

case study



Honeywell and Ready Electric Provide Proactive Security at Historic Kentucky Church

The city of Campbellsville, with a population of around 12,000, is located in the heart of Kentucky. Campbellsville Christian Church (CCC) holds a prime location on a beautiful corner lot not too far from historic Main Street, with a 100-year-old sanctuary, a family life center built in 1988 and an education wing constructed in 1998.

The church welcomes approximately 350 at its worship services on Sunday morning, and hosts a number of other gatherings of different sizes almost every day of the week.

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The Situation:

The church security team reached out to the director of security from the largest church in Louisville, who conducted a walkthrough of the facility and presented them with an assessment of the building's risks. The determination: Everyone agreed that they needed to control daytime access to the facility. "With 12 exterior doors, it occurred to us that anyone could just walk in and have access to 75% of the building and we would never know it," said Rodney Booe, associate minister of CCC.

A glance at the church events calendar reveals the building is in almost constant use from about 8:00 every morning to 10:00 most nights. A preschool onsite cares for approximately 100 children, so the security team felt they needed to add an extra layer of protection. "Churches have an open door policy, but we have to balance that against the need to protect our children," Booe said. "With custody disputes present in some cases, churches must be particularly vigilant."

The Solution:

The CCC security team decided to protect the exterior doors so the building could be secured during the hours when children are on the premises. They approached Louisville-based integrator Ready Electric to recommend a cost-effective solution. Ready installed electronic maglocks on all exterior doors that can be controlled remotely from administrative offices inside the church, which means the church secretary isn't jumping up and running to the door to let someone in every time the buzzer sounds.

True Day/Night dome cameras from Honeywell's budget-friendly Performance Series line are positioned in all major hallways to provide surveillance of exterior doors so staff can see who's at the door before they release a maglock. When one of the doors is opened and a camera detects movement, the digital video recorder from Honeywell's Performance Series instantly boosts the recording

"We've been blessed. We haven't had any issues or problems, but we wanted to be proactive and protect our staff, congregation, and students against any future threats that might occur."

Rodney Booe

Associate Minister, Campbellville Christian Church

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rate to automatically capture details of the scene in case church officials need to review the images later. In addition, a camera in the sanctuary keeps an eye on the expensive audio/visual equipment in the sound booth. The cameras can be monitored from a Honeywell monitor located in the church secretary's office or from any web-enabled PC, allowing staff to view live video feed from any four cameras at once.

The Benefits:

The security system designed by Ready Electric is unobtrusive and proactive. Church administrators say the remote software has been easy to learn and easy to use, and they feel comfortable knowing they're doing their part toward making CCC a comfortable, safe haven. The system has provided a good foundation for CCC to protect its staff and congregation now, and leaves room for them to expand in the future as the church grows.

"CCC calls itself 'the place where needs are met.' The Honeywell solution gives the church staff a feeling of safety and security so they can concentrate on meeting the spiritual needs of their community."

Dan Kloenne

Sales Manager, Ready Electric

The Products:

- HD73 True Day/Night super high res mini-dome camera
- HRDP digital video recorder
- HMLCD19L monitor
- PIR IS310 request to exit



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