

YOUR INVITATION TO GO

All In

For such a time as this

**“For if you remain silent at this time,
relief and deliverance for the Jews will
arise from another place ... And who
knows but that you have come to your
royal position for such a time as this?”**

ESTHER 4:14



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Letter from Luke

Hi friends,

Growing up in a ministry family, I've spent my life traveling the country seeing the best of what God is doing through His church. I've been in hundreds of buildings and thousands of worship services. I have many friends in ministry today, and I am acquainted with what's happening in dozens of congregations around the world, both big and small.

But I've gotta tell you ... nothing I've ever seen has made me as excited as what I'm seeing right now. If I could pick any of those churches in any of those places to spend my life on the leading edge of what God is doing to bring heaven to earth ... I would pick right here, right now, with all of you.

God is doing something special at Plainfield Christian Church, and we get to be part of it! You and I engage each day with people who are desperate for the hope we have. Every week, God brings dozens of new people into our building for the first time. There are hundreds of homes being built around us. Thousands of cars drive past our building every day. Our community is changing rapidly, and here we are, uniquely positioned at the heart of it all.

Truly, as Esther 4:14 says, we have been put here “for such a time as this.” God has given us everything we need to meet the needs around us. As a church, we have a healthy staff, a unified eldership, a strategic location, an eager congregation, and a clear calling from God to rise up and meet this cultural moment with the boldness and love of Jesus Himself.

This guidebook is an invitation from God Himself to join Him in the work He is doing. As you read these pages, pondering God’s faithfulness in the past and anticipating His vision for our future, listen for the still, small voice of God inviting you to join in.

Invite God to speak to you, right now, by praying this simple prayer: “God, here I am. Use me – use us – for such a time as this.”

I pray that as you open yourself to God’s leading, He will speak to you and lead us together to go *All In*, for such a time as this.

I love you all!



Luke Proctor
SENIOR MINISTER

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I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

-PHILIPPIANS 1:3-6

TIMELINE OF

Plainfield Christian Church Milestones

1825

Long before the town of Plainfield was founded, pioneer preacher Michael Combs begins holding Christian meetings for the new settlers coming to the area. The Hadley family hosts the first gathering in their home.

1829

The settlers formally establish a Christian Church congregation, appointing elders and beginning to gather in various homes or under a grove of trees until a place of worship can be constructed.

1829-1839

The 17 charter members of the church build a log cabin to serve as their first building. The site of this rough-hewn meeting house is on the ridge of what is currently Ridgeline Estates off of Center Street. For 10 years the congregation grows in this rustic spot overlooking what will become the town of Plainfield.



1839-1865

The Town of Plainfield is formally organized in 1839, and a new wood building is built for the church at the intersection of Center Street and Krewson. This serves as the church's home for the next 25 years.

1865-1955

As the church grows, a better facility becomes necessary. In 1865, at a cost of \$3,000, church members make their own bricks and construct a new building at the corner of Center Street and Krewson which still stands today. It serves as the home of the church for the next 90 years.



1955-1994

Due to continued growth, the church builds and moves into a new building on Buchanan Street. In 1987, Steve and Diana White begin their ministry with Plainfield Christian Church. Under the guidance of the elders, the church begins to experience explosive growth and increased local and global impact during Steve's tenure.



1994-2000

The church outgrows the building on Buchanan Street and purchases a property at the corner of Township Line Road and Dan Jones Road. A new building is built, and under Steve's leadership the congregation continues to grow in faith and number as they move to 800 Dan Jones Road.



2000

The church pays off the building, but due to continued growth another construction project begins. This addition becomes the Fellowship Center adding youth space, offices, a chapel, a library, classrooms, and parking.



2001-2003

Plainfield Christian Church plants a Hispanic congregation on the west side of Indianapolis called Iglesia Cristiana Westside. The Plainfield Christian Preschool is launched in 2003, which continues to grow and serve our community to this day. The church purchases a farm property west of town to use for parties and events.

2007

Planning for future growth, the church purchases the adjacent property north of the church building. This scenic acreage includes a house, cottage, barn, and buildings used as a machine shop. The house is used to serve missionaries home on furlough, and the machine shop is converted into a Student Center called Pier 14 to house the growing Student Ministry.

2011

The church continues to grow. To reach the community and provide a beautiful home for the Preschool and Children's Ministry, the Treehouse Children's Center is completed and begins to draw many young families to Jesus.



