

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WILL WE BE ABLE TO USE OUR FACILITY WHILE THE EXPANSION IS OCCURRING?

Yes. There is a plan.

WILL WE REDUCE SPENDING IN MINISTRY TO EXPAND OUR FACILITY?

No. We do not plan to reduce our investment in ministry. We are also asking our church family not to shift their giving from support of our ministries to the expansion project. We ask that giving for the expansion be above and beyond regular giving.

WILL INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL?

Yes, in the same manner that we honor all donations given at First Baptist.

HOW LONG WILL OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN RUN?

We are asking our church family to consider a 36 month commitment.

WHY DO WE NEED TO RENOVATE?

Our aim is to expand and beautify our building so that it fades into the background. We want an attractive and functional facility, such that once people arrive they forget about the building and enjoy the rich worship and fellowship.

Our foyer is inadequate to provide room for our growing church family and does not provide the bright, roomy welcoming environment that we desire people to feel as we gather.

Our restrooms are functional (most of the time), but embarrassingly out of date.

We have no room for any additional ABF's or Sunday School classes. We desperately need classroom space that is safe and fitting to accommodate our growing children's and youth programs.

Just like our homes need to be improved and updated from time to time, so does our church building. Our goal is to have a building that functionally meets the needs of our growing church family.

WILL WE BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THE ENTIRE PROJECT?

We hope we can do everything. We're praying this is God's plan and that He blesses the entire project. It all depends on the effectiveness of the capital stewardship campaign.

Our desire is to have the most effective capital stewardship campaign possible. We are confident we can reach our goal. The building team and church leadership will revisit the cost issue at the end of the campaign and decide what adjustments, if any, need to be made. Consideration will be given to economic conditions, borrowing costs, total amount committed, and other relevant factors. A plan will then be presented to the church family for consideration and approval after the first of the year.

WHEN DO WE PLAN TO BREAK GROUND?

Several components play into construction start dates, including working out the details of a contract with a build/design team (general contractor and architect), completion of schematic designs, available resources from the initial success of the capital campaign, and coordinating our schedule with other potential projects the build/design team may be running concurrently. With all that in mind, we're hopeful to break ground in the fall of 2022.

WHAT KIND OF COMMITMENT WILL I BE ASKED TO MAKE?

We are not asking for a set amount. Each person has different income capacity. We are asking for equal sacrifice, not equal giving. The way a capital campaign works is to determine what God is leading us to do, and then invite everyone in the congregation to prayerfully consider how they would like to be a part of that vision.