



**Nehemiah**  
CLARK COUNTY'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

**CASE FOR  
COMMUNITY**  
IMPACT REPORT 2024

**BIGGER VISION,  
Deeper Connection**



# THE REDWOODS

The interlocking redwood trees on the cover of this “Bigger Vision. Deeper Connection” edition of our Nehemiah Case for Community Impact Report fosters a sense of unity and collaboration.

**Just as redwood trees are interconnected through their root systems,** so too should our community be rooted in our shared gospel vision and a deeper connection to one another. We find it compelling that **redwoods share nutrients with other sick or struggling redwoods** – and we certainly want to be able to depend on one another, especially amid the most challenging seasons and situations.

Together, let us zoom out into our Bigger Vision – embracing the Great Commandment with Great Compassion, making disciples as part of the Great Commission. Then, let’s zoom in for that Deeper Connection. If we do this, **we can ensure, like the redwoods, that no one is left behind or overlooked – praying “on earth as it is in heaven” in a Great Collaboration.**

## Bigger Vision. Deeper Connection.

By Amy Willmann, Executive Director,  
Nehemiah Foundation

This year, the Nehemiah Foundation is celebrating 30 years, and we are finding the mission as compelling as ever. To amplify the impact of commUNITY builders, faithful ministries and local churches has been an honor and joy. Truly, building on such a solid and trustworthy foundation - with Jesus as the chief cornerstone - never gets old!

Our origin story is full of faithful investors and board members, astounding testimonies of the vibrant impact of our founding “Street Saints” and an ever-faithful God. Founding Director, Wally Martinson, followed by Shelley Lopez and Casey Cockerham, served with incredible integrity, building upon this trusted and solid foundation.

Here we are, 30 years later, and we believe Nehemiah is on the brink of something truly remarkable.

***“When I stepped into this role three and a half years ago, we weren’t ready; in three years, it will be too late. The pressing needs of our community are indisputable. Therefore, in the next three years, we believe we will all need to embrace ‘A Bigger Vision and a Deeper Connection.’ We are inviting every pastor, ministry leader and Christ-follower in Clark County to help us build on this 30-year foundation and bring fresh wisdom, faith and innovation together to meet our community’s deepest needs.”*** – Amy Willmann, Executive Director

With 30+ faith-based nonprofits in our network and over 114 churches in our community, every person of “good faith and good will” can certainly become even more present, involved and focused on the spiritual transformation of our community. Would you join us? We’re eager to follow Christ into new transformational territory – serving, gathering and hosting vital conversations in the heart of downtown Springfield in our new location at The Metropolis (102 W. High St.).



# Our Framework for Flourishing

## 4 Pillars, 4 Pathways and 6 Realms of Human Flourishing!

### Four Pillars of Action



PRAY



UNIFY



EQUIP



MOBILIZE

### Four Pathways to Outcomes

4 Strategic Initiatives that bring the faith community together with synergy! Synergy is the Greek word translated “fellow workers” used in the New Testament 13 times!



**Flourishing Neighborhoods Initiative**



**Faith Community Crisis-Response Team Initiative**



**Streamline Initiative**



**Rise & Build Influence Initiative**

### Six Realms of Flourishing



**THE GOOD**

According to Dr. Amy Sherman, we can serve as agents of grace and flourishing in every sector of society – The Good, The True, The Beautiful, the Just and Well-Ordered, The Sustainable and The Prosperous. Each of these areas of well-being in our community allow us to make honest assessments regarding our collective impact of community transformation.



**THE TRUE**



**THE BEAUTIFUL**



**THE JUST & WELL-ORDERED**



**THE PROSPEROUS**



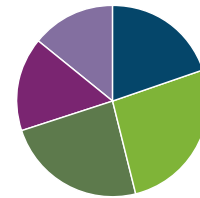
**THE SUSTAINABLE**

## A Note from Our Treasurer

At Nehemiah, we want to provide opportunities for community builders and Kingdom-investors to partner with us in the work God is doing to transform the city of Springfield. Bring your loaves and fishes and see how God multiplies them to meet the needs of our neighbors. We are so honored to be entrusted to steward the investments of so many community members, churches, businesses and civic organizations as you partner with us to demonstrate the love of God to our community (John 13:35 & Matt 25:40.)

