

WASHINGTON PARK, ILLINOIS

a strategy for reaching out

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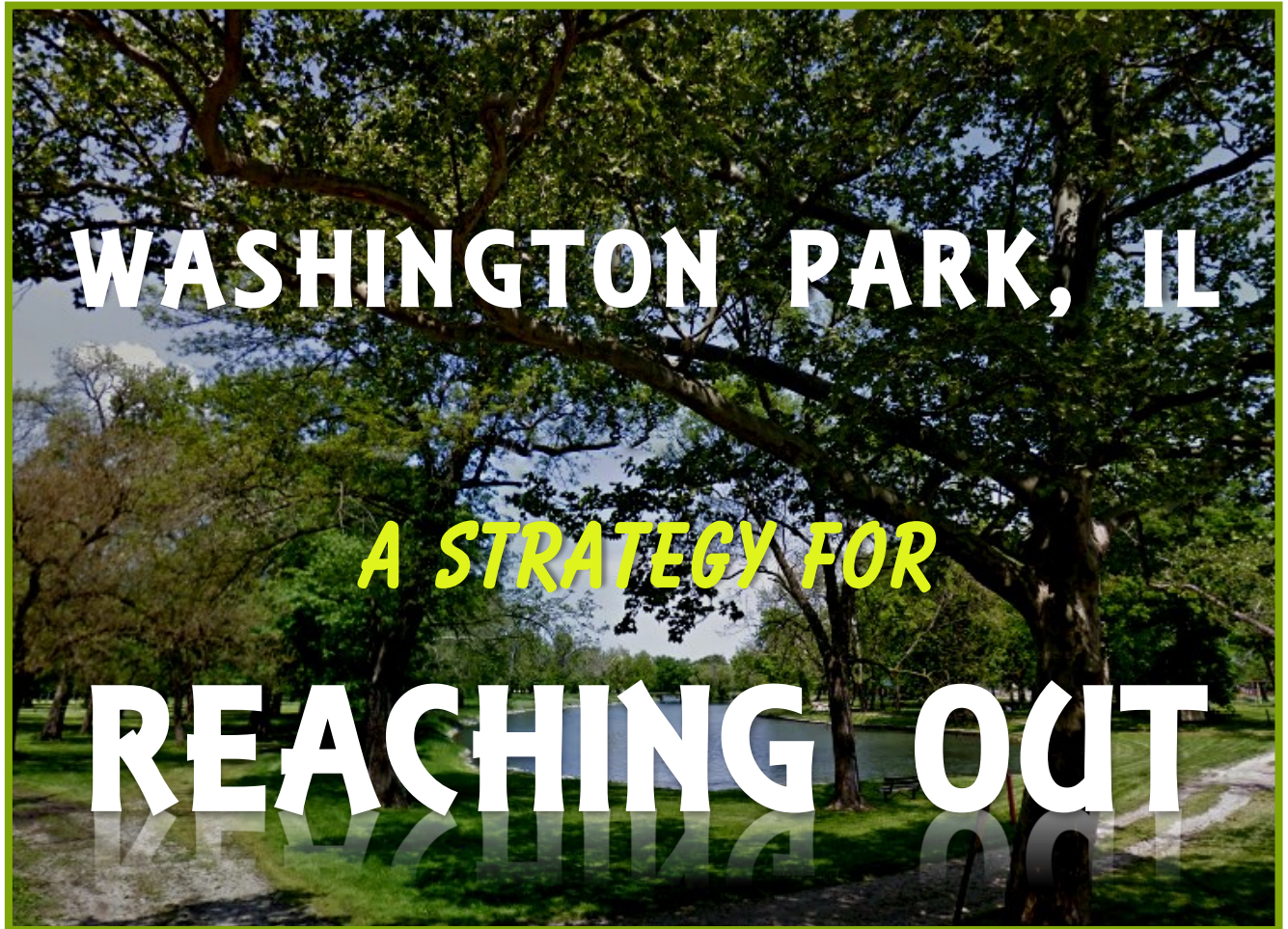


THE VISION

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DEMOGRAPHICS



Median Age | 32.9 (State of Illinois Median Age 42.2)

Race | 86.1% Black | 11.2% White | 2.7% Other

Median Income in 2011 | \$25,845 (State of Illinois \$53,234)

Median Home Value in 2011 | \$50,886 (State of Illinois \$178,500)

Population Change Since 2000 | -22.9%

Unemployment Rate | 10.6% (State of Illinois 8.9%)

Leading Occupations (Male)

Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance 14%

Laborers and Material Movers 12%

Drivers and Truck Drivers 10%

Leading Occupations (Female)

Cashiers 10%

Nursing and Home Health Aides 10%

Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance 7%



COMMUNITY



James Avant Elementary School

Washington Park is primarily a community of young families and singles.

It is located in the East St. Louis school district, but has its own grade school and a nearby middle school.



Washington Park, Illinois, residents mourn the murder of their mayor.



Wyvetter Younge Middle School

Metro St. Louis is only minutes away.



