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STAYING FOCUSED AND COMMITTED TO ADVANCING THE KINGDOM IS CRITICAL.

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FROM THE BISHOP'S PEN

As we step into a new year, we do so with a prophetic word for the faithful — that as they receive instructions and assignments from the Lord and obey His voice — they will experience a Sovereign Momentum Shift. The state of affairs produced by deliberate faith actions will trigger the progressive power of the supernatural for unstoppable victory.

This special prophetic word is a qualified word for the faithful and not a general word for the Body of Christ. I believe that your faithfulness to Victory's vision in the past and your present commitment positions you for breakthrough manifestations in the days to come. Staying focused and committed to

helping Pastor Isha and me advance the Kingdom of God through the Kingdom agenda the Lord has given us is critical. Faithfulness is defined in the letter to the Corinthian church and the vision approach that we have used in the past and continue to ascribe to because it is what God expects of us in good times and in bad times.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Cor. 15:58

It takes amazing character strength to maintain an abounding ministry mentality but when we look at what

has been accomplished over the last 23 years, including a global pandemic that had so much uncertainty around us, I believe Victory has consistently passed the test. I am excited about what we can accomplish in the days to come as we involve new people in new areas of ministry who have been faithful and ready to join the ranks of those who provide leadership in our church.

Our 2023 vision theme is in keeping with the prophetic word for the faithful which establishes both an expectation for our ministry, and for you individually. After a time of prayer we have settled on the theme of **The Year of Engagement**. This year we needed to truly rise up and be the church so that many others around

MOMENTUM SPIRITUAL MOMENTUM SHIFT

us could experience the church and be impacted in such a way, they would desire to become part of the church. We are committed to continually examining the various areas of ministry to make sure we are most efficient and effective in providing quality ministry to each other corporately in-house and to our ever-growing virtual church family. We believe that this theme will keep us focused all year long on the Lord's breakthrough promise of Spiritual Momentum Shift to the faithful as we hear and obey His voice using our faith! As Jesus taught in the gospel of John, the Father will reward our kingdom growth and discipleship efforts:

Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. These things I command you, that ye love one another. John 15:16-17

This year, we must as a church family be individually committed to do our part in not only engaging others for the purpose of bringing them into the Kingdom, but also engaging those who

may be disconnected get reconnected to their Victory Family both corporately and on smaller scales with our Small Group ministry. Your engagement and encouragement of other partners in our church family to get involved in ministries will help build our army of faithful committed partners. I want you to truly see yourself as a maximized covenant partner! Your faithful partnership with us in this great ministry positions you for a Momentum Shift from God over your own life as a result of your deliberate faith actions that trigger the progressive power of the supernatural for unstoppable victory.

Paul's letter to the saints in Philippi documents this promise as he encourages them in their goals, confident of their success because of the grace and power of the supernatural in their lives as a result of their deliberate faith action in partnering with him in ministry.

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, For your fellowship (partnership) in the gospel from the first day until now; Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a

good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. Philippians 1:3-7

This year's vision goals will introduce new methods of ministering to the lost and the hurting and to disciple and provide spiritual support to the Body of Christ. Our message and mission of being a teaching center will not change but our methods are constantly changing to maximize every opportunity. We will partner with other community caring efforts to be a resource partner to further our heartfelt causes of engaging those around us.

I am excited about what this year holds for you as you allow your church ministry to assist you in maximizing your faith journey! I sincerely believe that the best is yet to come! Step by step as you stay focused, stay faithful, stay in faith, and stay committed to engage those around you, this will result in a incredible **Momentum Shift** in the coming days.

2022 REPORT CARD



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MY SMALL GROUP EXPERIENCES

HAVE ALWAYS BEEN UPLIFTING!

EVERYONE IS SUPPORTIVE OF ONE ANOTHER.

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MINISTRY GOALS

- ✔ Multiple Nights of Corporate Worship
- ✔ Corporate Prayer Commitment:
 - morning prayer call & Sat morning corporate prayer
- ✔ Small Group Commitment
- ✔ Expansion of entire BTC Virtual/Online Classes
- ✔ Quality Live/Virtual/Hybrid Ministry Events
- ✔ Expanding Serving and Leadership Opportunities

completed!

