KEEP THE FAITH

CREATE THE FUTURE

BUILDING CAMPAIGN



Not an equal share,
but equal sacrifice.

A LETTER FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

LORD, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO THROUGH ME?

Dear Friends, It is rare that we are given the opportunity to really make a difference in our world, but we have just such an opportunity with the new Ministry Center, the fruits of our Building Campaign.

Our church needs our help, and we are meeting this need. There are many who came before us who made our church ministries and facilities possible. Now it is our turn to be the responsible ones to leave an even greater church for the next generation. We are humbled and thrilled to be a part of this enormous effort.

Our families have been involved in praying the campaign prayer of, "Lord, what do You want to do through me?" We have grown from this spiritual exercise, and we hope that you have as well. We are wrestling with what it means to sacrifice for Jesus Christ and His church. It has been such a positive experience! We, as your campaign chairpersons, urge you to join us in committing wholeheartedly to this wonderful campaign. Together we will succeed in leaving an even larger legacy of Christ's truth and love through our stewardship.



Yours in Christ,

Chip Hester

Barbara Estes

Jim Trolinger







A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

GLENN MARTIN

Keep the Faith
Create the Future

Keep the faith -- the Christian faith is a partnership into which God has invited us with his Son, Jesus Christ. This partnership is the life and work to which we all together are called as followers of Jesus Christ. As a growing church in a growing community, we will not falter in our purpose to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Create the Future -- to grow in the future we must build in the present. We are building now for God's preferred future of RHUMC. Current space limitations for key ministries make adding a new structure and repurposing existing space essential for the church at present. A new Ministry Center and other repurposed structures also provide additional space for future needs. We are building the future by accommodating a growing congregation in a growing community with adequate structure.

Sincerely,

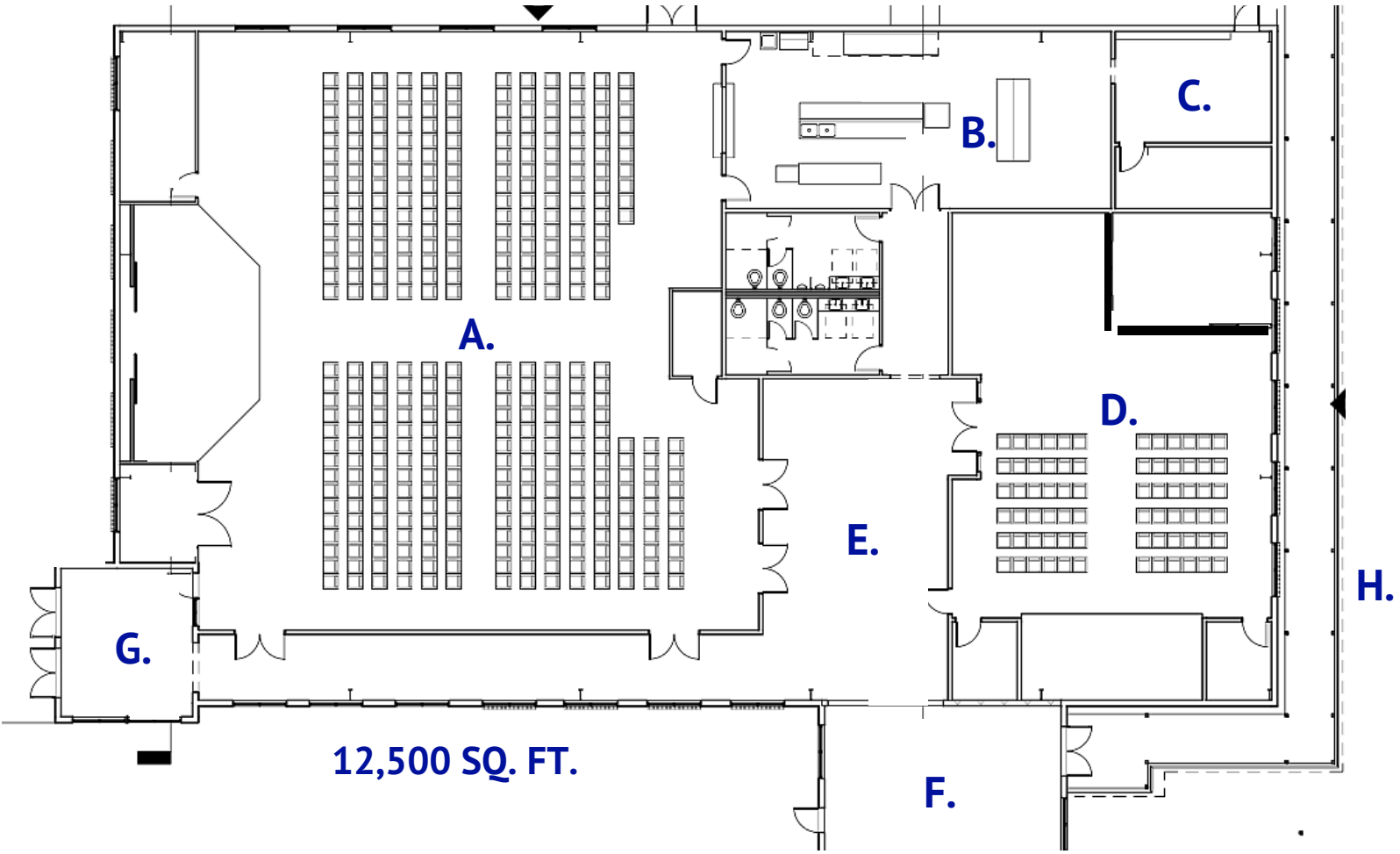
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Dr. Glenn Martin
Senior Pastor