*Sergio Lopez, Board Treasurer*

### INITIATIVE PERCENT OF BUDGET



● Four Pillars	26.49%
● Flourishing Neighborhoods	23.84%
● Faith Community Crisis Response	15.89%
● Streamline Initiative	13.91%
● Rise and Build	19.87%

## Springfield Transformation Investment Plan

Year	2024	2025	2026	2027	% of budget
Four Pillars	\$ 136,954	\$ 157,881	\$ 179,073	\$ 200,000	26.49%
Flourishing Neighborhoods	\$ 123,258	\$ 142,093	\$ 161,166	\$ 180,000	23.84%
Faith Community Crisis Response	\$ 82,172	\$ 94,728	\$ 107,444	\$ 120,000	15.89%
Streamline Initiative	\$ 71,901	\$ 82,887	\$ 94,013	\$ 105,000	13.91%
Rise and Build	\$ 102,715	\$ 118,411	\$ 134,305	\$ 150,000	19.87%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 517,000</b>	<b>\$ 596,000</b>	<b>\$ 676,000</b>	<b>\$ 755,000</b>	

## The Foundation of Our Foundation

Wally Martinson, Founding Executive Director

I saw two bricks put together. It's the foundation that determines the success of the undertaking. One wrong move and the whole auditorium is thrown out of balance. I think one leaning tower is enough for this planet, don't you?

The Nehemiah Foundation is as concerned about its foundation as the patrons of the Kuss Auditorium. That's what makes its foundational mission so important... to identify the community's most critical problems and bring the Body of Christ together to engage in solving them.

What's equally important is what we believe together. No matter what denomination we subscribe to, the Apostle Paul's words to the Corinthian Church sum up what, or who, we stand upon as our Foundation: "For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor 3:11)

**Glory to the Author and Perfecter of our Faith for everything that has taken place over the last 30 years. Each of us brings a tiny piece of brick or mortar to the incredible structure the master Architect is building in our community.**

## MISSION, VISION AND VALUES

**Mission** Nehemiah provides a network for Christian churches and ministries to amplify their positive impact to build God's kingdom in Springfield and Clark County.

**Vision** We envision Springfield and Clark County as a community where all people would know God's love for them

**Values** The biblical figure Nehemiah was instrumental in restoring the city of Jerusalem and rededicating its people to God. In the same way, our hope at The Nehemiah Foundation has been bringing healing and restoration to our city by uniting the Church around strategic ministry initiatives for the past 30 years. We believe Jesus inaugurated his kingdom with his sights set on both personal salvation and public transformation. This hope for both people and places inspired Jesus to launch his church into what Dr. Amy Sherman calls, "a kingdom sized gospel, love for the city, and the humility to partner with others."

## Nehemiah Staff

<b>Amy Willmann</b>	Executive Director
<b>Tami Carter</b>	Streamline Initiative/CarePortal Director
<b>Aaron Roy</b>	Faith Community Crisis Response Team Director, Simunye President
<b>Sugar Roy</b>	Office Manager
<b>Bruce Willmann</b>	"Rise and Build" Leadership Initiative Director
<b>Kelton Moore</b>	Community Chaplain

## Nehemiah Board of Directors

Sergio Lopez, Chair	Terrie Kennington
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Nicole Main	Carolyn Young
David Cotto	Monte Zinn
Aaron Clark	





# Ministry Partners





# THE CASE FOR Wellness, Wholeness and Oneness



## The Problem

Not everyone in Clark County is flourishing.