OUTREACH GOALS

- ✔ Good Friday Service
- ✔ Resurrection Sunday
- ✔ VBS
- ✔ Community Festival
- ✔ Harvest Night
- ✔ Thanksgiving/Christmas Blessings

completed!

COMMUNITY GOALS

- ✔ Leadership Mentoring Program - Woodbury High School
- ✔ The Victory Group:
 - Victory House - feed more families impacted by pandemic
 - Career Empowerment Center - Empowering people negatively impacted by pandemic (didn't do)
 - Millie's Closet - provide clothing to those in need

ongoing!

FINANCIAL GOALS

- ✔ \$350,000 Vision Builders Campaign - **EXCEEDED** = **\$546,193.61**
- ✔ Expansion of parking lot

exceeded!

THE FINANCIAL REPORT

THE FRUIT OF CONTINUED OBEDIENCE

We are ecstatic about what God is doing in our church. In 2022 our church continued to stay financially healthy as our church family consistently stayed faithful in their giving of tithes and offerings. I am grateful for our financial staff, accounting and count team who have stayed on task and helped us to once again make sure our financial reporting and audits were done in excellence. Since our inception 23 years ago, we strived to establish a church culture of excellence and integrity in ministry and financial stewardship. Every year our Executive Board ensures we undergo an audit opinion with our accounting firm, Alloy and Silverstein, P.C. to ensure that our financial statements remain in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Integrity in financial stewardship is so vitally important. In the pie chart on the next page, you will see we have stayed consistent in successful healthy management of all Kingdom resources placed into Victory's hands. Please note the resources allotted to missions and outreach as a result of the awesome generosity of our church family. The maturity of a church is not mainly demonstrated in the number of years that church has been in existence but more so by the consistent demonstration of the willingness to complete Kingdom projects. Victory, you



are to be applauded for your continual demonstration of obedience and love for the Kingdom of God.

In 2022, because of our very successful Vision Builders Campaign, we were able to provide quality ministry to our church family and also to so many in the community who desperately need our help while staying on task concerning the completion of parking lot expansion as well as progress towards the addition construction project that will begin this summer. Through your continued financial support this year, we will truly see excellent ministry outlay that impacts this generation and generations to come as we stay focused on expanding the Kingdom of God.

AS OUR PARTNERS CONTINUE TO STAY COMMITTED TO KEEPING OUR CHURCH STRONG IN OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS, WE ARE EXPECTING TO HAVE A MOMENTUM SHIFTING YEAR IN OUR CHURCH FINANCES.

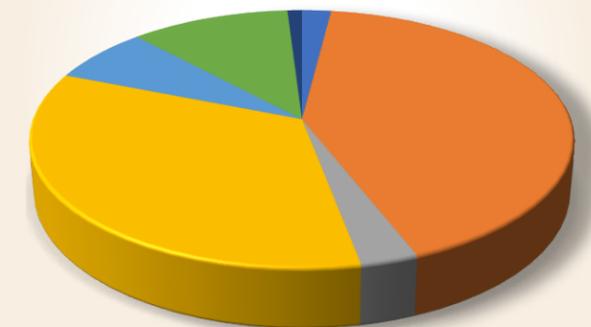
Thank you for standing in faith with us weekly through your prayers and financial support. Now is not the time to slack off; it is time to continue to show the strength of our church in all areas.

Thank you, Victory you are indeed one of the best churches on the planet. We are standing in faith with every partner for momentum shifts in all areas of your life where you need them. Let's stay in faith, stay focused and stay connected as we believe that our 2023 Impact Giving Sunday, when we sow our **Engagement Seed** based upon His leading, will cause a harvest that is sure to bring a **MOMENTUM SHIFT** of provision, favor and victory into our life situations.



