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MICHAEL AND TRACI BYRD

St. Louis, Missouri

More than a decade ago, Michael and Traci Byrd moved out of a rough, inner-city neighborhood of St. Louis, promising to never go back. But God called them to return and plant Faith Community Bible Church. Their mission is to care for people who feel abandoned. The neighborhood, which is 95% African-American, has a high poverty rate, a high crime rate, and mostly single-parent homes.

By canvassing the community, the Byrds quickly found their assumptions of needs were different from reality. Building relationships over shared meals, offering group cooking lessons, and even trips to the grocery store have become pathways to meeting needs and discipling new believers. And now Faith Community Bible Church has expanded to a second campus.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM is the financial fuel for reaching every person for Jesus Christ in every town, every city, every state, and every nation. Your support through the Cooperative Program and the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** helps missionaries reach those who feel abandoned and forgotten with the message of the One who “will never leave or forsake” them.

PRAY for the Byrds to have wisdom in creatively reaching their neighbors and for God to open hearts to the Gospel through Faith Community Bible Church.



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