

Tired of plastic religion?



So are we.

FOR TOO LONG OUR GENERATION HAS FELT LEFT OUT AT CHURCH.
WE LONG TO EXPLORE JESUS OF NAZARETH'S TEACHINGS IN AN

AUTHENTIC · CREATIVE · RELEVANT

ATMOSPHERE.

**A NEW CHURCH IS LAUNCHING IN KENT, OHIO.
SPRING 2006. BE A PART OF THE JOURNEY.**



Lead Pastor Jonathan Herron & wife Amber

> what's the vision?

The vision is Jesus - dangerously, obsessively, undeniably Jesus.

We believe God is calling us to gather a movement of **teens, college students, and young families** in the Kent area.

Authentic worship, creative communication, and relevant community are the **key catalysts** of this movement.

> why kent?

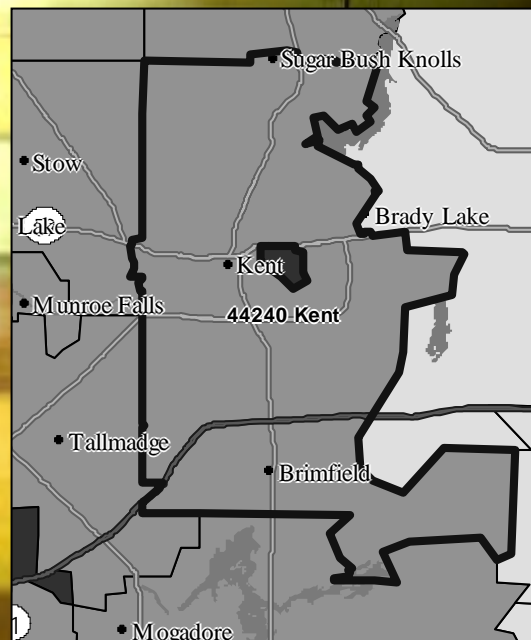
Site of **Kent State University**, this college town of 35,000 is home to **over ten thousand 15–34 year-olds** - the **key generation missing** from American churches.

Lost in an ever-secularizing society,

Let-down by past experiences in the institutional church, and

Looking for a fresh start spiritually,

Kent is screaming out for a **new approach** to worshipping God and exploring the ancient Scriptures.



> what is the strategy?

> **ENGAGE** - Luke 14.23: *"Go out into the roads & country lanes and COMPEL THEM TO COME IN so that My house will be full."* **Compel = Demand Attention Creatively**

> **ENLARGE** - Ezekiel 36.24-28: *"...I will CLEANSE YOU from all your impurities... I will give you a new heart & put a new Spirit in you..."*

Engaged people are open to joining the revolution—enlarging the Kingdom of God.
Cleanse = Sanctification (our restoration is both already & not yet)

> **ENDURE** - Genesis 32.24-32: We are like Jacob, wrestling with GOD, our faith, how that impacts our daily lives and those around us, etc.

To endure the Christian walk is to be Limping Worshipers.

> **ENABLE** - Ephesians 4.11-12: *"It was He who gave some... to be pastors & teachers... to prepare God's people for WORKS OF SERVICE..."* **We are all called to serve.**

We are actively a part of God's plan for redeeming the world.

> what do we value most?

- > Everything is an experiment.
- > Excellence honors GOD and inspires people.
- > Love people when they least expect it and least deserve it.
- > Pray like it depends on GOD and work like it depends on you.
- > Supernatural = GOD will put His "super" on your "natural."
- > You cannot outgive GOD.
- > It's never too late to be who you might have been.
- > Make integrity an issue before it needs to be.
- > We are apolitical on purpose; Jesus didn't have time to organize boycotts or overthrow the Roman legislators - neither do we.
- > Do it right and do it BIG.



Launch Team member Emily Powers & baby daughter, Addy.

> what's next?

Already plans are in motion to **develop a launch team** and **affiliate with a mission-minded denomination** for the 3-fold purpose of **accountability, coaching, and financial support**.

You received this information because someone believes in you and thinks you might want to be a part of this new movement. Consider partnering with us in...

> **PRAYER** - We have **big dreams for this new church launch in Kent, OH**. Pray that God would continue to grant us vision, would raise up a launch team of committed servant-leaders, would bring to us to a **Lead Worshiper**, and would supply us with divine opportunities to reach Kent.

> **JOIN US** - Is your heart beating a bit faster from reading all this? Follow the journey via the blogosphere: www.jonathanherron.com. **Weekly information & short videos** will be posted every week. And if you're considering **moving** to Kent... look us up.

> **CONTRIBUTE** - We have **2 church budgets** that are beginning: one for **Operations** (on-going costs such as salaries, building utilities, etc.) and another for **Opportunities** (one-time costs such as marketing, office equipment, electronic purchases, etc).

If you are feeling led to give above & beyond your normal tithe to your local church, please consider an offering to either budget.

Thank you for considering being a part of this new movement.

Consumed by the Call, Jonathan Herron - Lead Pastor

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