## The Solution

Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul. (3 John 1:2 ESV)



## Fund This Solution

Wellness, Wholeness and Oneness  
Nehemiah Flourishing Neighborhoods  
Initiative: Christian Community Development

## The Case for Wellness, Wholeness and Oneness

Our Nehemiah Flourishing Neighborhoods Initiative serves as the overarching umbrella for unified Christian Community Development - think of it as "macro-shalom!"

Through the Flourishing Neighborhoods Initiative, commUNITY builders and champions, churches, faith-based nonprofits and ministries, and servant leaders in every sector can come together to implement county-wide projects that we simply cannot do alone.

As we continue to provide a platform for "God's love in action," we believe this expressed love will lead to human flourishing in every area of life. As the soul prospers, so does every other kind of healing and well-being!

For the past three years, we have leaned in, listened and learned about the biggest pain points in our community. We have steadily mobilized the faith community and dozens of collaborating churches into projects that have cultivated deep spiritual, emotional, financial, social and physical well-being, seeking to serve the most at-risk and marginalized in our community.



**Flourishing  
Neighborhoods Initiative**

## Three-Year Vision and Plan

Over the next three years, we are eager to refine and expand our community-wide Mental Health and the Church campaign, our collaboration with Faith Community Health Ministry, and our deep passion for racial reconciliation and healing efforts underneath the banner of Nehemiah partner, Simunye: "We are One."

We will also put more fuel and focus into four new faith-based community development projects:

### New Neighbor Network

Connecting the Body of Christ with opportunities to serve our immigrant and refugee neighbors

### Faith-Driven Entrepreneurship

Encouraging and incubating innovative social enterprise and biblical justice through meaningful work

### The Segue Project: Shelter. Stability. Shalom.

Addressing housing instability and homelessness through a church-based and collaborative approach

### The Gallery

Creating space for faith, co-creating and the arts

## MINISTRY PARTNER SHOUT-OUTS



Our Nehemiah Ministry Partners are engaged in deep work around various aspects of human flourishing in Clark County. Investing in every area of well-being and promoting human flourishing in every sector of society, these partners are vital to community-wide "wellness, wholeness and oneness."

- Agape Dance Company
- Breaking Free to Be
- Children's Rescue Center
- Choosing Hope Adoptions
- CitiLookout
- Encompass Connection Center
- FYI – Family and Youth Initiatives
- Good Samaritan Outreach Center
- H.O.P.E.
- Jonah Project
- The Gathering
- Pregnancy Resource Center
- SCYM – Springfield City Youth Mission
- Urban Light Ministries – Fathering Strong
- Young Life



# Our Flourishing Neighborhood Projects



**SIMUNYE**  
WE ARE ONE

*"As a new Pastor serving a downtown church, I was deeply blessed to attend the 2023 Juneteenth Father Fest Breakfast, worship our Lord with hundreds of people from a diverse group of Springfield churches, and pray over our nation with Rev. Jawwad Love as part of the morning's program with a host of community pastors. It was a powerful example of how all of God's people and church leaders, coming together, represent his full glory and bear his light, Word, and love into this world. I have committed to be part of Simunye Table Conversations in 2024 and look forward to seeing how God will work through us all to fulfill his will and purposes for our community."*

– Pastor Jody Noble, Covenant Presbyterian Church

## **Purpose/Cause Statement**

Because there is so much hate in the world, our purpose is to glorify God by loving Him, loving all peoples and encouraging others to do the same. (Matthew 22:37-39)

## **Mission Statement**

Our mission is to stimulate local churches towards biblically healthy multi-ethnic relationships. (James 1:19-20)

We are multi-ethnic Christians who are reconciled to God and seeking reconciliation with each other.

## **Strategy**

Are you IN...?

- Interconnection (Fellowship)
- Instruction (Teaching)
- Intercession (Prayer/Worship)
- Involvement (Encouragement/Equipping)



BUILDING CAPACITY. BRIDGING RESOURCES.

