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To: Rachel Teixeira, Planner 11 Land Use Review Divison 30 S. Nevada Ave., Suite 105 Colorado Springs, CO 80901-1575

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Dear Rachel,

I am applying for a conditional use permit to operate a large daycare/school center at Living Hope Church, 640 Manitou Blvd, Colorado Springs, CO 80904. I currently operate Valley Christian Academy (DBA of A Rainbow of Friends Preschool, Inc.) at two other church locations. One at Friendship Assembly Church (state license # 1727160), at 3685 New Center Pt., Colorado Springs Powers and N Carefree, and Restoration Church (state license # 1538241), at 9355 Peaceful Valley Rd, in the Fountain/Widefield area. My intent is to expand my program to the west side of Colorado Springs as a 3<sup>rd</sup> location at Living Hope Church.

There are several benefits of opening a center at Living Hope Church. We will be able to reach more students and their families on the west side of Colorado Springs like we currently do on East and South side of Colorado Springs. It will allow us to offer our high-quality early childhood education opportunity to families who need or desire to prepare their children for higher learning in a Christian environment. Our education program is taught with excellence and in a nurturing and loving atmosphere. We believe what a child sees, hears, smells, tastes and experiences is the key to their success. We foster this at all our locations.

As we intend to offer a variety of programs from part- to full-time, our program is an asset to both families that may have a stay at home parent, to families of duel working parents. Full hours of operation will be Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 5:30pm, but within this timeframe there will be 2-, 3-, 5-day and morning only or full day programs. This structure also allows for a range of rates that can fit many different family budgets.

There are 8 rooms we have identified as usable for classrooms. We are hoping to accommodate at least 200 students.

Measurements of classroom space: Children's Room: 36ft x 33ft = 1,188sqft Fellowship Hall: 50ft x 33ft = 1,650sqft

Youth Room:  $23ft \times 32ft = 736sqft$ 

## **Nursery Wing:**

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1: 30ft x 15ft = 450sqft 2: 12ft x 24ft = 288sqft 3: 12ft x 21ft = 252sqft 4: 20ft x 11ft = 220sqft 5: 12ft x 15ft = 180sqft
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I am currently working closely with Living Hope staff and a licensed architect who will be building a playground that will meet state requirements.

There should be minimal impact to traffic patterns, as there are plenty of parking spaces to accommodate parents dropping off and picking up their students. The lot has two entrances/exits for a continuous flow plan, and additionally, there will be staggered times of dropping off and picking up to help with traffic flow. Please refer to the site plan for specific lot me asurements.

Thank you for reviewing my project plan to operate a large daycare/school center. A conditional use permit will allow us to reach more families and impact more children during the critical stages of early childhood development. In training up our future leaders and providing a foundation for success we believe we will improve the lives of those in the community immediately and for our future.

Please contact me with questions and for additional information. I look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely,

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