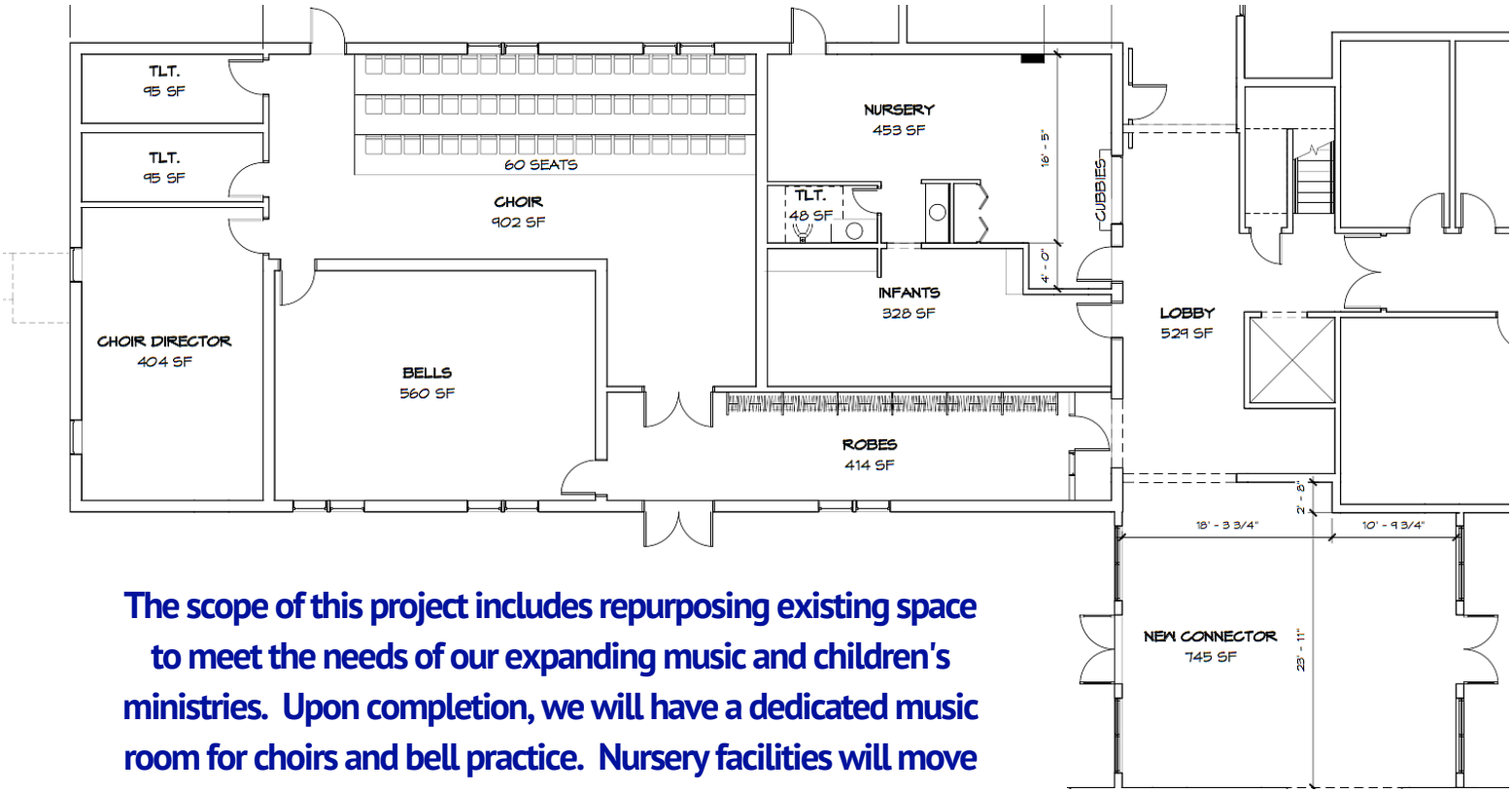


NEW BUILDING LAYOUT:

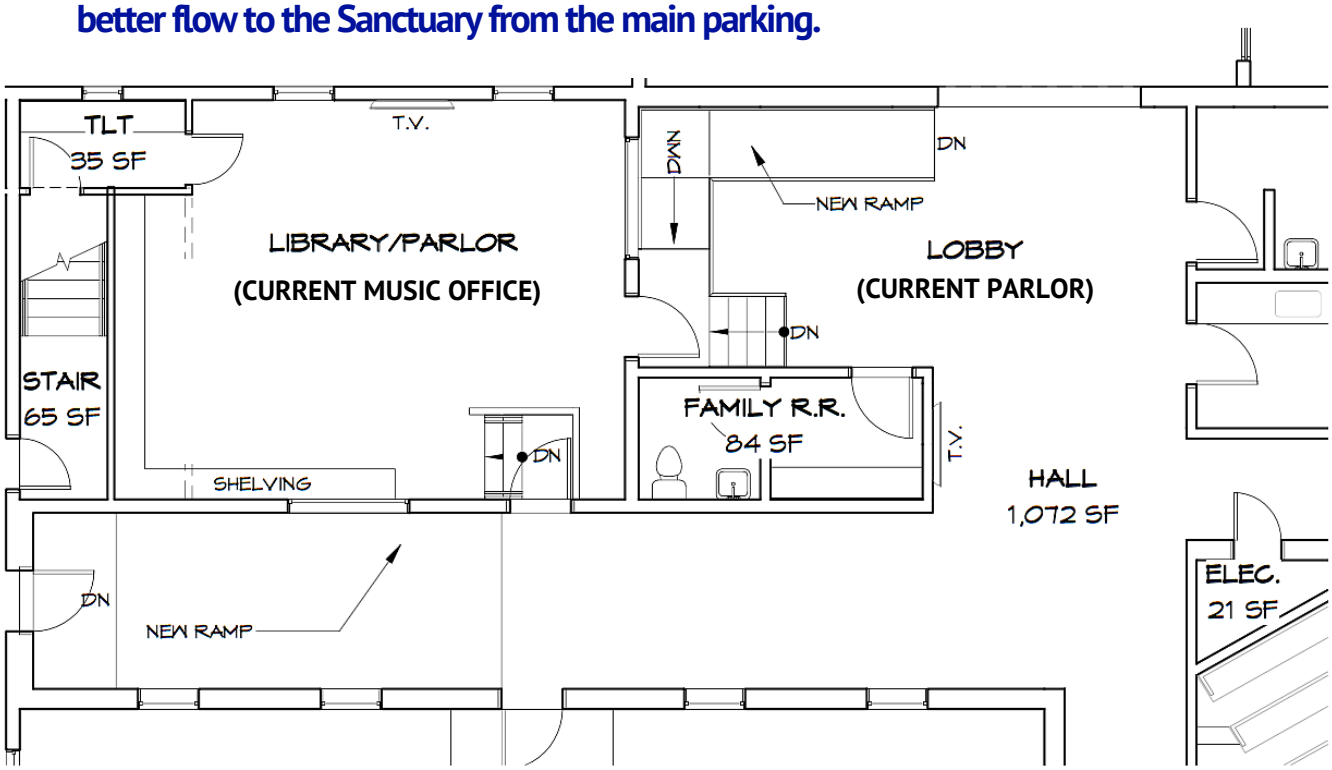
A. FELLOWSHIP HALL (SEATS 400)
A. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SPACE
B. KITCHEN
C. PANTRY
D. YOUTH CENTER
E. LOBBY
F. BUILDING CONNECTOR
G. MAIN ENTRANCE
H. EXTENDED PLAYGROUND



