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Annual Report

TRUE NORTH CHURCH

*Celebrating 2017 & looking to see
what's coming up in 2018.*



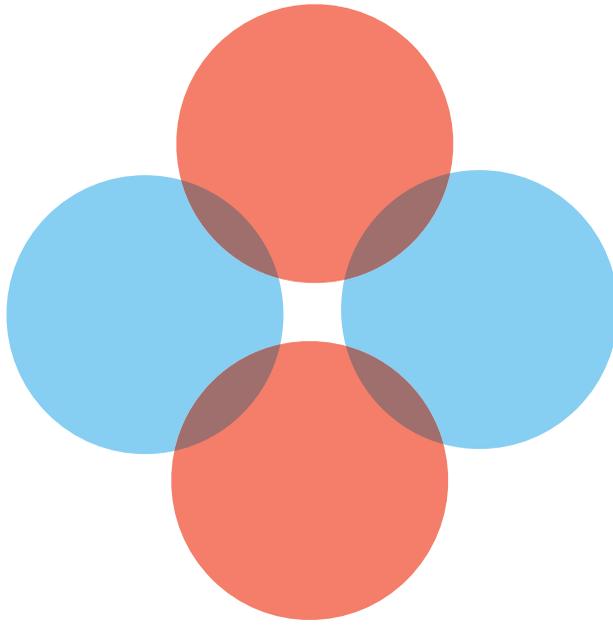
Message From Our Pastor

MMXVII

*Always take the time to celebrate
what God has done.*

For those of you who are part of the True North family, thank you so much for everything you do! Your devotion, generosity and heart for Jesus is changing our community and setting a foundation to have immeasurable impact in the future. 2017 was another year of such incredible increase for our family and it's important we live with a sincere gratitude to the Lord. I don't want you to miss or take for granted the significance of what God is doing right here in South Jersey. When you see numbers from 2017, please remember that those numbers represent real people whose lives have been transformed by the power of the gospel. I believe what we've seen as a family is truly only the beginning of what God desires to happen through His Church. Be expectant, stir your faith. I believe this year we will step into even greater influence, walk with greater faith, and see more of the impossible happen on a regular basis. Our best days are still ahead!

PASTOR JESSE EISENHART



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Visit our website and click the upcoming link.



FIGHT NIGHTS

FOUR TIMES THIS YEAR

Sunday Nights at J. Mason Tomlin School, 6pm.

Fight Night is a time we come together as a church family to engage in an incredibly powerful time of worship, prayer and communion. We also have an opportunity to hear an empowering leadership teaching from pastors on staff. Fight Nights are open for anyone to attend and are designed to help people move from standing on the sidelines to being equipped and strengthened so they can play a vital role in what God is doing in our communities.

LEGACY GIVING

TWICE THIS YEAR

Free event, taught by Financial Planning Ministries.

Stewardship of our finances is a life-long journey. We believe that the small decisions of obedience we make today in our finances will greatly impact the generations to come. Legacy Giving offers you the opportunity to set up a Living Trust completely free & to be educated throughout the process.





MARRIAGE EXPRESS

THREE TIMES THIS YEAR

Sign ups available on the website, \$20 per couple.

Next to your relationship with Jesus, marriage is the next most important relationship in your life. We value marriage and believe it's extremely important to invest into. Marriage Express is set up for you & your spouse to sit under biblical principles as well as practical teaching and encouragement to cultivate a thriving, vibrant marriage.



FINANCIAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE

THIS FALL

Free event, taught by Joe Sangl.

The stewardship of our finances is a tremendous - and often overlooked - area of our lives where we can faithfully practice obedience. Getting on track with your finances can seem like a daunting task, but with a few simple tools you can get back on track. The FLE is a 2-hour teaching that covers everything from budgeting, to savings ideas & tips, to developing a plan to win with your money.



TRUE WOMEN

TWICE THIS YEAR

Free event, for all Women in the Church.