2020-2022

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the church reimagines how to serve the community and finds new ways to do ministry. The church also takes the opportunity to remodel the Worship Center while the building is underutilized due to social distancing.

2022-2025



After 35 years of faithful and fruitful ministry, Steve White retires and passes the baton of leadership to Luke Proctor. Luke and the elders begin to seek God's direction for the church by asking the question, "What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus at Plainfield Christian Church?" In response to that question, they implement a logo, language, and pathways for the church that capture the core DNA of who Plainfield Christian Church has always been while also leading the church boldly into the future.

- **EVEN THOUGH MUCH HAS CHANGED SINCE 1829, OUR DESIRE REMAINS THE SAME:** to answer Jesus' call by fulfilling the Great Commandment (*Matthew 22:37-40*) and the Great Commission (*Matthew 28:18-20*).

Jesus said in John 10:10 that he came so that we could have "life to the full." What does it mean to be fully alive, then? It means that God made you for life with Jesus, in community, and on mission. Our mission is to help you become fully alive in Jesus.

So as we become fully alive in Jesus together, may our next 200 years be even better than the first, to God's glory, until Christ returns!

CELEBRATING

What God Is Doing

May 2024-May 2025

1,595

AVERAGE WEEKLY ADULT
IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE



290

KIDS WEEKLY ATTENDANCE
(BIRTH-ELEMENTARY)



160

STUDENTS WEEKLY ATTENDANCE
(MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL)



450 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS



100 BAPTISMS

1,049

SMALL GROUP MEMBERS



791 NEW FAMILIES AT THE TREEHOUSE

817 RETURNING FAMILIES TO THE TREEHOUSE



Our Unique Ministry Moment



What do you think the world needs most?

Jesus said, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.” (Matthew 9:38) In other words, the world doesn’t have a harvest problem. It has a worker problem. **What the world needs most is people who are willing to be used by God.**

We are on the brink of a unique ministry moment: Hundreds of new homes are being built all around us. Thousands of cars drive past our church building every day. Hendricks County is growing and changing rapidly. And who did God choose to seize this opportunity?

He picked us! This is our time! Jesus said, “As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” (John 20:21) For 196 years, Plainfield Christian Church has been filled with people willing to be used by God, and now that mantle has been passed to us.

So, are you willing to be used by God?

If so, then there's only one path forward: going *All In*. Remember what Jesus said is the most important commandment? Mark 12:30, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Like a skydiver jumping from a plane, the first domino falling to kickstart a chain reaction, or a poker player pushing all her chips to the middle of the table ... God wants us to be *All In*. No reserves. No retreat. No regrets.

Going *All In* is a scary challenge. If you say yes to go *All In* with Jesus, the enemy will immediately try to creep into your mind with a dozen reasons why you should shrink back, change your mind, play it safe, and say no: "I'll wait till work slows down, the kids get older, money isn't as tight, the schedule isn't so crammed, or when I feel more confident." And little by little, the clock ticks. If we're not careful, we'll end up looking back on a life of prayers we never prayed, adventures we never went on, conversations we never had, words of truth we left unsaid, gifts we never offered, abilities we never maximized, sins we never confronted, and lives we never touched.



GOD MADE US FOR MORE . . .

In the Bible, there was a young woman named Esther who was scared to go all in on God's calling for her life. But in Esther 4:14, her cousin Mordecai boldly challenged her to step up and be used by God, saying, "For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position **for such a time as this?**"

And what if this is true for us as well? What if we were put here for such a time as this? If we don't step up, God can reach Hendricks County without us. But if we do, if we say yes to going *All In*, just imagine what God can do in us and through us!

Just like God used Esther and countless others who were willing to go *All In*, we believe that if you join in with us, God will encourage us, stretch us, and use us here at Plainfield Christian Church. Through our ministry, He will change lives, help more people to find purpose, alter the generational trajectory of families, break addictions, inspire children, transform neighborhoods, heal marriages, rescue broken people, and unleash waves of revival in Hendricks County that go beyond anything we could do on our own. We were put here for such a time as this!



**So, are you willing to
be used by God?**

**Join us! Let's go *All In* together
and see what God will do!**



Our *All In* Vision in Four Bold Objectives



As we go *All In* to meet this ministry moment, we are embarking on a God-sized vision to repurpose our facility to meet the needs of our community. To prepare Plainfield Christian Church to be more effectively used by God, we have four main objectives.

