

Next Step!



House of His Presence

Welcome to House of His Presence

“His Presence transforming us and the world around us.”

Our Mission

House of His Presence is a new church plant in Morgantown, West Virginia. Our heart's desire is to be a people led by the Holy Spirit of God, to see the Kingdom of God established here on earth as it is in heaven, to make Jesus known to a lost world, to equip and empower the church to be the hands and feet of Jesus, and see revival fire burn throughout the nations of the world.

Our nation, the United States of America, is spiraling out of control. The Church must arise in this hour for the sake of our children and our children's children. Above all, we must arise for Jesus Christ, the Lamb who was slain for us, that He would receive the rewards of His suffering. He is the only solution to this lost and dying world. We're coming to Morgantown bearing the good news of salvation through Him and Him alone.

This church was birthed by a deep burden from the Lord for the United States of America. We believe that the answer to all of the issues and darkness that is in our nation is the gospel of Jesus Christ. The Lord spoke to us that He is going to raise up a generation that will turn this nation back to Him. He spoke the words, “Be strong and courageous and take the land.” (see Joshua 1:6-9) God is calling us to take back what the enemy has stolen. In the book of Joshua it is a book of warfare and victory. We are still in a war today, although ours is a spiritual one. The Israelites gained victory and entered into the promise land by the presence of God. They would carry the ark of the covenant (which represents God's presence) and God would do supernatural exploits. We now have the presence of God in us, upon us, and among us. We take the land now by hosting His presence, and carrying His presence with us into every facet of our culture.

Morgantown shall be saved.
West Virginia University shall be saved.
The United States of America shall be saved.



Meet our Founders



SKYLAR AND MICHELLE LINDERMAN

Lead Pastors

Skylar and Michelle were married in June of 2019 and are parents to two boys, Abraham and Isaiah. They are graduates from FIRE School of Ministry in Charlotte, North Carolina. They have spent the most recent years of their Christian lives serving as missionary evangelists based out of North Alabama and actively making disciples with Outreach Ministries of Alabama. God gripped their hearts and gave them a vision for this nation and Morgantown, West Virginia, and thus House of His Presence was birthed.

What We Believe

Holy Bible

The Holy Bible, and only the Bible, is the authoritative Word of God. It alone is the final authority in determining all doctrinal truths. In its original writing, it is inspired, infallible and inerrant (2Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Proverbs 30:5; Romans 16:25-26).

Trinity

There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and co-eternal (I John 5:7; Genesis 1:26; Matthew 3:16-17, 28:19; Luke 1:35; Isaiah 9:6; Hebrews 3:7-11).

Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is God the Son, the second person of the Trinity. On earth, Jesus was 100% God and 100% man. He is the only man ever to have lived a sinless life. He was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, performed miracles, died on the cross for mankind and thus, atoned for our sins through the shedding of His blood. He rose from the dead on the third day according to the Scriptures, ascended to the right hand of the Father, and will return again in power and glory (John 1:1,14, 20:28; 1Timothy 3:16; Isaiah 9:6; Philippians 2:5-6; 1Timothy 2:5).

Virgin Birth

Jesus Christ was conceived by God the Father, through the Holy Spirit (the third person of the Trinity) in the virgin Mary's womb; therefore, He is the Son of God (Matthew 1:18, 25; Luke 1:35; Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18, 23-25; Luke 1:27-35).

Redemption

Man was created good and upright, but by voluntary transgression he fell; his only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God (Gen.1:26-31, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-21).

Regeneration

For anyone to know God, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential (John 6:44, 65).

Salvation

We are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ; His death, burial, and resurrection. Salvation is a gift from God, not a result of our good works or of any human efforts (Ephesians 2:8-9; Galatians 2:16, 3:8; Titus 3:5; Romans 10:9-10; Acts 16:31; Hebrews 9:22).

Repentance

Repentance is the commitment to turn away from sin in every area of our lives and to follow Christ, which allows us to receive His redemption and to be regenerated by the Holy Spirit. Thus, through repentance we receive forgiveness of sins and appropriate salvation (Acts 2:21, 3:19; 1 John 1:9).

Sanctification

Sanctification is the ongoing process of yielding to God's Word and His Spirit in order to complete the development of Christ's character in us. It is through the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God that the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (1 Thessalonians 4:3, 5:23; 2 Corinthians 3:18, 6:14-18, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3, Romans 8:29, 12:1-2, Hebrews 2:11).