Pastor Isha Edmondson
Vice President, Co-Founder

- 1% Partner Care
- 2% Missions
- 3% All Ministries
- 7% Building Maintenance
- 11% Property & Equipment Investments
- 34% Building Development
- 42% Administrative (less property related)



ALLOCATION OF FUNDS 2022



VISION GOALS

WRITE THE VISION

AND THE LORD ANSWERED ME, AND SAID, WRITE THE VISION, AND MAKE IT PLAIN UPON TABLES, THAT HE MAY RUN THAT READETH IT.
HABAKKUK 2:2

CAPITAL PROJECT GOALS

10,000 Sq. Ft Building Expansion

To accommodate more classroom space for our children's ministry, office space for additional staff and meeting rooms for ongoing ministry as our church continues to grow and add more new families here at Victory.

SPIRITUAL/MINISTRY ENGAGEMENT

HEARING HIS VOICE

21 Days of Prayer, Fasting and Consecration

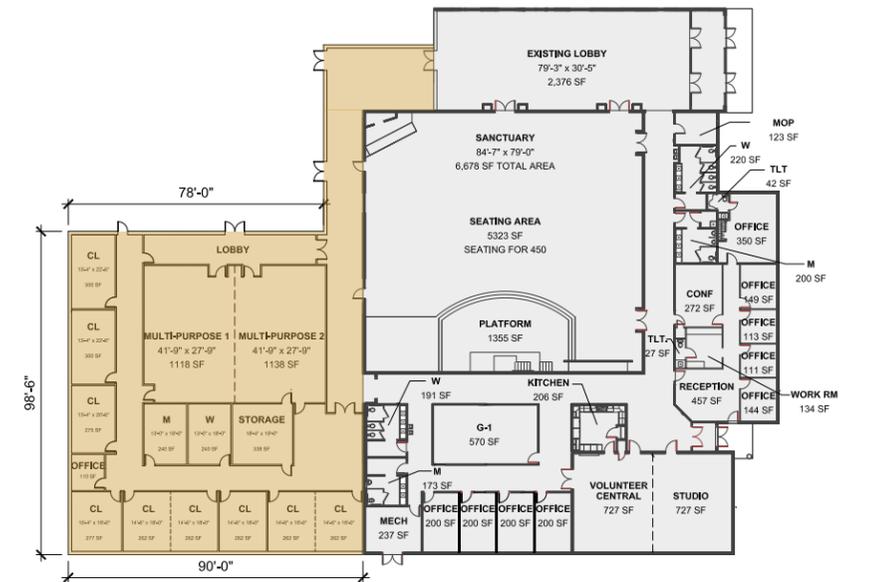
God has called us to a time of individual and corporate seeking of Him. During this time, the Lord said He would talk to His people about assignments He was calling them to. Obedience in these areas triggers a **MOMENTUM SHIFT** that will provide progressive power of the supernatural for unstoppable victory.

Corporate Prayer Engagement

All partners are asked to commit to our morning prayer call and Saturday morning prayer as much as possible. Prayer is the design of God to be the launching pad of our faith. In order to see the supernatural, you must activate it through your prayer declaration. The importance of prayer can never be overemphasized because of the role it plays in God's involvement in earth's affairs.

As we renew our daily commitment to individual and corporate prayer to achieve a thriving prayer life, personally and as a church family, it will result in an unstoppable personal/corporate anointing.

i TO GET A DAILY REMINDER, TEXT PRAYER TO 71441.



WORSHIP CENTER FLOOR PLAN
Victory in Christ Church (gray areas represent the existing building)

Small Group Engagement

A major thrust this year will be continuous promotion of connection to our small groups. Our goal is to have everyone engaged with a small group, building community together. We are excited about launching new groups to give our partners more variety when finding a group that suits them.

i TO CONNECT WITH A SMALL GROUP, CLICK HERE.

BTC Virtual/Online Class Engagement

The Bible Training Center was established for the purpose of continuing to build people in the Word of God. The foundational and more in-depth classes are designed for maximum effectiveness in studying the word of God, establishing believers in faith and exhorting them in righteousness.

i FOR INFO ON BTC CLASSES, CLICK HERE.

Ministry Event(s) Engagement

Our simply awesome leadership teams in our various ministries are all the more committed to providing ministry events that offer various fellowship, engagement, edification and support to our church family for quality effective ministry.