1 A Strategic Student Center

Our Student Ministry continues to grow and raise up young people who are becoming resilient disciples of Jesus, but their current facility is dilapidated. God has used that old machine shop to provide a spiritual home for generations of Jesus followers for 20 years, and it has served its purpose well. But the time has come to equip our Student Ministry for the next 20 years of ministry and to provide our young people a place where they can bring their friends, soak in the gospel, and be launched out into the world as bright lights in a dark society.

As our middle school and high school students faithfully follow Jesus, their peers will often think they are strange. Our students will stand out in a world that often looks down on them for what they believe. In this cultural moment, it has never been more important for our young people to have a space where they are known, loved, and equipped to stand tall for Jesus. By faith, we anticipate that many more generations of resilient disciples, kingdom workers, future ministers and missionaries will be raised up in this facility.





2 A Hospitable Guest Experience

God brings dozens of new people into our building every single week, many of whom are far from God and desperate for hope. As they visit with us, one observation we consistently hear from new people is, “This building is really confusing!” Our current Sunday morning experience is difficult for new people to navigate. Unfortunately, guests often find it hard to find their way around, leading to an experience that feels uninviting and inhospitable. Each week, dozens of people also leave our church feeling unknown and disconnected.

We never want a fixable barrier like small hallways, narrow doors, or poor signage to stand in the way of someone becoming fully alive in Jesus. As part of this project, we will create a more clear and compelling guest experience that makes it easier for everyone to get connected, find their way around, and take a next step in their relationship with Jesus. With improved foot traffic pathways, better mingling spaces, and more compelling wayfinding, we believe that God will usher hundreds more people into deep, transformative relationships with Him and one another.

3 A Missional Family Space

God is doing amazing things through the Treehouse! This facility is not only used weekly for church programming and the Plainfield Christian Preschool, but is also open to the community for families to come and play. In the past year (May 2024–May 2025), 791 families have come to play at the Treehouse for the very first time. Add that to the 817 families that were returning guests, and we're praising God for the 1,608 families that played at the Treehouse this past year!

God is blessing this ministry, and we want to expand its reach. The Treehouse is an amazing facility, but it's designed for young kids. By the time a child gets to grade school, they are often bored in our facility, and we don't have a compelling space for them to get connected during the week. Thankfully, the Fellowship Center is right next door.

The Fellowship Center has been used in a variety of flexible and impactful ways over the past 25 years, and will now evolve for its next season of ministry effectiveness. By converting the current gym, stage, and door 5 area into a family entrance and expanded play area for older kids, we hope to expand the range of families we are reaching through our weekly Kids ministry programming and our open community play hours!

When thousands of new people move into the homes that are being built in our community, they will go to Google to find fun local activities for their kids. We want to be the first place on their list.



4 An Intentional Outreach

We don't believe that "if you build it, they will come." We don't want to just prepare these spaces to be used, but also to go out and find people who need these spaces. Hendricks County has been blessed with an abundance of resources, and there are many amazing organizations doing good work around town. So, we asked the question, "What does our community actually need? And how might God use us to meet that need, for such a time as this?"

People are often open to Jesus during times of transition. So, we are going to provide support in two of the biggest life transitions to serve people in our community in their time of need.

First, whenever someone buys a house in Plainfield or Avon, they are going to get a gift from us. As they are settling into their new house, we want to make it feel like home by welcoming them to the community and blessing them in the name of Jesus.

Second, whenever a baby is born in Hendricks County, they will receive a gift from us. When those young families are adjusting to life with a newborn and looking for help, we want the people of God to be the first ones there to help.

By loving our community in this generous way, we will fulfill what Jesus said the two greatest commands are, to express our *All In* love for God by loving our neighbors as ourselves (Matthew 22:37-40).



Our *All In* Goals

To go *All In* on this God-sized vision, we're embarking on a **two-year campaign** with two main goals:

GOAL #1

100% Church-wide Engagement

We want 100% of our church family to be able to say, "Yes, I want to be used by God. I'm *All In*, for such a time as this." Going *All In* means that every person at Plainfield Christian Church will take three actions:

PRAY ONE PRAYER: Set a daily prayer reminder on your phone for 4:14pm, to remind us of Esther 4:14. When that alarm goes off, we will pray together, "God, here I am. Use me. Use us, for such a time as this."