Jesus' Blood

The Blood that Jesus Christ shed on the Cross of Calvary was sinless and is 100% sufficient to cleanse mankind of all sin. Jesus allowed Himself to be punished for both our sinfulness and our sins, enabling all those who believe to be free from the penalty of sin, which is death (1 John 1:7; Revelation 1:5, 5:9; Colossians 1:20; Romans 3:10-12, 23, 5:9; John 1:29).

Jesus Christ Indwells All Believers

Christians are people who have invited the Lord Jesus Christ to come and live inside them by His Holy Spirit. They relinquish the authority of their lives over to him thus making Jesus the Lord of their life as well as Savior. They put their trust in what Jesus accomplished for them when He died, was buried, and rose again from the dead (John 1:12; John 14:17, 23; John 15:4; Romans 8:11; Revelations 3:20).

Baptism in the Holy Spirit

Given at Pentecost, it is the promise of the Father, sent by Jesus after His Ascension, to empower the church to preach the Gospel throughout the whole earth (Joel 2:28-29; Matthew 3:11; Mark 16:17; Acts 1:5, 2:1-4, 17, 38-39, 8:14-17, 10:38, 44-47, 11:15-17, 19:1-6).

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is manifested through a variety of spiritual gifts to build and sanctify the church, demonstrate the validity of the resurrection, and confirm the power of the Gospel. The Bible lists of these gifts are not necessarily exhaustive, and the gifts may occur in various combinations. All believers are commanded to earnestly desire the manifestation of the gifts in their lives. These gifts always operate in harmony with the Scriptures and should never be used in violation of Biblical parameters (Hebrews 2:4; Romans 1:11, 12:4-8; Ephesians 4:16; 2 Timothy 1:5-16, 4:14; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31, 14:1-40; 1 Peter 4:10).

The Church

The church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of Jesus' great commission. Every person who is born of the Spirit is an integral part of the church as a member of the body of believers. There is a spiritual unity of all believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 1:22, 2:19-22; Hebrews 12:23; John 17:11, 20-23).

Healing of the Sick

Healing of the sick is illustrated in the life and ministry of Jesus, and included in the commission of Jesus to His disciples. It is given as a sign which is to follow believers. It is also a part of Jesus' work on the Cross and one of the gifts of the Spirit (Psalm 103:2-3; Isaiah 53:5; Matthew 8:16-17; Mark 16:17-18; Acts 8:6-7; James 5:14-16; 1 Corinthians 12:9, 28; Romans 11:29).

God's Will for Provision

It is the Father's will for believers to become whole, healthy and successful in all areas of life. But because of the fall, many may not receive the full benefits of God's will while on Earth. That fact, though, should never prevent all believers from seeking the full benefits of Christ's provision in order to better serve others.

1. Spiritual (John 3:3-11; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Romans 10:9-10).
2. Mental and Emotional (2 Timothy 1:7, 2:11; Philippians 4:7-8; Romans 12:2; Isaiah 26:3).
3. Physical (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:17; 1 Peter 2:24).
4. Financial (Joshua 1:8; Malachi 3:10-11; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Deuteronomy 28:1-14; Psalm 34:10, 84:11; Philippians 4:19).

Resurrection

Jesus Christ was physically resurrected from the dead in a glorified body three days after His death on the cross. In addition, both the saved and the lost will be resurrected; they that are saved to the resurrection of life and they that are lost to the resurrection of eternal damnation (Luke 24:16, 36, 39; John 2:19-21, 20:26-28, 21:4; Acts 24:15; 1 Corinthians 15:42, 44; Philippians 1:21-23, 3:21).

Heaven

Heaven is the eternal dwelling place for all believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Matthew 5:3, 12, 20, 6:20, 19:21, 25:34; John 17:24; 2 Corinthians 5:1; Hebrews 11:16; 1 Peter 1:4).

Hell

After living one life on earth, the unbelievers will be judged by God and sent to Hell where they will be eternally tormented with the Devil and the Fallen Angels (Matthew 25:41; Mark 9:43-48; Hebrews 9:27; Revelation 14:9-11, 20:12-15, 21:8).

Second Coming

Jesus Christ will physically and visibly return to earth for the second time to establish His Kingdom. This will occur at a date undisclosed by the Scriptures (Matthew 24:30, 26:63-64; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-8; Revelation 1:7).

