

# Creative Missional Outreach

## Reimagining Church Buildings



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## 1. Introduction

- A. How does your congregation view your church facilities?
- B. Are church buildings viewed as sacred artifacts or Kingdom resources?

## 2. The turning point

- A. Aging buildings and congregations
- B. Post-pandemic challenges
- C. Underutilized classrooms and storage

## 3. Philosophy of use

- A. Missional assets
- B. Missional opportunity

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### C. Barriers to change

- (1) Self-created *habitus* – ingrained thinking where church takes place
- (2) Resistance to sharing
  - a. Fear of the unknown
  - b. Fear of liability
  - c. Emotional attachment and sacred sentiment
- (3) Sacred vs. practical
  - a. Memories over mission
  - b. Exclusivity about church buildings, specific ministry
  - c. Worldviews about what can and can't be done

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- d. Develop a theological worldview for space.
- e. Biblical framework: 1 Peter 4:10, Matthew 25:14-30
- f. Multiply Kingdom impact through resources.

### **4. Shared space, shared mission**

- A. Align use with outreach goals.
- B. Build relationships through open doors.

### **5. Kingdom impact**

- A. Making the most of your space
- B. The church building should not lie dormant.
- C. Consider how ministry has evolved.

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- D. Align building use with mission and outreach goals.
- E. Shared spaces can foster deeper community relationships and outreach opportunities.
- F. Facilities can be transformed into missional tools.

### 6. Shifting the culture: missional mindset

- A. Assess congregational attitudes.
- B. Ownership vs. stewardship

### 7. Understanding your context

- A. Think like a missionary.
- B. Prayer walks
- C. Building assessments

### 8. Discovering community needs

- A. Creative collaborations
- B. Evaluating and planning

### 9. Overcoming challenges

- A. Change management
  - (1) Financial strategy
  - (2) Vision casting
  - (3) Addressing resistance
- B. Shared space guidelines
- C. Safety & legal considerations

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D. Financial sustainability

E. Future-focused renovation

### 10. Leveraging technology

### 11. Fostering hospitality

**DO NOT DO ANY OF THIS UNTIL YOU MAKE PROVIDING  
EXTRAORDINARY HOSPITALITY A PRIORITY IN YOUR  
CHURCH CULTURE AND DNA.**

A. Train a welcoming team.

B. Host intentional outreach events.

### 12. Redefining “church”

## What Do I Do Next?

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## Are you struggling with what to do with your church building and empty space?

Many churches are facing the same challenge: **underused** buildings, **rising** maintenance costs, and **shrinking** congregations.

Meanwhile, your community's needs continue to **grow**.

At Church Doctor Ministries/Church4Today, we've helped **hundreds of churches** rethink how to use their facilities to advance their mission, bless their communities, and reach new people for Christ.

Whether you lead a small-town church or a large urban congregation, we bring decades of experience helping churches just like yours **turn empty church buildings into thriving places of ministry and outreach**.

### Here's How It Works:

#### 1 Connect with our team

We'll listen to your story and assess your current space use.

#### 2 Clarify your mission + space strategy

Together, we'll reimagine your facility with a missional lens.

#### 3 Activate your facility for Kingdom impact

Implement proven ideas to reach your neighborhood and sustain your church's future.

### Schedule a Free Call Today!

Let's talk about the possibilities for your church.

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### Imagine This:

- A building buzzing with life all week—not just on Sundays
- A church that's known in the community for service, not silence
- A sustainable model that supports your mission and grows your impact

You were never called to maintain a building.

You were called to **mobilize a mission**.

Let us help you turn your space into a launching pad for **Kingdom transformation**.

**Reach out today for creative solutions for church space use and outreach!**