

### GRACE HILL CHURCH

# Prospectus



Greetings!

We are so grateful you have taken some time to learn more about Grace Hill Church. America is in a very interesting place in history. We seem to be polarized politically, declining morally, and wounded racially—all at a time when statistics show the church is shrinking. At the same time, there seems to be a renewed emphasis on church health and doctrinal faithfulness along with a resurgence in church planting and revitalization. We praise God for this because it is precisely the church that is called to be resilient, faithful, and ready "...to bring good news to the poor...to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound" (Is. 61:1). Of course, Jesus proclaims in Luke 4 that He Himself is indeed the fulfillment of this mission and He continues that proclamation through the faithful gospel-witness of His church, which will never fail (Matt. 16:18).

This is why we are planting Grace Hill Church in Herndon, VA. We believe the church is strongest and most versatile when we have faithful, Christ-centered congregations scattered throughout the whole world that proclaim the gospel of Jesus. We are not planting Grace Hill Church because we believe there are no faithful churches in Northern Virginia. We are planting Grace Hill Church because we believe there needs to be more faithful churches in Northern Virginia.

We hope and pray as you learn more about Grace Hill Church that you will keep us in your prayers, that you will consider financially supporting this mission, and possibly even consider joining our launch team.

With much thanks,

The Grace Hill Leadership Team

### MISSION

## Glorifying **God.** Loving **People.** Making **Disciples.**

At Grace Hill, we believe that God has made it very clear what he wants His church to be about. We find that in what the Bible calls the two greatest commandments along with the great commission.

The Bible says the greatest commandment comes from Deut. 6:5 - "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." To put it simply, a love for God and His glory and purposes should be the motivation for everything we do. At Grace Hill, we prioritize God's glory and faithfulness to His ways and purposes above our own.

Likewise, the Bible says that the second greatest commandment comes from Lev. 19:18b - "...you shall love your neighbor as yourself..." The Bible tells us that if we don't have love for our neighbor, then we simply don't know the heart of God. The church is to be an outpost for the Kingdom of God in a broken world and that looks like sacrificial, generous, and compassionate love for all people. After all, Christ loved us even when we were His enemies.

Lastly, Jesus Christ clearly gave us our marching orders in Matt. 28:19-20 - "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." This means our mission is clear: To see people go from unbelief to full-hearted devotion to Jesus Christ in Herndon, VA and all around the world.

### DOCTRINE





### CONFESSIONAL & CHRIST-CENTERED



The Gospel Coalition Confessional Statement www.thegospelcoalition.org



Baptist Faith and Message 2000 www.sbc.net/bfm2000/

### BAPTIST



Affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention www.sbc.net

### ELDER-LED & CONGREGATIONALLY RULED



### CORE VALUES

### Christ-centered

It is exclusively through our union with Jesus Christ that we may know God, be reconciled to God, and live our lives for God. Therefore, our theology, ministry philosophy, biblical interpretation, preaching, counseling, and outreach efforts are all centered on the person and work of Jesus Christ. (*Lk 24:27,44; Jn 1:1-18; 5:39,46; Gal 4:4-7; Heb 1:1-4; 2 Cor 5:14-15*)

## Under authority

Jesus Christ is the head of this church and the Bible is His revealed Word. We submit to Christ and His Word as the final authority for all aspects of life, faith, conduct, and ministry. (Jer 9:13-16; Jn 1:1-18; Col 1:18; 1 Thess 2:13; 2 Tim 3:16-17; Heb 4:12; 2 Pet 1:16-21)

## Biblical community

Life is meant to be lived together in a community where people know you and you know them. We are committed to praying specifically for one another, speaking the truth in love to one another, and encouraging one another in the faith. (Acts 2:44; Eph 4:15-16; Heb 10:25; Jas 5:16)

### Loving care

We live in a broken world but God did not create us to face our struggles alone. As a family, we are committed to caring for one another with sacrificial love, radical generosity, and genuine compassion. (Acts 2:45; Rom 12:13; 1 Cor 6:7; 12:25; Gal 6:10)