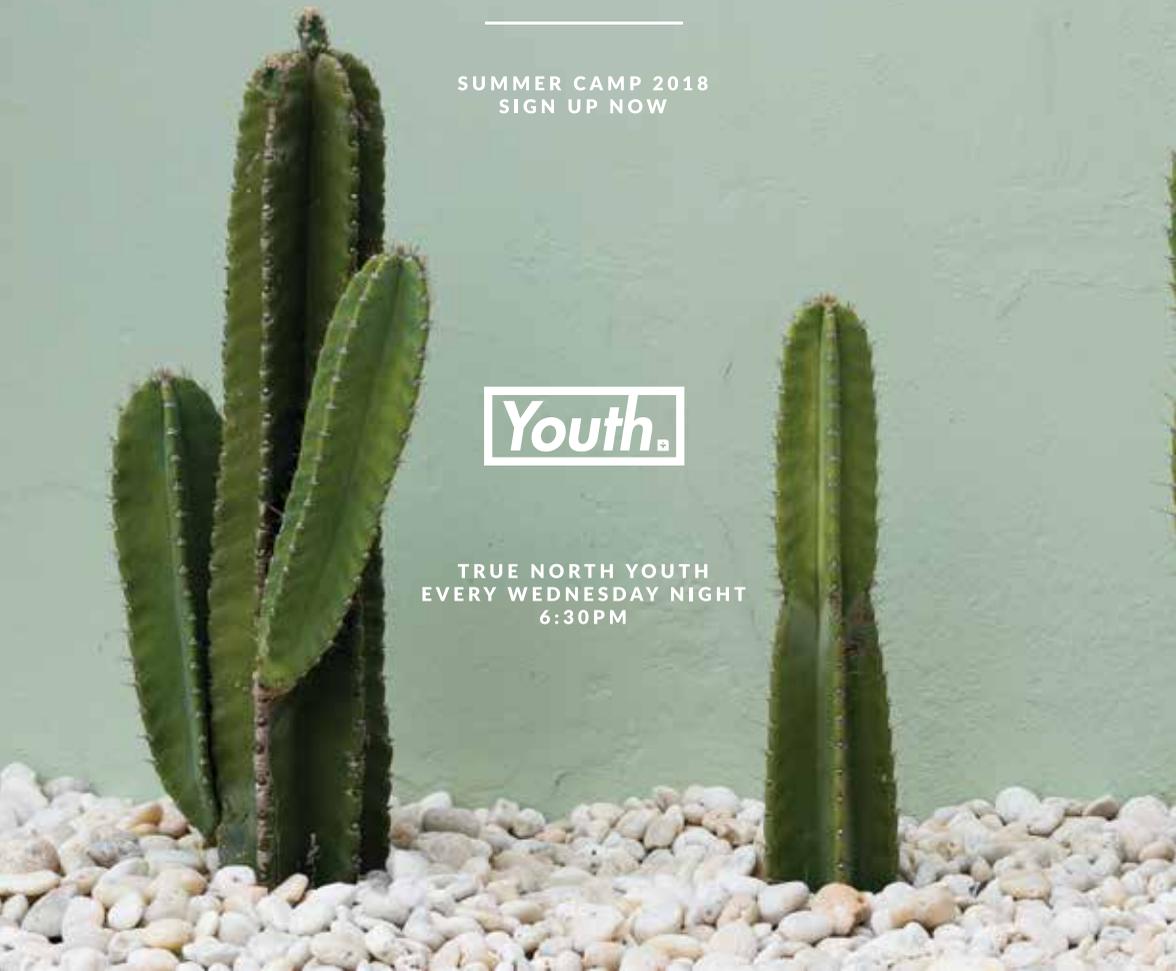
True Women is a powerful service twice a year where the women of True North get together for encouragement, teaching, prayer, & worship. This is an event that you do not want to miss.

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SUMMER CAMP 2018
SIGN UP NOW

YouthSM

TRUE NORTH YOUTH
EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT
6:30PM



Made to Move

Written by Pastor Jesse.

Almost twelve years ago, God called my parents to step out in faith and plant a church in the community we lived in. At that time, I was enjoying my final season as a college football player at Rowan University. I remember thinking how crazy it was that my parents would do something like plant a church at this stage in their lives. I was aware the church we were in at the time was severely struggling, but I didn't think their response would be to plant a church of their own. I remember saying something of this effect to my father. "You're 52 years old. Do you really want to plant a church?"

