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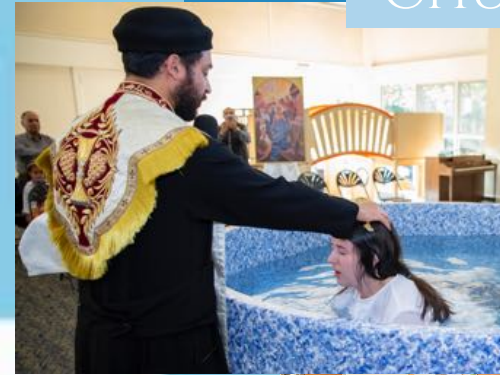
## Our request to you

"The Church is what Christ taught, the apostles preached, and the fathers preserved." -St. Athanasius (360 A.D.)

The time is now. God has opened a door and it's up to us to do our part and build His house together. But we can't do it alone. We need your help to plant permanent roots in Atlanta.

That's why I'm asking you to join us in supporting the construction of this building so we may continue the great work God has begun – and the work He wants to continue to do.

Your support goes beyond the construction of a building. Your support in planting St. Mark Church's permanent home will impact lives for generations to come.

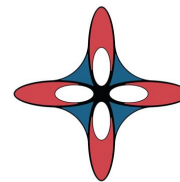


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# our story



Many first eyewitnesses of Jesus experienced a new definition of life and death through Him. One of these perspectives was captured by Mark, who interviewed one of Jesus' closest followers named Peter. St. Mark wrote everything he could from St Peter's experience with his Teacher. This document is titled the Gospel of St. Mark, and records the fullness of life found in Jesus Christ.

St. Mark the Apostle took on a mission to bring the life-giving Word to Egypt through the planting of the first century Church. As a young man from Libya, he had to adapt to the culture and language of the land. In doing so, St. Mark established the roots of Christianity in Egypt.



## Our Vision

Two thousand years later, we seek to bring this ancient faith to our city of Atlanta. This unbroken chain and continuity of our pre-denominational Church is what makes us unique among the thousands of churches in metro Atlanta. We are called to bring the fullness of the Church that Christ established and gave to His Disciples and Apostles.



## Our Growth & Impact

Over the last four years, we have seen God grow our ministries and enable us to serve our community through various programs. We have partnered with programs like the Atlanta Community Food Bank, Open Hand, Trinity Community Ministries, Action Ministries, Christian Campus Ministries, and others. We have also established in house programs, such as Young Adults Ministry, Life Groups, Single Parent group, and Financial Coaching.



This growth is in spite of moving around to nearly a dozen rental locations. Through your support, we will be planting the same roots that St. Mark brought to Egypt, but now in our city of Atlanta. St. Mark Church seeks to preserve the Coptic Orthodox faith handed down to us by the Apostles of the first century, while removing any cultural barriers. We are ready to plant permanent roots in a building we can call home. But we can't do this alone, so we're asking for your help to reach our goal.



## God opens a door

We have been seeking a permanent location since 2018, and we have recently purchased a building in a central location. By the grace of God, we were able to purchase the 3.2 acre property without the need of a bank loan.

We are working to finalize plans for our new property keeping in mind our goals. Since our inception, our mission has always been to be a church that is IN Atlanta, FOR Atlanta.

“ Consider now, for the Lord has chosen you to build a house for the sanctuary; be strong, and do it. 1 Chronicles 28:10 ”

