

COLORADO CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP A Place To Call Home

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# VISION

Colorado Christian Fellowship's vision is two-fold: (1) to train and equip God's people for works of service, and (2) to provide healing and deliverance for those oppressed by emotional pain and demonic oppression, SO THAT we can more effectively fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission.



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# MISSION

Safe Environment

Supportive People

Sound Biblical Teaching



# COLORADO CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Commissioned to Reach

Colorado Christian Fellowship is commissioned to reach the world for Christ by acquiring a new state of the art permanent home that will allow us to more effectively use our gifts, talents, and resources **SO THAT** we can more successfully fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission.

#### Hello CCF Family,

I've had the privilege of pastoring CCF for almost 25 years and I've never been more excited about our church and its future. We are stepping into our destiny and purpose in God as we have never done before. We are ready for this! It's time.

Our church family is getting ready to embark on a 6-7 week

study on how to more successfully fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission. We are also working towards acquiring a new state of the art permanent home in Aurora; and seeking to grow in Colorado Springs. At the end of the summer in 2023, we will also celebrate 25 years of Father working through CCF to train, equip, heal, and deliver God's people.

As we plan to learn more, expand our reach, build our new permanent home, move, and celebrate 25 years of service, let's all lean into these moments and savor this time. Let's step up to the tasks, and do our part, while watching God move amongst us and through us in new and miraculous ways.

Use this journal to capture the moments on this journey with Father and your Colorado Christian Fellowship Family. With this journal, you can learn about our building efforts and expansion in Colorado Springs, keep track of sermon notes or special classes and workshops on how to reach the lost, document special assignments, and chronicle the changes in our church, your life, and the lives of your family and friends.

*Visit the CCF website periodically,* **ccfyourhome.org/CTR** *to learn about our progress and how your hard work, dedication, and sacrifices are making a difference as we build and expand.* 

*CCF, it's time for us to ask the Holy Spirit to work in us, SO THAT, Father can impact the world through us.* 

Love,

Apostle Phillip, F. Smith Jr. Senior Pastor and Overseeing Apostle



On August 16, 1998, Colorado Christian Fellowship (CCF) began its journey towards fulfilling a commission from God to raise up workers who would be equipped to reach the world for Christ. Prior to starting CCF, Apostle Phillip F. Smith, Sr., CCF's Overseeing Apostle and Senior Pastor, heard the Father say *"the laborers are few,"* referring to those needed to reach the world with the Gospel message. Father led Apostle Phil to **Matthew 9: 36-38** where it states



that when Jesus *"saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were har-assed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd."* In that passage Jesus goes on to make the following statement to his disciples, *"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."* 

After hearing these words, Apostle Phil had a vision of the Lord's face with tears in his eyes and this experience changed his life forever. He would eventually abandon all his career plans to devote his life to raising up an army of trained and equipped believers who would be able to go into the world to reach the lost. **And this is what CCF has done!** As a church we adopted a two-fold vision: (1) to train and equip God's people for ministry, and (2) to provide God's people with the healing and deliverance they would need to minister effectively. Through our departments, programs, and ministries, CCF has answered the call to prepare workers for the "harvest field"; now it's time to go out!

Our two-pronged vision was given to us as a church **SO THAT** we can more effectively fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission, which is to reach our community and the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Now we are commencing an initiative at our church called the **Commissioned to Reach (CTR) Initiative**. The goals of this initiative are as follows: (1) to equip our entire congregation, including children, with the tools to share the love of Jesus with the people we encounter in our everyday lives; (2) to see hundreds of souls saved through the members of our church over the next two years; (3) to grow the ministry in Col-

orado Springs, (4) to acquire a new facility in Aurora that will serve as a center for outreach and evangelism.

God is asking us to join Him in what he wants to do in our community through us.

## Reaching these goals will require much of ALL of us!

This is a pivotal time in the life of our church. Father is shifting our thinking, commissioning us to reach as many as possible in more impactful ways.

### With this commission comes great responsibility.

To reach these goals, each of us will be invited to participate in a 6–7-week small group study on friendship evangelism, designed to equip us to take advantage of everyday opportunities to share the love of Jesus. During this time, we will also hear sermons on what it means to be "commissioned," our authority in Christ, what it means to be entrusted with the Gospel, the responsibility of all believers to participate in soul winning, and how we discern each of our individual assignments within the context of the Great Commission. In addition to participating in our small group study, we are asking each of you, at the Aurora Campus , to pray about how you can give creatively and sacrificially, over and above your regular tithes and offerings, to the goal of acquiring our new facility. At the Colorado Springs Campus, we are asking you to pray the same prayer as we aim to sustain and grow CCF there.

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ents, and resources **SO THAT** we can more successfully fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission.

**Father has already jump started our initiative** by providing \$3 million from the proceeds of the sale of our land. How exciting is that? God always gives us what we need!

