

New Atlanta Church's Miracle Donation

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The New Family Church of Metro Atlanta at their new church facility, a miracle donation.

On the weekend of the 1st year Anniversary of True Father's Holy Universal Seonghwa, the Atlanta Family Church was donated a brand new "state of the art" facility to use for the new church plant in Metro Atlanta, GA. The surprising gift surfaced just four months after we shared our intention with Heaven at a *Lead With Impact Conference* held at the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) in Barrytown, NY. At that conference, we envisioned a new location as a dream and wrote it up on paper during a breakout session called "Dreamality", given by young Unificationists Pastors Jario and Leena Vincenz-Gavin in May 2013.

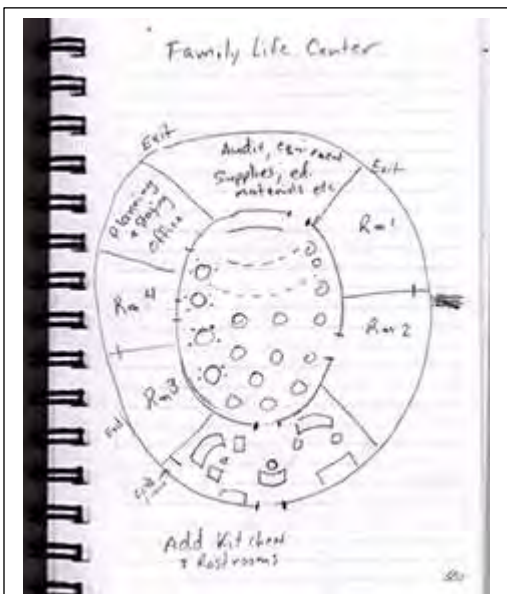
<p>→ EARLY CHILD HAD Development specialist & School Teacher (Sharon & Ken) FIND A LOCATION</p> <p>3. What are potential questions or obstacles your community might bring up when you present this dream or vision? (Topics you will need to research, find answers to.)</p> <p>R+FUNDS AVAILABLE?</p> <p>-FINANCE -LOCATION TO RENT</p> <p>GREAT TIME TO LAUNCH Aug/SEPT (SUMMER)</p> <p>MAKE A TIMELINE</p> <p>1. Identify the Problem: FINANCE 2. Dream: KIDS LIFE MINISTRY LIVE PARENTS CAN REJOICE THE WORLD 3. Create: LOCATION, STAFF NEEDED COST, TERM NEEDED, WHO WILL 4. Research</p>	<p>WORKSHEET</p> <p>Tiffanie Gaines</p> <p>rusty: _____ gia (Stone Mountain area/Tucker) LOCATION</p> <p>Identify one issue or opportunity in your community. MAKING A DIVINE PRINCIPLE / BIBLE STUDY FOR FAMILIES (COUPLES) WHILE PROVIDING A CLEAN, NURTURING (HAND ON) environment for kids 10 and under. Envision the impossible. Write about a dream you have regarding that issue.</p> <p>I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE A NICE LOCATION WHICH WOULD INCLUDE A LIFE LOUNGE AND PAID CHILD CARE STAFF FOR Young Families to share in GOD'S Word and Study DP and the Bible together, while they can look in on their kids in the SAME HALL with through GLASS WALLS</p>
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Page 1 of the "Dreamality" worksheet that Pastor Tiff Gaines filled out at the Lead With Impact Pastors Conference.

Page 2 of the "Dreamality" in which Pastor Tiff wrote down her dreams for a new facility.

At the session Pastors Jario and Leena distributed a "Dreamality" worksheet for each pastor to complete. They encouraged all of us to write down our dream for our communities. They reminded us that if we pray and have faith, no matter how big the dream is, or no matter how impossible the dream may seem; God and True Parents will deliver and make your "Dreamality" become a "Reality."

While attending the session, I really felt in my heart that what I really wanted for our Georgia community was indeed impossible. At first, I said: "Why should I even write down my dream?" As my mind began to wander off, I prayed to myself: "God, please allow me to focus and follow the instructions for this session and write down my dream." After praying, I proceeded with writing down my dream for the Georgia community. I also included a time frame for this dream to come to fruition, which was between August and September. (See the original worksheet from session).



