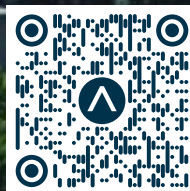


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Isaiah 61:4



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Message from Leadership

The current cultural climate in America often views the church as an outdated institution, offering little more than idealistic moral teachings. While this perception is troubling, we see it as a unique opportunity for the Church to present a renewed revelation of Jesus and His Kingdom to a disillusioned world. Every human heart is created with an insatiable desire to experience the authentic love of God, most vividly displayed in Jesus Christ. Recognizing this, we see the untapped potential beneath the superficial facades of urban America.

Jesus instructed us to pray, “Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven.” This prayer has been central to shaping our identity at River House, guiding us to focus beyond our building and on the mission to transform cities. Nothing is beyond the redemptive power of the Gospel—no person, situation, or institution. Just as God redeemed and resurrected the broken body of Jesus, He is actively working to address every form of injustice, evil, and brokenness in our world.

Driven by the vision of sharing this message of resurrection power with our city, we have prayed for a physical space to support our Kingdom mission. The Armory is the answer to our prayers. As Scripture states:

“They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations.”

As we restore this long-abandoned military training center, we believe it is a symbol of what is to come. We anticipate His power flowing from this building into the marketplace, neighborhoods, and families of Boise, the Treasure Valley, and ultimately, to the ends of the Earth. Thank you for partnering with us in faith to see His Kingdom come on Earth as it is in Heaven!

Abounding in hope,

Pastor Jordan Verner and the River House Board of Directors





The Story

In 2016, when River House was first established, we received a prophetic vision from the Lord that one day we would call the Boise Armory building our church home. Holding this promise close, we have faithfully gathered for eight years on Sunday evenings in various settings—homes, dance studios, and other church buildings—seeking to worship Jesus and connect as a community.

During these years, the Boise Armory building was sold to developers, who planned to transform the site into multi-family dwelling units. This seemed like the end of our dream, and we mourned the loss. Yet, we continued in faith, believing that the Lord would provide the necessary resources for our vision. At the end of 2023, we received a prophetic word declaring, “It is acceleration time. It is time for you to build your barn, and to do so debt-free.” We trusted it was the Lord’s message, though we were uncertain how it would unfold.

Miraculously, within six months, an extraordinary opportunity arose to make an offer on the Boise Armory Building. The dream that once seemed dead was revived. We took a leap of faith and, in a parallel turn of events, received a remarkable \$5 million donation. That in conjunction with the sale of the land allowed us to purchase the building outright. This confirmed our conviction that God was orchestrating this process in our favor. We trust that just as He provided for the purchase, He will also provide for the reconstruction.

Now, we face the exciting opportunity to raise funds for the building’s restoration. This moment feels like a prophetic reflection of our broader mission as a church. Just as we are committed to redeeming a physical space that has fallen into disrepair, we are also called to bring redemption to a city struggling with pain, sin, and its many consequences. Our efforts to restore the Boise Armory will mirror our mission to heal and transform our community.

History Timeline

The *resurrection* of a dream.



June 5, 2016
River House's First Official Prayer Meeting. 12 people gathered in a backyard in Boise.



November 6, 2016
River House's First Official Church Service. Pastor Jordan spoke in faith that we would one day occupy the Boise Armory building.



2017
River House pursued the Armory and made an offer. The offer was not accepted and went on to be sold to developers. At this point the dream of the armory was grieved as loss.



October 2022
River House purchased 40 acres of land on the boarder of Meridian and Nampa, ID with intent to eventually build a campus.



November 2023
We received a prophetic promise that it was time to "build the barn."



January 2024
Budgets were put in place and initial steps were taken to build on the 40 acres.



March 7, 2024
We were made aware that the Boise Armory came back on the market and we had the opportunity to make an offer yet again.



March 11, 2024
Made an offer on the Boise Armory building.



March 12, 2024
Received a miraculous \$5M gift.



April 26, 2024
Offer was accepted and officially under contract on the Boise Armory.



