



12Stone® Church to Host Grand Opening for The John C. Maxwell Leadership Center at 12Stone Church and New Sugarloaf Campus

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LAWRENCEVILLE, GA – 12Stone® Church will host the grand opening of The John C. Maxwell Leadership Center at 12Stone Church with a ceremonial ribbon cutting on January 30th. Subsequently, 12Stone Church – Sugarloaf, which is adjoined to the leadership center, will open its new worship center Sunday, February 2nd.

At The Maxwell Leadership Center, 12Stone® Church in partnership with The John Maxwell Company, EQUIP and Wesleyan Investment Foundation, will ultimately shape the next generation of ministry leadership while honoring the leadership legacy of John C. Maxwell.

“Everything rises and falls on leadership,” said Maxwell. “If we are to radically change the leadership landscape in the church and in our world, leaders must invest in the next generation of leaders.”

John C. Maxwell is an internationally recognized leadership expert, speaker, coach, and author who has sold over 22 million books. Dr. Maxwell founded EQUIP and The John Maxwell Company – organizations that have trained more than 5 million leaders worldwide.

The Maxwell Leadership Center will house EQUIP headquarters and the 200-seat Williams Auditorium, a state-of-the-art, broadcast ready, recording studio where Maxwell will capture and produce his digital library.

12Stone’s leadership development objectives will be achieved through three primary initiatives: a residency program with a “live lab” setting similar to a teaching hospital, leadership coaching and continuing education programs in partnership with churches, Indiana Wesleyan University, Wesley Seminary and the Wesleyan Church.

Several leadership conferences are already scheduled through May, with more than 500 attendees from across the country already registered for the *Home Run Leader Conference* in February. *Home Run: Learn God's Game Plan for Life and Leadership* is the title of a book co-authored by Myers and Maxwell to be released February 4th.

"I know the impact the investment John made in my life and the ministry of 12Stone," said Pastor Kevin Myers. "I'm honored that 12Stone gets to be a part of continuing his rich leadership legacy by equipping and training the next generation of leaders."

Kevin Myers is the founding pastor of 12Stone® Church in Lawrenceville, Georgia with weekly attendance of 15,000 across four campuses. 12Stone has experienced rapid growth over the past decade becoming the largest Wesleyan church in the world.

The 12Stone Church Sugarloaf Campus is the newest of four campuses and contains a 1000 seat worship center and substantial space for children and student ministries. The Sugarloaf congregation began worshipping at Peachtree Ridge High School in January 2012 and has grown to nearly 800 in weekly attendance.

A full-service coffee café is open to the public during the Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and during all weekend worship services.

About

Founded in 1987, 12Stone Church is one church with many locations serving 15,000 adults and children weekly across four local campuses. 12Stone is committed to teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ, being a force for good locally and globally and investing in the next generation of leaders. Each ministry and initiative comes from their purpose statement: 12Stone Church exists to inspire life, share life and give life because Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." –John 10:10

For more information about 12Stone, visit www.12stone.com

Links

The Maxwell Leadership Center: www.maxwellcenter.com

EQUIP® Leadership: www.iequip.org

The John Maxwell Company: www.johnmaxwell.com

Wesleyan Investment Foundation: www.wifonline.com

Indiana Wesleyan University: www.indwes.edu

Wesley Seminary: seminary.indwes.edu

The Wesleyan Church: www.wesleyan.org