TAKE ONE STEP: Ask Jesus how He wants you to go *All In*. You can attend each Sunday from September 7 through October 5, 2025, as we launch our *All In* series. Engage in the *All In* study by joining a small group. Maybe you'll get baptized, have the courage to work on your marriage or mend a relationship, start the habit of getting into God's Word, or share your story with someone. Whatever it is, take one step to learn more about God's heart, to grow with Him, and trust Him with your resources.

MAKE ONE COMMITMENT: Decide to go *All In* on being used by God financially at Plainfield Christian Church over the next two years by making a commitment to a lifestyle of sacrificial generosity. The mission of God is fueled by the generosity of God's people.

GOAL #2

\$10 Million Given in Two Years

(in addition to regular giving)

The total cost of this project is \$20 million, and we are prayerfully aiming to raise \$10 million over the next two years in addition to our regular budget to fund this campaign.

In addition, as a church, we will contribute \$2 million from our savings toward this project, leaving us with a total debt of \$8 million to pay off. Our goal is to keep our debt load at 15% or less of our annual budget.

Jesus says that a clear indicator of whether we've gone *All In* with Him is if we have trusted Him with our finances. In Matthew 6:21, Jesus says, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Our sacrificial giving will allow us to both act boldly to meet the needs of this ministry moment while also staying financially lean and flexible enough to not be hindered by a bloated budget or crippling debt. Prayerfully, we know that the mission of God's church will go as far and as fast as the generosity of God's people allows!

How You Can Go *All In*

OUR PRIMARY GOAL THROUGH *ALL IN* IS THAT
**100% OF THE PEOPLE OF
PLAINFIELD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**
WOULD ENGAGE IN THIS INITIATIVE TO
EXPERIENCE A LIFE-CHANGING
ENCOUNTER WITH GOD.

We are asking you to go on a spiritual journey with God
and your family - to take the biggest steps of growth,
trust in God, and generosity you've ever taken.

Will you take these three actions with us?



1. PRAY ONE PRAYER

Set a daily prayer reminder on your phone for 4:14pm, to remind us of Esther 4:14. When that alarm goes off, pray, “God, here I am. Use me. Use us, for such a time as this.”

Every day, we will pray that God would multiply our efforts to make disciples and make much of Christ. Pray that He would do abundantly more than we ask or imagine for His great name.

My prayer for *All In* is:

2. TAKE ONE STEP

Ask Jesus how He wants you to go *All In*. You can attend each Sunday from September 7 through October 5, 2025, as we launch our *All In* series. Engage in the *All In* study by joining a small group. Maybe you'll get baptized, have the courage to work on your marriage or mend a relationship, start the habit of getting into God's Word, or share your story with someone. Whatever it is, take one step to learn more about God's heart, to grow with him, and trust him with your resources.

One way I can grow and take a next step is:

3. MAKE ONE COMMITMENT

Decide to go *All In* on being used by God financially at Plainfield Christian Church over the next two years by making a commitment to a lifestyle of sacrificial generosity. The mission of God is fueled by the generosity of God’s people.

See the Giving Table below as you continue to pray and consider your commitment.

Two-Year Sample Giving Table

As you pray about how God is asking you to give, use this giving table to encourage you.

Through this chart, you can see how we will stand side by side, together, as a church family. Your gift will help us reach our goal of 100% engagement with *All In*. We’re *All In* with God and each other.

Gifts Needed	2-Year Gift of	Annual Gift of	Monthly Gift of	Gift Level Total
1	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$83,222	\$2,000,000
1	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$41,677	\$1,000,000
1	\$750,000	\$375,000	\$31,250	\$750,000
2	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$1,000,000
4	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$10,417	\$1,000,000
6	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$600,000
8	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$600,000
10	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$500,000
25	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$1,042	\$625,000
50	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$500,000
75	\$7,200	\$3,600	\$300	\$540,000
100	\$4,800	\$2,400	\$200	\$480,000
100	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$100	\$240,000
Many	\$<2,400	\$<1,200	\$<100	\$165,000
Total Gift Goal				\$10,000,000

Make Your Commitment

This is your personal invitation to go *All In* with us. Will you prayerfully consider what God is calling you to give as we go *All In*?

We've included an example commitment card here so you can pray about your *All In* commitment.

To access an online commitment card (form) or download a PDF of this commitment card, you can go to: allinplainfield.com

We're going *All In*—together.