In 2008, CCF acquired two parcels of land at 6<sup>th</sup> and Piccadilly Road in Aurora. Our original plan was to build what we affectionately called the CCF Village. The vision was to build a "village" where we could invite the community to

come and experience the love of Christ through our various ministries. However, the Lord turned that vision inside out during the COVID–19 Pandemic lockdown, and told Apostle Phil to *"take the love of Christ to the community!"* The leadership of our church realized that the land was an investment in CCF's ability to reach the world like never before.

Since 2008 the value of our land has skyrocketed! Over the years, through the hard work and sacrifice of our members, we own the land free and clear. We purchased the land for \$1.3 million, and in 2023 we will close on the sale of the land to a local developer for \$3 million.

Father instructed the CCF Board of Overseers to sell the land and use the proceeds to acquire a state of the art facility that will serve as the main location **for outreach and evangelism.** This new facility will enhance our worship experience and provide adequate space for new converts as the church continues to grow. It will be designed to help us serve those with varying needs. It will house additional classroom space, allowing us to expand our ability



to disciple new converts and provide additional life-skills training. The Prophetic Arts Department (PAD) will be able to expand its offerings with state-of-the-art equipment and technology. With Open Arms, our food bank, will be able to accommodate the growing nutritional needs of families, individuals, and those who are unhoused. We will provide enhanced services to the youth in our community through a proposed recreation center with a gymnasium and more.

Yes, our services, programs, classes, workshops, counseling services, and ministries have seen thousands saved, baptized, healed, delivered, and discipled. Our outreach ministries, including our food banks, With Open Arms and the Shepherd's Pantry, have fed and comforted thousands in our community and church family. But now it is time to reach out even more! **We need to reach the community and the world as we've never done before!** This initiative is designed to do just that.



The Gospel message to the world is needed now more than ever, especially to our young people who are in a new battleground-their schools. People are hurting, but they are also hungry and looking for hope. Our youth are being assaulted everyday with messages that are anti-Christ. We need to meet our children and our youth where they are! We need to go to them! We need to be transparent and take the truth with us that allows them to answer the question, "How do I deal with this?" or "How do I

face this?" Our children are like sponges and they need to be equipped with the truth! Their parents also need to be equipped. This is also what we've been commissioned to do.

We need to reach the community as we've never done before!

CCF will be in a much better position to effectively use every gift, every talent, and every resource at our disposal to provide hope to our CCF Family, our surrounding community, and our world.



To ensure that the Aurora Campus can acquire a property suitable for our needs, in the area we desire, we are asking you to help us reach our goal of raising an additional \$1million over the next two years. This will ensure that after buying an existing building we will have what we need to renovate and furnish it.

In Colorado Springs, we want to expand what CCF can offer the community by increasing the giving through tithes, offerings, and talents.

We will ask each CCF member to prayerfully consider making a commitment to the 2023-2024 Commissioned to Reach Initiative.

A commitment card will be provided. The Commissioned To Reach (CTR) Commitment Card will be available in hardcopy form and online. The card has dedicated spaces for your current and expanded giving to the mission and vision of Colorado Christian Fellowship (tithes and offerings), and allows you to choose one or more areas where you are committed to serving at CCF.







When CCF was celebrating its 10year anniversary, we were hosting a concert with CeCe Winans, as part of the celebration. I wanted to charge attendees enough to cover the cost of the concert, but Apostle Phil's heart was to charge very little so every member of the con-

Tika Rhodes

gregation could attend and enjoy this power-

ful gospel musical performance. My budget projections showed a significant shortfall in our ticket sales versus the actual cost of bringing her to CCF, which was going to be about 5 times the cost of what our ticket sales would yield; but the Board of Overseers agreed with Apostle Phil and we moved forward with \$10 per-person tickets. The weekend of the concert, we received a large single donation that covered the full cost of the concert, the cost of our entire anniversary celebration, and helped CCF reestablish our depleted savings account. What a memory stone!

> Tika Rhodes, Church Administrator Finance Department

Share one of your	r memory stones, or what Father is sa
ing to you.	





In May of 2002, I attended a service at Colorado Christian Fellowship (CCF). The following week I made CCF my church home. The worship was rich, and the preached Word was authentic. The emphasis and transparency placed on the importance of one's soul being healed was life changing. As I invited

Denise Waldon

friends and family to CCF, from my hometown of Colorado Springs, the common request was 'please let me know if CCF comes to the Springs."

In October 2010 a meeting was held with Apostle Phil and Sylvia in my mother's home to introduce CCF to a group of people in Colorado Springs. Our first weekly Bible study started in December 2010. And our first worship service was held on Saturday, October 29, 2011

In January of 2014, I left my job in Denver and moved back home to help with the planting of the Colorado Springs campus. In the years that we have been here, I am grateful for the numerous lives that have been transformed through the vision and mission of CCF.

