

# case study



## Honeywell IP System Protects Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship

Founded in 1976 by senior pastor Dr. Tony Evans, the Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship (OCBF) in Dallas, Texas is more than just a worship center that seats 3,400 every Sunday. Over the past three decades, the campus has grown to include eight buildings that now house a technology institute, family life center, gymnasium, credit union, and more. OCBF officials sought to modernize their analog video surveillance system with digital equipment that would expand easily. They reached out to integrator Stanley Convergent Security Solutions, Inc. to design an IP-based solution that would protect their facilities now, and well into the future.

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## The Situation:

For 33 years, the church purchased new security equipment from a different company each time it acquired a new building. As a result, the disparate systems became more and more unmanageable. OCBF officials knew they had to integrate all those pieces by bringing all the security equipment under one umbrella so it would work together to protect the campus. With a single system to maintain, church officials would no longer be forced to call different vendors to solve different problems. In addition to adding IP cameras to their existing analog surveillance system, they wanted continuity among their access control and intrusion platforms. And with such a large campus spread out over an extended area, they needed someone who would work closely with them to protect their buildings and people.

“The equipment we had was seriously underutilized, but we really wanted to use it without having to throw everything out and start from square one,” said Rolla Goodyear, associate pastor of administration at OCBF. “Stanley Convergent Security Solutions helped us revamp our system and update the functionality, and they worked with us to add IP-based components that would let us use the equipment we had in place.”

## The Solution:

In addition to installing IP cameras in the worship center and education building, OCBF also placed cameras in the fellowship center, the outreach center, and the family care/pregnancy center. The new and existing surveillance equipment was tied together with Honeywell’s powerful Enterprise digital recording system, which enabled church security officers to view and manage video footage easily.

“When we looked at the equipment they had, we decided that an IP-based system would be a perfect fit for several reasons,” said Jarrod Wittlin, project manager for Stanley Convergent Security Solutions. “It added some functionality they were missing with analog and gave them faster and easier access to the footage captured by the system. It made their security staff more efficient. And it provided significant cost savings because it let them keep the analog cameras they were already using.”

Because the system was IP-based, it was crucial that the IT department be closely involved with the project. The integrator met with both security and IT to make sure the needs of both departments were being addressed. In the end, everyone was pleased. “The command center in the new education building has a bank of 15 monitors. Now we can control our video surveillance, access control, and intrusion systems from one place,” said Goodyear.

## The Benefits:

A week after the installation was completed, church officials caught a break-in at the food pantry on video. They were able to quickly download images from the Enterprise system to see what was taken, determine the point of entry, and take steps to prevent it from happening again.

As part of a complete security overhaul for the site, OCBF upgraded their access control and intrusion systems across the campus to better manage who goes where. OCBF employs 12 security officers who work around the clock, and the Honeywell system has equipped them with new tools to be more effective in keeping an eye on the buildings and protecting the numerous people who use the facilities every day. Honeywell has provided OCBF with a flexible system that will expand easily in the future as their needs change.

## The Products:



**HD4DIP  
IP Cameras**



**Pro-Watch® Security  
Management System**



**Enterprise NVR**



**VISTA-128 Series  
Burglary Alarm Platform**

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