OUTREACH ENGAGEMENT

COMMITTED TO REACH THE LOST, THE HURTING, AND THE HOPELESS

Good Friday Service

This year we will conduct a live Good Friday experience combining ministry of the Word, song and the creative arts.

Intentional Evangelistic

Our worship arts and drama team are planning creative evangelistic efforts throughout the year to share the gospel and the love of God.

National Day of Prayer and Back to School Prayer

These specific times of prayer throughout the year are critical events in which we intercede for our nation and the next generation as they prepare to go back to school.

Vacation Bible School

In 2023, our phenomenal Children's Ministry will once again use this time to provide creative ways to plant seeds of love in the hearts of future Kingdom leaders.

Specific Outreach events including **Community Festival, Harvest Night, Thanksgiving Feeding and Operation Christmas Blessing** are intentionally targeted outreaches to the local community.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

COMMISSIONED TO FEED, EQUIP, EMPOWER AND EDUCATE PEOPLE

Continual engagement of Leadership Mentoring Program in Woodbury High school.

In 2019, we adopted a high school and assisted with the implementation of a Leadership Mentoring Program. This program is designed to equip and empower students who have been designated either as socially, economically or educationally disadvantaged by the school system. The generosity and support of our partners towards this program has allowed us to give partial scholarships to graduating seniors in this program towards their college endeavors.



Expansion of The Victory Group

(TVG), our non-profit 501(c3) organization that assists in improving the quality of life for residents in the local communities of Westville and Deptford. Victory's food pantry ensures that anyone who needs food doesn't go without. This year, we must be able to increase our ability to provide for more

families. **Millie's Closet**, in partnership with other agencies, provides clothes for those who find themselves in need. Our **Career Empowerment Center**, currently under development, will engage people through educational and employment opportunities, thereby empowering those negatively impacted by various life circumstances to get back on their feet.

i TO GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT TVG, to partner with your time, talent or financial support to help us reach more people who desperately need our services click here.

THE VICTORY GROUP EXISTS TO STRENGTHEN THE COMMUNITY — ONE FAMILY AT A TIME — THROUGH PROGRAMS THAT FEED, CLOTHE, EDUCATE, EMPOWER AND INSPIRE THEM TO RISE BEYOND THEIR CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES.



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WE ARE BLESSED BY GOD TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS.

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PRAYER

THE KEY TO MOMENTUM SHIFT

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**HOW SHOULD ONE CHASE A THOUSAND
AND TWO PUT TEN THOUSAND TO FLIGHT,
EXCEPT THEIR ROCK HAD SOLD THEM
AND THE LORD HAD SHUT THEM UP?**

DEUT. 32:30

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How thrilled we are with the direction the Holy Spirit is taking our church in this **Year of Engagement**. There is so much we will accomplish together that will glorify God before men. A foundational key for this engagement mandate that is necessary to produce a major momentum shift is our commitment to passionate individual and corporate prayer. Passionate prayer is the birthing chamber to manifest things from the unseen realm into the seen realm.

Victory, it's time to renew our commitment to pray — not just on an individual daily basis — but also corporately. In Bible times, when the church would gather for prayer, there was a tangible demonstration of power in their midst.

When we commit ourselves to a thriving personal prayer life, it will cause us to operate as **one corporate man in the Spirit**, producing an unstoppable corporate anointing. This year, we have a variety of opportunities to come together in prayer.

DAILY MORNING PHONE PRAYER AT 6:30AM. This time of prayer is designed for us to start each day in corporate agreement that we will walk in dominion on a daily basis.

SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER FROM 8AM-9AM. This corporate gathering both virtually and physically is a time of spiritual warfare taking dominion and authority over demonic encroachment.

NIGHTS OF PRAYER, PRAISE & WORSHIP GATHERINGS. The Lord has assigned us, this year to corporately gather at various times in the year and corporately worship the Lord and pray against demonic strategies, influences and attempted encroachments the enemy has planned.

All of these various prayer facets will not only help strengthen your individual prayer life, but also strengthen our corporate church prayer life. We must be faithful in these various prayer endeavors and it's going to take the participation of our entire church family to fulfill this mandate this year. We must remember our corporate prayer efforts are much more powerful than our individual prayer efforts.