When God calls you to do something new, different, out-of-the ordinary or unexpected, it actually requires very little to get started. Looking back, I remember saying to myself, "Gosh, we don't have anything! No building, no chairs, no sound system, no church name (side note: no one liked "true north" at the time), no money and most importantly, no people!" My parents have always taught me by example, and this situation was no different. Moving from a place of comfort to the unknown requires several things, but first and foremost it requires obedience. And you don't need anything to be obedient except faith and a willingness to obey!

Your flesh will adamantly disagree, but it's true, obedience releases blessings in our lives. It permits God to do what He desires to do, which is to pour out blessing on His children and build his kingdom through their obedience. My parents were certain God called them to plant a church,

no matter how strange it sounded. So because of that calling and the faith they had, they obediently did what God was calling them to do. Was it easy? No! Just because God calls you to do something doesn't mean it will be easy. Actually, many of the things God called people to do in scripture were very difficult. You will face your greatest battles in walking by faith, but with each step you learn how to let God fight your battles for you.

Obedience could be seen as a "first step" in following Jesus, but it's only the beginning of this daily process. Throughout scripture we see Jesus calling His disciples to follow Him, which implies constant and continual movement. They would follow Jesus wherever and whenever He decided to move. We need to be the same today, always good and prepared to move.

Movement alone without direction only produces busyness and activity in our lives, this is not what God wants. God desires our spiritual movement to be intentional in its decision and direction with a holy purpose. Spiritual movement is listening to the Holy Spirit in everyday situations even if our obedient response would be contrary to how we feel at the time. Spiritual movement requires us to depend less on ourselves and more on God with each passing day. Spiritual movement is a life lived by faith and not by sight. It desperately depends on the voice of God.

What we see can often cause us not to move spiritually, because it doesn't seem logical or rational. While I strongly believe faith and wisdom work together, the bible instructs us that God's ways are above our ways and that He uses the foolish things of this world to confound the wise. Living and moving by faith fights against comfort, it pushes against what is easy because comfort typically produces less movement! We believe we are MADE TO MOVE. Each of us were created to move. Living with intentional movement keeps us comfortably uncomfortable and moves us closer to JESUS. Listening to the voice of the Holy Spirit on a daily basis will allow us to see the supernatural in our lives.

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Celebrating 2017

WE BELIEVE

*that our best days for the church
and your lives are yet to come.*

One phrase we live by here at True North is, “the best is yet to come”. You’ve all probably heard it spoken in a sermon and written in booklets, such as the one you’re holding. And it’s true, we believe God has incredible things in store for the future of True North Church, far greater even than what we are seeing right now. Although it’s awesome to have big vision for the future, the problem with a phrase like this is how we can quickly forget what God has done in the past and is doing right now and instead only focus forward on what He is about to do in the future.

Let the verse below be an encouragement for you as well as a challenge for 2018:

John 15:4-5 “Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.”

This is the truth: we cannot bear fruit apart from our heavenly Father, so the fruit we are seeing are a result of the church being connected to the source, which is God himself. Be encouraged by that, but also, as we look forward to 2018 and beyond, let’s use this as a challenge to continue to be more connected to the vine, the source of everything we have. And as we continue to fulfill the great commission by helping people to connect to Jesus, we believe that the best is truly yet to come.

22%

*Average Sunday attendance
increase year over year.*

185

*People who completed
Growth Track.*

46

Number of Regroups.

799

*Total number of recorded
next steps in 2017.*

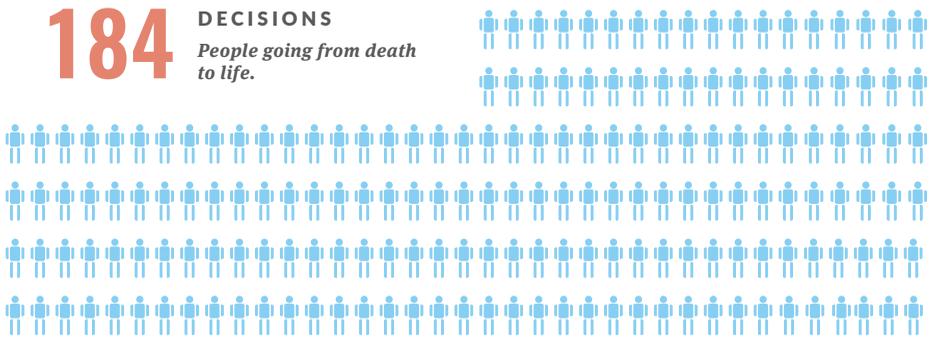
QUICK LOOK...

