



Day One Longs Peak Association

In the fall of 2009, the Longs Peak Baptist Association of churches, located north of Denver, saw a need to start a church in the Fort Collins area. At the same time God was preparing Alan Reed and his wife, Ashley, to begin a new ministry in Colorado . . . and God was also using the sacrificial giving of Colorado Baptists to the Colorado Mission Offering in His plan.

Disbursements of the Colorado Missions Offering allow each association to receive a percentage of the offering based on the contributions given by the churches within that association. These funds can be used by the association, at their discretion, to assist mission work in their local communities. By giving to this special state offering, Longs Peak Baptist Association of churches and in partnership with the Colorado Baptist Convention financially assisted in the birth of a church plant, *The Pursuit*.

In December, Alan began networking with leaders in the city, seeking a location for public worship and sharing Christ regularly. *The Pursuit* held various events to reach out to the community. With the assistance of 10 mission teams, they have actively built relationships and served the community with block parties. At two public events they volunteered to help with set-up and tear down at the Colorado Marathon and Taste of Fort Collins.

This Fall incoming mission teams from around the nation will assist *The Pursuit* at the Larimer County Fair with a dunking booth, balloons and church brochures, while engaging fair goers in spiritual conversations.

Through all the events and projects, *The Pursuit*, has been blessed with 71 people in attendance for the first preview Sunday and 85 in the second. God is regularly sending non-believers, who are actively seeking God and getting answers to their questions, to join Bible Studies.

The official church launch is planned for September 12. Please pray for the 35 member core group and attendees as they draw closer to this new chapter; pray that their excitement and commitment to reach the community will be strengthened and they will be bold and passionate as they share the gospel message.

Your participation with the Colorado Mission Offering in honor of Nicy Murphy is used to help churches like *The Pursuit* **Across Colorado**. As you seek God's will about your participation in the offering, remember that you will be helping with missions in **your association**.