Faith Community Health Ministry works collaboratively with churches, their parishioners and church leadership to identify appropriate candidates from the congregations who could be a Faith Community Nurse or Health Minister.

## **New Neighbor Network**

Connecting people and resources to serve our immigrant and refugee neighbors

**Projects** – Micro-Festa, a church-based family ESOL Project, Haitian Refugee Coalition, Community Chaplain activities, Haitian Community Help and Support Center partnership, Equipping and Community Education workshops

## **Faith-Driven Entrepreneurship**

**Innovating with Purpose – Empowering Entrepreneurs to Impact Clark County and the World**

**Projects** – Transformation Hub co-working space, "Rise and Build" leadership coaching, incubating and hosting social enterprise ideas in and through the Nehemiah transformation network

## **The Gallery**

**Curating space for faith, co-creation and the arts**

**Projects** - Art and Faith Workshops, Poetry and Faith Workshops, Meet the Author events, Soul Care Retreats for Christian Creatives and Artisans, local art shows and special exhibits



As an agent of flourishing wherever you live, work and worship, you can join a Community Action Team around one of these six FNI projects!

Contact Amy Willmann to get connected.  
[amy@nehemiahfoundation.org](mailto:amy@nehemiahfoundation.org)



# THE CASE FOR Collaboration in the Midst of Crisis



## The Problem

Since 2020, the number of unsheltered neighbors in our community has significantly increased. This public health crisis and lack of housing inventory has presented unique challenges that our civic leaders and service providers cannot fully address without additional capacity-building support.



## The Solution

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? (*Micah 6:8*)



## Fund This Solution

Collaboration in the Midst of Crisis - The Faith Community Crisis Response Team Initiative

The Nehemiah Foundation “Faith-Community Crisis Response Team” Initiative was created to help bring coordination, collaboration and streamlined communication in times of local emergencies.

As one of our Four Pathways, this initiative provides opportunities for people of good faith and good will to serve in proactive and strategic ways in order to best serve the most vulnerable among us.

We know that our commitment to “collaboration in the midst of crisis” will continue to expand as we partner with our local government, social service, law enforcement, business and education sectors in order to create better communication and strategies for prevention, diversion and long-term solutions.

 **Faith Community  
Crisis-Response Team  
Initiative**



## MINISTRY PARTNER SHOUT-OUTS



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**Haitian Community Help and Support Center**  
**Springfield Soup Kitchen**  
**Good Samaritan Outreach Center**



# THE NEXT THREE YEARS - A Bigger Vision. A Deeper Connection.

## Emergency Warming Shelter Project

As part of our Faith Community Crisis Response Team, the Emergency Warming Shelter brings together city and community leaders, along with the faith community, to assist our unsheltered friends during extreme weather conditions.

## Emergency Shelter/All-Hazard Approach

The Emergency Shelter/All-Hazard Approach will continue collaboration between the faith community and local agencies to include cooling centers, tornado relief and various emergency response strategies to provide comprehensive support and shelter during diverse crisis situations.

## Unsheltered Street Outreach Expansion

Invest in strategic growth in this vital area over the next three years as we train faith community volunteers to join the Street Outreach team.

## Expand Donation Management Project – “Furniture Bank”

Underneath this initiative, the Nehemiah team and faith community volunteers will collaborate with agencies across various sectors to help develop a comprehensive and efficient process for connecting local furniture resources with those with the greatest needs.



## CarePortal/Springfield City School District McKinney-Vento Collaboration

As part of our Streamline Initiative, the collaboration between CarePortal and the Springfield City School District McKinney-Vento team enhances support for homeless children and youth by connecting their identified needs with local churches and community members, ensuring rapid assistance and fostering a stable educational environment.



You can help build strategy and strengthen our collaborative infrastructure, while also preparing for compassionate deployment in the midst of community crisis.