For the next two years, we're trusting God to do more than we can imagine through our collective generosity. Every gift, large or small, helps fuel the vision. Every gift opens doors for the Gospel to reach individuals and families in our community.

How to Go *All In*

1. PRAY ONE PRAYER

Set a daily prayer reminder on your phone for 4:14pm. When that alarm goes off, pray, "God, here I am. Use me. Use us, for such a time as this."

2. TAKE ONE STEP

Ask Jesus what he wants you to do to go *All In*. Whatever it is - joining a group, getting baptized, serving and sharing your story - say yes to Him!

3. MAKE ONE COMMITMENT

Decide to go *All In* on being used by God financially at Plainfield Christian Church over the next two years by making a commitment to a lifestyle of sacrificial generosity.

Yes! I'm *All In*.

I/we commit to give, over and above our regular giving, to fuel the vision of our church over the next two years.

\$ /month x 24 months = \$
+ Gifts from assets and stored resources \$



My/Our *All In* Total Commitment
(Over and above our regular giving)

\$

Name

Address

City State Zip

Email



Scan for info about how to fill out this card and why this commitment card is important.



Take a picture of your commitment card for ongoing reference and prayer!

Additional Ways to Grow in Your Giving

You might be wondering, “I want to go *All In* and be used by God for this initiative, but money is tight and I’m not sure how to make it work.”

Or, you might be thinking, “I want to grow in my giving. But I feel stuck with our household’s current needs and outlook on spending.”

These are real and valid concerns. However, God always gives us enough to be generous. Sometimes, it just takes a bit of creativity and intentionality on our part. Here are some ideas for how to go *All In* and commit to a lifestyle of sacrificial generosity.

No, this will not be easy. And yes, sacrificial generosity might hurt a bit. That’s actually a sign that God is working in your heart! In 2 Samuel 24:24, King David said, **“I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.”** David understood that if a gift is going to touch the heart of God, it must first touch the heart of the giver! The more costly and sacrificial the gift, the greater the value in God’s eyes (Mark 12:41-44).

Here are three key steps to intentionally create room for generosity in your life:

1

Reassess your lifestyle

What does your lifestyle communicate about your faith? Are you truly giving God your first and your best?

2

Rearrange your priorities

Does your living and spending govern your giving, or does your giving guide your spending and living? What could you cut, simplify, or scale back to be more generous?

3

Reallocate your resources

What do your current spending and saving habits say about your relationship with God? What are you investing in?

Here are eight practical ideas to help you fulfill those three actions and create more room for generosity in your life:

1

Practice priority budgeting

Many families will choose to rearrange their priorities and give up something in their current budget to give more to a generosity initiative. Priority budgeting may mean postponing a planned expenditure such as a new car, vacation, home remodeling or other major purchase.

2

Redirect present expenditures

Often, families have significant short-term expenditures for special needs. One example is the large expenditure a family incurs for a child to attend college. A family might realize that their son or daughter will be graduating from college during the two years of the generosity initiative and, as a result, they would be able to increase their commitment the second year of the campaign by thousands of dollars by giving what they had been spending on their child's tuition. Another example would be the cash flow that would be freed up when a loan is paid.

3

Increased giving with increased income

Some people receive periodic increases in salary or bonuses from their employers. The temptation for many of us is to increase our lifestyle to fit the higher income. In many instances, families have decided they will commit the full amount of salary increases.

4

Give from your excess

One young man in another church decided that giving up two of his collectors' baseball cards worth over \$20,000 would be the best means of sacrifice for his family. Another couple had saved \$80,000 to build a lake cabin. When their church entered a generosity initiative, they decided the needs of the church were greater than their need for a second home.

5

Commit unexpected cash

Often, people pray for God to show them a way they can give beyond what they can presently see or afford. Sometimes, the answers come unexpectedly. One couple had been praying for weeks about their commitment to the church generosity initiative. Much to their surprise, they received an inheritance of several thousand dollars. They gave this amount to their church as part of their two-year commitment, in addition to a commitment from their regular income.

6

Sacrifice your extra time

Some family members have extra time so they secure a part-time job to be able to give more to the church. This is particularly true for families whose children are grown and away from home and for semi-retired or retired couples. A man was in the process of retiring when his church entered a campaign. He and his wife secured new jobs and gave the first two years of their retirement income to the generosity initiative.

