



# BUILDING VISION

## OUR MISSION

HELPING YOU BECOME A DEEPLY  
ROOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

## OUR VISION

A HEALTHY LOCAL CHURCH WITHIN  
REACH OF EVERY CANADIAN



# WHY NOW?

Imagine being new to Northview and arriving a little bit late and then standing at one of the 7 doors into the Worship Centre and seeing nowhere to sit. Our ushers do their best to catch people who come to the doors, but they are often seating other people. It is becoming a familiar site to see visitors craning their necks in the back looking for a few empty seats. How many new people want to walk all the way to the front in full view of 1,000 people once everyone has sat down?

Northview has always felt that if people are wanting to come to church to worship and hear God's Word, then we should have a seat for them. The reality is that our Downes Road Campus is full. The expanded seating capacity of a new building will allow us to accommodate more people in every service which will help us to fulfill our vision.

## WEEKDAY MINISTRY

Throughout the week, Northview is bustling. From Bible studies, to youth nights, to various classes, seldom is a room unoccupied. In fact, new ministry initiatives struggle to find a venue to meet. Additionally, many of our existing ministries are full in the space that's available to them. Finding space off-site can certainly be a short term solution, but not a long term one.

By the way, what a great problem to have! God is blessing us with people eager to hear His Word. Our responsibility is to faithfully proclaim that Word and seek to continually add to His Kingdom.

Included in the proposed building plan is a partial renovation of the existing facility to create more room for weekend children's ministry and midweek ministry. Northview is in need of a 500 seat meeting space to accommodate growing ministries.

## CAN WE AFFORD IT?

Funding the new building is the responsibility of all of us who call Northview home. The total amount needed for the new Worship Centre and the renovations in our current Worship Centre is estimated at \$30 million. That's a lot of money, no doubt. Can the Lord provide? No question. He provides through the generosity of His people. And amazingly, Northview already has approximately \$15 million towards that goal. As believers, we aspire to be generous as Jesus is to us. Jesus sacrificed everything for us, how can we not respond in the same manner?

Our prayer is that we are able to raise as much of the funds needed before the building is completed so that we can go forward with little or no debt. In many ways, doing this is a gift for future generations so that all their financial gifts go directly to fund various ministries rather than debt. Northview's desire is that our ministry budgets would not be impacted by a building project. What better legacy to leave for our kids, grandkids, and the young developing leaders than a church building where they can continue to reach people with the Gospel for years to come.

# GOD-GIVEN VISION

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*

*Matthew 28:19-20*

## **MORE AND BETTER DISCIPLES**

God has given us the mandate to make disciples; locally, nationally, and globally. And we believe the best way to do that is in the context of a healthy local church. In Abbotsford and Mission we have a population of over 210,000 and only a fraction of those attend church regularly. By God's grace, unbelievers are attending our services every week. We want to be a welcoming home where they find a seat and hear the Good News of Jesus.

## **MORE AND BETTER CHURCHES**

We are also committed to seeing churches revitalized, planted, and replanted. Our vision is to see everyone in Canada within reach of a healthy local church. Wouldn't that be amazing? We continue to make strategic partnerships with likeminded churches and organizations to see this work through.

## **MORE AND BETTER LEADERS**

You cannot have more and better disciples and churches without more and better leaders. Within each of our ministries, we call our congregation to grow in their leadership of others and participate in the mission of making disciples. And beyond that, we've created the Northview Institute for those who have felt God's leading into full-time ministry. We offer multiple accredited programs, including Master's level degrees. Every year we send out capable and qualified leaders to support and lead churches around Canada.

## **A CENTRAL HUB**

The Downes Road Campus already serves as the primary place for midweek ministry for all of our Abbotsford campuses. It will be the primary place for midweek ministry for all of Abbotsford. It is also the home of central services, where all of our campuses and church plants will receive administrative help and ongoing training.



*As the founders of Northview looked to the future and, in faith, bought the current property on Downes Road and built the first worship centre, we now, in faith, look ahead to the future.*