.





\$1k New signage for our Sunday worship space **\$2**k New portable baptistry **Build a supply closet for all of our Sunday** \$5k & worship supplies \$5k **Support for Kid's Ministry Re-launch our Outreach Ministry** \$10k New wireless microphones & in-ear \$15k monitors for our worship team \$20 Benevolence for people in our community New livestream cameras & equipment \$20k (computer, lights, etc) **Content staff person S20**k Annual rent for our worship space \$55k





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