7

Donate appreciated assets (stored resources)

Many people own stocks that are worth significantly more than the original purchase price. That is good news. The bad news is that if these stocks are sold, a significant portion of the gain would be lost to taxation. Gifts of appreciated assets – typically investment securities or real estate – can be very advantageous to both the donor and to the church. By transferring ownership of the asset to the church, the donor avoids capital gains taxes on the sale of the asset. In addition, the donor receives an income tax charitable deduction for the full market value of the asset. That, in effect, makes these gifts less costly to make.

8

Consider the Charitable IRA

In 2015, Congress enacted a permanent extension of the IRA charitable rollover. As a result, individuals age 70½ or older can make gifts directly from their IRA to charity. An IRA charitable rollover is a wonderful way you can help continue our work and also receive a tax benefit this year. Benefits of an IRA charitable rollover include:

- Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to Plainfield Christian Church.
- Satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.
- Reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions.
- Make a gift that is not subject to the 60% deduction limits on charitable gifts.

A Final Encouragement

Giving does not have to be in equal increments during the two-year campaign. You might be able to give more in the second year than in the first. As you think about your financial commitment to *All In*, think not just of your potential to give right now, but also of your potential to give in the future. It might be that you can make a two-year commitment in which 30-40% is given in the first year, and 60-70% is given in the second year.

Finally, as you consider your financial commitment to the Lord's work, you might want to consider estate planning. Have you proactively made provision for God and your church in your will (or trust) and estate planning? Now is a good time to do that. It might be as simple as including a provision in your will or trust that 10 percent of the value of your estate will be donated to the church at the time of your passing. Or, it could involve a planned gift such as a charitable remainder trust. While such gifts do not provide immediate financial benefit to a generosity initiative, they are marvelous gifts of faith commitment to carry on the work of the church for future generations. We partner with an organization called Financial Planning Ministry (fpm.org) that provides free consultation and estate planning work to help you leverage what God has given you to continue to make an impact for many years to come.

FAQs

What is *All In*?

All In is a two-year initiative to align our church with God's mission to reach our community and raise the finances required to fuel that vision.

What is the timeline for *All In*? What are the key dates?

- **SEPTEMBER 7-OCTOBER 5, 2025** – The *All In* sermon series through Esther begins
- **OCTOBER 5, 2025** – *All In* Commitment Sunday
- **OCTOBER 26, 2025** – *All In* commitment results will be shared
- **NOVEMBER 2, 2025** – *All In* giving begins, and continues through October 2027
- **EARLY 2027** – We'll break ground on our *All In* building projects

What are the specific opportunities this vision will address?

We have four main objectives:

Objective #1 - A Strategic Student Center

A new Student space to raise up resilient young people who are growing with Jesus.

Objective #2 - A Hospitable Guest Experience

Simplified navigation, better first impressions, and clear next steps to welcome guests!

Objective #3 - A Missional Family Space

Expanded play areas and welcoming environments for kids of all ages open during the week.

Objective #4 - An Intentional Outreach

A special gift from our church will be shared with every family who buys a house or has a baby in our community.

How much is this going to cost?

\$20 million is the total investment. We are aiming to raise \$10 million through the congregation, give \$2 million from our church savings, and have a remaining debt load of \$8 million.

Can we sustain this financially?

Yes, we can. Over the last few years, we have been through robust processes of financial modeling and budget analysis to determine the type of debt load we can handle while staying lean and flexible to continue investing generously in ministry both here and around the world.

Why now?

The leadership of the church has been planning and praying about this for several years. We are unified and agree that the time is now. There is a unique convergence of ministry factors that make this season optimal “for such a time as this.”

How can I give to All In?

To access an online commitment card (form) or download a PDF of the commitment card, you can go to: allinplainfield.com

Will my commitment be confidential?

All giving commitments are confidential and will only be seen by our designated financial team.

How long will I have to fulfill my commitment?

You will begin to give at the level of your commitment in November 2025, and the full term of the 2-year commitment will conclude in October 2027.

How can I learn more about All In?

You can learn more at: allinplainfield.com



All In Prayer Guide

As a church, we want to go *All In* for Jesus. One powerful way we do that is by seeking the Lord together in prayer.

We invite you to join us by setting a daily prayer reminder on your phone for 4:14pm, to remind us of Esther 4:14.

