



PILLAR CHURCH OF CRESTVIEW

REACHING THE MILITARY COMMUNITY IN CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA

WHO WE ARE // LEADERSHIP



Alex and Kate Chatman

Alex and Kate Chatman are both Pennsylvania natives. They met in college and shortly after graduating from Slippery Rock University, they were married that September in 1988. By December of that year, Alex was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. After completing The Basic School, they moved to Pensacola, Florida to begin Flight School. Alex received his wings in May 1991 and then moved to Irvine California. This was the first of six duty stations in their twenty-four-year journey. During their career they raised two young men (one of which is now a Marine as well and the other a Government worker in the DC area). Alex retired from Active Duty in December of 2012 and began working as a government civilian. Now after eleven years, he will retire to pursue full time ministry. Alex and Kate have been faithful members at Pillar Church in Dumfries since 2007 and have served the church in whatever capacity they could. Alex has served as an Elder, Chief Financial Officer, and Youth Pastor in their time at Pillar Dumfries. Now both are looking forward to what God has in store for them in Crestview, Florida.



Noah and Mahala Clifton

Noah is a second-generation church planter. Watching his parents help plant many churches primarily in the Washington, DC area gave him a real heart and desire to see the Great Commission be fulfilled through the local church. Shortly after giving his life to Christ at 17, he felt a calling into ministry and began serving on staff at Pillar Church of Dumfries. While on staff, he served a short term stint with the International Mission Board in the Middle East. After returning to the States, he entered into Pillar's Church Planting Residency and enrolled at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, pursuing a degree in Pastoral Ministry. During his time at Pillar Dumfries, he fell in love with a beautiful scientist named Mahala. She has a deep desire to serve the Lord, and with two brothers who serve as United States Marines, has a soft spot for the military. She graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelor's degree in Forensic Science. Mahala and Noah were married in March 2023. They both have a lot of experience with the Praetorian Project and their mission to serve military service members and their families.



WHO WE ARE // **THE PRAETORIAN PROJECT**

The Praetorian Project is a family of churches planting churches in military communities around the world. Because service members are frequently moved from one part of the world to the next, there is both a unique need AND a unique opportunity.

UNIQUE NEED:

A church home for highly transient service members and their families where they can belong, serve, and be intentionally disciplined.

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY:

Global gospel impact as service members and their families are intentionally equipped to make disciples and then sent throughout the world for military service.

Learn more about the work and ministry of the Praetorian Project online at praetorianproject.org.

CITY PROFILE // CRESTVIEW, FL

Population in 2021: **212,404**.

Draws **millions** of visitors each year to enjoy its beautiful beaches.

Just north of **Eglin Air Force Base**, the world's largest Air Force installation. With research and testing at the forefront of activities taking place at Eglin, numerous technology and defense contractors have located here.

Due to the expansive military presence, veterans also represent nearly **a quarter** of Okaloosa County's population.





WHY CRESTVIEW?

Crestview is "Hub City". The City of Crestview received its charter from the Florida Legislature and was officially incorporated in 1916. Crestview's name was chosen because it is located on the peak of a long woodland range between the Yellow and Shoal rivers, which flow almost parallel on the east and west side of the city. Crestview, however, is now known as the "Hub City", because of the convergence of Interstate 10, State Road 85, U.S. Highway 90, the Florida Gulf & Atlantic Railroad, and the Yellow River and Shoal River in or near the city.

Crestview is a natural church planting hub. With this sort of access in and out of the city of Crestview, we'll be moments away from other locations where we can put other Pillar Church plants near military installations. Eglin Air Force Base, Naval Air Sation Pensacola, and Hurlburt Field are all desired planting sites over the next few years.



TARGET AREA: Crestview, FL is a short drive to Egin Air Force Base, Hurlburt Field, and Naval Air Station Pensacola. It also serves as a popular housing location for service members stationed at those installations.



PURPOSE

We exist to know Jesus and make Him known by making more and better disciples for church multiplication among all peoples. And we will continue this as the Lord allows through the panhandle of Florida and around the world.



VALUES // WE ARE COMMITTED TO...

Scripture-driven preaching - We place a high value on our weekly corporate gathering centered around the exposition of the Scriptures.

Intentional discipleship - We are intentional about ensuring that every church member is known and shepherded towards Christlikeness.

Biblical evangelism - We are committed to equipping each of our members to live on mission by making Jesus known to others around them.

Multiplying churches - We are committed to proclaiming Christ amongst the nations by raising up leaders and sending them out to plant churches in military communities and nonmilitary communities around the world.

Generous hospitality - We want to welcome one another as Christ has welcomed us, opening up our homes and our lives to each other and to those in need.

Meaningful church membership - We are committed to meaningful church membership where the members of the church hold one another accountable to serve God and one another in love while living in a manner worthy of the Gospel.







DOCTRINE

We affirm The Baptist Faith and Message 2000.



