

**APPEAL #490**

**REVIVAL COVENANT CHURCH**  
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## Revival Covenant Church

A few years ago three families recognized a need to join together in prayer on a weekly basis in each other's homes. Every Sunday afternoon they began to gather in a friend's house to pray. Other friends eventually joined, and as the group grew it became evident that we could not hold the prayers in a family room anymore. We approached a local congregation, Judah Christian Community Church, about finding a place to hold worship services. They were kind enough to let us use their facility in the afternoon after their morning services were over.



In October 2003 the Revival Missions International Center was launched, and the fellowship continued to meet at Judah Christian Community for the next year. Although we were still a small group, the pastor and the board members decided to look for a small property to buy so we could have a place of our own. Pastor John Kareithi and his wife, Nancy Muraya, acquired a small farm house in November 2004, and the house was converted in to a church.

Since moving into the farm house when we were worshiping with twenty adults and five children, we have seen continuous growth. We were welcomed into the denomination at the 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church in June 2010. Also, in October that year we were able to purchase a church property that was being sold by a bank. Our negotiations cut the price in half, and we were able to raise a full 25 percent down payment. We closed the deal in the same month. Although the building requires significant work, we have been holding our services there. We have seen God adding people to our congregation daily, and since 2010, we've had regular attendance of more than 100. We are working on renovating the property, painting the walls, purchasing new chairs, and many other details necessary to create a space where we can worship God together. We are thankful to be partners in ministry as we spread the gospel in the Columbus area.

### Prayer Requests:

Please pray with us for God's provision as we renovate the property, including painting the walls, purchasing new chairs, and possibly replacing the roof.

Pray with us as we help refugees from Rwanda and Burundi settle in Columbus.

Pray for our efforts to establish an ESL class to help them adjust to their new home.

Pray for our work to establish a day care for the children.

# Kingdom Report: Community Covenant Church

**APPEAL #467—FUNDS RAISED: \$30,940.73**

LENEXA, KS—God has done great things! Community Covenant Church of Shawnee was the product of much prayer, creativity and hard work from the entire church family. They originally started in 1976 with five families from Hillcrest Covenant. They felt God led them to plant a church in Shawnee. With the help of “Nucleus Builder,” Dusty Larson they chartered with 51 people. The grant received from Kingdom Builders helped them purchase ten acres of property which they later sold half of to purchase additional cash for their new church. Over the years the church has grown and prospered. That growth prompted three additional building programs, until they again needed additional parking and sanctuary space. They prayerfully explored many options and decided to relocate and build. Acting in faith, trusting God the congregation purchased 12 ½ acres of prime land in Lenexa, KS. The church received a sizeable unexpected bequest and they sold their old building for over \$3 million! In October 2005 ministry started in the new building. It has been a wonderful blessing. People have come to Christ and grown deeper in their walk with Him. They have over 200 small groups with a steady flow of new people every Sunday and they are grateful to Kingdom Builders.



## Kingdom Builders: Helping build God's Kingdom since 1952

### What is Kingdom Builders?

Kingdom Builders, formerly Frontier Friends, is a ministry of the Department of Church Growth and Evangelism that provides grants to churches purchasing property or building a facility.

### Who are Kingdom Builders?

Kingdom Builders are committed Covenanters who want to help build God's Kingdom through prayer and the sharing of their resources.

### How does the program work?

Members receive a number of appeals per year, with information about the church seeking support, an update on a past project, and prayer requests. Members set their own giving levels, with the most

common gift ranging between \$1 to \$100 per appeal and member.

**How do I join?** If you or anyone you know is interested in joining Kingdom Builders, or would like more information about donation options, please contact the Kingdom Builders coordinator at [kingdom.builders@covchurch.org](mailto:kingdom.builders@covchurch.org), or by phone at 773-907-3355, or by mail to the address below.

### How can I give to Kingdom Builders?

It is important to us that you are able to give to Kingdom Builders in the manner most convenient for you. To that end, we offer the following giving options: (1) by appeal; (2) monthly; (3) quarterly; (4) annually. We also accept electronic

transfer of funds. If you would like to change your donation plan or open an electronic transfer of funds, please call 773-907-3355 or email [kingdom.builders@covchurch.org](mailto:kingdom.builders@covchurch.org).

**Moving?** Please update us with your new address by using the enclosed card, or by calling 773-907-3355, or emailing [kingdom.builders@covchurch.org](mailto:kingdom.builders@covchurch.org). If you leave a voicemail message we ask that you spell your full name, and provide us with both your old and new addresses. Thank you!

**Questions? Comments?** More information is available at the Covenant website. Visit [www.covchurch.org](http://www.covchurch.org), and click on the Kingdom Builders link.