When it goes off, pray: “God, here I am. Use me. Use us, for such a time as this.”

To help guide your prayer, consider these prayer points:

- Pray that we, as the church, would serve our community with compassion, mercy, and generosity.
- Pray for boldness and obedience to take the next step - whatever God is calling each of us to do.
- Pray for unity in our church family as we go *All In* together.
- Pray that those who feel far from God would experience His nearness and be drawn to new life in Jesus.
- Pray that God would move in the hearts of everyone at Plainfield Christian Church, and that we would clearly hear His invitation to partner with him through *All In*.

Let's be a people of prayer, trusting that God will do more than we could ask or imagine.





Sermon Notes & Small Group Guides

I AM Here



WEEK 1

Sermon Notes

Small Group Guide

CONNECT

Besides the day you were baptized, graduated, got married, etc., what's a significant life moment that stands out? Why was it significant?

WATCH



READ

Esther 4

ENGAGE

1. What stands out to you in the text?
2. Why do you think Mordecai chose public mourning instead of private prayer?
3. How does Esther initially react to Mordecai's call for help?
4. What does this passage teach us about courage in the face of risk?
5. While God is not explicitly mentioned in the book of Esther, how do we see his fingerprints in chapter 4?
6. Luke talked about a distinction between *chronos* time and *kairos* time. *Chronos* refers to chronological or sequential time – it's measurable, like the ticking time of hours, days, and years. *Kairos* refers to the right or opportune moment – a decisive time when something significant happens, such as a God-appointed window. How does Esther experience a *kairos* moment? What *kairos* moments have you experienced in your life?

APPLY

1. Is it difficult for you to demonstrate reliance on God? Why or why not?
How can you grow in your reliance on God?

2. How can you develop a sensitivity to live in *kairos*, even in the small things, rather than simply seeing reality through the lens of *chronos*?

3. How might God want to demonstrate his “fingerprints” through you?
For example, how might God want to use you in your neighborhood, workplace, or family? How has God uniquely placed you to express His love and grace?

4. How has God placed you to be generous to others? How can you express generosity this week?

PRAY

If you are studying this with a group, pray for each other's needs. Pray that God would uniquely use you wherever he has placed you. Pray for our *All In* initiative. Pray that God would use our generosity to open the doors of the church to people in our community far from Him.

I AM Chosen



WEEK 2

Sermon Notes

Small Group Guide

CONNECT

1. If you were given a surprise opportunity to lead something important, would you feel excited or overwhelmed? Why?
2. Have you ever felt like you were in a place or moment that was bigger than you? Share that story.

WATCH



READ

Esther 4:1-17
Exodus 3:1-22
Luke 1:26-38

ENGAGE

1. What gets your attention from the texts?
2. What do you notice about Esther's response to Mordecai?
3. Why do you think Mordecai said Esther might have been placed there "for such a time as this"?
4. How do Moses and Mary respond to God's call? How are their responses similar or different from Esther's?
5. What do these stories teach us about God using ordinary people?

APPLY

1. In what area of your life do you feel you have lived “according to His purpose”?
2. Where has God placed you right now that could be your “royal position”? (Work, school, family, community, etc.)
3. What might be holding you back from being “all in” for God?
4. What’s one bold step you could take this week to say “yes” to God’s purpose?

PRAY

If you are studying with a group, pray for each other's needs. Pray that, as a group, you would support one another to live boldly and faithfully in the place God has positioned us. Pray for our *All In* initiative. Pray that God would use our generosity to open the doors of the church to people in our community far from Him.

I AM Heard



WEEK 3

Sermon Notes

Small Group Guide

CONNECT

What's something silly that has made you irrationally angry?

WATCH



READ

Jonah 3:6-4:11

ENGAGE

1. What stands out to you from the text?
2. God heard the cries of the Ninevites and responded with compassion. How does this challenge or encourage you about who God listens to?
3. Jonah was angry when God showed mercy (Jonah 4:1–3). Have you ever struggled with God's grace being extended to someone you felt didn't deserve it?
4. What does Jonah's reaction teach us about the difference between God's heart and Jonah's heart? How might we sometimes reflect Jonah more than we reflect God?
5. Why do you think God asked Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry?" (Jonah 4:4)? What might God be gently asking you in your own moments of frustration or disappointment?
6. In Jonah 4:10–11, God contrasts Jonah's concern for the plant with His concern for the people of Nineveh. What does this reveal about God's priorities – and maybe our misplaced ones?