*at some of the next step
numbers from 2017.*

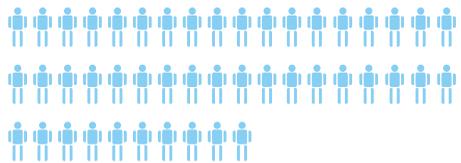
NEXT STEPS

Every number has a name, Every name has a story, Every story matters to God.

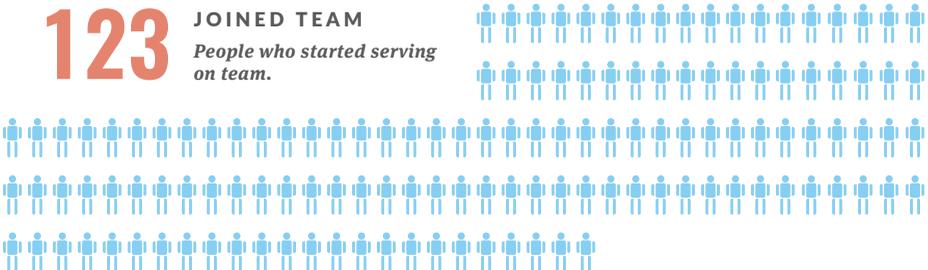
184 DECISIONS
*People going from death
to life.*



46 BAPTISMS
*People making a public
declaration of their faith.*



123 JOINED TEAM
*People who started serving
on team.*



GENERATIONS

The Next Generation

WE UNDERSTAND

children are the future leaders of the church.

We are committed as a church family to resource and equip the next generation to understand the love, freedom and identity found only in Jesus. We know God can use children and youth to change schools and draw people closer to Himself. They are not only the future leaders of the church, even now they are called to lead their friends and classmates to Christ.

YOUTH

7TH - 12TH GRADE

Highlights of next steps and numbers from 2017.

73

Youth decided to follow Jesus.

86

New, first time youth students.

38

Average youth students in YDGs.

COMPASS KIDS

6 MONTHS - 6TH GRADE

Highlights of next steps and numbers from 2017.

193

Average Compass Kids attendance.

46

Average team members serving on Sunday.

6

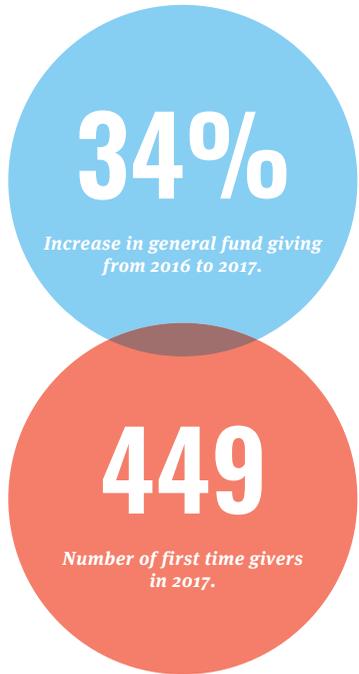
Average new families to check in each week.

Because He Gave

WHY WE GIVE

and the financial numbers from 2017.

We choose to give as a church because He gave first. God sent His Son Jesus to die on a cross for our sins. God was incredibly generous with us, and in return we choose to show our gratitude for His love for us through generosity. Just as Christ chose to be a sacrifice for all, we choose to sacrifice and give a portion back of what really belongs to Him. We are most like Christ when we choose to display His character in our own lives; in this case, by demonstrating his generous spirit.