Sacraments

Water Baptism

Following faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the new convert is commanded by the Word of God to be baptized in water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38).

The Lord's Supper

A unique time of communion in the presence of God when the elements of bread and grape juice (the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ) are taken in remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross (Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 16:16; Acts 8:12, 36-38; 10:47-48; 1 Corinthians 10:16, 11:23-25).

SEVEN PILLAR STATEMENTS

We unashamedly preach, teach, and live by the word of God.

Romans 1:16

Prayer is everything!

Matthew 21:13

We believe in the power of prayer, therefore we commit every facet of our lives to pray.

We are a family. We live our lives together, eat together, grow together.

Acts 2:42

We are continually building a prophetic, Spirit-filled community with the priority of making disciples in the context of family and fellowship.

We train and equip leaders.

Ephesians 4:11-13

We are here to train and equip fivefold ministers and the body of Christ for the work of ministry because every Christian is called to ministry.

The lost and hopeless are a top priority.

Luke 19:10

We are an evangelistic church that is aggressively preaching the gospel in demonstration and the power of the Holy Spirit in our city on a weekly basis.

We serve our community and one another.

Matthew 23:11

We are blessed to be a blessing, and are called to wash the feet of our city through service.

We are filled with the Holy Spirit.

Acts 1:8

We are unashamed of the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit and desire nothing less than the fullness of God.

Our Structure

"For God is not a God of disorder; but of peace... Everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way."

1 Corinthians 14:33 & 40

Believers who invest their hearts, time, families and finances in the building of a local church deserve to have confidence in church leadership. People are looking for leaders who conduct themselves with integrity and respect when making decisions that affect their lives.

Our goal and main objective in leadership is to be in line with the scriptures to the very best of our abilities. The Church is not to be run like a big cooperation, but rather by the word of God and the leading of the Holy Spirit, which are always in unity.

First of all, House of His Presence was originally breathed upon by fathers of the faith. We call these apostolic leaders over our lives. True churches are blessed and released by elders. (Acts 6:6, Acts 13:3) We see this through the ministry of the Apostle Peter and Paul in the book of acts, and also in Paul's letters.

Secondly, we believe in elders (overseers) and deacons. (1 Timothy 3:1-13, Acts 6:1-6) Elders and deacons are not self appointed, but appointed by elders of the Church. House of His Presence leadership has been recognized, anointed with oil, and released as elders to the body of Christ. They have leaders that hold them accountable. Notice from the passages listed above, deacons are not the ones that make the final decisions. Never in the scriptures do we see a "vote" by deacons. Not that deacons don't bring tremendous value, but the buck doesn't stop at them. In scripture, the elders would fast and pray and get a word from the Lord and follow the Lord.

Thirdly, this means we believe in an "apostolic" or more commonly called a "pastor lead" structure. We believe in "5-fold" ministry. (Ephesians 4:11-13) We believe that apostles, prophets, evangelist, pastors, and teachers are all active and functioning as an important instrument within the body of Christ to train and equip all believers for the work of ministry. The lead Pastors make the final decision on the direction of House of His Presence through fasting, prayer, humility, and submission to God and to their apostolic leadership.

This church has a board of directors that are not members of House of His Presence. They are all seasoned elders with decades of experience. All big decisions are run through them, and they have complete and total access and permission to see where every dime is spent, how much work is being put in by the leadership, and to speak

correction into any changes that need to be made. They believe in the leadership to make the day to day and even long term decisions. They are fathers and mothers to the leadership and stay in continual communication with them on a weekly basis.

The Pastors take their calling very seriously and are responsible to model a Godly lifestyle, provide a prayer shield for the members, defend and protect the integrity of the church, pray for the sick, mediate disputes, counsel, and represent the church to the community.

Membership

*“Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are **standing together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith**, which is the Good News... Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate? ² Then make me truly happy by **agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose.***

Philippians 1:27; 2:1-2 (NLT)

Church Membership is a CHOICE.

It doesn't secure your salvation. When you step into heaven, the book of life will not be checked to see whether or not your name is on a church membership roll. Why, then, is church membership something that is offered to you...what is its importance? Hopefully this class will serve to help you discover the answer.

