

December 15, 2017



Hello, friends and family!

You're receiving this letter because you either...

- a) Love Manhattan, KS
- b) Have been involved with New Hope Church in the past
- c) Love the Deavers and/or the Geldarts
- d) Love Jesus
- e) Some combination of the above

New Hope Church is planting a new church in Manhattan, KS this spring and we are excited to invite you to invest in this church plant financially and prayerfully!

Manhattan, KS is an awesome place from which to impact the ends of the earth, especially through those connected to Kansas State University and Fort Riley, many of whom end up all over our globe. Wild population swings and the highly transient nature of the Manhattan community are both a strategic asset and a financial liability to Kingdom work in our town. That's why we're looking for financial partnerships beyond New Hope Church for the launch of this new work.

Our preliminary budget for this church plant starting on May 1, 2018 is \$16,000 per month. This would cover the Lead Pastor (myself) and Associate Pastor (Dave Geldart) salaries and benefits, plus facilities rent and ministry items. We also anticipate some one-time startup expenses of \$3,300 for software, a media laptop, a video camera, and locking filing cabinets. We recognize that this is a lot to trust God for right at the start of a church plant. However, we also anticipate that we will be starting this church plant with a strong launch team. We're already invested in this community and have lots of vision for what could be. All of that leads us to boldly ask you to consider partnering with us financially to help get this church plant up and running.

Would you please consider supporting this church plant monthly through 2018 or with a one-time gift?

New Hope has set up a tax-deductible *Church Plant FUND* that anyone can give to in order to financially support this new work until we've established our own 501c3 non-profit organization by our launch date of Sunday, April 8, 2018.

There are two easy ways to give! First and ideally, you can donate right now, either one time or monthly, online at newhopeks.org. Click *Give Online* then make sure to choose the *Church Plant FUND* under the *Apply my gift to:* section. Secondly, you can donate via checks made to *New Hope Church* with *Church Plant* in the memo. Mail checks to *New Hope Church, 1300 Fremont Street, Manhattan, KS 66502*.

We've included an article that I recently wrote for our New Hope Newsletter with lots more info about this new church. There's also a *Church Plant* page on the New Hope website at newhopeks.org/churchplant that we'll continue to keep updated. Additionally, we are developing a Church Plant MHK Prayer Team to receive specific prayer requests throughout 2018. Please email me at bendeaver@newhopeks.org or Dave Geldart at davegeldart@newhopeks.org if you'd like to be added to this Church Plant MHK Prayer Team.

Lastly, we'd love to connect with you personally over coffee, lunch or dinner, and/or put you up for the night if you swing through MHK. Thanks for your consideration! Who knows what God might do?

For the Kingdom,

Ben Deaver
on behalf of the Deaver and Geldart families

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L to R, back: Jambo, Ben & Maris Deaver; Jack, Jenn & Dave Geldart
L to R, front: Maddox & Kate Deaver; Benji & Sammy Geldart

P.S. For end-of-year giving, online donations must be received 11:59 pm on Wednesday, December 27, 2017 to count in 2017. Checks must be postmarked by Sunday, December 31, 2017.