## Mercy & justice

Every person has inherent dignity because they are made in the image of God. Therefore, we honor and value every individual by being committed to serving the marginalized and oppressed, working for the reconciliation of all races and ethnicities, and defending the right to life from conception to natural death. (*Gen 1:27; Ps 146:9; Is 1:17; Jer 9:23-24; 22:3; Mic 6:8; Matt* 25:31-46; Jas 2:1-7)

## Hopeful evangelism

Every human being is utterly lost and headed for eternal damnation, yet the gospel has the power to save anyone who believes. Therefore, we will clearly articulate the gospel to anyone who will listen in the hopes that they will be saved. (1 Cor 1:18-24; 15:3-5; 2 Cor 4:1-6; Rom 10:14-15; Gal 1:8-11; 2 Tim 4:2)

## Spiritual growth

Every circumstance in life is an opportunity to become more or less like Jesus. By the help of the Holy Spirit, we labor to conform to the character of Christ. (*Jn 14:26; Rom 8:26-29; 12:2; 1 Cor 9:27; Eph 4:20-24; 1 Jn 2:1-6*)

## Kingdom commitment

Every believer is called to share the gospel and make disciples. Therefore, we devote significant spiritual and financial resources toward this end, including equipping you, sending missionaries, planting churches, and supporting outreach initiatives. (*Matt 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Rom 10:15; 2 Cor 8:1-7; Phil 4:15-20*)





### LOCATION

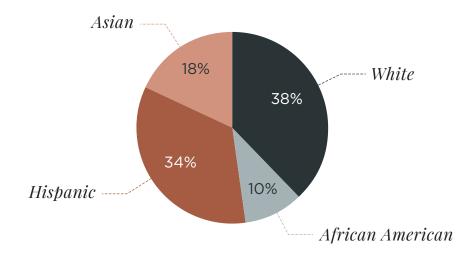
## Our vision is to plant a multi-ethnic, multi-class, and multi-generational church in Herndon, VA.

Allan McCullough, our Pastor of Leadership & Preaching, spent his childhood in Herndon, VA and he and his wife, Kim, have lived in Northern Virginia for the vast majority of their lives. We believe that God has called us to plant a faithful, Christ-centered church in Herndon because there is not only a need for more churches in Herndon but also because Herndon is a strategic location to witness the gospel build a multi-ethnic, multi-class, and multi-generational congregation.



### MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$100,000

PEOPLE IN POVERTY: 8%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## *Herndon is a strategic location for reaching the region of Northern Virginia.*

Herndon sits about 20 minutes outside of Washington D.C. and is at the center of Northern Virginia, with easy access from Route 7, the Dulles Toll Road, the Fairfax County Parkway, Route 28, and the Metro Silver Line.

### TEAM



### Allan McCullough PASTOR OF LEADERSHIP & PREACHING

Allan is married to Kim and they have two children: Leland and Christy. Allan first started in pastoral ministry in 2008 at McLean Bible Church where he served as the College Pastor. In 2012, Allan transitioned to help plant Sojourn Church in Fairfax, VA where he served as the Associate Pastor for over three years. Allan earned his B.A. in Biblical Studies from Messiah College and his M.Div from Reformed Theological Seminary. e: allan@gracehillchurch.com



### *Nick Jones* PASTOR OF WORSHIP & DISCIPLESHIP

Nick is married to Julie and has served on staff at McLean Bible Church in various roles since 2009. Prior to transitioning to Grace Hill Church, Nick served as the Worship Leader and Pastor of Discipleship at the McLean Bible Church Montgomery County Campus. Nick earned his B.S. in Music and Worship Studies and Pastoral Leadership from Liberty University and is currently pursuing his M.A. in Biblical Studies from Dallas Theological Seminary.

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### *Joe Carter* Leadership team

Joe is married to Misty and they have one daughter, Samantha. Joe is a writer-editor for several Christian organizations including The Gospel Coalition, the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, and the Acton Institute. Joe is also the author of *How to Argue Like Jesus* and the *NIV Lifehacks Bible*.

