



Willing Hearts Key Facts

WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP ENRICHMENT AND WHAT CAN IT MEAN TO ME?

Stewardship Enrichment is a structural approach to help guide our church in developing the faith of its members, while building a unified vision for the future and encouraging a sensitivity to God's call for funding that vision. Its founder, Del Rogers, created the concept to form Rogers Company and now works with our steering committee and other volunteers to share the vision with the church family. Our theme is "Willing Hearts, Transforming Lives". The program includes devotionals, home information sessions (H.I.S. Meetings), Bible studies, and organized prayer to help each individual look to the future and prayerfully consider their own role in regards to stewardship, and to create in each a heart for sacrificial giving that will fulfill our shared God-given goals.

WHAT IS THE VISION AND PURPOSE OF THE WILLING HEARTS CAMPAIGN?

The purpose of the "Willing Hearts" campaign is three-fold; 1) providing the tools for spiritual growth in stewardship to the people in our church, 2) addressing long-term debt and 3) providing much needed space for fellowship, community outreach, and family involvement. Everyone may participate by using his or her gifts to help others and by taking part in the various aspects of the campaign.

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS NOW?

Two years ago our Long Range Planning team led our church in a detailed planning process that included the evaluation of our current space challenges, and the projection of future growth needs. This process involved leadership from all areas of the church through a series of "focus groups" involving at least 75 of our leaders. The church voted to approve the plan and also approved the development of detailed architectural drawings for phase one, which brings us to where we are today.

In this first phase, HH Architects addresses current needs such as secure check-in for our Preschool and Children's ministries, permanent Children's worship space, additional preschool



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classroom space, expanded fellowship space, improved parking, and indoor play areas for our children and preschoolers as well as a baptistry.

In the midst of challenging economic times, our church has responded to a vision of moving forward. We finished the year very strong financially, having made up a deficit from the summer allowing us to go into 2010 with a surplus of more than 100,000. While we are committed to not increase the long term debt of the church, we see an opportunity with construction costs at an all time low to be able to provide additional space and allow for growth while being financially responsible at the same time. We do anticipate short-term or interim financing during construction, but not additional long term debt.

WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED BUILDING STRUCTURAL ADDITIONS/CHANGES FOR PHASE 1 OF OUR LONG RANGE PLAN?

The proposed building additions are as follows:

- Construction of a gathering space complete with café, conversation areas and a water feature easily converted to a baptistry. The baptistry may be viewed by either nearby seating or through live video in the church worship center.
- Two indoor playgrounds surrounded by clear glass. One playground is located next to the café, enabling parents to visit while children play. Think "Starbucks" with WiFi and a playground.
- A new Children's worship suite to hold the growing number of children in Children's worship.
- Four new preschool rooms. Our current preschool space is close to capacity and will not adequately handle our projected growth.
- Secure check-in for Children and Preschool.
- Adult commons area that will provide space for celebrations, wedding anniversaries or receptions, and other needs such as additional adult classroom space.
- Outdoor plaza for fellowship, ramp access between buildings, and a new look to the front door, and a covered drop-off.
- Youth commons area, café and fellowship space. The current area is too small for the growing number of youth in church ever Sunday, and we want to provide our young people with a safe place to "hang out" during the summer and weekends.
- Additional paved parking with adequate lighting.

THE WORSHIP CENTER ISN'T OVER CAPACITY EVERY SUNDAY. WHY DO WE NEED TO BUILD?

Our current worship space is more than adequate to meet our current needs since we have started children's and "Blue" worship services, which are effective avenues for growing both our children and student ministries. While our adult worship center is not packed, other areas such as classroom space, and fellowship and parking areas are definitely crowded. The capacity of our sanctuary is actually larger than our ability to sustain our programs outside of Sunday worship, so it is essential to provide this additional space to meet the needs of all of our areas of ministry. It is important for the purpose and life of our church to provide room for fellowship, children's worship, youth gathering, parking, event areas, and other space imperative to outreach and growth. The long-term planning of FBC incorporates all of these necessary ministry needs.

WHY IS PRAYER ESSENTIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS CAMPAIGN?

This campaign is not merely about funding the first phase of our master plan. It is about growing in our faith and building relationships as we pray for the vision and purpose for stewardship of our resources. As we pray, study, and learn together, spiritual renewal will occur in our lives and impact those around us. The gift of the Willing Hearts campaign goes beyond providing funds for a brick and mortar building.

WILL ANYONE COME TO MY HOME TO ASK ME TO GIVE?

No. The emphasis of this campaign is prayer, not pressure to give a certain amount of money. Commitment cards are provided to every member at the end of the campaign. The card will be how you will communicate the amount you are feeling led to give. The commitment is entirely confidential.

WILL MY COMMITMENT BE MADE PUBLIC?

No. Giving is a spiritual matter between you and God. Only the congregation totals are provided to the congregation. Personal pledges are confidential and will not be made public.

HOW WILL I KNOW HOW MUCH TO GIVE AND WILL I BE ASKED TO GIVE ABOVE MY REGULAR CONTRIBUTION?

We will all have to give above and beyond our regular contribution. The amount you decide to commit to "Willing Hearts" will be after much consideration and prayer. Each person will give as God directs. This is one reason prayer is such a vital part of "Willing Hearts." Prayer warriors are constantly at work, asking God to lead us all as we meditate on His vision for our church, transforming lives in the process.

CAN I REVISE MY COMMITMENT IF MY FINANCIAL SITUATION CHANGES?

Yes. This commitment is your best intention, as you now know it. God knows your circumstances and your heart.

HOW WILL I BE KEPT INFORMED ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN AND ITS PROGRESS?

There will be additional information through a series of newsletters, home information sessions, and mailings. There will also be brief updates on Sunday mornings, and times for interaction with the steering committee. Children and youth curriculum on Sunday mornings will answer questions about stewardship, and how the younger members of our congregation can be involved and grow spiritually through this experience.

WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE "WILLING HEARTS" SUCCESSFUL?

The most important part of this stewardship program is PRAYER and PARTICIPATION. All of us praying for God's direction is the most powerful tool we have at our disposal as we look for wisdom in completing God's purpose for us in this community. As you pray, please participate in the H.I.S. meetings, read the mailings and other materials, and ask questions of steering committee members as needed. It is the deepest prayer of the campaign team that all of us experience spiritual growth during this time, and for this growth to add depth to our relationships with God and each other.



For more detailed questions and answers please go to our website at www.fbcfrisco.org and click on the "Willing Hearts" logo.