Contact Aaron Roy ([aaron@nehemiahfoundation.org](mailto:aaron@nehemiahfoundation.org)) to jumpstart training for the Emergency Warming Shelter project or to volunteer on our year-round Street Outreach team. Reach out to the Ministry Partners listed to join their service team as well!



# THE CASE FOR Blessing Kids through Church-School Partnerships



## The Problem

Families have needs that schools cannot meet for their students, and churches have goodwill to share.



## The Solution

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. (Matthew 25:40)



## Fund This Solution

Streamline Initiative and CarePortal



Streamline Initiative



## MINISTRY PARTNER SHOUT-OUTS



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Streamline Ministry Partners:

**Awakenings**

**FYI**

**SCYM**

**HOPE**

**Children's Rescue Center**

**Young Life**

CarePortal Ministry Partners:

**Habitat for Humanity**

**Encompass**

**Good Samaritan Outreach Center**

**Pregnancy Resource Center**

**Urban Light**

**Salvation Army**

# Empowering Families, Revitalizing Neighborhoods, Transforming the Church: *The Power of Connection!*

By Tami Carter, Streamline Initiative/CarePortal Director

Clark County has been buzzing about how caseworkers, educators and more are harnessing the connecting power of CarePortal to rally local churches and communities in supporting children and families like never before! Nehemiah first introduced the concept of CarePortal to our community in 2021 as a streamlined approach to help local churches enhance their outreach to families in crisis. Today, we are more convinced than ever of the power of connection to change the trajectory of families and positively transform the Church, igniting excitement about reaching their neighborhoods with the hope and love of Jesus. We launched in the spring of 2022 with just three local church partners and Springfield City School District as our sole agency entering requests.



**Our humble beginnings have now grown to 24 active church partnerships having met the needs of 977 children and 452 adults, at an economic impact of over \$258,000!** Beyond meeting the physical needs of families in crisis, local churches formed powerful, life-changing connections with these families, providing the essential wrap-around support they needed.



CarePortal, community collaborations and the local Church are making a powerful impact in Clark County. However, there is still much more to be done to ensure every person in our community can flourish.

## CarePortal Church Partners

Bethel Baptist Church  
Central Christian Church  
Champion City Church  
Christ Episcopal Church  
Dream City Church  
Fellowship Church  
Grace Lutheran Church  
Grace United Methodist Church  
High Street Church of the Nazarene  
Hillside Church of God

Lawrenceville Church of God  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Lil Country Church  
Living Water OPC  
Mulberry House of Hope  
Northminster Presbyterian Church  
Race Street Church of God  
Restoration Park Church  
Riversong Church  
Southgate Baptist Church

St. John Missionary Baptist Church  
Salvation Army Church  
Zion Hill Baptist Church



**SIGN UP  
YOUR  
CHURCH  
TODAY!**



## Blessing Kids through Church-School Partnerships Cont.

### From One to Many: Spreading God's Word and Service Community-Wide

By Dr. Pamela Shay,  
Director of Federal Programming for  
Springfield City School District



For almost three years, Springfield City School District has been blessed by CarePortal. Serving 7,500 students, over 90 percent of whom are below the poverty level, the district benefits immensely from this Nehemiah initiative. One notable instance involved a single mother in need of food and clothing for her children. The school provided some support, but a CarePortal request brought additional help and community connection. A local church quickly responded, delivering supplies and learning about the community's needs.

At a CarePortal community meeting, the story was shared, inspiring discussions and partnerships. Habitat for Humanity offered swing sets at a reduced cost, and other churches volunteered to fund and assemble them. A fall party and clean-up day was organized, fostering long-term relationships and community engagement.

**This single request expanded into a larger initiative, serving over 1,000 people and bringing churches and organizations together to do God's work.**

The Springfield City School District Family Outreach/ CarePortal team shared their success story at a Columbus conference, inspiring other districts to explore similar partnerships.

