

## SYNOPSIS *Why the need?*

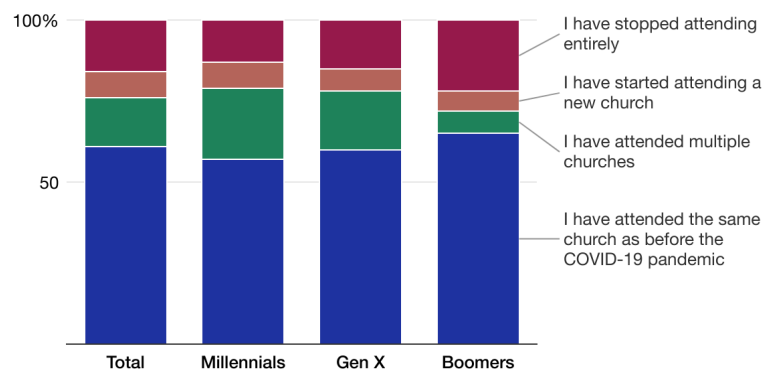
According to the Barna group, Christianity in the United States has undergone a dramatic change in the last few decades. A research study conducted in 2020 indicated that one-third fewer Americans attend church weekly now than almost three decades ago. Moreover, particularly since the pandemic, the manner of worship has also shifted into increased digital and hybrid options. With all the more web-based and online opportunities available, the *decline in corporate or in-person worship gatherings* has further risen to more than ever before.

### CHURCH ATTENDANCE SINCE COVID-19

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Since the COVID-19 pandemic, which of the following most accurately describes your church attendance, either online or in person?

% Christians who were attending a church before the COVID-19 pandemic



n=670 Christians adults who were attending a church before the COVID-19 pandemic, January 24–28, 2022. | Source: Barna Group

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In direct response to these escalating hybrid options, our varying culture and expanding society, we are introducing yet another powerful form of evangelism and worship setting alternative. Not in competition but rather in conjunction with what is already out there. We are proposing a fresh new way of doing “*church outside of church*” and innovative approach to spreading the **GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL** while expanding the kingdom by inviting those in the marketplace or in the home to consider incorporating their functional space as part of yet another hybrid worship experience alternative.

## VISION *What this means?*

As a means of placing a stake in the ground and formally taking back the spiritual territory that has been relinquished for far too long, *our definitive purpose is to cultivate space both in and around you with the presence of God, while helping bridge the sacred and secular divide within your own business, home or organization.* Whether it is setting the tone and igniting the God-given design of those within these spaces or establishing a formal facility that is fully equipped with all our complimentary services, we are essentially attempting to bring the church and God Himself back to you!

*No matter the space*, whether overtly or covertly, we fundamentally intend to be the answer to a rising demand to not only reinstate the name of God back into the public square, but to help shift the atmosphere for all those who come in contact with that presence. We will unapologetically attempt to do our part as best we can to move away from nominal, consumer Christianity and make space to magnify the manifest presence of God both in and around us.

# How this helps YOU!

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## BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS

As the “health and wellbeing” of a business or organization can be experienced well beyond its bottom line, it is its spiritual state that is at the heart of their true success. Particularly many eastern religions recognize this to be an essential part of their business and establish them accordingly by displaying idol shrines, relics, energy fields and the like in plain view from its inception. Likewise, whether openly or subtly, by honoring the presence of God within your business or organization, you’ll inevitably attract the *Giver and Maker* of all so that, “*you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul [of your business or organization] prospers!*” 3 John 1:2

## CHURCHES

Churches have the unique opportunity to intentionally prioritize and put into practice their mission and vision by creating collaborative coworking spaces within their own church grounds. In contrast to the latest statistics on the decline in church attendance and the rapid increase of deconstruction and deconversions taking place in the church today, this will not only help put on display the real heart and purpose of a church community, but it will also help create a bridge within both evangelism and discipleship, which are the two key distinctive factors that ultimately make up a church. Furthermore, in addition to potentially offering comparable services found within coworking spaces, churches can also take advantage of the opportunity to promote ongoing activities, highlight in-house ministries and even further insert a message or two as they already have a captive audience!

## HOMES

Simply devoting a space within your own home to host the presence of God will pave the way for deeper encounters with Him; and if you open it up for others to partake, you are bound to experience even greater blessings! To intentionally *cultivate space* that ministers to the living God, who inevitably longs to minister right back to you, you are guaranteed to carry the aroma of His presence wherever you go - whether you realize it or not - because He has promised to dwell and abide with us. “*Abide in Me, and I will abide in you.*” John 15:4

## CLOSING REMARKS

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*“On that day I will raise up the tabernacle of David [house of worship], which has fallen down, and repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, And rebuild it as in the days of old.” Amos 9:11 “So that all of humanity will be able to encounter the Lord.” Acts 15:16-17*

God longs to commune and abide with us. In creating these spaces, we are given the grand privilege of cultivating intimacy with the manifest

presence of God so that He will not only reveal Himself to us, but He will come inhabit and dwell among us. “*I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God and they will be my people.*” 2 Corinthians 6:16