October 1, 2024
Intended closing date for the sale of the land.



October 23, 2024
Intended closing date for the Boise Armory.



Build His House. Build His People.

The Vision

The Build the Barn vision is profound, intertwining both an outward and inward focus. The outward vision emphasizes the collective effort of our community to come together and raise what will become a lasting spiritual landmark in Boise's downtown. To build a house where future generations will come to encounter God's presence, experience the transformative power of salvation, and be sent out to disciple nations. For decades to come, this will all transpire because of the foundation laid by this generation, in this moment of time. The deeper, spiritual aspect of the vision is about the transformation that will occur within the hearts of our community as we step out in faith. By partnering with God through generosity, we are embarking on a spiritual journey to be formed into the image of Jesus. This act of giving is not just about funding a building, it is about openly yielding to God's Spirit as He works within, shaping our hearts to mirror Jesus's and enabling our hands to serve with His love.

The imagery of Jesus's open, crucified hands serves as a powerful metaphor for this vision—signifying total surrender and trust in God, which in turn releases a flow of generous love that heals and transforms. Similarly, Build the Barn is an invitation from the Lord to open our hands, not just to give, but to be transformed into the likeness of Christ through this generous act. We have the opportunity to contribute to the building of God's house, the transformation of our city, all while being inwardly transformed ourselves. God's primary concern is people over projects, and He has chosen us to be vessels through which this Kingdom initiative will come to pass. We can hardly contain the excitement in imagining what God has in store for us in this special season we are entering. This is a moment of legacy, a unique time that holds significant promise. Generations from now we, and our posterity, will look back on these days and remember what God did in us, and what God did through us for the glory of His Name. May Jesus receive the reward of His suffering in River House, and through River House, now and for generations to come! **Amen.**



4.78 acres. 47,450 sq ft.



Finances

Through God’s miraculous provision, we are able to purchase the Armory outright with no debt incurred. This affords us the ability to engage in this capital campaign without the threat of a pending mortgage payment. However, we are now faced with the task of raising the capital to fund the restoration of the Armory and prepare it for ministry use. The total construction budget is 14M dollars. This is an “all-in” amount that includes all site work (parking lot, landscaping, side-walks), construction, design and furnishings to update this historic site into a fully operational ministry facility. We envision occupying the Armory in two phases, though this is ultimately dependent upon how much capital is raised. Each of these two phases are detailed below. Lastly, according to our latest financial projections the minimum pledge amount required for us to break ground on the construction of the Armory is 6M dollars. This amount would afford us the necessary cash-flow required to take the next step forward in occupying our future home.

Phase I: Ministry Operational Budget: \$10M

The focus of Phase I is to build out everything required for River House to conduct Sunday gatherings, House of Prayer, and all mid-week ministries at the Armory location. This build-out would include two-thirds of the Armory building and comprise the Sanctuary, Lobby, Coffee Shop, Children’s ministry rooms, and one large multi-purpose room. During Phase I River House staff would still office at our Fairview ministry location.

Phase II: Offices and Additional Ministry Spaces Budget: \$4M

Phase II would signal the completion of the Armory renovation. This would include the build-out of everything required to move the River House offices to the Armory location, high school and junior high ministry rooms, additional multi-purpose classroom spaces, and storage.

Total Construction Budget: \$14M

Break-Ground Number: \$6M

Once Build the Barn pledges have totaled 6M dollars, we will be poised to move forward and begin the construction phase of the Armory project. Our ultimate goal is to occupy the Armory debt-free. However, we will pursue financing to help us close the gap if we raise less than the 10M dollars needed to complete Phase I. Lastly, if our initial pledge falls short of 6M dollars we will simply continue to seek the Lord in prayer and wait upon Him for provision. Owning the Armory outright affords us the ability to be patient for His timing without any financial stress.

Pledge



**Pray.
Listen.
Pledge.**

Pray

God is building His House, and we are honored to be co-laborers in this divine mission. Embrace the joy of being His vessels through which radical generosity flows. We invite you to pause and center your hearts and minds before God in prayer, asking Him, “What do you desire to give through me?” Seek this answer with your family, allowing His guidance to shape your response.