TITHES & OFFERINGS

2017		\$2,243,878.16
2016		\$1,937,081.35
2015		\$1,711,653.00

● GENERAL ● BUILDING FUNDS ● MISC.

FINANCES CONT.

TOTAL 2017 INCOME	\$2,243,878.16
TITHES & OFFERINGS	\$2,015,220.66
MORE INITIATIVE	\$209,485.53
MISC. REVENUE	\$19,171.97
TOTAL 2017 EXPENSES	\$1,433,986.44
MINISTRY	\$323,785.07
GENERAL & ADMIN.	\$128,725.15
MISSIONS	\$24,472.93
FACILITIES	\$150,050.76
PERSONNEL	\$673,749.00
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT	\$1,103.53
DEPRECIATION	\$132,100.00
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$809,891.72
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,651,982.93
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$721,822.27
TOTAL EQUITY	\$3,930,160.66

True North Church's statements of financial position have been reviewed by independent accounting firm, Stanfield & O'Dell, Tulsa OK.

The 2016 Financial Review concludes that our financial statements are in conformity to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

If you have any questions about the financial information in this report, please contact our Office at 856.494.3562.



True North Church App

TAKE A STEP

Find a Regroup, sign up for Growth Track and learn all about Next Steps.

WATCH & LISTEN

All of our past messages and series are available to listen, watch and share.

GIVE

Give one time or setup a recurring gift, all options available on the app.

STORIES



EMILY GILL

Took her next step to get baptized in 2017.

"I accepted Jesus as my Savior in January 2017, and my life will never be the same. I used to struggle with severe anxiety and depression, but since being saved, I've been healed from all of it. A few months after I was saved, God spoke to me, telling me to be baptized, and wanting to be obedient, Pastor Luis baptized me in July. Since getting baptized I've felt more connected to my Lord and seek to know Him and His word more. I have joined a few regroups and I intend on taking my next steps so that I may serve Jesus at True North."



MARIO VALORI

Took his next step in trusting God with his finances.

"I was on a plane reading the "Blessed Life" by Robert Morris and something clicked and I said 'that's it I'm all in.' I did it my way my whole life and I lost everything. When it comes to tithing, I could have been seen as a tipper but now it's much more fulfilling to be involved in what the Bible actually says. I haven't seen a huge financial reaping but my heart is changed. I want to be a generous person. There doesn't have to be an economical reward in this moment, but I believe in God. Bottom line I am trusting Him."



OSCAR LOPEZ

Took his next step and started serving on team.

"Serving as a youth leader and on the host team at True North have changed my life. I feel a deeper and more intimate relationship with the Lord since serving in His House. It gets me excited every time that I get a chance to serve at church or at youth. The Lord gave me a heart to serve and to help others. I would have not been blessed with a heart to serve if I never decided to take a step in faith and serve on the host team or become a youth leader."



Finding Your Next Step

MADE TO MOVE

Just one step away from breakthrough.

Healthy people grow, and growing people change. No matter how old you are or whatever season of life you are in, everyone always has a next step. Whether you have been a Christian for 5 days or 50 years, we all share one thing in common, we are all Made to Move. No matter what you've been through or what questions you might have, if you are not sure where to start or what your next step is, we are here to help you. Visit us in the back after every service, online or through our app and discover for yourself what's next for you.

I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 3:14



Talk with a Pastor or team member at next steps.



Visit our website for more info, www.truenorth.cc.



Download our app to sign up for any next step.

WAYS TO STEP

Find the one that works best for you.