APPLY

1. Where do you see God's gentleness and patience in how He deals with Jonah? How has God been gentle with you even when your attitude needed adjusting?
2. How do you think people in our own community are "crying out", even if they can't fully articulate their cries? Do you believe God hears their cries? What can we do to stand in the gap for those people?
3. What would it look like to align your heart more closely with God's compassion for the "Nineveh" in your life - your workplace, neighborhood, or city?
4. What are you crying out to God for? How can the group support you?

PRAY

Pray for each other's needs if you are studying with a group. Pray that God would give us softer hearts for those far from Him in our own community. Pray for our *All In* initiative. Pray that God would use our generosity to open the doors of the church to people in our community far from Him.

I AM Able



WEEK 4

Sermon Notes

Small Group Guide

CONNECT

1. Where in life do you feel the most unqualified? (This can be fun or serious!)
2. Share about a time you felt unqualified but ended up being used in a surprising way.
3. Have you ever sensed you were “in the right place at the right time”? What happened?

WATCH



READ

Esther 4:1-17
2 Corinthians 3:4-6
Ephesians 2:10
1 Peter 4:10-11

ENGAGE

1. We have read several passages. What stands out to you from these readings?
2. What fears or obstacles did Esther have to overcome?
3. Where has God placed you “for such a time as this”? Are there any relationships, roles, or opportunities in your life where you feel divinely positioned?
4. What makes it hard to believe that God has equipped you? What lies do you sometimes believe about your ability to serve?
5. How can you tell the difference between relying on your own strength versus God’s strength?

APPLY

1. What's the difference between pride and confidence?
2. How can pride and confidence play a role in accepting our giftings, both in positive and negative ways?
3. In what ways do you feel God has uniquely gifted or equipped you to accomplish His purposes? Share specific experiences about how you have used those giftings.
4. If you haven't used your giftings, how could you begin to serve others or build God's kingdom right now?

PRAY

Pray for clarity about how God wants to use your unique giftedness. Pray that God would give you opportunities to use your giftings for His purpose. Pray for boldness to be open to be used by God. Continue to pray for the *All In* initiative. Pray that God would use our generosity to open the doors of the church to people in our community far from Him.

I AM Willing



WEEK 5

Sermon Notes

Small Group Guide

CONNECT

Have you ever done something begrudgingly that you eventually enjoyed? What was it? What changed your perspective?

WATCH



READ

John 6:1-14

ENGAGE

1. What gets your attention from the text?
2. What do you notice about the boy with the loaves and fish? Read the parallel passage in Luke 9:12-17. What do you notice between the two accounts?
3. Think back to the story of Esther. How do we see her willingness expressed?
4. Usually, our willingness does not guarantee an outcome. This is true for Esther and for the boy with the loaves and fish. What do these stories teach us about trusting God with the results of our willingness?
5. How would you define biblical generosity based on these two stories? Does it differ from how our culture defines generosity?
6. What was the result of the boy's willingness to generously share what he had? How did the people in the story respond?

APPLY

1. What is something you have – a resource, ability, position, or relationship – that you may be underestimating?
2. Where is God asking you to say “I am willing” right now, even if you don’t know how it will turn out?
3. Have you ever seen God multiply something small that you offered? Share what happened.
4. The story of the feeding of 5,000 is told in all four Gospels; however, only John mentions the boy. He is a tiny footnote in the story. Was it still worth it for him to give what he had?
5. What would it look like this week to practice generosity not out of abundance or recognition, but out of willingness?

PRAY

Pray for the needs of your group. Pray that God would help us to be willing to use what He has given us for His glory. Continue to pray for the *All In* initiative. Pray that God would use our generosity to open the doors of the church to people in our community far from Him.



All In 

For such a time as this

An Encouragement From Luke

**Invite God to speak to you, right now,
by praying this simple prayer:**

“God, here I am. Use me - use us -
for such a time as this.”

I pray that as you open yourself to God's
leading, He will speak to you and lead us
together to go *All In, for such a time as this.*



Upcoming Key Dates

September 7-October 5, 2025

All In sermon series through Esther begins

October 5, 2025

All In Commitment Sunday

October 26, 2025

All In commitment results will be shared

November 2, 2025

All In giving begins, and continues through October 2027

Early 2027

We'll break ground on our *All In* building projects



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