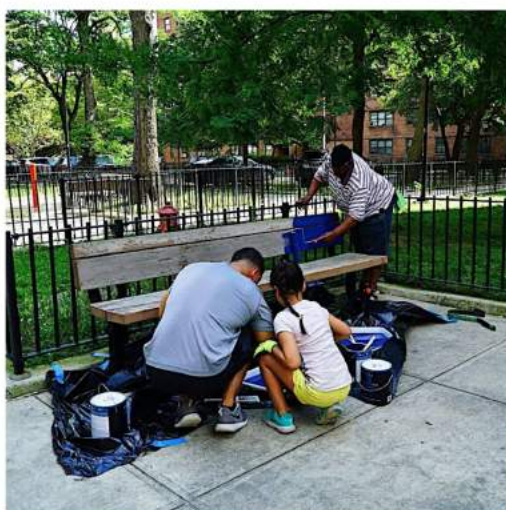


What Is Meta?

Meta is the Greek word for *change*, and it also means *more than* and *beyond*, which is what we're all about! We believe Jesus has the ability to change any area of your life, and our desire is for you to experience that transformative power in a real way.

At Meta, you'll find a young church community where you can connect with other people, grow in your relationship with Jesus, and discover a life full of potential and promise. Our church is made up of people from different walks of life with a diverse range of experiences, but we all share one common desire: to experience the transformative power of Jesus in our lives!

We're committed to building authentic community and cultivating a real-world faith that produces meaningful impact in our lives, our communities, our city, and our world.



Our Story

Meta Church began in May of 2017 when Pastors Ricky and Krista Ortiz launched as a Bible study with just \$300 and one other couple. But despite our small beginnings, we've seen God work through our community in significant ways.

Not only have seen people's lives impacted and transformed in tangible ways, but we've also been able to give away nearly \$150,000 to various initiatives such as Covid-19 relief, providing free haircuts for residents at the Washington Houses, supporting church plants in Harlem and The Bronx, and much more.

Through our global partnership with [Freedom Church](#) in the UK, we've been able to help plant churches in Raleigh, NC, Kigali, Rwanda, and even Siem Reap, Cambodia.

We might be young, but we believe there are better days ahead and the best is yet to come!

Our Pastors

God gave Ricky and Krista a vision to plant a life-giving church in New York City way back in 2004. He's a native New Yorker (from the Bronx, NY) and she's a Washingtonian (originally from Seattle) and their paths crossed while at college in Jacksonville, FL.

While their journey has been filled with steps of faith and adventure, they've also encountered difficulty and challenges with grief, loss, addiction and depression.

Through those experiences, God forged something deeper and more meaningful than either of them could have ever imagined. God had purpose that was *more than* and *beyond* what either Krista or Ricky would have designed for themselves. These experiences became their personal "meta" story.

God has used their experiences to shape the heart and vision for Meta Church. It's through this lens that Krista and Ricky are committed to proclaiming a message of hope and transformation authentically and vulnerably to help others step into their own "meta" story.



Our DNA | This Is Who We Are

WE ARE DISTURBED

We're disturbed by the cultural norm and the status quo, and we're committed to crushing it in us and around us.

WE ARE TENACIOUS

We don't just have the grit to hold on, but we're relentless in taking ground and advancing the kingdom of God.

WE ARE PRESENT

We're not consumed with what's ahead of us or what's behind us, but we're committed to being fully engaged in the moment with who and what God has placed before us.

WE HOLD NOTHING BACK

Recognizing how much we've been given by God, we look for every opportunity to release our words, our finances, our resources, and our time back to God and others.

WE LIVE TO LOVE

The greatest measure of success in our lives is not a position we attain, a status we gain, or an account we fill, but whether or not we live our lives loving others the way Jesus has loved us.

Why NYC?



New York City is one of the most influential cities in the world and its potential for good is limitless! People from all over the world move here in pursuit of their dreams and in search of life-changing opportunities. This city is truly the intersection where the world meets.

We believe we have an incredible opportunity as a church to tap into that potential by helping people like you step into and experience the "more than" and "beyond" that Jesus has for you. For us, it's about change and transformation in your life that produces change and transformation in your world.

When we change this city, we change the world!



What We Believe

- JESUS ▼
- GOD ▼
- HOLY SPIRIT ▼
- YOU (HUMANITY) ▼
- SALVATION ▼
- ETERNITY ▼
- CHURCH ▼
- THE BIBLE ▼



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