SECTION 03

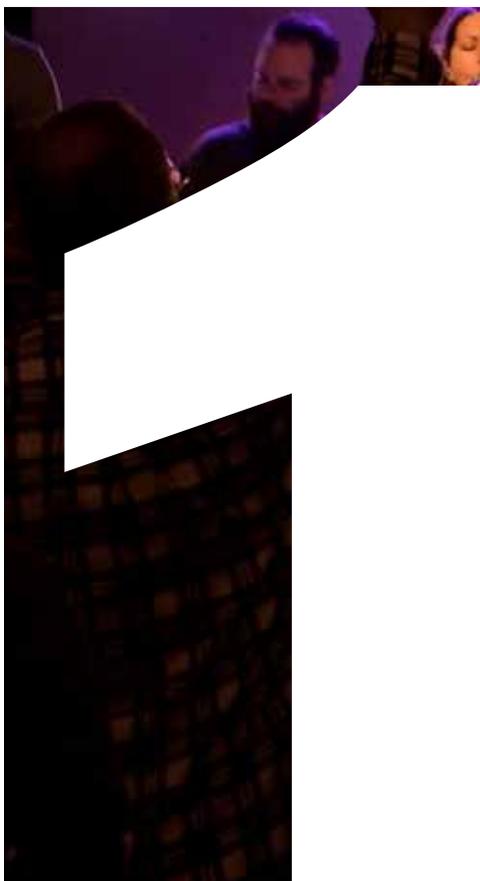
Vision for 2018

Written by Pastor Jesse.

We serve a God that is not hindered or constrained by time, by resources or even by governmental agencies. It's important to remind ourselves that we serve the KING OF KINGS and the LORD OF LORDS. There is nothing that can stand in His way. When you are fully aware of who you are speaking to it changes the dynamic of every conversation, especially when you know the one you are speaking to, REALLY is for you and not against you. The conversation may carry "unknowns" with it but at the same time can also be filled with confidence. We learn to daily build our faith on the Word of God and not on the outcome of our experiences. I've learned how incredibly important this is when God speaks to your heart about your future.

As a people of faith, we must fully rely on the written Word of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. If we don't, our journey with Jesus will always revolve around the up and down circumstances of our life and not on His constant word. You cannot navigate into the future with confidence if that confidence comes from your own wisdom or expertise. I believe godly confidence lives with the absence of detail. As someone obsessed with details, I've learned God wants me to build my confidence on who He is and what He has said and not rely on my own strength or abilities.

2018 will be the year we break ground on our permanent home for our Mantua Campus, which will become our Mullica Hill Campus. We will also have more exciting news for our Haddon Campus this year and I believe our third True North campus will be launching in the near future! Additionally the True North Foundation has made serious impact on the lives of not only those in our church, but also those in surrounding communities. Through our Reach Partnerships and vision to open our own Professional Counseling Center, we believe we will impact the communities where we live in ways we never have before. In case you forgot, our God desires to "do exceedingly abundantly more than you can ask or imagine, according to His power at work within us!" We serve an awesome God!







JOIN TEAM. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Growth Track is the place to start.

1

CLASS ONE

Explore the history of True North; how it all began and where we are going. Find out how to connect with all that God is doing right here and what it means to follow Jesus.

2

CLASS TWO

Meet the team and learn all about what happens behind the scenes at True North. Learn about the importance of community, that we are better together and how community makes the difference between attending church and calling church home.

3

CLASS THREE

Uncover your God given giftings and learn how you can use the way God uniquely designed you to build the local church. Discover all of the opportunities available to you here at True North Church and learn what it truly means to be saved to serve.

SECTION 04

The Foundation

THE OVERFLOW

of what God is doing through True North Church.

The Mission of True North Church has always been to Introduce people to Jesus Christ & Disciple them to become fully devoted followers. The best way we can do that is to meet people where they are in order to help them reach their potential and fulfill the calling that God has on their lives. We want to meet people in their need, in their addictions and right in their communities. After more than a decade of life change and making a huge impact in our community, the move was made to bring all local missions, building projects, recovery initiatives and global partnerships under one umbrella. This umbrella is the True North Foundation.

11

Foundation Partners.

\$71K

Given to The Foundation in 2017.



VISION RESCUE

*Global Partner in Mumbai India,
lead by Ps. Buji Thampy.*

PARTNERS

Our Partners

This year we are excited to serve alongside some incredible ministries that are meeting the needs of people and communities. We are highlighting just a few of our partners and testimonies. To learn more visit The Foundation website, www.truenorthfoundation.cc.



OPERATION BLESSING

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

This organization is dedicated to demonstrating God's love by alleviating human need and suffering in the United States and around the world.



