

Informational Dinner (*) Shenandoah County Church Plant



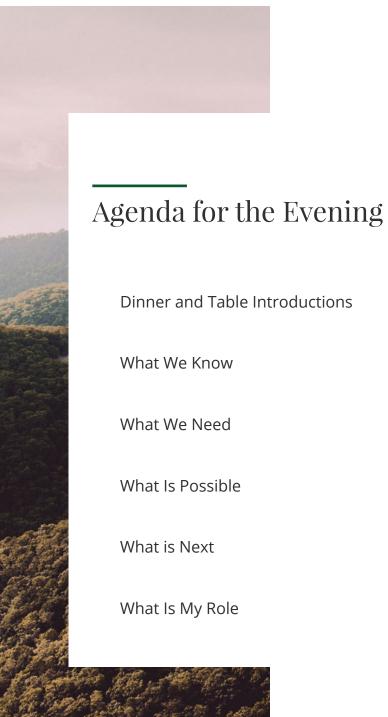
Welcome Message

Good evening and thank you for making it a priority to come hear about the Shenandoah County church plant.

We have heard from many of you that you've been praying for your friends and neighbors, inviting them to come to church with you. However, the usual response you're receiving is that it is just too far to make the 30 to 60-minute drive with you to FBC. We join you with this burden and are excited to partner with you in this step to transform Shenandoah County in Christ's name. Think what it would be like if everyone in Shenandoah County had a daily encounter that helped them see the love of Christ. What a transformative impact that will be.

We hope you enjoy the opportunity to get to know one another better and then to hear how the Lord has been directing the planning process towards the Shenandoah County Church Plant. Thank you so much for coming out this evening!

John Van Drunen Executive Pastor





Dinner and Table Introductions

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Total Population	42,857	
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Population Density (per sq.)	mile) 86	
Median age	44.8	
Median Household Income	\$50,450	
Median Property Value	\$200,100	
Owner Occupied Housing	59.1%	·
Poverty Rate	10.6%	
Number of Churches	86	
Schools	14	

Shenandoah County, VA

has a population of 42,857 people with a median age of 44.8 and a median household income of \$50,450. Between 2015 and 2016

the population of Shenandoah County grew from 42,724 to 42,857, a 0.31% increase and its median household income grew from \$49,406 to \$50,450, a 2.11% increase.

① Affordable Housing

As housing costs continue to rise in the Washington DC metro area, families are beginning to relocate to the NSV region, placing higher demands on the housing market.

2 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Rates of overdose and drug abuse increase each year. The region has the fewest mental health providers per resident in VA at 1,714 residents per provider.

3 Living Wage Jobs

A living wage for a family of four in the region would be \$15.75 for two full-time adults. The retail and foodservice jobs occupied by many low-income persons do not pay near this wage.



Why is the local church important?

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God; you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 1 Peter 2:9-10

The Church of Jesus Christ is a *privileged people* called to a *privileged purpose*. But in order for the Church to fulfill that privileged purpose, she must be spiritually healthy.

Eight Characteristics of a Spritually Healthy Church



(1) Salvation by grace through faith.

Romans 3:19-28; Ephesians 2:1-10

(2) Dependence upon God's inspired and inerrant Word as the sole and final authority in matters of faith, belief, and behavior.

2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:11-13

(3) God-centeredness that results in a life of holiness and worship.

Acts 4:23-31, 5:29-32, 7:1-60

(4) Godly leadership that leads the congregation in following after the Chief Shepherd, Jesus.

1 Timothy 3:1-13, 5:17-22; Titus 1:5-9; Acts 20:17-32; 1 Peter 5:1-5

(5) Love, which is the perfect bond of unity.

Galatians 5:13-26; Romans 12:9-21; Colossians 3:12-14

(6) Every member has a ministry for the common good of the Body.

