

Dear St. Giles,

We have no words that can express our gratitude towards our beloved church. Since the very first day when we visited St. Giles and got recruited by pastor Keith we felt at home. Up to that point we had been in RVA for 5 years and visited many churches, but we've never felt so welcomed and loved and part of a beautiful family in Christ. That was a clear indicator and confirmation from God that we were in the right place and at the right time. All of you made our time here so blessed and filled with joy and love.

Being part of St. Giles has been a huge blessing to us, seeing our church grow and stand firm and united during these past 2 years has been incredible and we can only give the glory to God! Certainly your prayers and support have been a huge blessing for us and being part of this church community has blessed us beyond measure. During our 3 years here we were able to partner with you all on what God is doing in this city, in our community and our youth! Being part of the worship team and our youth ministry has been amazing and we will always keep you all in our hearts.

Now God is leading us to Lynchburg VA to start a new YWAM location and be part of what He is doing and has for that city. As we transition out of St. Giles into Lynchburg, we would love to have you as part of our supporting team in missions. Our living costs as a full-time missionary will be around \$2,000 USD a month and for now we have raised \$1,000 (Praise God!!) So we want to ask each one of you if you would prayerfully consider partnering with us on a monthly basis as our partner in missions team and be part of what God is doing and will do in Lynchburg Virginia, through our family and YWAM ministry. If so, please contact us by email (alonso@ywamva.org - clau@ywamva.org) or by visiting this link directly and select "Missionary – Contardo" - <https://ywam.churchcenter.com/giving> . All donations done through our giving link are tax deductible.

Together we will see how God is bringing Lynchburg VA closer to our Father's heart. We are looking forward to have you visit us in Lynchburg and continue to partner with St. Giles. This church will always be home and you will always be our church family in RVA!

Thank you so much St. Giles. We will keep you in our hearts forever.
Till we see each other again!

With much love,
Alonso, Clau, Emi & Ian