



common(s)

Downtown San Diego

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*An invitation to support healing, presence,
and hope in Downtown San Diego.*

Hope found. Reality made new.

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Hi, we are the Isaziga's



This isn't everything about us. There's more to who we are than ministry—but the local church has marked us deeply.

We grew up in big cities—New York City and Miami—where beauty and brokenness lived on the same block. It was in Miami, as teenagers, that we both encountered Jesus through the church. That moment didn't just change our lives—it reoriented them. We began to sense a call: to join God in what He's doing in the world, and to reach a generation that doesn't yet know Him.

For over two decades, we've served in full-time ministry across Florida, New Jersey, and California. But for the past twelve years, we've carried a dream—a vision to start a movement that helps people fall in love with God again. Not through hype or performance, but through hope, presence, and the quiet power of transformation that only The Holy Spirit brings.

We just celebrated 30 years of marriage, and we're loving this season of parenting our three adult children—Isabella (26), Isaac (23), and Emma (20). They're creative, thoughtful, and deeply their own people. We also welcomed our 1st grandson, Victor, into the world.

Our lives were changed by Jesus. And if there's any hope for our world—for cities like San Diego—it's still Him. Our dream is to build a church that helps people become whole again. A church where honesty is welcome. A community that brings hope not by being loud, but by being deeply present.

We believe now is the time to dream big and create sacred, modern spaces for that kind of hope to grow.

Carlos & Gina



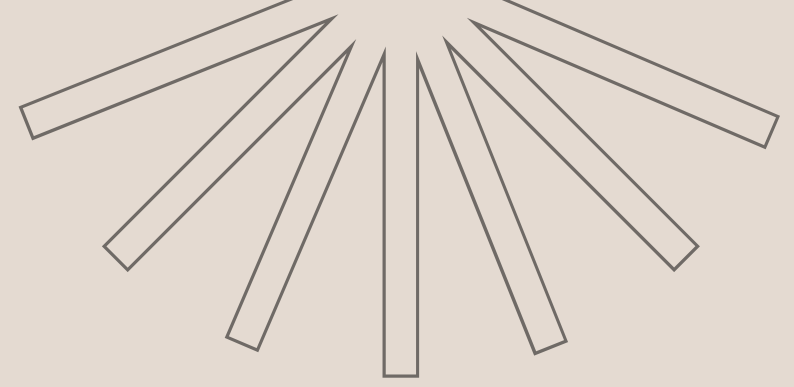
VISION

WE SEE *cities* BECOMING
BEACONS OF *hope* FOR THE
WORLD BY THE RECONCILING
WORK OF THE *holy spirit*
MOVING THROUGH OUR
communities.

MISSION

TO BE A COMMUNITY *led* BY
GOD'S SPIRIT THAT
ESTABLISHES *new realities*
FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR CITY
THROUGH THE *way of Jesus.*

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Our VALUES

01 WHOLE HEART

Worship involves all of life and so we do everything with our whole heart.

02 OPEN HANDS

Generosity is not something we have to do, it's something in which we get to join God in.

03 REAL PEOPLE

Transparency makes our relationship with God & others healthier.

04 LIFE TOGETHER

Community is what we were made for & how we were made to live

05 GOD MADE

Resting in God reminds us that it's all in His hands and in His time.

06 PRACTICE PRESENCE

Showing up in realtime always communicates love.

07 ONE MESSAGE

Living the message of Jesus because it's the only one that transcends & saves.

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Hope needed in **SAN DIEGO**

01 **5% OF THE POPULATION KNOWS JESUS**

As the 7th largest city in the US with a population of 3.2 million people it means that there are 3.1 million people who need to meet Him.

02 **6TH MAJOR CITY WITH THE LARGEST HOMELESS POPULATION**

Quarterly data show more people falling into homelessness than exiting it—3,189 newly homeless vs. 2,985 housed.

03 **POST-CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL LANDSCAPE**

San Diego is increasingly “post-Christian,” creating a deep need for authentic spiritual communities rooted in love, belonging, and honest questioning.

04 **HOUSING & COST OF LIVING**

San Diego ranks among the most expensive U.S. cities to live in, yet perceived economic opportunity is lagging—despite its popularity.

05 **IMMIGRANT & ETHNIC COMMUNITY NEEDS**

Metro neighborhoods are home to refugees, immigrants, and ethnically diverse, low-income families—with high needs around schooling, health, and community connection.



“We believe present churches can do eternal work in the heart of big cities.”

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The Common(s) **APPROACH**

Common(s) isn't just a name—it's a posture.

We're a boutique church in the heart of Downtown San Diego, and that's by design. We aren't building for crowds. We're building for connection. Think less "big box" and more "corner bookstore." Here, you're seen. Not just greeted, but known. And we believe that kind of space—one where presence and participation are central—is where the deepest healing happens.

Our **Culture** Is Marked By...