Listen

Open your hearts to the gentle whisper of the Holy Spirit. In John 10:27, Jesus tells us, “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.” Trust in His voice and let it guide you in this journey.

Pledge

By making a pledge to the 36-month Build the Barn Capital Campaign, you become a co-laborer with the King of Glory in bringing this vision to life. Your pledge is crucial to the realization of this project, and you are invited to engage in prayer, listening, and committing to this vision. Pledge cards are available with this brochure or online at riverhouseministries.com/build.

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:36

Giving Estimator

Given Weekly	Given Monthly	Given Yearly	3-Year Total
\$25	\$108	\$1,300	\$3,900
\$50	\$217	\$2,600	\$7,800
\$75	\$325	\$3,900	\$11,700
\$100	\$433	\$5,200	\$15,600
\$150	\$650	\$7,800	\$23,400
\$200	\$867	\$10,400	\$31,200
\$300	\$1,300	\$15,600	\$46,800
\$400	\$1,733	\$20,800	\$62,400
\$500	\$2,167	\$26,000	\$78,000
\$750	\$3,250	\$39,000	\$117,000
\$1,000	\$4,333	\$52,000	\$156,000
\$1,603	\$6,944	\$83,333	\$250,000
\$3,205	\$13,889	\$166,667	\$500,000
\$6,410	\$27,778	\$333,333	\$1,000,000

Giving

Whether through kingly donations like those of David or an all-in offering akin to the widow's mite, Jesus desires a communal effort in generosity. We believe that by each of us bringing our own "fishes and loaves" before the One who gave it all to us, we will witness the kingdom principle of multiplication in action. As we contribute our resources, no matter the size or form, we place them into the hands of the One who can radically and supernaturally multiply and provide. Together, we will see the miraculous provision of God unfold, as our collective offerings become a powerful testament to His abundance and grace.

How can I give?

We are not asking everyone to give an equal amount, but we invite each participant into equal sacrifice. Sacrificial giving, while challenging, is a transformative act that we can all partake in together. By offering our resources back to the One who entrusted them to us, we believe we will witness financial miracles and the radical provision of Jesus flood our community.

If you're considering how to sacrificially contribute to this vision, here are some ideas to guide you:

- **Traditional Cash Donations:** Regular contributions can be a steady way to support the campaign.
- **Non-Cash Donations:** Consider giving valuable items such as cars, boats, jewelry, or assets from your retirement plan or trusts.
- **Stocks and Cryptocurrencies:** You can donate these assets and potentially avoid capital gains taxes.
- **Lifestyle Adjustments:** Small changes in your daily routine, like eating out less or skipping your daily coffee, can accumulate over the 36-month campaign and transform into a significant, sacrificial offering.

Your generosity, in whatever form it takes, will be a powerful testament to our collective commitment and faith.



Give Here

FAQs

How does "Build the Barn" Capital Campaign giving affect my regular giving?

As you commit to the 36-month Build the Barn campaign, we ask that this pledge be in addition to your regular tithe. Your regular tithe will continue to support the everyday operations of the church and advance our ongoing mission and vision. The capital campaign is a separate, dedicated effort to fund the new building, and your additional contributions will help ensure its success without impacting the support needed for our current ministries.

When will we be in the new building?

We anticipate moving into the new building within the first half of 2026. This timeline depends largely on the progress of the capital campaign. We will complete construction and transition into the new space once we reach our campaign goal.

What will the capacity of the new building be?

The new building will feature sanctuary seating for 650 and space for 180 children. Our vision includes accommodating a congregation of 1,500 to 2,000 individuals through multiple Sunday services, both morning and evening.

When is the best time for me to begin contributing?

Now is the ideal time to start contributing. The more resources we raise early in the campaign, the sooner we will be able to make this vision a reality. Your prompt support accelerates the process and helps us reach our goals more efficiently.

