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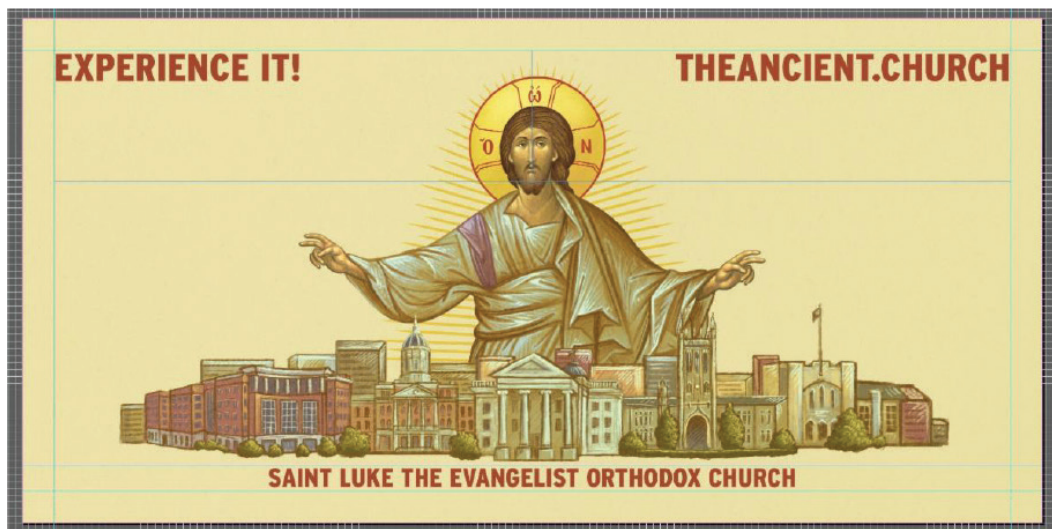
Growing Our Faith for the Future

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Grant Recipient Updates

This month, we share updates from
2022 Mustard Seed Fund Grant Recipients:

St. Luke the Evangelist, Columbia, MO

who used grant funds for a billboard to raise awareness
of the Orthodox Church



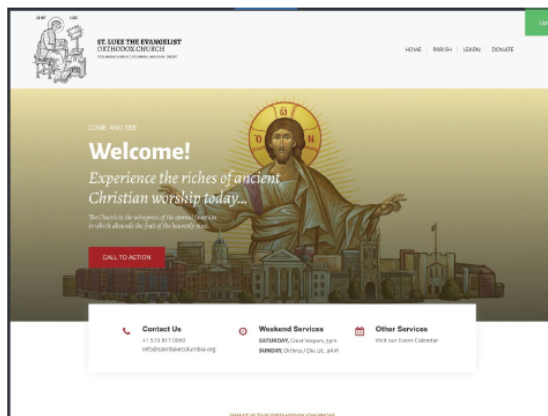
Q: Please provide a summary of your progress in developing your ministry

A: The billboard sign went up around the first of June. This billboard will run for eight weeks at this location. **Thanks to the Mustard Seed Grant and generous donations from within our parish, we have collected enough money to do another eight-week run this fall.**

Father Michael Monos created a landing page website to pair with our billboard that will take the viewer on through to our parish website. Father will be able to track how many views the landing page site has received and can report on this soon.

Q: What are the goals of your ministry?

A: To raise awareness of the Orthodox church at large and welcome those seeking out the ancient faith to visit our parish. Many people have no idea what the Eastern Orthodox Church is or that it even exists. We want to create visibility for people to become aware of our ancient faith and be available to help them seek answers to their questions, feed their spiritual hunger, and water their spiritual thirst.



Q: How do you plan to measure the success of your ministry?

A: We can measure success by tracking the number of views on our landing page website, and pair them with tracking new visitors to our parish. Being a smaller parish allows us easy identification of visitors at any given service.

-- Answers provided by Evangeline Yeager --

The following parishes were awarded Mustard Seed Fund grants for 2022

Annunciation, Milwaukee, WI
Outreach program for impoverished areas of Greater Milwaukee

Annunciation, Kankakee, IL
Church-based community theater troupe

St. Athanasios, Aurora, IL
Expansion of men's group ministry

St. Basil, Chicago, IL
Expansion of prison ministry

Ss. Constantine and Helen, Swansea, IL
"Spring Back to Church" outreach program

St. George, Chicago, IL
Bicycle repair class to help impoverished residents of Humboldt Park with their transportation needs

St. George, St. Paul MN
Inter-Orthodox shared catechism program

St. George, Schererville, IN
Byzantine music youth group for girls and boys

St. Luke the Evangelist, Columbia, MO
Billboard to raise awareness of Orthodox Church

*"Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows,
it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree."*

Matthew 13:31-32