> **Pastor Denise Waldon, Campus Pastor Colorado Springs Campus**

Share your trans	sformation story, or what Father is say
to you.	
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I have been attending CCF since 2012. This has been a very inviting, diverse community – an environment of spiritual maturity, growth, healing, and deliverance. I have, and

continue to pursue many of the open opportunities to grow spiritually through the variety of classes offered through Christian Vocational Training School (CVTS). I was also very blessed to have the opportunity to be ordained as a Pastor through Global Change Network, U.S.A. The leadership operates in Grace and Mercy with people who have experienced spiritual backsliding, helping to restore them, or walking along side them on the journey to get back on track. The welcoming environment truly feels like a healthy home and family. My wife and I have been blessed to receive counseling and guidance throughout the rougher parts of our marriage and the continued support encourages growth. And, as with the calling on my life to ministry, I have found a constructive and supportive environment to launch my ministry.

Curtis May and Tonia May Ordained Pastors 2019 Global Change Network, U.S.A.

Share the minist	ries you've been called to serve in or	•
	ather is saying to you.	



I had a pretty rough relationship with my mom. There was lots of anger and bitterness, and that lasted for years. Through taking Embracing the Fathers Heart, a class offered through Christian Vocational Training School (CVTS), God showed me so much hurt that my mom and

I had through the years. Long story short, I was able to rebuild my relationship with my mom, but I also apologized for where I went wrong. God healed that area in my life!

> Jordan Dunbar, Youth Coordinator, Youth and Young Adults Department

Share your healing experience, or what Father is saying to you.



Being a member at CCF has added to my life immensely. I have grown so much as a person and a member of the body. I came into this fellowship 'bleeding' profusely from the physical and emotional trauma I experienced in my life. Through the Counseling program, Christian Vocational Training School (CVTS) and the regular

teaching of the Word, I have been able to understand God's love and purpose for me. I have gotten healing in areas of my heart and life I didn't even know there was a need for healing. I truly have a home and a family which is something I always longed for.

Keisha Mathes, Administrative Assistant Communications and Ministry Services Department

	Share how CCF has added to your life, or what Father is saying to you.
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Theresa Burns

Before coming to CCF I viewed God as "GOD" not as a being I could have a relationship with. I was taught Bible stories; however, being at CCF, sitting under Apostle Phil and taking the classes through Christian Vocational Training School (CVTS), I have leaned to hear God for myself; and I have a

deeper and personal relationship with the Father that I could never have imagined. I have learned who I am and who he called me to be!

Theresa Burns, Ministry Lead, Prayer Ministry

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what Father is sayi	ng to you.



**Bernie Stansberry** 

From my first meeting with Apostle Phil and Pastor Denise on that faithful day in October of 2014, CCF's Colorado Springs Campus has been 'A Place to Call Home.' Dealing with major depression, PTSD, panic attacks, social anxiety disorder, and agoraphobia; I never thought it possible to be where I

am now-to fully understand who I am, and WHO's I am. Through Father God, CCF has provided the safe environment, along with sound biblical teaching, and loving supportive people that has allowed TRUE healing and deliverance to happen in my life. I will be forever grateful. Matthew 19:26 and Jeremiah 30:17

Pastor Bernadette Stansberry, Administrative Assistant, Deacon, and Director of 'The Shepherd's Pantry' and Food Outreach Ministries for the Colorado Springs Campus

Share your deliverance experience, or what Father is say- ing to you.	

I have been a member CCF for over 20 years, and on staff almost 19 years. During this time, I have witnessed God move miraculously on behalf of CCF and in my life. Personally, he recently healed my wife, Susan, from a rare form of cancer, and has taken me through

healing and deliverance that totally changed my life. As a staff member, I have been at the forefront of CCF's endeavor to find a permanent place we can call home. Father has taken us on an incredible journey of faith to accomplish this. We held onto the land that we purchased for \$1.3 million, and now we are under contract to sell it for \$3 million. This puts us in position to go shopping for an existing building that we can make our new home. God has been and continues to be, both good and faithful.

JC Hendrix

Pastor JC Hendrix, Executive Pastor and CCF Board of Overseers

	Share your faith journey, or what Father is saying to you.
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(I-r) Christopher Jones, Joshua Jones, Sherri Jones, Mike Jones, Tiffany (Pittman) Jones, Adrian Jones, Vernita Pittman, Alexandria Jones, and Jaeden Jones

In 2004, our family came to CCF broken and discouraged by leadership. From the beginning, CCF provided a "safe space" for us to heal and trust again. Since attending CCF, we have been encouraged and allowed to grow and express our giftings. It is a we some to be able to participate in the life of the church without

experiencing burnout and abuse. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve God and our fellow man with the gifts He has blessed us with.

> Elder Sherri Love-Jones and Elder Mike Jones CCF Board of Overseers

	Share your God given gifts or what Father is saying to you.
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