Drawing of the facility Pastor Cliff Gaines drew based on his wife's, Pastor Tiff, dream.

I envisioned that we would have a very nice and clean location, which would include a Life Lounge. Also, I dreamed of having a nice sanctuary and lecture rooms for young families to share in God's word, study Divine Principle and the Bible together. Finally, I wanted all of the rooms to be in the same hall and to have glass walls where the parents could see their children as they participate in Sunday school.

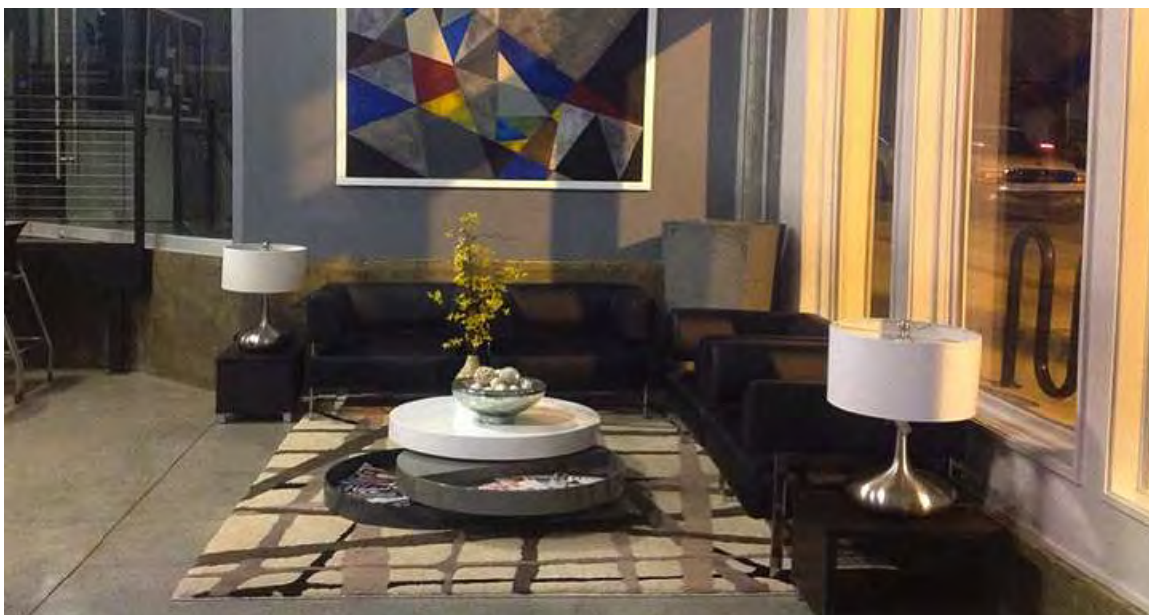
I thought it was impossible because we do not have money to invest in this facility. I also was not even sure if such a place existed (See handout of drawing layout for dream facility). Nonetheless, I proceeded to write down the dream. Afterwards, Pastor Leena asked all of the pastors if they felt called to share their dream. I waited, and waited and finally I stood up to share the dream. After I shared my dream, the other pastors in the room clapped and said "It can happen."

I remember going back to the dorm at UTS and sharing with my husband, Pastor Cliff, about the Dreamality session. Pastor Cliff had also gone to many of the breakout sessions about church planting that day at Lead With Impact (LWI), and he was a little tired, so I didn't think that he heard me. When I asked him, "Are you listening?" He pulled out a journal and drew a picture of my Dreamality new church location, and there it was.



Entrance, Welcome and Reception Area

After the LWI Pastors Conference we made a promise to God to step out on Faith to plant and pioneer a new Unification Church according to True Mother's direction for Vision 2020. On July 1st we began in our home; we placed our Dreamality handout and the picture of the dreamily up in prayer and placed it on our altar. On the day of the 1st year Anniversary of True Father's Universal Seonghwa, God Delivered a miracle and the dream became a reality. We were donated a facility to use as a church location at no cost.