ENGAGING THE SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

IRON SHARPENETH IRON; SO A MAN SHARPENETH THE COUNTENANCE OF HIS FRIEND. PROVERBS 27:17

Like never before in this new season as a church family, we must be committed to connecting with our Small Group Ministry plays a vital part of this year's Engagement mandate in the development and care of people as they are growing in God. The New Testament model established by Jesus of engaging one another in smaller intimate settings is most effective.

Since the inception of Victory, God directed us to provide an intimate forum patterned after this New Testament model that provided a safe environment for people to come together and have great fellowship, while building relationships, ultimately leading to quality person to person discipleship. This forum has been made possible by faithful men and women who serve as small group leaders helping us to stay smaller as our church family experiences tremendous growth.

Our small group leaders our the true Rock Stars at the core of our church as they have such a heart to fellowship, engage, encourage and provide quality ministry to the individuals who attend their groups.

Becoming a Small Group Leader is one of the highest orders of vision partnership in that you commit to serve in a way that directly affects the spiritual growth of the church.

We trust that you will join us in engaging Victory's Small Group Ministry this year through your faithful participation. If you are not connected to a group, do it today.



CLICK HERE to get **CONNECTED** with the **SMALL GROUP TEAM** and find out the next steps to leading a small group. Help us engage with and grow God's people.

<http://bit.ly/3XvJj2>



Click here or scan the barcode to find your fit.

FIND YOUR GROUP TODAY!

SMALL GROUPS ARE CRUCIAL AS WE GROW LARGER, THAT WE HAVE THAT INTIMACY AND SENSE OF BELONGING AND ACCOUNTABILITY!

DEACON CHARISSE, SMALL GROUP LEADER

MARCH 19, 2023

COMMITMENT CARD SUNDAY

ENGAGEMENT COMMITMENT

ENGAGEMENT COMMITMENT CARD

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____

Pastors, I commit to give the following sacrificial offering as an **ENGAGEMENT SEED** on Impact Giving Sunday, March 26, 2023. *This is my part to help us reach our \$425,000 goal.*

Level 1 \$10,000 Level 3 \$2,500
 Level 2 \$5,000 Level 4 \$1,000
 Other \$ _____

Pastors, include me as one of the **WEEKLY GIVERS**, making a commitment to give:

\$5.00 \$10.00 \$20.00
 \$30.00 \$50.00
 Other \$ _____

over and above my regular tithes and offerings to help our church meet its financial goals.

As you make your Engagement Commitment to God, what are you believing to manifest in your personal life in 2023?

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ENGAGING PRAYER COMMITMENT

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ENGAGING SMALL GROUP COMMITMENT

Understanding this year is a **YEAR of ENGAGEMENT**, I can be counted on to help establish and maintain community among our current church family and new partners via our Small Group Ministry.

I am already committed and attend a small group.
 I want to get **connected** to a small group.
 I am interested in **starting** a small group.

ENGAGING SERVING & LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT

I commit to serving and learning about leadership opportunities at Victory in Christ Christian Center.

I am **already serving!**
 I am not serving but want to **find out how** to get connected.
 I will find out about **leadership roles** on my serving team.

ENGAGING ACTS OF SERVICE FOR THE COMMUNITY

I commit to volunteer for the various community outreaches and days of service we have in 2023.

ENGAGEMENT COMMITMENT SEED



Click here or scan the QR code to get your digital card!

Commitment Card Sunday positions us to tap into the scriptural vow principle that God has established in His Word.

Job 22:27-28 says, "Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows. Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways."

On Commitment Card Sunday, as we make a Engagement commitment of SOWING, in obedience to the Holy Spirit's leading out of our treasure toward our financial goals, and make a Engagement commitment to volunteer and serve in the ministry all stemming from a heart of generosity in obedience to fulfilling His will for our lives, we have positioned ourselves for an outpouring of favor and reciprocal blessing to break out this year.

What we make happen for others, God will make happen for us.

Remember it is never equal giving, rather equal sacrifice that always scripturally gets God's attention. The weekly giving portion of this year's Vision Builders Campaign will begin the First Sunday in April (April 2, 2023).



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