

# The 210 Initiative

## Lesson 3: We Can't Stay Here (November 8 & 9)

### Welcome to The 210 Initiative

We Can't Stay Here

#### Why campuses?

- 100 years ago, there was one church for every 10,000 people in the U.S.
- Today there is one church for every 37,000 people in the U.S.
- Experts say you need 1 church per 1,000 to reach a community for Christ

#### God is speaking to churches today like He did to Israel in the past

**Deuteronomy 1:6** The Lord our God said to us at Horeb, "You have stayed long enough at this mountain. *New International Version*

**God told Israel you can't stay her any longer and they sent out 12 spies "2+10" (Numbers 13)**

**When we decide to follow God into the future, we step into what God has waiting for us**

**Deuteronomy 1:8** See, I have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land the Lord swore he would give to your fathers - to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob - and to their descendants after them." *New International Version*

**You don't get the story without the steps**

**The early church had a story to tell because they took the steps**

**Mark 16:20** Then the Master Jesus, after briefing them, was taken up to heaven, and he sat down beside God in the place of honor. And **the disciples went everywhere** preaching, **the Master working right with them**, validating the Message with indisputable evidence. *Message Bible*

**Peter had a story to tell because he stepped on the water (Matthew 14:28-29)**

**Elijah the prophet and a starving widow both took steps and their story is still being told**

**1 Kings 17:15** She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every

day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. **16** For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah. ***New International Version***

“If a person gets his attitude towards money straight, it will help straighten out almost every other area of his life.” ***-Billy Graham***

**God promised to give us a story when we sow into His work**

**2 Corinthians 9:10** For God, who gives seed to the farmer to plant, and later on good crops to harvest and eat, will give you more and more seed to plant and will make it grow so that you can give away more and more fruit from your harvest. ***The Living Bible***

**Gina and I have stories to tell because of steps we took**

**Total 210 Initiative**

Two Year Ministry Operations.....	\$4.25 million
Ministry Expansion.....	<u>\$1.75 million</u>
Total.....	<b>\$6 million</b>