URBAN PROMISE

CAMDEN, NJ

The mission at Urban Promise has been to equip Camden's children and young adults with the skills necessary for academic achievement, life management, spiritual growth and Christian leadership. They strive to fulfill this mission through after-school programs, summer camps, two schools, experiential learning, job training and a host of other programs that challenge youth to develop and realize their potential.



MISSION TEENS

ACROSS COUNTRY

Mission Teens is a christian discipleship ministry dedicated to helping people who struggle with life-controlling addictions by ministering the gospel of Jesus Christ to them. There is no charge to those who come for help. Our local mission is in Norma, NJ. However, we have partnered with The Mission across the nation and have a strong relationship with Mission Teens in Savannah, Georgia.



SOUTH JERSEY DREAM CENTER

WEST DEPTFORD, NJ

The South Jersey Dream Center is a non-profit that seeks to break the cycle of poverty. They focus on restoring dignity to individuals by providing services that meet basic needs such as food, clothing, baby and household items as well as professional, personal and spiritual development.



CHOICES OF THE HEART

TURNERSVILLE, NJ

Choices of the Heart seeks to protect the unborn by empowering individuals in southern NJ to make healthy life choices.

STORIES



BRITTANY MARSHALL

Her testimony through addiction and now helping others.

Brittany Marshall is a young woman who was brought to church by a co-worker who attended True North. At the time, Brittany was struggling with a life-threatening drug addiction. We told her about Mission Teens and offered to pay her airfare there. She was willing to go and was soon attending the Mission in Crossville, Tennessee. She completed the program and decided to stay on as a leader at the Mission. She met her husband there, and the two of them continued to work at the Mission. After the birth of their son, they decided to leave the Mission work, and venture out to other types of careers. Soon after, they were approached with the incredible need of a rehab facility in Michigan. They decided that God was leading them back into this work, and agreed to lead The Lions Den MBTC in Roscommon, Michigan.



BRIAN BUNDY

His testimony and work with True North Church.

"I had a great childhood, but I got entitled to the resources I grew up with. I'm literally walking the streets looking like I had everything, but I had nothing. At 36 years of age I realized I had every opportunity to become much more than what I was today which, if I got real with myself, I was an addict. I came to Mission Teens as an addict and through that I found my calling which is to help others and see that there is a way out. The Mission is totally solely dependent on God and people like True North Church who see a need and want to partner up with what we do. You have really shown a great huge support in many areas and we really appreciate you."

HELP

How Can I Help?

SERVE, PRAY & GIVE.

The three best ways to help The Foundation.

Serve: Take a look at some of the serving opportunities you and your regroup can participate in on The Foundation website. There are many opportunities throughout the year to help our local partners.

Pray: Take time to pray for a specific partner, believing God to move on their behalf. Scripture says that the prayers of a righteous person are powerful and effective and we whole-heartedly believe that.

Give: We believe God can take any financial gift and do something far greater with it than we ever could on our own. You can give at any time on The Foundation website. Your gift allows us to bless current partners and help their most urgent needs.



OPERATION BLESSING

Humanitarian Aid and Disaster Relief out of Virginia Beach, VA

SECTION 05

Mullica Hill Campus

THE EXPANSION

Written by Pastor Jesse.

This year we break ground on our permanent home in Mullica Hill! The process of building a facility has been a journey of patience and learning for me. While God has truly blessed us with incredible professionals to work with, it has been a period of real spiritual growth. When we decided to expand the initial design to seat over 200 more people and accommodate an additional 85 parking spaces, I was filled with mixed emotions. After consulting with other professionals and prayerfully considering what these changes would mean for the timeline of the project, I felt God was making it very clear to us that this was the appropriate decision to make. I was excited and confident this was the right thing to do, but I knew it would require additional patience and even more financial investment.

I want you to know that God is faithful, and I believe God will provide all that will be required to build His house! This building will be a place where thousands of people will come to hear the saving grace of Jesus Christ, a place where healing will happen, a place where marriages will be restored and a place where people will go from Death to Life.

211+

From 552 to 763 seats in the main auditorium.

85+

From 264 to 349 Parking Spaces.

1K

Person Capacity per service with kids.

QUICK LOOK...

at the expansion numbers for the Mullica Hill building.

“

**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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