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## Monte McCullough

Monte has been married to Lori for 36 years and they have two sons who are married with 5 grandchildren. Whit and Kelly who have Tripp, Mysti, and Melody. Allan and Kim who have Leland and Christy. Monte and Lori have lived in Northern Virginia for 24 years and Monte was an IT Director for Coldwell Banker Realtors for 22 years. e: monte@gracehillchurch.com

### PARTNERSHIPS

## Sending churches:



**Restoration City Church,** Arlington, VA www.restorationcity.church



The Summit Church, Raleigh-Durham, NC www.summitrdu.com

## Training provided by:



The Summit Network www.thesummitnetwork.com

## Affiliated with:



The Southern Baptist Convention www.sbc.net



The North American Mission Board www.namb.net



The SEND Network www.namb.net/send-network

### MENTORS

We desire to place ourselves under the mentorship of several different pastors and elders of other churches who have gone before us in local church ministry and leadership. The following men have agreed to serve us in that capacity:



#### **Mike McKinley**

Senior Pastor, Sterling Park Baptist Church



### Mike Minter

Senior Pastor, Reston Bible Church



John McGowan

Lead Pastor, Restoration City Church



#### **Noah Joyner**

Minister of Leadership/Education at North Wake Church; President, The Hispaniola Institute of Theology



### TIMELINE

fall 2015 summer 2016

## fall 2016

The Leadership Team begins meeting and praying about planting a church in Herndon, VA.

Recruiting and gathering the Launch Team.

Allan McCullough begins Church Planting Residency and training at Restoration City Church (Arlington, VA) and the Summit Church (Raleigh-Durham, NC).



FALL

2017

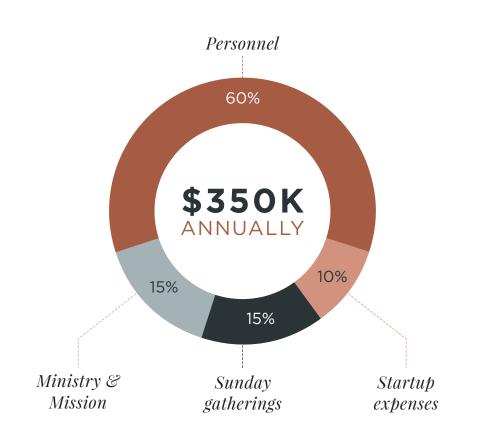
winter 2<u>017</u> spring 2017

The Launch Team commits together to officially birth Grace Hill Church. Weekly Sunday morning gatherings begin.

The Grace Hill Launch Team begins meeting weekly in January for training, prayer, and outreach in Herndon, VA.

Public Launch

### BUDGET NEED



The Washington DC Metropolitan Area is an extremely expensive area to live, rent gathering space, and operate as an organization. Therefore, we need to raise \$350,000.00 annually in order to compensate two full-time pastors and an operations assistant, rent space to gather together on Sundays, purchase start-up equipment, and still have funds left over for ministry and mission work. In order to raise our budget, we are asking both churches and individuals to partner with us financially for three years in prayerful expectation that by our fourth year Grace Hill Church will be primarily supported internally through the faithful giving of our members.

### FUNDRAISING PLAN

## Church & network partners

Partner	Annual Amount	# of Partners
Seed Partner	\$3,000	6
Anchor Partner	\$6,000	5
Cornerstone Partner	\$12,000	4
Foundation Partner	\$24,000	4

## External individual supporters

Seed Partner	\$600	10
Anchor Partner	\$1,200	5
Cornerstone Partner	\$3,000	4
Foundation Partner	\$6,000	2

## Launch team

Total Annual Giving

\$120,000







# Get involved!

### VISIT OUR WEBSITE GRACEHILLCHURCH.COM

- Interest meetings and other events
- Read our blog
- Sign-up for our newsletter

### GIVE

- We are raising funds via church partners, denominational support, our Launch Team, and other outside support.
- Instructions to give on the website.

### JOIN THE LAUNCH TEAM

 We are praying that God would provide us with 50-75 committed adults for our Launch Team by January 2017. If you are interested in being a part of the Grace Hill Launch team, fill out the application on our website. After receiving your application, a member of our Leadership Team will schedule a meeting with you to discuss being on the Grace Hill Launch Team.

### QUESTIONS?

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