Eads Bridge connects Washington Park to metro St. Louis

RELIGIOUS PRESENCE

Apostolic Faith Church
1801 N. 59th St
Washington Park, II 62204
618-874-0311

Centro Cristiano Gran Luz
Pastor Ramon & Laura Granados
5904 Forest Blvd.
Washington Park, II 62204

Christ Temple Apostolic Church
3900 Bunkum Rd
Washington Park, II 62204
618-874-2608

Disciple Fellowship Christian Church
1340 N. 58th St.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-875-3322

House of Prayer to all Nations Church
Suffragan Bishop
5501 N. Park Dr.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-244-3850

Miracle Tabernacle COGIC
2117 N. 55th St.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-875-9475

Mt. Calvary Church of God
1420 N. 48th St
Washington Park, II 62204
618-271-0494

Mt. Era Baptist Church
4602 Forest Blvd.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-274-8915

New 4 U Youth Movement
Rev. Larry Thomas
1100 N. 44th St.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-402-4002

San Francisco Temple East
Christian Assembly
5323 N. Park Dr.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-271-0737

Trinity United Methodist Church
5110 Forest Blvd.
Washington Park, II 62204
618-482-4246



Pilgrim Green Baptist Church



POTENTIAL PARTNERS

Mississippi Valley ARB Churches

First Baptist | Alhambra

Brown Street Baptist | Alton

Sanford Avenue Baptist | Alton

Faith Baptist | Bridgeton

Berean Baptist | Bunker Hill

Calvary Baptist of Woodburn | Bunker Hill

Bible Baptist | Carterville

Cottage Hills Baptist | East St. Louis

Grace Community Baptist | Jerseyville

Delhi Baptist | Jerseyville

Marion Independent Baptist | Marion

First Baptist | Roxana

First Baptist | Troy

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309.745.1073 | bernie.augsburger@gmail.com

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Alton Bible Church | Fred Hicks, Pastor
3047 Alby Street | Alton, IL | 62002
618.465.4410

Baptist Builders Club | Michael Nolan
1300 N. Meacham Road | Schaumburg, IL | 60173
888.588.1600 | mnolan@garbc.org

General Association of Regular Baptist Churches | John Greening
1300 N. Meacham Road | Schaumburg, IL | 60173
888.588.1600

The Brookes Bible Institute | Christopher Stocklin
3465 South Grand Blvd. | St. Louis, MO | 63118
314.773.0083

WHY PARTNER?

Partnering with like-minded ministries is the best use of time and resources. It also allows us to pool our creativity, talents, and connections.

Romans 12:4-5 says, “For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. “

Partnering also unifies the body of Christ, which pleases our Father and brings glory to Him.

OPTIONS

A. DO NOTHING

It may not be feasible at this time to pursue an expanded ministry in Washington Park because of the present climate of our fellowship, financial barriers, and the high-risk community. This option would have us re-visit this project in one year.

B. SELL PROPERTY & REALLOCATE ASSETS

We have looked into the values of property on Bunkum Road. Within one mile west of the 5215 property, there are several properties for sale. Each one of these properties (3990, 3950, 4044, 4002) are one-third of an acre to two and a half acres. The realtor has them listed for \$570,000.00 dollars each. They have been on the market for approximately 60 months.

This option assumes that it would be in our best interest to sell the property and reallocate the funds for church planting elsewhere in the state of Illinois. It may be determined to give the money back to the Washington Park community or a church of similar belief.

C. SUPPORT MINISTRY FINANCIALLY

Columbus Road has allocated a large amount of money into the Pittsfield replant. This financial commitment has been over time and will remain in the foreseeable future. It is estimated that the replant and renovation costs of the Pittsfield property are somewhere around \$300,000. The amount includes gifts from other churches in our region as well as Baptist Builders Club.

To adequately fund Bible Baptist's ministry in Washington Park, this option would require a minimum of \$20,000 dollars per year in the first three years to retain a presence in the community. This money would come from strategic partners over time.

D. DISSOLVE PRESENT CHURCH STRUCTURE & REORGANIZE

1. Disband Current Church Structure

This option provides an opportunity to reset the ministry's history as well as present inactivity. It would be valuable to re-think strategy and ministry in Washington Park. Things to consider would be the target audience, structure, style, ethnicity and scope of ministry.

2. Re-birth New Church

At the completion of reorganization, a new church would be birthed. A new identity, name and ministry structure would be put into place.

E. RE-BIRTH CHURCH FROM OUTREACH CENTER MODEL

1. Begin with Outreach

This option would begin an active outreach into the community. It would include involvement with community leaders, identifying needs and planning initiatives to engage the people.

2. Re-birth Church from Outreach Center

It will be important to maintain the objective of starting a church. This could be done with multiple use of the facility with weekend services as a part of the community outreach.

PROPOSAL

RE-BIRTH CHURCH FROM OUTREACH CENTER MODEL

Outreach Center → **Church**

Because of Bible Baptist's total disconnection from the community, it is imperative that this ministry create a relationship with the residents of Washington Park, Illinois. With current restrictions on resources, including people, a practical and pragmatic solution to this need is to create an outreach center. An outreach center would reconnect Bible Baptist into the community and provide a long-term impact for the gospel.

PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 2013 Organize a team (board) to develop a long-term strategy
- 2013 Establish a relationship with local leaders
- 2013 Identify current community needs
- 2013 Seek a ministry leader
- 2014 Create a budget for the remodel of the structure
- 2014 Retain partners with like-minded ministry philosophies
- 2014 Recruit work teams to complete remodel
- 2014 Develop a relationship with Brookes Bible Institute faculty and students
- 2014 Establish a weekly community presence
- 2014 Engage students from Brookes to facilitate the ministry
- 2014 Create a ministry budget
- 14-15 Establish relationships with local and regional charities

LONG-RANGE FINANCIAL PLAN

	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Regional Churches	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$15,000
State Fellowship	\$0	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$17,500
National Fellowship	\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
One-Time Gifts	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$18,500
Self-Support	\$0	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$17,000
Total	\$1,000	\$37,000	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$83,000

THE PROPERTY

Address | 5215 Bunkum Road, Washington Park, IL 62204

Ownership | Bible Baptist Church of East St. Louis

Lot | Parcel #02160226055 | 8,067 sq. ft.

Building | Approx. 3,200 sq. ft.

