

Sacred Settlement at Open Door – Design & Build Timeline

This timeline outlines the major milestones in the Design and Build Phase of the Sacred Settlement at Open Door. It's not a comprehensive list, but it offers a glimpse into the larger journey we're walking together.

Summer 2024 – Building the Foundation

- Formed a Sacred Settlement Team at Open Door to lead the design process.
 - Assigned leadership roles around the five core elements of a Sacred Settlement: **Intentional Neighbors, Permanent Homes, Cultivated Place, Purposeful Work, and Supportive Friends.**
 - Met with the City of Maple Grove to begin sharing the vision.
 - Connected with Open Door's schools, which have offered enthusiastic support.
 - Began monthly team meetings (with occasional extra sessions as needed).
 - Continued weekly outreach.
 - Collaborated closely with the team at *Settled* to shape the design.
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Fall 2024 – Engaging and Expanding

- Each team member continued to develop their area of focus, moving toward a full Sacred Settlement community model.
 - Hosted several neighborhood gatherings at Open Door to begin relationship-building and listening.
 - Initiated conversations and partnerships with churches and local organizations.
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Winter 2025 – Grounded in Prayer and Community

- Held prayer and worship nights at Open Door and with partner churches, covering the work in prayer and fostering unity.
- Continued meeting with neighbors—both in larger gatherings and one-on-one.

- Deepened partnerships with churches, community leaders, and organizations.
- Began connecting with individuals interested in becoming future Sacred Settlement neighbors and intentional neighbors.
- First home sponsorships came in—early signs of God’s provision.

Spring 2025 – Moving Toward the Land

- Additional home sponsorships received.
- Construction began on three homes at Woodland Hills.
- Ongoing conversations and collaboration with the City of Maple Grove and neighborhood residents.
- Continued partnership development and grant applications.
- Met with *Settled* architects and build team to begin drafting site and renovation plans.

Summer 2025 – Preparing the Ground

- Three more homes were sponsored—doubling our momentum.
- Final conceptual designs for the land and building renovations were completed.
- Donors continued to give generously toward construction and land work.
- Hosted collaborative planning sessions with partners.
- Brush clearing began on the land.
- **Held a land blessing on June 29**—a sacred moment of dedication and hope.