

Reaching Beyond Ourselves

Dear Christian Friends:

In the following brochure, we have outlined a plan: a plan that will meet the needs of our church and its growing ministries; a plan that will require the participation of every member; a plan that depends upon each of us seeking and responding to God's will in our lives as it relates to our participation. **"Reaching Beyond Ourselves - Building Faith and Transforming Lives"**, affords all of us the opportunity to serve the Lord and to respond to His blessings.

Indeed God has blessed each of us, but in different ways. We recognize that every member cannot, and should not, give the same dollar amount. Our theme **"Building Faith/ Transforming Lives"** embodies the teaching of proportionate giving. It is our prayer that commitments will be made that reflect individual blessings and exemplify genuine sacrifice.

"Reaching Beyond Ourselves" is too large for any one of us. In fact, it is too large for all of us put together! No campaign, however, is too big for God! Our challenge is that each of us, through prayer, will understand God's will for our lives. Once we have this understanding, our challenge will be to do God's will with faith and a dedication that is pleasing in His sight.

We are honored by the way God has blessed our church. What anticipation we can feel knowing that He plans to do even greater work in the years to come by **Building Faith AND Transforming Lives!**

Sincerely,

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New Life United Methodist Church was founded in 1997 on a strong faith in God's love and leadership. As a result of our journey over the past decade, our congregation has experienced what it means to step out in faith. It was that faith that brought us from our first service in a local roller skating rink to our current location on Old Hundred Road in just five short years. We continue to be motivated by the need to worship God, to instruct believers, and to share God's grace with others through participating in local, national and foreign missions.



And now, just six years after opening the doors to our building, God is calling us once again to be faithful. Please prayerfully consider the funding of our ministry center that we so desperately need to serve our congregation and our community. Remember, the space that God is entrusting to us will actually be used for **"Building Faith and Transforming Lives"**. The additional space will actually be the base for our ministry, that when properly utilized, will expand the mission and ministry of our church.



- A quick look around shows we need additional space.
- The current worship space houses three adult Sunday School classes each Sunday
 - Several offices double as ministry centers for both adults and young adults
 - Our small youth room is used for two offices and a library
 - Closet space serves as the office for our music ministries
 - Men's and women's rest rooms are used for storage

WHY EXPAND OUR CURRENT FACILITY?

We have always planned to build beyond the current facility.

- In 2000 an initial master plan was created for New Life UMC, which included the first phase of our building. This initial phase was completed to meet the basic ministry needs of our young congregation, and included a "multipurpose" worship space, a small kitchen, education/preschool space, and limited office space.
- In 2006 a revised master plan for New Life UMC was designed to include additional ministry space, based on results of a congregational "Town Meeting".
- In 2007 our building committee and ministry teams worked together with an architect to determine the type of structure that would best facilitate ministry to our congregation and the community.
- In 2008 the Church Council reaffirmed it's commitment to proceed with the next steps in the master plan and an initial grant was received by the District to develop detailed site plans.



Additional space will provide for expansion of ministries.

- Capability for multiple concurrent uses of building for various groups, such as children, youth and adults, which is now hindered due to space constraints
- Capability to expand our preschool ministry to the community
- Ability to initiate older adult programs during pre-school hours of operation
- Ability to provide meeting space for additional community outreach groups

We are committed to serving our community.

- Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Many of those who now attend New Life might not be in a church had we not continued to grow and reach out.
- Look at the ministry we are now doing through worship, faith learning, and missions – *consider how much more we could do!*



WHAT WILL THE NEW ADDITION INCLUDE?

The addition to our current ministry center will encompass approximately 5,000 square feet and will include:

- ◆ Christian education/preschool classrooms
- ◆ Restrooms
- ◆ Multi-purpose room
- ◆ Youth fellowship area
- ◆ Storage space



KEY COMMITTEE CONTACTS

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Sample Annual Giving Profile for Five Year Campaign

Number of Giving Units	Monthly Gift Per Unit	Annual Gift Per Unit	Annual Giving Total Per Level	Five Year Giving Total Per Level
1		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$100,000
2		\$10,000	\$20,000	\$100,000
4		\$5,000	\$20,000	\$100,000
5	\$350	\$4,200	\$21,000	\$105,000
8	\$300	\$3,600	\$28,800	\$144,000
10	\$250	\$3,000	\$30,000	\$150,000
10	\$200	\$2,400	\$24,000	\$120,000
18	\$100	\$1,200	\$21,600	\$108,000
25	\$50	\$600	\$15,000	\$75,000
83			\$200,400	\$1,002,000

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN GOALS

BASIC \$150,000
CHALLENGE \$200,000

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

April 16 -- Leadership Dinner
 April 19 -- Prayer Walk
 April 26 -- Campaign Kick-off Sunday
 May 11 - 17 - Intercessory Prayer
 May 17 -- Commitment Sunday
 May 31 -- Celebration Sunday

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why is now the right time to hold a capital funds campaign?

Our previous 3-year capital funds campaign commitments will end in December 2009. New commitments are needed in order to move forward with the building of the new ministry center. It is our goal to break ground for this project in the fall of 2009.

How much do we owe on our current mortgage?

As of December 31, 2008, we owed approximately \$1 million on our existing mortgage.

Didn't we just have a financial campaign?

The most recent 3-year campaign began in January 2007 and will conclude in December 2009. This year's 5-year campaign has been timed to allow us to approach a lender about additional construction monies in the summer of 2009, so we can begin construction in the fall.

What about our regular annual Stewardship Campaign?

New Life conducts its annual Stewardship Campaign for ongoing mission and ministry each fall. We will continue to make commitments to this annual Stewardship Campaign, which will allow us to operate worship, education, evangelism, missions and congregational care ministries. These ongoing commitments are vital to the life of our church, so we must all continue to give prayerful consideration to this important area, just as we are with the Capital Campaign.

When will the Campaign occur?

The Campaign is currently underway and will conclude on Commitment Sunday, May 17, 2009. Remember, the period of giving will run from January 2010 through December 2014. In addition, you will have the opportunity to re-visit your capital funds campaign each fall for the next 5 years. This will provide you with the opportunity to consider your current giving levels and make adjustments as God leads you.

What are you asking me and my family to do?

Please prayerfully consider your giving to the 5-year campaign, to empower the church to fulfill our discipleship and outreach to our community.

Why is this capital campaign for 5 years, when our previous campaigns were for 3 years?

We feel that God is challenging us to make a long term commitment to the growth of New Life United Methodist Church now in order to secure the funding for the ministry center, and also to prevent the need for an additional "debt reduction" campaign three years from now. A five year period of giving will allow us to continue to focus on our ongoing mission and ministry without requiring us to direct resources to another capital funds campaign within such a short period of time.

What are the various ways to give to the campaign?

- A five-year commitment to the capital campaign (think of it as 5 one-year commitments)
- Strategic gifts (stocks, bonds, land, and other assets that are immediately convertible to cash)
- One-time donations from family and friends (memorials, etc.)

What is the Campaign's financial goal?

BASIC GOAL: Raising \$150,000 per year during this 5 year campaign will allow us to pay our current mortgage payment on the existing facilities as well as build a 5,000 square foot ministry center.

CHALLENGE GOAL: Raising \$200,000 per year will allow us to pay our current mortgage payment on the existing facilities, build a 5,000 square foot ministry center, and have NO additional debt at the end of the five year campaign, which will put us in a much better position for additional growth in 2015.





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