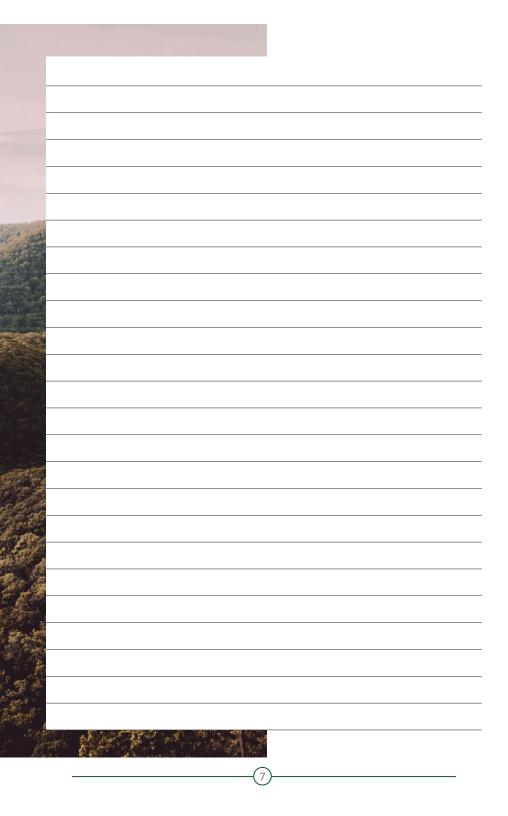
Ephesians 4:13-16; 1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 12-27

(7) A willingness to confront sin.

Acts 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Matthew 18:15-20; James 5:19-20

The church's ministry to the world is as "salt" and "light" in bringing to the world the good news of Christ and doing it with grace and truth.

Matthew 28:19-20; 1 Peter 2:9-12



Strategic Timeline for Shen. Co. Church Plant

October 2019 Begin the search for a campus pastor

October 17, 2019 Informational Meeting Follow-up

• Prayer email group created for one year.

· Life Groups created

· Launch Team populated

December 2019 Location Search Begins

April 26, 2020 Informational Follow-up Meeting

April 2020 Launch Team begins working with FSAT teams

May 2020 Shenandoah County members and regular

attenders encouraged to attend FSATTo worship together and build community

May 2020 Promotion and Marketing plan created

August 16 Preview Service

Aug 29 - Sep 5 Shenandoah County Fair - Ministry Opportunity

September 13 Preview Event

October 4 Come Back Event - Service project

October 11 Preview Service

October 18 Come Back Event Service Project

October 25, 2020 Launch Celebration at FBC Winchester

This is a birth - we need a celebration

November 1 Grand Opening Launch Day

Launch Teams

Prayer Team

This team covers every aspect of the church and congregation in prayer. This is incredibly important for the church and our hearts to be aligned with God's will in this process.

Worship Team

This dynamic team prepares the way to encounter the presence of God! They do so through vocals, instruments, audio engineering, lighting and visual elements.

Logistics Team

This team works behind the scenes to maintain a spirit of excellence in the facility, preparing for Sunday mornings and events.

Kid's Ministry

This team creates an environment in Kid's Ministry services where children are consistently exposed to the love of Christ. They intentionally invest in the lives of our children through worship, Bible teaching, skits, games and more.

Assimilation Team

This team connects guests and offers a warm welcome. They keep everyone up to date on ministry events and opportunities. Through the use of creative media they communicate to the community the reasons why the church is relevant.



How might God be calling me to be a part of the Fellowship Bible Church Shenandoah church plant?

Being a part of a church plant can be an incredibly rewarding experience, but it also comes with many challenges. Take the next few weeks and consider with the Lord all we've discussed this evening. Let us know at **fbcva.life/shenandoah** when you're ready!

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☐I am willing to pray for the next year and receive bi-weekly updates directing specific prayers.
☐I would like to JOIN a Shenandoah County Life Group until Easter 2020.
☐I would like to HOST a Shenandoah County Life Group until Easter 2020.
☐I am willing to consider giving over and above my regular giving toward the Shenandoah County church plant.
I would like to be a part of the Launch Team Worship Kids Ministry Logistics Assimilation
If you already know this is where the Lord is calling you and are ready to respond now, head to fbcva.life/shenandoah now to get onboard, or email us at shendandoah@fbcva.org .





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