

By the Numbers

2017 Estimates (factfinder.census.gov)

Population: 210,324
Median family income: \$43,439
Median home value: \$128,500
Poverty Rate: 19.3%

10.5%

UNEMPLOYMENT

Age Demographics	
Median age: 30	
Under 18	23.4%
18-24	15.6%
25-44	29.5%
45-64	. 20.2%
Over 64	11.5%

Racial Demographics
White......45.9%
Black.....41.5%
Hispanic/Latino...12.0%

Education (population over age 25) 91.2% High School Graduate or higher 26.0% Bachelor's Degree or higher

Fayetteville is the sixth largest city in NC and over 100,000 of its residents do not regularly attend church. The Central Carolina Presbytery is committed to planting an additional PCA church to bring the gospel to these people.

This church will be started from scratch with the prayer, financial, and logistical support of established PCA churches in the presbytery.

Fayetteville is best known as the home of Fort Bragg, the highest populated US Army base. The area is also replete with over 28,000 veterans, the majority of whom are still in the workforce.

This city holds fast to the friendly feel of a true hometown while providing the cultural and entertainment amenities of

bigger cities. Fayetteville boasts sophisticated restaurants, museums, musical and sporting events. The downtown is currently in the midst of developing an urban design plan with the

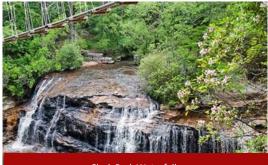


hopes of making the downtown "a vibrant center of artistic, cultural, civic and commercial activity where people live, work, frequently visit and loyally patronize." This project includes a new 4,800 seat stadium for the relocation of the Houston Astros minor-league affiliate.

In April 2018, Governing magazine, which covers politics and

policy management, named Fayetteville "The Most Innovative City in the Country" and cited the city's use of data and analytics in city management, as well as long-term planning. Our hope is that this church plant will see people become citizens of that better City

people become citizens of that better City "whose designer and builder is God." (Hebrews 11:10)



Clark Park Waterfall





Local Highlights Candidate Strengths

- Average temperature range from 30 to 90 degrees.
- Home of Fayetteville State University
- 35 miles to UNC Pembroke, 60 miles to NC State, and 80 miles to Duke
- Built on the Cape Fear River.
- Hiking, mountain biking, camping, picnicking, water activities, and kids nature programs at various parks
- About one hour to the famous Pinehurst Golf courses
- Both mountains and beaches are only an afternoon's drive away

Commerce/Employment

- Top employers: Department of Defense, Cumberland County Public Schools, and Cape Fear Valley Health System
- Large and growing defense industry with eight of the ten top defense contractors located in the area
- Raleigh and the Research Triangle, about 70 miles
 - Fort Bragg is Fayetteville's top employer

- Loves and trusts God far more than he loves or trusts anyone or anything else
- Intentional in evangelism and connects with unbelievers
- Is invigorated by city life
- Desire to work in a racially diverse community
- A strong preacher effective communicator able to preach Christ crucified

Support

- Coaching available from experienced church planters and collaboration with pastors from area
- Presbytery committed to church planting
- Active LAMP seminary in Raleigh about 60 miles away
- Less than 3 hours to The Center for Church Planting on the campus of RTS/Charlotte

Imagine

Picture God expanding His kingdom in Fayetteville.

Picture a church plant freely offering God's grace and making disciples by baptizing them and teaching them to observe what Christ commanded.

Picture a church plant that walks alongside the disciplined and educated en route to the gospel.

Picture a church plant that provides knowledge of truth to the knowledgeable.

Picture a gospel saturated, missional church plant in Fayetteville that joins hands with a presbytery committed to planting more churches.

Can you see it?

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