CURRENT FELLOWSHIP HALL RENOVATION

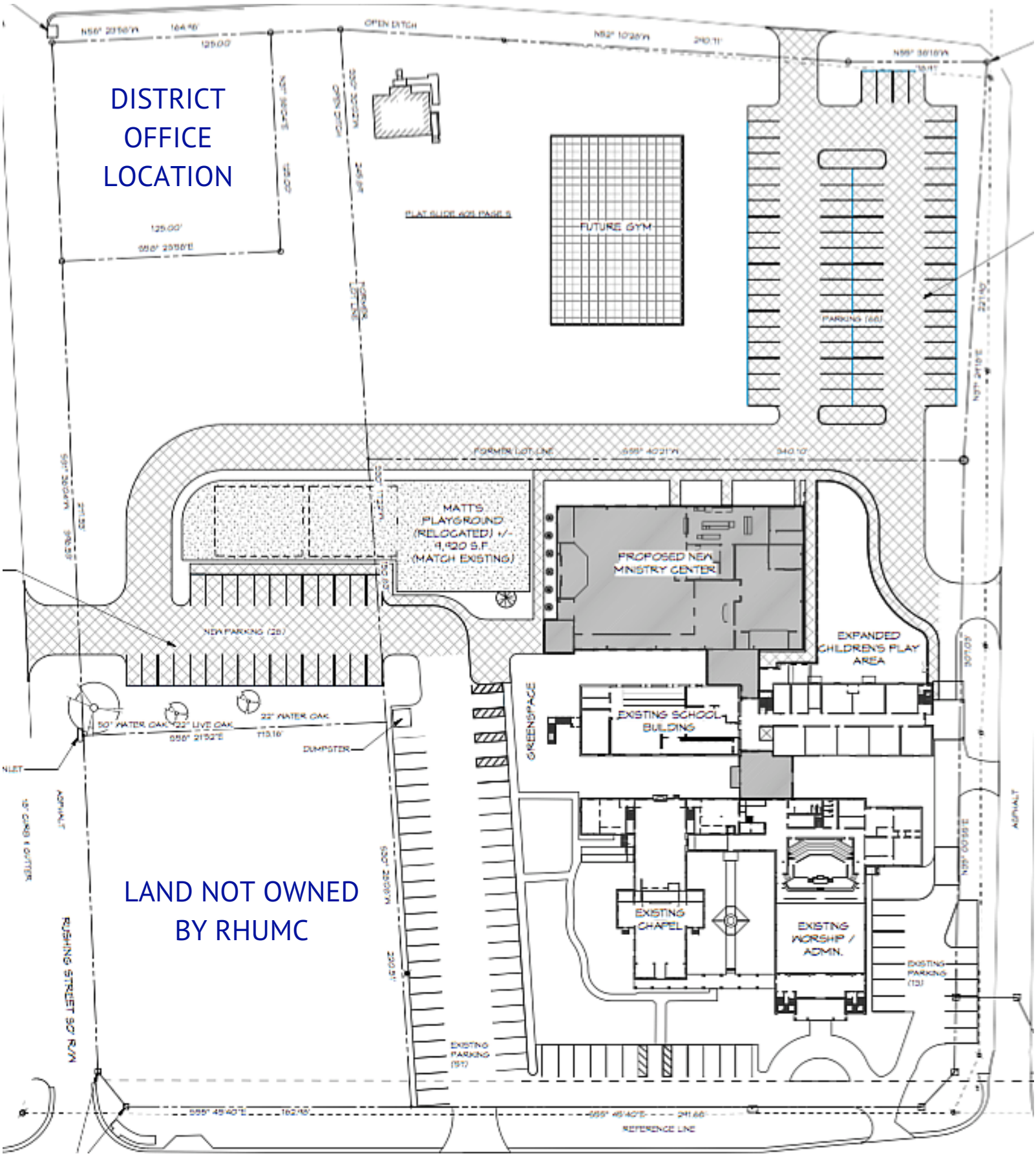


The scope of this project includes repurposing existing space to meet the needs of our expanding music and children's ministries. Upon completion, we will have a dedicated music room for choirs and bell practice. Nursery facilities will move into the other half leaving added space for Day School and JAM. The Parlor will be relocated providing a centralized location for a library and open up a very congested area with better flow to the Sanctuary from the main parking.



HALLWAY/PARLOR RENOVATION

RHUMC FULL CAMPUS



Building Campaign

BENCHMARKS

1ST STEP

CHALLENGE

CELEBRATION

$700,000

This is a minimum commitment to get us started in the process of funding our building program. This benchmark is a beginning threshold for our effort and will get us well on the way to the $1m we need to have in hand before we break ground.

$1.4 Milion

To move ahead on our vision will require an extra effort on all our parts. This benchmark will put us further down the road to meeting the challenge of building to strengthen our church's future ministry. This level is reachable as we all work together.

$2 Milion

This allows us to take a major step toward beginning construction. It will significantly reduce the amount we would need to finance. It will be a greater sacrifice for us, but it is one we can reach as we all work together. Gifts large and small will be necessary to reach this benchmark., but the real reward will be less indebtedness in our future and a greater expansion of ministries in the years to come.

What is asked of each household?

A capital fund commitment over the next three years requires giving in addition to contributions to the general budget. Decreased budget contributions to cover building costs will jeopardize current building and programs. We ask each household to prayerfully consider what God's will is for them to support this building project. A project of this magnitude is possible when everyone makes a sacrifice to make it happen.

Everyone cannot give the same amount but everyone can give sacrificially.

For most families giving substantially beyond present commitments requires a financial shifting. Sacrificial giving means families in our church will make financial decisions that require some change in their lifestyle. Plans and/or purchases may be delayed or changed to pay the cost of building and renovating. There is no appreciable outside money coming to this project. It must be funded by our members and constituents.

