

THE VISION

Our vision is to reach the city of Heidelberg, touch the nation of Germany and plant churches across Central Europe. We will train the next generation of workers, both nationals and missionaries, develop teams and plant the church in the heart of Europe.

This Center will also serve the missionary body across our area as we mentor, equip and model effective ministry in a Post-Christian European context.



In 1995 Kirk & Amy met as university students in Michigan where they were both called to full-time ministry. They served as Chi Alpha Directors at LSU in Baton Rouge, Louisiana from 1997-2002. Fall of 2002 they moved to Berlin, Germany to pioneer university student ministry. During their years there, they also helped plant 2 churches.

Summer of 2014 they moved to Heidelberg, Germany to replant a local church. They began with 15 people and grew to over 250 within two years (www.lifechurchheidelberg.org). In 2015 they opened an evangelistic café called *Heart & Soul* and brought a German pastor on staff at LIFE Church.

In 2017 they also took on the responsibilities of Area Directors for Assemblies of God World Missions in Central Europe. They continue to pastor locally and are involved in church planting in 6 countries: Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Poland, Czech Republic and Slovakia.



CHURCH PLANTING

LEADERSHIP TRAINING • STUDENT MINISTRY • CENTRAL EUROPE

99 REASONS

The need to plant the church in Europe has never been greater. Less than 2% are born again and what was once known as "Christendom" is now a dark continent dominated by secular humanism, apathy, and atheism.

In Matthew 18 - Jesus tells the story of the Good Shepherd. Europe today is just the opposite context. If Jesus left the 99 in order to go find the one, certainly we cannot ignore the **99 who are LOST**. They represent Europe's majority peoples from Finland to Greece and Portugal to Poland. All the people of Europe - majority groups, marginalized, immigrants, refugees and future generations - need to hear the Gospel in a relevant way and they need strong and healthy churches.



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THE CHALLENGE

We are debt free and own property and have a building in the heart of the city – but we have outgrown the space! There are not enough seats in our sanctuary and we're out of room for kids and youth and bursting at the seams. Our church and team continues to grow. We need more space for both local and regional ministry and for the training of new workers for the mission field.



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We also need to renovate the courtyard, driveway, install new water / sewer lines, electrical, and heating. The plan includes the purchase of an adjacent apartment to be renovated for office space. In addition to this, we need to update the restroom facilities for our evangelistic café, which is in the store-front building on the property .



CALL TO ACTION

We invite you help make this new church building and training center a reality - to multiply church planting efforts across the heart of Europe. Join us in reaching both the secular and unreached people groups of Europe.



You can make gifts of cash or pledge your gift over several years.



OUR PLAN

We plan to demolish and build a new facility from the ground up. The current church building is over 100 years old and was a brewery before becoming a Teen Challenge in 1969. This new multipurpose facility will be three stories tall, including a 250 seat sanctuary, fellowship hall, and adequate space for children, youth and student ministry. There will also be additional classroom space for training. (continued...)

THE COST

We estimate that the total cost of this project will be \$1.8 million Dollars

- Demolition of existing building \$40,000
- Renovation of café restrooms \$10,000
- Cost of construction: \$1.5 million
- Cost of new equipment for facility: \$50,000
- Cost of purchasing adjacent apartment: \$200,000

We will be pleased to review the naming opportunities for this project.

All gifts of \$5,000 or more will be listed on a plaque in the new facility.