



RIVER OF LIFE CHURCH

With the potential to develop onto added acreage, creating a 100-acre church and school campus, River of Life Church called on Mantel Teter Architects to reevaluate their Master Plan and to design their next phase to be constructed.

Through a series of workshops with the building committee and the various ministry teams from the church and school, Mantel Teter Architects helped to identify the necessary steps for updating their Master Plan. A written program, site analysis, feasibility study, and financial models were provided. The new multi-phased Master Site Plan includes the extension of their existing facility, adding a gymnasium, cafeteria and classrooms for a K-12 Christian school; as well as site amenities and parking to support a 3,000-seat worship center, with education and administrative spaces.

After examining the immediate needs, Mantel Teter Architects created a phase I design for a new multi-purpose building, with supplementary education space, a commercial kitchen, as well as site features and parking capacity to support the existing and new facilities. With the affirmation of a successful fundraising campaign, Mantel Teter Architects moved forward with the Building Committee to complete the construction drawings. With the recently completed addition, River of Life Church now makes an even bolder statement in the Kansas City Northland community by taking advantage of their visual proximity to Interstate Highway 435.

And bold statements continue throughout the project, with a generously open and welcoming fellowship foyer for congregational connection, a bright and lively coffee café, ample and wide circulation spaces, and a state-of-the-art 1,050-seat venue outfitted for an innovative and enhanced worship experience, incorporating the creative arts.

Throughout the course of this project, Mantel Teter Architects worked to ensure a constant flow of communication and to develop solid relationships with the Building Committee and the church staff, which helped to quickly make decisions and promptly resolve challenges.



Client:
River of Life Church

Location:
4214 Northwest Cookingham Road
Kansas City, Missouri

Size:
30,000 S.F.

Services Provided:
Programming
Master Planning
Architectural
Civil Engineering
Structural Engineering
M/E Engineering
Interior Design
Acoustical Design
Technical Systems Design
Cost Estimating
Landscape Architecture
Construction Administration

Construction:
Pre-engineered structural steel frame with brick and synthetic stucco on steel stud in-fill, split-face concrete block accents, aluminum and glass, and steel cross on steel and glass tower.

Reference:
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