Boutique Intimacy

Our smallness is intentional. We've shaped our gatherings to foster vulnerability, relational depth, and transformation. You may feel "on stage" because of our seating—but we hope you'll feel seen in the way Jesus sees: fully known, and still fully loved.

Coffee Social

We pause halfway through each service to share coffee and conversation. This isn't a throwaway moment—it's sacred. The early church gathered around meals, not just monologues. We carry that spirit forward through poly-vocal, interactive space. We believe God speaks through every person in the room.

Sacred Slowness

We move deliberately. Our pace is countercultural—slow, reflective, and honest. No smoke and mirrors. No hype. We value honesty over polish, presence over performance, formation over entertainment.

A City-Centered Calling

We're in Downtown on purpose. It's where diversity, density, and disconnection live side by side. It's where the spiritually curious and the spiritually burned-out often land. And we believe reconciliation—between God, self, and others—can begin right in the middle of that complexity.

Our **Core** Practices...We call it our rhythm of life.

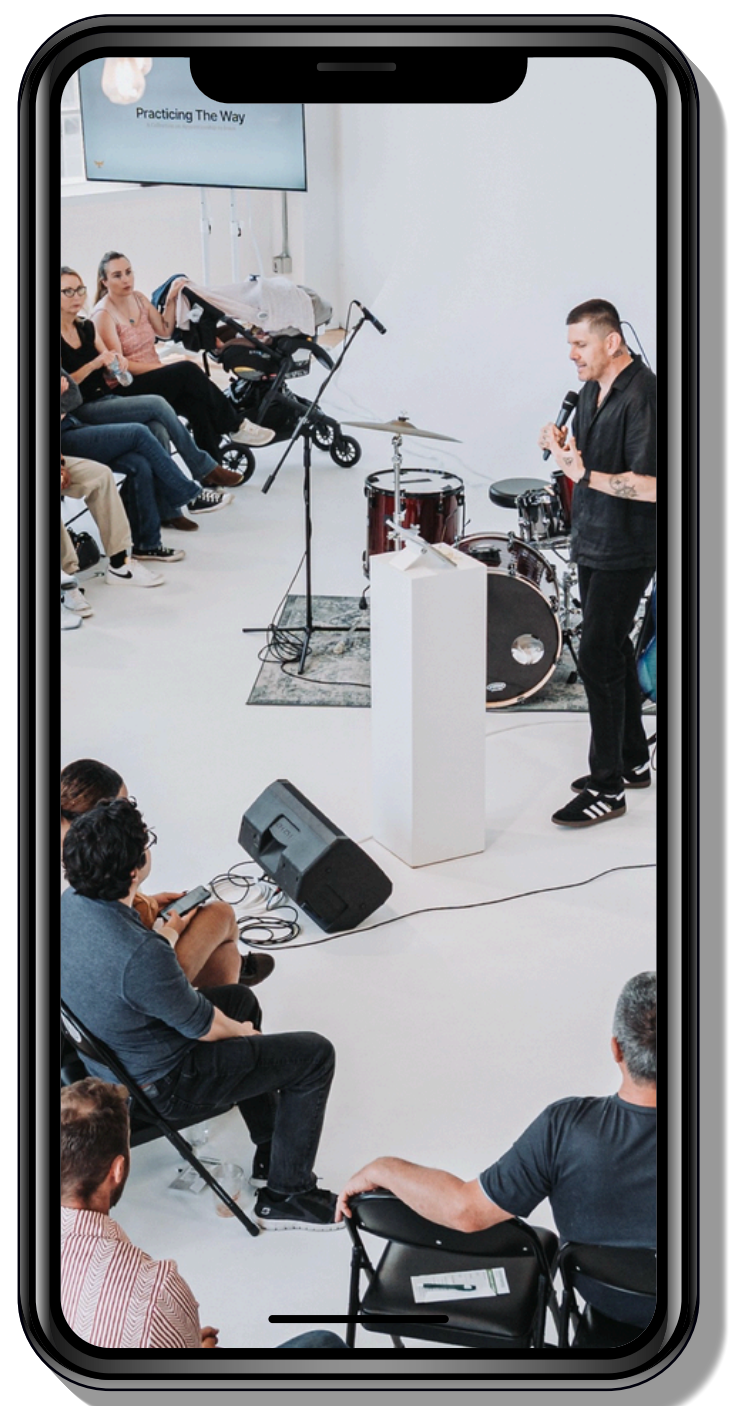
Presence. We show up. Not just to church, but to each other's lives. The presence of God is made visible through the presence of people.

Healing. We journey deeper into wholeness—emotionally, spiritually, and relationally. We create space for the broken parts of us to meet Jesus.

Calling. We help people ask, "What has God placed in me for the good of others?" and then release them to live it out.

Participation. We believe everyone has a voice, a role, and a place. We don't watch the church happen—we are the church together.

This is how we do church. Not to be different, but to be faithful—to the ways of Jesus, and to the needs of our city.