Life Lounge and Fellowship Area

We have attached a copy of the Dreamality Worksheet that we were instructed to fill out during the breakout session; a copy of a diagram of the dreamality drawn at UTS; pictures of the new location as well as photos from our 3rd Sunday Service which was last Sunday 9/22/2013.

In the diagram you will notice that there is a Life Lounge, a Sanctuary and four rooms numbered 1-4. Because Pastor Cliff

was tired, he forgot to draw a kitchen and bathrooms so he just wrote instructions to add them later. In the photos of the actual location you will see a beautiful life lounge, a youth lounge, a capable sanctuary and 4 nicely appointed meeting rooms. Floor-to-ceiling glass walls separate all rooms, and the glass doors on each room have huge frosted numbers from 1-4. The only difference is that the building that I drew in the diagram is round. The actual facility is rectangle.



Life Lounge and Fellowship Area with Kitchen

We thank Pastors Jario and Leena Vincenz-Gavin who presented the Dreamality Session at LWI conference. We would like to report our dream-come-true as bonafide “Results” from the Dreamality Session and LWI conference. It also proves that Our Heavenly Parents are certainly working through our next generation. Finally, it proves that no matter how impossible dreams may seem, our Heavenly Parents and True Parents are still able to bless those who dare to believe and dream during this era of fulfilling our horizontal portion of responsibility to bring about Cheon Il Guk and to bring the Gospel of Our True Parents and the Divine Principle to all of mankind.



Entrance to Sanctuary



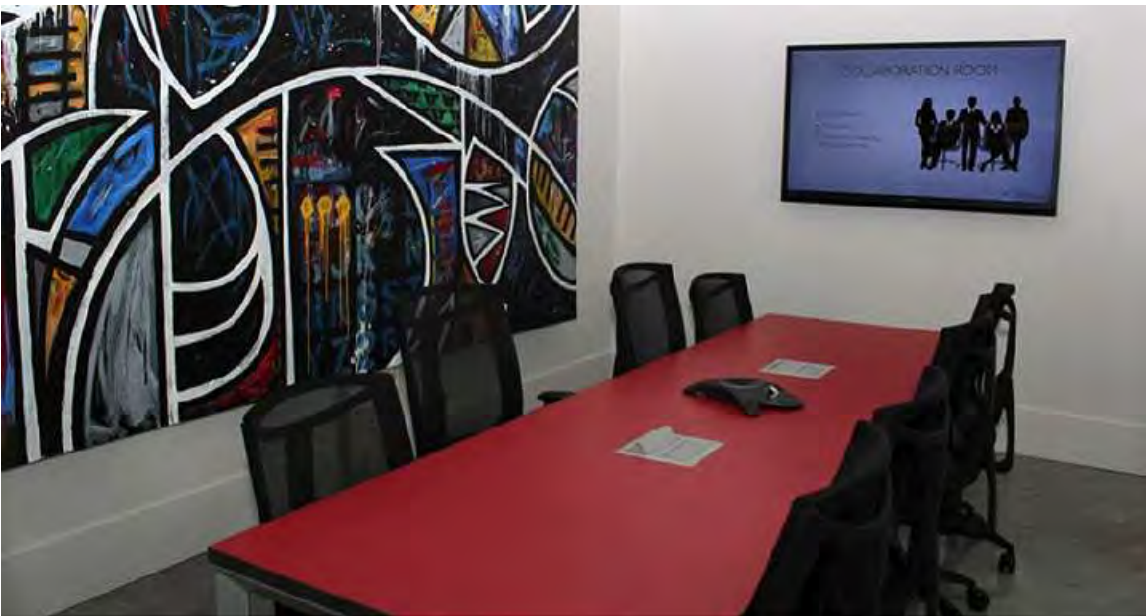
Sanctuary and Multipurpose Room

We hope that this will encourage all Brothers and Sisters that miracles are happening during this new era as we march

towards Vision 2020!



NFC Youth Lounge



One of the Four conference Rooms