We live in a consumer-based culture; one that has adapted a stance, “What’s in it for me?” As no generation before, people are hesitant to make commitments, preferring to stay “unattached.” It follows suit that this line of reasoning also affects attitudes toward church membership. Individuals may enjoy attending a certain church frequently (or infrequently), while maintaining a casual relationship in order to avoid the feeling of obligation.

Church membership serves to declare that YOU are a citizen of a heavenly kingdom, Christ's kingdom! The church says to you that your confession of faith, path of discipleship and passionate heart are recognized as authentic. You are a genuine disciple of Christ, connecting with others for the purpose of representing Jesus Christ on this earth. In turn, you are saying that you recognize a particular church as a valid voice for declaring the gospel; that you will respect its love and oversight as you connect in the purpose to which the church has been called.

It DOES NOT say that you OR the church feel it's the only church that's declaring the truths of God's word. It DOES say that you've chosen to connect with this particular "embassy" of Christ's kingdom as the entire body of Christ endeavors to represent Him to this world's population.

Another attribute of church membership is found in the biblical comparison to believers as the "body of Christ."

"The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ. Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit. Yes, the body has many different parts, not just one part. If the foot says, 'I am not a part of the body because I am not a hand,' that does not make it any less a part of the body? And if the ear says, 'I am not part of the body because I am not an eye,' would that make it any less a part of the body? If the whole body were an eye, how would you hear? Or if your whole body were an ear, how would you smell anything? But our bodies have many parts, and God has put each part just where he wants it. How strange a body would be if it had only one part! Yes, there are many parts, but only one body. The eye can never say to the hand, 'I don't need you.' The head can't say to the feet, 'I don't need you.' In fact, some parts of the body that seem weakest and least important are actually the most necessary. And the parts we regard as less honorable are those we clothe with the greatest care. So we carefully protect those parts that should not be seen, while the more honorable parts do not require this special care. So God has put the body together such that extra honor and care are given to those parts that have less dignity. This makes for harmony among the members, so that all the members care for each other. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad. All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it. Here are some of the parts God has appointed for the church: first are apostles, second are prophets, third are teachers, then those who do miracles, those who have the gift of healing, those who can help others, those who have the gift of leadership, those who speak in unknown languages. Are we all apostles? Are we all prophets? Are we all teachers? Do we all have the power to do miracles? Do we all have the gift of healing? Do we all have the ability to speak in unknown languages? Do we all have the ability to interpret unknown languages? Of course not! So you should earnestly desire the most helpful gifts.

1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (NLT)

The body of Christ is designed as just that --- a **BODY**, with Jesus Christ as the **HEAD**! Each member of the body has its function. Should a body part go AWOL, nature itself allows us to understand that the body is handicapped in some manner. Each of us represents a member of the body, having its own unique purpose and ability. God purposely didn't create us identically – we serve different functions. At the same time, we must remember that Jesus also said, "*The gates of hades will not prevail...against [my church.]*" The church of Jesus Christ will survive even if you distance yourself from it.

Are we members of the body of Christ universally or the local body (church)? May we always realize that the universal church of Jesus Christ is always present in the **LOCAL** church. It must forever be present, and if we lose sight of this concept, our vision narrows and we lose focus. In the scripture reference previously read, Paul first addresses the universal body of Christ:

“Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit.”

I Corinthians 12:13 (NLT)

It would then seem that Paul refers to a smaller unit than the church universal or the local body when he says:

“On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,

I Corinthians 12:22 (ESV)

“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” Galatians 6:2

And, from the writings of Peter we read:

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others.” I Peter 4:10

You obey the commands of both Paul and Peter through membership in the local church.

In order for the hand to grasp an object, many systems in the body have to engage... the eye which views the object, the thought in the mind, the message sent from the brain to muscles, the blood stream...and on and on it goes. For the local church to accomplish a task, it must be able to depend on many parts of the body, coming together to join thoughts, ideas, strength, and passion.

The concept of “body” also encompasses the need for **HEALING**. When a part of your body is injured, you give attention to its care. It may mean bandaging, medicating, therapy, or even surgery, but you strive to make it whole again. By the same token, when one member of the body of Christ is in pain, we attempt to bring healing.

“If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.”

I Corinthians 12:26 (ESV)

When life has dealt a blow to a member of the church body and is in need of healing, the other members bring care to that person. Through prayer, love, exhortation and consideration, restoration comes to the injured member.

Simply put, we want to see you fulfill the call of God for your life. If that calling fits the vision of House of His Presence, membership shows us that you are committed to what God is doing here, and we will commit to you to help you fulfill the vision that God has for your life.

