



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A PARTY  
**For Mission Waco/Mission World's Capacity Campaign Kick-Off on May 25, 5:00**  
RSVP @ <[thenext25@missionwaco.org](mailto:thenext25@missionwaco.org)>

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**Dear Support Team,**

After almost forty Focus Groups last month, with well-over 300 participants, we have listened to the community and believe there is more than enough support to initiate the most intentional fundraising effort we have sought in twenty-five years. Mission Waco's Board of Directors voted to go forward to our faithful supporters, friends and acquaintances to raise money "to fund the present and secure the future."

In those intimate conversations, we heard you affirm our work among the poor and marginalized and our efforts to mobilize the middle-class to better understand and empower those who struggle. We heard you celebrate the quality of our programs among the unemployed, homeless, and disconnected. There were lots of accolades about our Christian community development efforts to revitalize North Waco through the Jubilee Food Market, World Cup Café and Fair Trade Mkt, and the new Urban REAP project. Many of you thanked us for offering low-income children the arts, including visual, performing, musical, and dance. And those of you whose hearts include "the world," school sponsorships for children, micro-loans for extremely poor women and water wells for those who have little or no access to clean drinking water in Haiti rose to the top.

Most all of you affirmed our hope to renovate our award-winning faith-based alcohol/drug residential facility and children's building, and reclaim the old liquor store on the corner of N. 15<sup>th</sup> and Colcord Ave to help the neighborhood. And our staff appreciated your recognition that they do incredible work for too-little pay and wished funds could be found to increase salaries.

To celebrate this very crucial decision, Mission Waco Mission World is throwing a party and want you to come celebrate the kick-off of a month-long, intentional effort to secure pledges for the next three-five years from folks like you who believe in our call and are willing to partner with us as we go forward. If you can join us for refreshments in the World Cup Café, 1321 N. 15<sup>th</sup> St, at 5:00pm and a brief gathering immediately afterwards next door in the Jubilee Theatre, we would be honored. If you will, send us a quick RSVP to [thenext25@missionwaco.org](mailto:thenext25@missionwaco.org) but even if you forget to RSVP, feel free to join the party!

Perhaps most importantly, please begin to consider your own sacrificial pledge over the next 3-5 years to support the work ahead. We have pledge cards ready when you are!

Let the celebrating begin. God has good things ahead!

Jimmy Dorrell  
Executive Director