



Highway Tabernacle

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Dear Friend of Highway Tabernacle,

In the darkness of this present spiritual hour stands a lighthouse in central Philadelphia. That lighthouse is Highway Tabernacle celebrating 100 years of consistent, continual ministry to the city. Not only has the city benefitted but untold numbers of God's servants have gone out from Highway across the United States and to foreign shores.

As you might know, city churches are not popular. Suburban churches with their placid surrounding, convenience to parking and other perks make it much more attractive to abandon the city church. However, from experience we have found the national treasures of every country in the world, in the form of their university students, here in Center City. Young professionals from every field of enterprise live in the vast condominiums and are here to be reached with the gospel. There are the elderly and families surrounding Highway who express gratitude for a community church. Three blocks from deluxe hotels, Highway attracts tourists and visiting business people to our services. There are many stories to be told of lives changed significantly because this church was here in their hour of need. This winter a whole contingent of sailors was billeted in Korman Suites just around the corner from the church. Several found the Lord and were built up in their faith before their repaired ship set sail.

The 50th anniversary of D-Day brought rich memories to Florence and me of the revival days in Highway. It was then that the call of God came to our lives along with so many other young people. We willingly made the promise to serve God anywhere He would direct. Little did we realize then God would lead us back home to serve Him in the church from which He called us. For fifteen years we have seen His hand at work in the city. This week one of our young board members gave us a Word from the Lord about Caleb at 80 crying "Give Me This Mountain!"

Highway Tabernacle is a five million dollar complex, debt free, which stands as a monument to the faithfulness of God. There are forces seeking to eliminate the church. Its future remains in jeopardy due to the high cost of utilities, maintenance and insurance. Highway needs endowments to continue this ministry.

Perhaps, in gratitude to God for the benefits you received as a result of this ministry, you would make a gift of \$1,000.00. If we had 100 people make this gift, we would have a reserve fund that could keep this church at this strategic location for many years to come. There are thousands of dollars being spent to erect new churches. Isn't it financially wise to keep this facility in the heart of the city across the street from luxury condominiums and a city college with an enrollment of seventeen thousand students? For the gift of \$1,000.00 your name, or a name of your choice will be engraved on a plaque commemorating the 100th anniversary.

Pray about this need, and plan to join us for the celebration of praise on Sunday, November 20, at our all day service and dinner. The announcement is enclosed.

May God bless your every effort toward His name, and reward you exceedingly.

As His Servant,

Stephen Bogdan, Pastor