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## About the Family

As we enter this Advent season—a time when we remember that Christ steps into our darkness with hope and redemption—we are grateful for the story God has written in our lives. We are Shannon and Millie, a couple whose journey has been shaped by seasons of deep sorrow and unexpected renewal. Both of us have walked through valleys that tested our faith, yet in each of those places, the Lord has drawn us closer to Himself.

Out of that brokenness, God brought us together and built our marriage on His comfort, healing and restoring grace. Our story fuels our desire to see others experience the same redeeming power of Christ—to see lives renewed, families strengthened and the hope of the gospel shine where it is needed most. We serve with gratitude, knowing firsthand that Christ is the Light who breaks into the darkness.

## About My Church Plant

This Advent, we're grateful and excited to share that we have officially begun the planning phase of Covenant Church, St. Cloud—a gospel-centered, Scripture-anchored church plant in our community. God has given us a clear call to reach the lost, the de-churched and those longing for a deeper, Christ-centered faith. We remain committed to expositional preaching, Christ-exalting worship, and intentional discipleship shaped by the authority of Scripture and the transforming power of the gospel.

We've begun building a support network with Send Network and four partner churches and are praying for at least five more. Each Sunday night our group gathers for Bible study, worship, fellowship and prayer as the Lord forms a growing core community. With gratitude and dependence on God, we will launch the church in the next 12–18 months.

Find out how you can

**Pray.**

**Participate.**

**Provide.**

### PRAY.

Pray for wisdom, clarity, provision and spiritual strength as our network and weekly gatherings continue to grow.

### PARTICIPATE

Come join us as part of our launch team. You can support this new church through prayer, encouragement, financial partnership, or by connecting us with others who have a heart for gospel ministry. And please reach out with any questions—we welcome every conversation and would love to share more about what God is doing.

### PROVIDE

Learn the ministry strategy and context, so you can provide relevant resources. Support a missionary financially.