As the Director of Federal Programming for SCSD, I was asked to share this story with CarePortal's regional and national directors, emphasizing the power of school-church collaborations. This led to further presentations, including a national conference held in April 2024, which showcased how these partnerships can profoundly change communities.

CarePortal's success in Springfield demonstrates how a single connection can grow into a transformative force, spreading God's word and service throughout the community.



## TAKE ACTION!

Are you ready to take action? Start connecting to make a positive impact in our community. Explore the real-time needs of kids and families near you, and discover how you, your church or your business can partner to bring the Kingdom of God to every family in Clark County.

**Go to [careportal.org](https://careportal.org) and get connected!**



## The Ripple Effect of Compassion

By Jacqueline James, Dream City Church

Last October, I responded to a critical request for non-perishable food at Ronez Apartments. A mother had lost her job, had no other support and her electricity was shut off, affecting her refrigerator.

As a new responder for Dream City Church's CarePortal team, I quickly took the request and went shopping with my 9-year-old daughter. Upon arrival, we saw kids playing in the parking lot and noticed a playground area with posts but no equipment. We delivered the food and introduced ourselves. The mother shared her struggles: job loss, no transportation, raising a teen and being a new grandmother. I encouraged her in the Lord, prayed for her, and shared job openings and resources to restore her electricity. Her smile and newfound hope were visible.

I asked about the greatest need in the neighborhood, and she mentioned a safe place for kids to play and a way to keep the area clean. Driving away, I envisioned hosting a neighborhood clean-up and community event.

**Our initial intention to help transformed into a life-changing encounter that inspired us and impacted the entire apartment complex.**

Within 30 days, we organized a Halloween event, starting with a neighborhood clean-up and free breakfast, followed by "I Got The Light!"— a community event with games, prizes, food, live music, gospel sharing and prayer. All supplies were donated. We had leftover pizzas and went door-to-door, praying for more people.

**We've since connected with local agencies to bring additional resources and support. Along with God, we became part of bringing restoration, light and hope.**



## Connection Changes Everything!

By Aaron Earlywine, CarePortal Area Director of Ohio

CarePortal drives connection for churches, businesses and community partners to support the most vulnerable children and families in their ZIP code. Just as Uber is synonymous with ridesharing, I believe CarePortal will become synonymous with care-sharing. As CarePortal grows throughout Clark County and Ohio, I expect that soon every church will have a care-sharing team.

Here in Clark County, the next three years are pivotal for the expansion of CarePortal. As we build relationships with schools and other child-serving agencies, the requests will continue to increase. More requests must come with more reach, and the Church is vital to make that happen. Churches are the backbone of care-sharing, and every church is welcome to join the cause.

Community support doesn't end there, as care-sharing must also engage businesses and other community organizations to wrap around families very purposefully. Working together we can identify and support children and families in need in real-time, right here in our own neighborhoods.





# THE CASE FOR Christian Leadership Development

## Rise and Build Influence Initiative: Christian Leadership Development

By Bruce Willmann, "Rise and Build" Leadership  
Initiative Director



### The Problem

Community and ministry leaders are struggling



### The Solution

"The work is enormous and spread out, and we are separated far from one another along the wall. Wherever you hear the sound of the ram's horn, rally to us there. Our God will fight for us!" (Nehemiah 4)



### Fund This Initiative

Christian Leadership Development,  
Rise & Build Leadership



Faith Community  
Crisis-Response Team  
Initiative

The influential business leaders who founded Nehemiah 30 years ago recognized that local faith-based nonprofits - or "street saints" - needed help with organizational development, fundraising, strategic planning and administrative guidance. Today, the Rise and Build Influence Initiative carries on that founding purpose to help leaders flourish in their mission and lives.