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WHY NOW?

WE ARE STRONGER

Due to a growth in membership, attendance, and activities, we are now a stronger church.

WE ARE HEALTHIER

Our financial giving is at its highest level. In 2014 we exceeded our budget by 17%. In 2015 we increased the budget by 17% and collected the the full amount.

WE ARE GROWING

Growth requires it. About 15 years ago this church stood in a similar place. Growth then pushed the need to build, but due to circumstances not present today, building plans were scrapped, momentum was lost, and the church entered a difficult decade.

Why now?
Because we are healthy enough to carry this project through completion.

Why now?
Because the need is great and not moving forward endangers our growth and ability to serve our community.

Why now?
Because there is a unity in the church on which we can build a partnership in ministry along with a structure.

Why now?
Because Richmond Hill is expected to continue growing in the near future.

Why now?
Because it will not be easier or less costly later.

LORD, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO THROUGH ME?

Do not allow a building campaign or any other distractions to divert our attention to the primary task at hand as followers of Jesus Christ. In fact, keeping faithful to that task is the driver for a greater need for structural growth.

- **We keep the faith** - when our beliefs turn to action.
- **We keep the faith** - when our actions demonstrate the love of Christ to a hurting world.
- **We keep the faith** - when our witness in words and action invites others to Jesus.
- **We keep the faith** - when we give of our resources generously for the work of the church.
- **We keep the faith** - when we worship God in spirit and truth.
- **We keep the faith** - when we obey Jesus.
- **We Create the Future** - through each life that is changed

CURRENT MINISTRIES AT RHUMC

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH MINISTRIES
- Angel Tree
- Shoe Box
- Children's Home

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
- Hospitality Ministry
- Praise Band Ministry
- Greeter Ministry

COUNSELING
- Pre-marital Counseling
- Grief Counseling
- Crisis Counseling
- Spiritual Needs