What does House of His Presence Require for membership?

1. A member is to be a **BELIEVER** in Jesus Christ as the Son of God.

Jesus Himself asked Peter, “Who do you say that I am?” We read Peter’s answer in Matthew 16:16.

“You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

Matthew 16:16 Peter’s response was validated as truth when Jesus said, “

“Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.”

Matthew 16:17

2. A member is expected to **LIVE ABOVE REPROACH**

*“Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, **children of God above reproach** in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life...*

Philippians 2:14-16 (NASB)

3. **SHOW UP**

*“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, **not giving up meeting together**, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”*

Hebrews 12:24-25

4. **GET INVOLVED**

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

5. **GIVE**

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." Malachi 3:10

"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21

Giving

Did You Know...

Malachi 3:10 Matthew 6:21

...Two-thirds of the parables of Jesus, deal with money and possessions. ...Ten percent of verses in the Bible deal directly with money... 2,350 verses;

that's five times as many as deal with prayer and faith.

Money is one of the most visible measurements of the condition of your heart. It is one of the best outward measurements of your inward spiritual condition.

What is the Principle of "Tithing?"

The Hebrew Word for Tithe is Ma`aser (mah-as-ayr'); it means a **tenth**.

1. Tithing is **returning** the first 10% of our income to God -- into God's Church -- which is the channel God most often uses to reach the world.

"A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is Holy to the LORD..."

Leviticus 27:30

Tithing is returning – not technically giving. You can't give what isn't yours.

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it."

Psalms 24:1

2. Tithing is giving God my **first** and my **best** so He can bless the rest.

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first-fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. Proverbs 3:9-10

Let's shift gears and answer the question we all ask: **WHY TITHE?** Consider 3 answers:

1. Tithing provides for God's WORK through the church.

*"Bring the **whole** tithe into the **storehouse**, that there may be food in my house..."*

Malachi 3:10

The storehouse is the Old Testament **picture** for the New Testament church. The Church is the **Hope** of the world.

2. Tithing BUILDS my faith in God.

"...'Test me in this,' says the LORD Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.' "

Malachi 3:10b

It takes **FAITH** to give God the "**FIRST**."

What you do with what you have reveals what you believe about God.

3. Tithing teaches me to put God FIRST!

"...The purpose of tithe is to teach you to always put God first in your life." Deuteronomy 14:23b TLB

The goal of every believer is to seek God first in all that is done.

Remember: It takes FAITH to give God the "FIRST."

"Without Faith it is impossible to please God." Hebrews 11:6

You will have to sacrifice something in order to make God your priority.

We are called to be extravagant givers.

The heart of God is generosity. (John 3:16)

We are blessed to be a blessing, and we can't out give God. (Deuteronomy 28:3-14, Luke 6:38)

We should be giving above our tithe. As a church we support missionaries around the world including local ministries and individuals that are in need. Our desire is that we have a reputation of being **EXTRAVAGANT GIVERS!**

How Can I Get Involved?

There are many needs to accomplish a God given vision. The two biggest ones are people and money. We highly encourage all to get involved in the vision of House of His Presence. There are many opportunities to serve. We understand that we all have different responsibilities. Some of us have full time jobs, children, and commitments that must be fulfilled. But the things that are truly important to us, we make time for. We highly encourage all to get involved!

If you don't know where to start, please come to leadership and we will be happy to help you find a place to serve. We want to find the right fit for you. In other words, if you have no experience with babies, we will not put you in the nursery. We are in need of greeters, sound operators, childcare workers, social media, teaching classes, leading a prayer group, intercession team, outreach and evangelism, drama, and the list goes on and on. We want to take your unique gifting and talents and help place you in a place to express what God has placed in your heart.

Remember, we are all here to "serve" God. It's not about a platform or gaining popularity. (Matthew 20:26-28) We want to glorify Jesus in all that we do. Let's stand together for Jesus in these last days!

Membership Commitment Statement

I, as a disciple of Jesus Christ desire to become a member of House of His Presence. I agree with the statement of faith. I commit to show up and to get involved in what is happening with the church. To the best of my ability I will live above reproach and represent Jesus to the world around me. By faith I will tithe to House of His Presence and trust God with my finances. I believe in the vision of this church and am excited to be a part of what God is doing through House of His Presence.

Signature _____

Date _____