In the cultural moment in which we are living, Rise and Build is more essential than ever. We are finding that many leaders are not flourishing. Barna research group has called the moment we are living in "the great resignation." In March 2022, their research showed that 42 percent of pastors/ministry leaders had considered quitting their job. Only 14 months earlier, the number was only 29 percent. This increase points towards a crisis in leadership. Obviously, this crisis is not confined to the Church. It is being seen in every sector of society. The studies show that the reasons for the crisis are numerous, but can be summed up this way: leaders are finding themselves separated from God, from others and from their identity as God's beloved.

**Rise and Build is here to answer the horn and rally to support our ministry partners and church leaders who feel isolated in the work they are doing. Leadership expert John Maxwell recently said, "Everything rises and falls on leadership." Rise and Build is a root system of connectivity to help leaders be connected and transformed. This is necessary in this cultural moment because transformed leaders transform cities.**

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**Discipling Another**

**Encompass Connection Center**

**Mission Increase Foundation**

**Nehemiah serves and supports approximately 30 Ministry Partners. Rise and Build does this through a monthly Ministry Partner prayer gathering, weekly encouragement, individual meetings with leaders, S.O.U.L. Talk Leadership Podcast (starting in 2025), and through the Rise and Build Ministry Grant fund.**

### **Rise and Build Community Action Team - Leadership Coaches and Mentors**

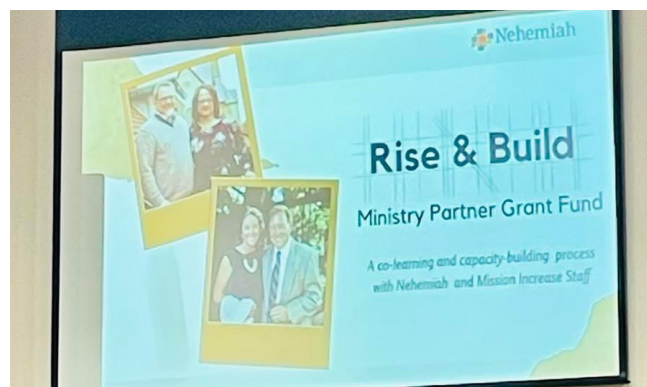
The Rise and Build Community Action Team is another way to serve our ministry partners. This team consists of business and ministry leaders who can help our ministry partners build individual and organizational structure and health.

### **Emotionally Healthy Leader and “Ruthless” Book Clubs**

One of the most effective tools for transformation is sitting around a table and sharing life with others. Rise and Build gathers people around the table for some great transformative discussion around books. We are currently using two books: *The Emotionally Leader* by Pete Scazzero and *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry* by John Mark Comer. These books press into the need for spiritual and emotional health.

### **Greater Dayton Transformation Tables: “Transforming a city one table at a time.”**

Nehemiah is bringing Transformation Tables to Clark County. This project was started by the Maxwell Leadership Foundation. The idea of these tables is to add value to leaders who share with others resulting in exponential growth and transformation of families, organizations and ultimately entire communities. It starts with one table and spreads from there. This is what we mean when we say that, “transformed leaders transform cities.”



 **TAKE ACTION!**

Join our Rise and Build “Community Action Team” by connecting with Bruce ([bruce@nehemiahfoundation.org](mailto:bruce@nehemiahfoundation.org)) and Sergio! In this niche, you can share your lived experience and wisdom with new or struggling leaders as one of our Rise and Build leadership coaches, book club facilitators and equipping instructors.



# CASE FOR COMMUNITY SUMMIT

## BIGGER VISION, Deeper Connection

SEPTEMBER 13-14 • 2024

### A GATHERING OF CIVIC AND CHURCH LEADERS A PROGRAM OF THE RISE & BUILD LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 13 • 8:30 AM - 3 PM**  
Civic Leaders and Faith Leaders Sessions  
*(speakers, panels & dialogue)*

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 14, 8:30 AM - 12 PM**  
Current Landscape Sessions  
*(panels on navigating community challenges, followed  
by prayer canopy + prayer walks)*

**NEW location this year!**  
**The Springfield Metropolis**  
102 W. HIGH ST.

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