DAY SCHOOL MINISTRY

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES
- Sunday School Classes (14)
- Small Group Studies (5)
- Confirmation Class
- Newcomer Classes

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GRIEF MINISTRY
- Church Cemetery
- Bereavement Ministries

HOSPITALITY
- AA
- Boy Scouts
- Cub Scouts
- Girl Scouts
- Library Summer Reading Program
- Home School Group on Thursdays
- Jogging Moms
- Clergy Cluster Group
- District Committees: Finance, Committee on Ministry,
- District Superintendent Meetings
- Piano Recitals
- Blood Drives
- Playground Open to Community
- Special Ed Students Work Site
- Mission Teams Traveling Through
- Student Mission Teams Working in Savannah
- YMCA use of back field
- Community Theater Rehearsals
- Members & Community Events
- Host Touring Music Groups

LOCAL ASSISTANCE
- Members in Crisis
- Food Assistance
- Gas Assistance
- Lodging Assistance
- Utilities Assistance

MEN'S & WOMEN'S GROUPS
UMM:
- Repair Ministry
- Assist Families in Need
- Workday Projects

UMW:
- Bible Study
- 3 circles
- Quilters – for Children's Home
- Host district UMW Event
- Host Women's Conference

MINISTRIES TO CHILDREN
- VBS
- JAM (Jesus And Me)
- Sunday School
- Joyful Jamboree

MINISTRIES IN WORSHIP
- Acolytes
- Bible Bearers
- Ushers
- Communion Stewards
- Communion Servers
- Baptism
- Community Worship Services
- Tech Team

MINISTRIES TO YOUTH
- Worship
- Small Groups
- Before School Breakfast
- Retreats
- Morning Basketball
- Mission Trips
- Christian Camps
- Youth Praise Band

MISSION MINISTRIES
- Build Handicap Ramps
- Teams for Disaster Relief
- Local Home Repairs
- Adult and Youth International Teams

MUSIC MINISTRIES
- Jam Choir Groups
- Children's Chime Choir
- Children's Handbell Choir
- Youth Handbell Choir
- Chancel Choir
- Adult Handbell Choir
- VBS Music
- Christian Music Festival
- Host Concerts
- Music Trips & Retreats
- Music-Reading Class
- Instrumentalists in Services
- Community Mass Choir
- Special Music
- Men's Quartet

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES
- Saints Group
- Quilting Group

SHELTER FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES
- Family Promise

SOUP KITCHEN

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY
- Scouts
- Magnolia Manor
- Joy Ride

VISITATION
- Hospitals
- Bereaved
- Home Bound
- Nursing Homes
- Visitors
- Special Request

WAY STATION
- Food Distribution
- Clothes Closet

WITNESS MINISTRIES
- Greeters
- Letter Writing to Visitors
- Phone Calls to Visitors
- Visits to Guests
- Prayer Ministry

MINISTRY IN ACTION

A 2016 Children's Choir Festival Participants

B By His Hands Ministry Preparing food for Wednesday Night Dinner

C Chancel Choir Preforming at the Christian Music Festival

D Preschool Class From Our JAM After School Program

E International Mission Trip to Mexico

F Circle Of Moms Bible Study Group

G High School Girls Small Group

H 2015 Christmas Cantata Participants

















PRAYER MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

An essential part of this building campaign and fundraising project is prayer. We have surrounded our planning process with prayer. Now we pray for the financial support needed. We believe God wants us to expand our facilities giving us room to grow and serve. Now we are asking everyone to pray...

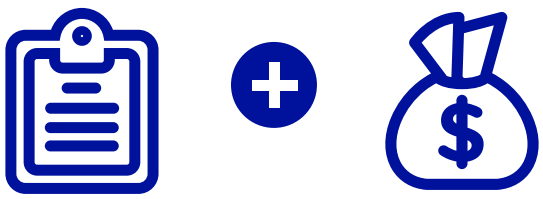
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BUILDING SCHEDULE

Conference rules require us to have 1/3 of our cost ($1 Million) on hand and 1/3 of our cost in pledges (2nd Million) prior to any construction.

Projection:

$2 Million in pledges by May 2016
$1 Million on Hand by Fall 2017



Building completed Summer of 2018



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