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Our Vision:

Lausanne is one of Europe's most international cities. Its surrounding region is home to dozens of international organisations and thousands of expatriates, students, immigrants and refugees. It is truly a global thoroughfare. The number of English-speakers in the region has grown massively in the last 50 years, and English is the common language for thousands more. As we invest in gospel work here, we can make an impact for Christ, not only locally, but around the world.

Five hundred years ago, this area of Switzerland was crucial in the progress of the Reformation. Forty years ago, the Lausanne Movement began here — a worldwide mobilisation of Evangelicals that provided impetus for Spirit-empowered mission that helped spur the global spread of the gospel. Following in their footsteps, we at Westlake Church Lausanne have before us an important opportunity to reach people around the world with the gospel in English.

We believe that the Lord wants us to seize this opportunity to glorify His name and become a strong, centre church: large enough to support teaching, training and church planting throughout our region and beyond.

The Challenge:

This vision that the Lord has put on our hearts is now constrained by the limitations and uncertainties of our current meeting place. To fully realize this vision, we need our own building: one that can provide a platform for gospel ministry to flourish in this area.

 A building that can become a centre for outreach to the community, supporting and multiplying ministries to families including specific activities for youth and mums with preschool children; offering marriage, parenting and evangelistic courses.

- A building that can facilitate outreach to and teaching and training of university students, business people and refugees, so that as they stay, or return to their home countries the gospel continues to spread through them.
- A building that will enable us to host seminars and conferences so that we can serve and impact the wider Christian community with gospel-centred ministry.
- A building that can enable further numerical growth, so that we can achieve the vision of a strong, vibrant, centre church that can itself support further church planting in this area and beyond.

Such a building requires a considerable financial investment. To achieve this goal, as a church family we will all need to give from the resources God has generously given to us. And that is the incredible privilege we have: to partner with our generous God in his work of spreading the gospel.

We are thus asking you, as part of the Westlake family, to prayerfully consider how much you would be willing to contribute to help realize this vision. This amount would not be a commitment, but would allow us to plan the project with realistic goals and timeline.

To help us be able to better define the project, we would greatly appreciate it if you could fill out the following survey. You can either fill out this page and drop it in the box at church, or fill it out online here:

http://www.westlakelausanne.com/buildingcampaign