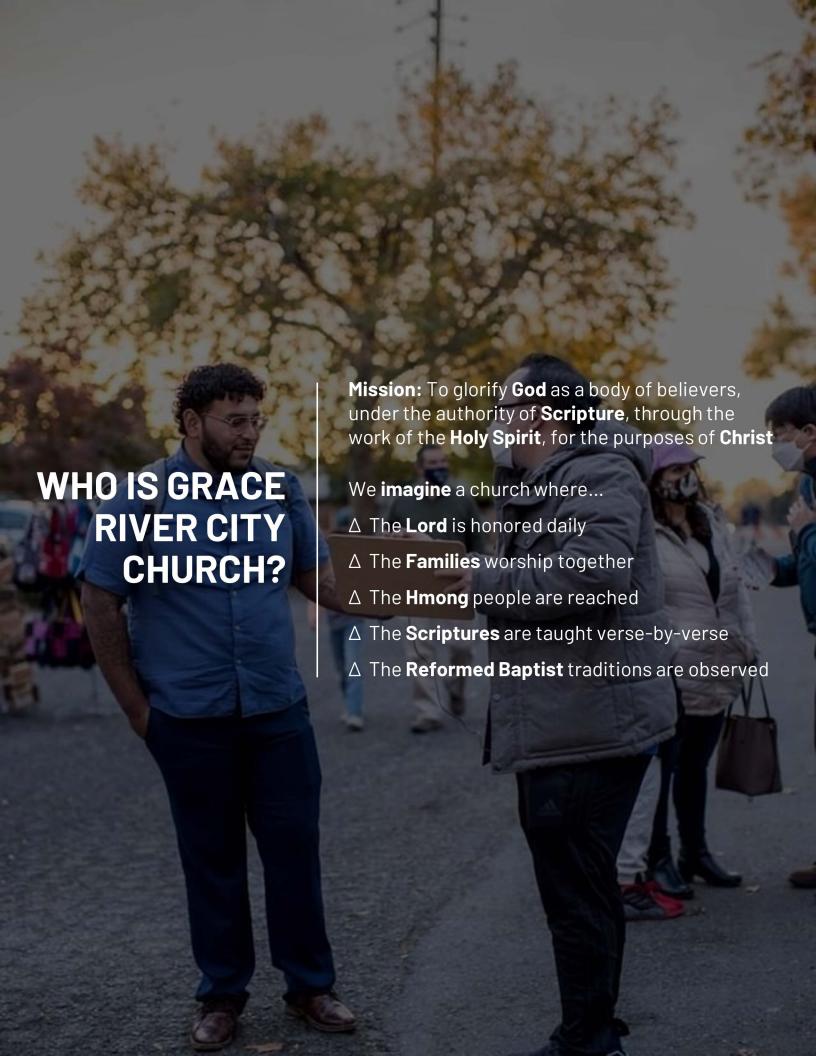


## Partnership Program



# THE STORY OF GRACE RIVER CITY CHURCH

Grace River City Church (GRCC) was the first Hmong confessional Reformed Baptist church in the world. The church plant began in the Spring of 2018 when pastor Zong Moua contacted Dr. Tra Xiong of the **Hmong National Baptist Association** under the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) and accepted the task to plant the only Hmong SBC church in Sacramento, California. The church plant began with the name Grace Hmong Community Church, and later officially launched in 2020 as Grace River City Church. Being Reformed Baptist, confessional, and Hmong proved only to be difficult being that it is a new concept within Hmong evangelicalism. Nonetheless, the church continues to strive forward and pray that God will use GRCC as the spark that lights the flames of a Hmong reformation.





## MEET THE MOUAS

Zong started pastoring in 2012 as an English Minister at Antioch Baptist Church while attending Denver Seminary. After graduating in 2014, he married Bai and moved back to Spokane Washington and served alongside his father at Spokane Hmong Alliance Church. Zong and Bai were called to Yuba Sutter Hmong Alliance Church in 2015 to be the associate pastor, and later, Senior Pastor. In 2018, they decided to take the call to plant a Hmong church under the Southern Baptist Convention in Sacramento, California. Zong was ordained in 2021.

The Mouas are blessed by God's grace through preservation and perseverance while raising four children.

## WHY SACRAMENTO?

Sacramento ranks as the 3rd highest Hmong populated city in the nation, yet there are no Southern Baptist Hmong churches available as an option. The Sacramento Hmong mission field is plentiful, but the workers are few.



### THE PLAN WITH GOALS

Grace River City Church has committed the next three years to sacrificially serve God and the communities. We plan to organically grow a church that, in its premature state, is predominately Hmong Americans, but envision a progressive diversity if God willing.



#### **2024 GOALS**

Foundations & Training

Children's Educational Bimonthly Events

Relationships with Hmong businesses & non-profits

Network with friends, family, neighbors, etc.

Evangelism ministries at local Hmong events



#### **2025 GOALS**

Solidify & Progress

Maintain prior ministries & train leaders

Relationships with local communities

Plan for a new facility



#### **2026 GOALS**

Formality & Execution

Maintain prior ministries & new leadership

Transition to a facility & begin formal services

Be self-sustaining

## PARTNER WITH US

William Carey told his good friend Andrew Fuller before leaving for his missionary journey to India, "I will go down into the pit, if you will hold the ropes." GRCC is in the trenches as a morning star to the Hmong reformation; help hold the ropes.

#### Partner with us through...

- Δ Prayers: Keep GRCC afloat by keeping the church in prayer. "Many of us cannot reach the mission fields on our feet, but we can reach them on our knees." T.J. Bach
- Δ **Providence**: Partner with GRCC by funding our ministries. "Money is really worth no more than as it can be used to accomplish the Lord's work." George Muller
- Δ People: Consider sending workers to the aid of GRCC. "Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:38).

#### THE GOAL: \$4000 A MONTH FOR 3 YEARS

- Δ Funding for the **pastor's full-time ministry**
- Δ Funding for the elder-in-training internship

"Consider allocating a portion of your mission funds to support a local missionary with a unique vision and a strategic impact."

Dr. Ron Prosise

How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher? How will they preach unless they are sent?

Romans 10:14-15

