## REACHING AMERICA FOR CHRIST

# Nashville Baptist Church

REACHING THE WORLD FROM OUR CITY

## **CHRIST MAGNIFIED**



**FAMILIES FORT** 

August 1, 2025

Dear Pastor and Church family,

It is wonderful to see the hand of the Lord and all the seasons of life. God is faithful all the time. The Lord allowed me to meet Joel and I was able to share the gospel. He is a junior in College and a staunch Catholic. I confronted him directly about his salvation. He was not sure about it. I took the opportunity to share the gospel and he was willing to pray and ask the Lord Jesus to save him at a Best Buy parking lot. God saves people in all kinds of places.

On March 21 this year, I had the privilege of leading 80-year-old Harold to Christ. He was battling cancer and many other health complications. Ten days ago Harold became very ill and called his wife and told her "call Richard". I was busy teaching a Bible college class and could not answer the call. Later, I found out that he was airlifted to a hospital in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.



I visited him later that day and was able to talk to him. He recognized me. On Sunday, July 26 Harold went home to be with the Lord. In the past six or seven months that I knew him, I was only able to see him once and got to lead him to CHRIST on that day. I have been in touch with him often and tried to visit his wife and him again, but they were never available because of health reasons. But what amazes me is that Harold came to know the Lord a few months ago on March 21, and is now in heaven with his Savior. I learned a valuable lesson about never miss my opportunity to reach people with the gospel. Harold and Sylvia live about two hours away from our home. Every mile and minute of my drive to share Christ was so worth the while. Sylvia, his wife, and the family wanted me to preach his funeral. It was an honor and privilege.

Leah had to have knee surgery a couple weeks ago to repair a meniscus tear, and some arthritis in her right knee. She had to endure excruciating pain (post surgery) for about four days. She still has a lot of pain. Please pray it goes away. Our youth are conducting a recreational outreach twice a month. They plan both indoor and outdoor games. They pass out invitations to bring in friends and visitors, after which Colton or Marcus will share the gospel and share church related information. Please pray this effort is successful and many come to the Lord and also become members of the local church. Srinivas and Pushpa (Hindus) come every now and then to church. Please pray they get saved soon. Urgent Prayer: We found a building with 10 acres. The seller accepted our offer. Please pray the city can zone this property for church. (Video and update to follow). The garage will need to be remodeled (AC, audio, lighting, carpet and maybe add a closed patio. You can donate any money to our Escrow account with BIMI Acct. #1562.

As always, our hearts are filled with gratitude for your faithful prayers, love and continued support. There is much work to be done here in Nashville, Tennessee. Trusting God and trying hard to do everything we can to reach the next person with the glorious gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

In Christ's eternal service, Bro. Richard Jacob





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### **BUILDING UPDATE**

The Lord brought a building with 10 acres to my attention. The seller wanted \$599,000.

I was able to negotiate the price down to \$570,000. The seller accepted our offer. Our church has saved about \$200,000 which we are able to put down. This building is on a highway which will give us great visibility. The city is growing rapidly and this means there is going to be great potential for growth.



#### PRAY

- Zoning for church
- Remodeling of the garage to be used as a meeting place. (Video and update to follow). This
  will require running air conditioning into the garage area, as well as installing wiring for
  media /video and sound. Lighting and carpet will also need to be purchased and installed.
  We also need to add an enclosed patio to use as a foyer.

Families with construction skills can volunteer their time and help out. (The building has 3 bedrooms that can be converted to Sunday school classrooms and a nursery). Please contact Bro. Bob Larson (USA Director) or me if you can assist in any way. Thank you in advance for being a blessing. Thanks to those who gave already towards the building need. If you are able to help a bit more we would be very, very thankful. Paying as much as we can to pay off the loan will help us get the mortgage down so we can make the payments lower and help our church be self-sustaining.

Having a building would help our church grow and have a presence in the community, enabling us to reach more people with the gospel. You can donate any money to our Escrow account with BIMI.

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