



Dear Church Family,

God has provided for us a rare opportunity to purchase a Church of Scotland building here in Aberdeen. The CofS minister in Kincorth met with myself and our Deacon to discuss if we would be interested in acquiring the South St Nicholas Church upon his retirement in 2024. Since CofS owns the facility and property, they are relocating the church family that is currently meeting to another CofS in Torry. Since the minister is retiring soon and many of the members do not want to move nor see the building demolished and turned into flats, they want another church to purchase the facility and occupy it. Once the CofS services discontinue, the only other church in the area will be the Catholic Church.

The building is around 8000 square feet and sits on two acres of land. It will go up for sale from July 2023-July 2024 and will range around \$200,000 to purchase. Open Door Baptist Church has begun fundraisers to contribute to the building fund already and has raised over \$40,000. To reach the goal of funds needed to purchase this property, we would need to raise \$10,000 per month. With our efforts and the combined efforts of many supporting churches, we believe God will open the door for this facility to be acquired and used for His glory.

Over the past 8 years, we have been able to use and save the funds faithfully given monthly by our supporting churches to not only support us, but also to pay for our visa fees, vehicles, and travel expenses. We are only now coming to our churches and asking for additional help because we feel this opportunity is too great to not pursue it. We are asking that God's people will pray about giving to help make this possible. We know it ultimately rests in God's hands, but we also know that God uses people to do His will.

Included is a video presentation (<https://youtu.be/ufIP0agjqfl>) of the building we are looking to acquire and some fundraisers that we have hosted over the past year. The video is set up in two parts: The campaign section and the virtual tour section. (Both combined are just over 7 minutes) God is doing something big in Aberdeen, Scotland and we want everyone to have the privilege of playing a part in God's ministry here.

If you would like to contribute to this rare opportunity, please let us know and send support to:

Baptist International Missions Inc.
Attn: #1542 Building Project
PO Box 9
Harrison, TN 37341

We truly appreciate your prayers on this matter also. We were given the opportunity to occupy the building until the sale of it as a way to get our name into the community and provide people with our intentions in purchasing the property. We have seen an increase growth in the church and fervent zeal in our church family because of this amazing privilege. We look forward to what God is going to do!

In Christ,
Rick Demastus
Your Church Planter In Scotland