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What God
HAS DONE SINCE 2023

hope found

salvations



50

baptisms



9

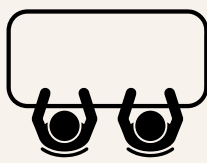
attendance



5,454

reality made new

common(s) table guests



75

people who attended a circle



585

people who served on a
crew on a Sunday



591

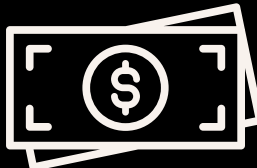
people who led a crew
on a Sunday



507

generosity

given away to global & local church
planting, missions & outreach



\$12,000

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Making more room

At Common(s), we believe the Church is at its best when it makes more room—room for healing, for calling, for participation, for presence. That's not just our theology. **It's our future.**

We're dreaming boldly. Not for the sake of growth, but for the sake of hope & reconciliation—for more people, in more places, to experience the presence of Jesus and the healing power of community.

Here's where we're heading:

Making More Room... on Sundays

We're preparing to launch a second service, not to fill seats, but to make space—for the spiritually curious, those questioning faith, the lonely, & people hungry for more. Our current gathering is near capacity, and we want to be ready to welcome more people without losing the intimacy and presence that defines us.

Making More Room... in San Diego

We envision launching a second location in another San Diego neighborhood. We want to plant spiritual outposts that reflect the same Common(s) values, but in ways that fit the unique fabric of the local community.

Making More Room... in Another City

This vision is still emerging, but it's real: We believe God may be calling us to bring the Common(s) way of being the church to another city. A place with the same kind of ache and hunger we've seen in San Diego. A place where the church can do eternal work. A place where presence can lead the way.



An Invitation **INTO THE FUTURE**

Would you consider supporting the mission & partnering with Carlos?

At Common(s) Church, we believe in a different kind of leadership—one rooted in presence, healing, and deep connection. As a founding pastor, I'm fully invested in this mission. And to continue leading, serving, teaching, casting vision and shepherding our community full-time, I need the support of partners like you.

To do that sustainably, I'm raising \$100,000 per year for my salary.

Right now, I'm short by \$2,500/month—that's \$30,000/year still needed to fully fund this work.

That's why we're asking you to consider partnering with us financially for the next 3 years. This kind of long-term support allows us to dream, plan, and grow with confidence as we make more room in downtown San Diego and beyond.

Whether you can give \$25/month or \$1,000/month, your commitment fuels the mission. And even more than your giving—we need your prayers.

We believe that prayer is the work. Your intercession covers our family, strengthens our church, and invites the presence of God into everything we do.

Would you consider:

- Giving monthly for 1–3 years to sustain the mission
- Praying weekly for Common(s), our leaders, and our city
- Telling someone about what God is doing here

We don't take any of it lightly. Thank you for even considering it.

Let's make more room—for healing, hope, and the presence of Jesus.

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Ways you can **GIVE MONTHLY**

\$25
a month

EVERYDAY GIVER

Fuels simple, sacred moments—like Coffee Social or printed materials.

\$100
a month

PRESENCE PARTNER

Helps fund one week of pastoral care, teaching prep, and discipleship.

\$250
a month

COMMUNITY BUILDER

Supports Sunday gatherings, outreach, and leadership development.

\$500
a month

MISSION SUSTAINER

Moves us toward long-term stability and staff growth.

\$1000
a month

VISION CARRIER

Powers full-time leadership and expansion throughout San Diego (and beyond).

No matter the amount, every monthly gift makes room for someone else to encounter the healing presence of Jesus.

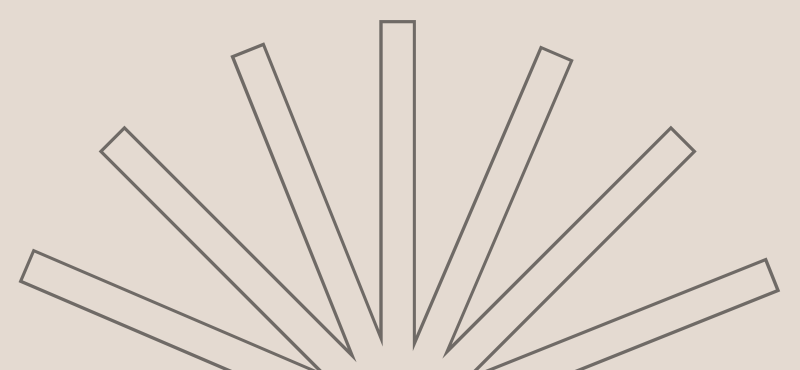
How to Give

Online: commonschurchsd.com/give

Mail checks to: 710 13th street suite 300 San Diego, California 92101

Memo: “Common(s) Isaziga Fundraising”

All gifts are tax-deductible and go directly to the work of Common(s) Church through Carlos’s full-time ministry.



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LIVING ROOM

**We're glad
you're here.**

**If you are
new, have
questions, or
need prayer,
please let
us know.**

Thank You

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Common(s)**

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