PARTNERSHIPS



SEND Network
namb.net



The Praetorian Project
praetorianproject.org



Florida Baptist Convention
flbaptist.org



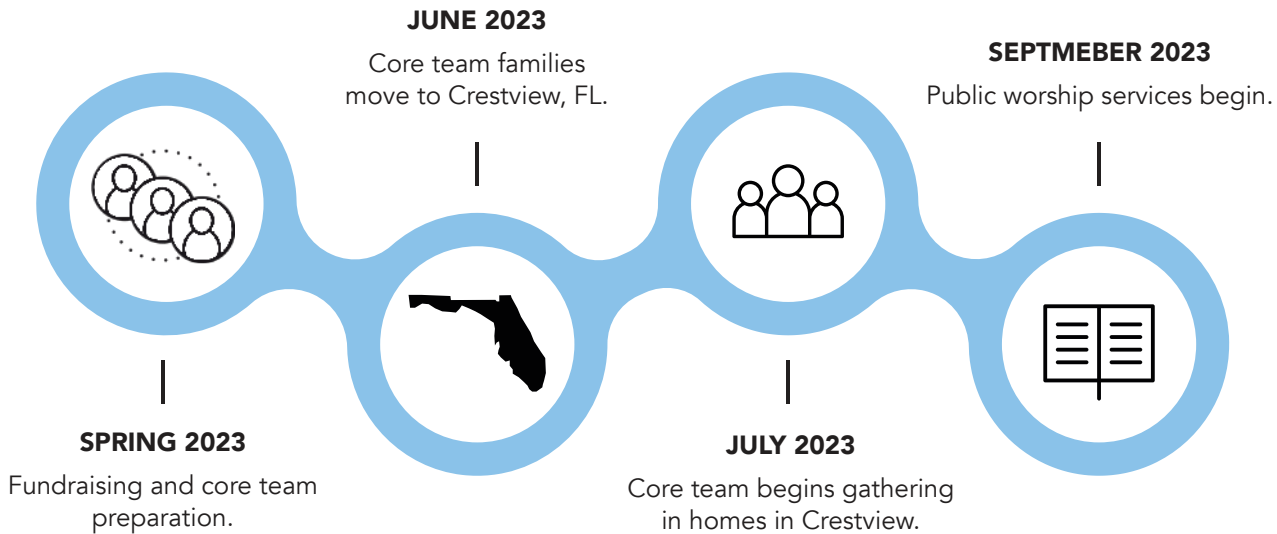
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**First Baptist Church on
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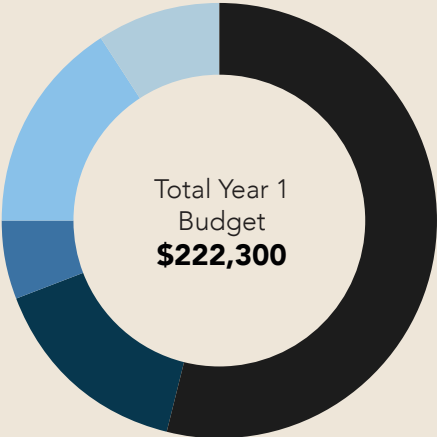
PROJECTED TIMELINE



BUDGET



By supporting our annual budget, you are helping us live, gather, and send in Crestview and beyond.



- Personnel: \$120,000
- Operations: \$34,300
- Establishment Costs: \$13,000
- Outreach: \$35,000
- Moving Expenses: \$20,000





SUPPORT // HOW TO HELP

PARTNER

Is God calling you to join the Launch Team? As our Pillar Crestview church planting team prepares to launch, we're looking for those who will consider to launch with us and leverage your career to join a church planting movement. We are praying that God would provide 30 committed adults from a variety of cultural, socioeconomic, and generational backgrounds for our Launch Team by Fall of 2023. If you are interested in being a part of the Pillar Crestview Launch Team, fill out the application on our website (pillarcrestview.com) and we will be happy to discuss how you can get involved.

PARTICIPATE FINANCIALLY

- Give securely online at: pillarcrestview.com/give
- Mail a check to:

Pillar Church
P.O. Box 622
Dumfries, VA 22026
Memo: Pillar Crestview

Churches: consider these giving options:

1. \$2,500 / Month
 2. \$1,000 / Month
 3. \$500 / Month
- Or other monthly or one-time gift.

Individuals: consider these giving options:

1. \$200/ Month
 2. \$100 / Month
 3. \$50 / Month
- Or other monthly or one-time gift.

BECOME A PARTNER CHURCH

By becoming a partner church of Pillar Crestview, your mission becomes our mission. You can:

- Send short-term mission teams.
- Provide training to our team.
- Serve our team creatively through letters, gift cards, etc.

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our giving page,
pillarcrestview.com/give



PRAY

Here are some ways you can pray for us:

- Pray for salvations in and around our planting area.
- Pray for relationships to develop and flourish in Crestview.
- Pray that our team would find favor with community leaders and other ministries and organizations working in the our planting area.





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