

Wayside Cross Ministries

News Release

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Ribbon-Cutting and Dedication for New Wayside Cross Ministries Facility

87-year-old Aurora-based ministry to occupy a new \$8 million dollar building

Event: *Ribbon-Cutting and Dedication Ceremony for New WCM Facility*

When: **Friday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.**

Where: **215 East New York Street, Aurora** (one block east of Rt. 25/Broadway)
Parking at Dolan-Murphy parking lot across the street from the new 215 E. New York St. building. Enter at Spring Street (north end of parking lot) or on New York St.

Why: **Celebration of the new WCM facility.**

Photo/Interview Opportunities: **Aurora Mayor Tom Weisner**, other local and state dignitaries, Wayside officers, & more.

Sponsor: **Wayside Cross Ministries**

Background: In the planning stages for over four years, under construction for some 22 months and now it is ready, Aurora-based **Wayside Cross Ministries (WCM)** has issued a public invitation for an open house on **Friday July 24, 12 p.m. noon to 4 p.m. and Saturday July 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** for its new 47,000 sq. ft., four-story facility at 215 E. New York St., Aurora.

James Lukose, executive director of WCM, notes "On behalf of the entire WCM staff, volunteers and Board of Directors. I am deeply and humbly grateful to everyone who help make this new ministry home possible. I hope you will choose to experience the blessing of God personally when you join for our open house on July 24th and 25th. Please come celebrate with us on this important and joyous day in our history – and our future."

The new building contains the general offices, which include the Executive Director's office, the business office, development offices, and the ministry offices for Master's Touch Ministry, Urban Youth Ministry, and New Life Corrections Ministry. Also housed in the building are the classrooms, counseling offices, kitchen facilities, and dining hall. The living quarters are designed to serve Master's Touch program men enrolled in seven to 18 month programs.

A digital image of the **old building tear-down** is available at... http://public.gospel-net.com/WCM_Tear-down.jpg

Also a digital image of the **new WCM** facility is available at... http://photos.religionwire.com/WCM_New_Facility.jpg