

# Motion: Phase II Floor Plan and Capital Fund Campaign

## The Phase II Team moves that the church:

1. Adopt the Phase II floor plan for the new education wing and the office additions - with the revised master site plan - as presented.
2. Begin a capital fund drive this summer timed to pick up when the first phase capital campaign, *Challenge to Build*, concludes at the end of August.

## Understandings:

1. The vote to approve this floor plan and to begin the capital campaign is the first step in a process. Additional steps to follow include:
  - 1.1. Evaluating the total pledge amount for the Phase II Capital Campaign before finalizing construction documents, in order to see that we build what we can afford.
  - 1.2. Deciding whether to build both the new education wing and the offices or just the education wing.
  - 1.3. Selecting an architectural firm for the construction documents. LifeWay produced the floor plan, but the church has not yet entered into an agreement with anyone for the construction documents.
  - 1.4. Deciding who to use to do the construction.
  - 1.5. Deciding when to begin construction.
2. The Phase II Team will be responsible to work with the Capital Campaign Workgroup to develop a construction budget and timetable that will protect the financial standing of the church and not get us overextended. They will communicate with the deacons and stewardship committee in this matter. They will make recommendations to the church regarding when to begin construction - whether to accumulate some cash from the capital campaign and, if so, for how long before beginning construction (such an accumulation period should not be longer than 9 months).
3. The Phase II Team has established a workgroup to conduct the capital fund campaign: Bill Godwin, leader; Gwen Atkinson (Phase II Team member); Cynthia Russell (Phase II Team member), Russell Chandler; Joe Jeffcoat; and Diane Kuehndorf. Additional church members will be involved in this process and added to the workgroup for this effort. This team is being asked to investigate the possibility of “bundling” the missions offerings with the building offering and to incorporate that into the campaign if possible.
4. In order to sustain growth it is anticipated that we will have to move to two Sunday Schools. It will not be possible to build a building before the space will be needed. Two Sunday Schools increases space at no additional cost and would be available immediately. At First Baptist Church, Sunday School is under the leadership of the Teaching Ministry Leadership Team. Thus, the Teaching Ministry Leadership Team will make recommendations concerning the educational schedule as needed. [This item is not a motion to go to dual Sunday Schools, but is offered for informational purposes only.]

# Features of the Phase II Plan

## Three basic additions of the Phase II Education Wing:

1. Additional adult Sunday School space
2. Complete children's Sunday School space
3. Specifically designed youth suite

### 1. Adult Sunday School Space

- A Fireside Room
  - To be used for Sunday School
  - To be used for training events (Discipleship Training, Beth Moore studies, deacons meeting, Upward Coaches training, teacher training, etc.)
  - To be used for showers and teas, etc.
  - Attractive decor
  - Will be equipped for video and PowerPoint
  - Capacity of 50 adults (not factoring in furniture)
  - First Baptist Church, Alexander City has such a room and tell us it is the most booked room in their building.
- Besides the Fireside Room there are two other adult Sunday School rooms with capacities of 35 and 31 adults.
- The three adult classrooms in this wing will provide space for up to 166 more adults (at absolute maximum capacity)
- No movable walls
- The addition of this wing will free up 3 adult classrooms in the existing adult/youth wing.

### 2. Complete children's Sunday School space

- This new wing will provide 6 children's classrooms (grades 1-6) with a total maximum capacity of 108 children (2 rooms holding 15 children, 3 holding 18 children, 1 holding 24 children).
- All children's classes would be located in this wing. The existing east wing would be used for preschool only (birth to K5).
- The addition of this wing will free up 2 classrooms for use by the preschool division in the preschool wing.
- What is now the Grades 1-2 Sunday School class will be converted into a hall going to the new building and will be converted into storage space.
- Our children's division (grades 1-6) are out of room; their classrooms are over capacity now.

### 3. Specifically Designed Youth Suite

- The assembly space will be used for Wednesday Night Bible Study (The Spur), Sunday School assemblies, 5<sup>th</sup> Quarters, youth concerts, etc.
- The assembly area could also be used during the worship service for a *children's church*
- The youth assembly area will have a maximum capacity of 112 (at 80%, 90 people).
- There will be six classrooms with a maximum capacity of 90 (at 80% of capacity, 72).
- While our youth group is not quite that large now, the wave of children coming up will need that much space. The "front end" of the wave is going into the fifth grade this August. And this is without taking any growth into account.

## **Phase II Education Wing**

**Square Feet: 11,840 square feet**

**Capacity:** This wing will have a total maxed-out Sunday School capacity of 364

**Cost:** Approximately \$1,006,400 to \$1,184,000 (at \$85 to \$100 per square foot).

Most projects with soft costs added in would run about 25% more. So the project cost for the education wing would run somewhere around \$1,258,000 to \$1,480,000. It may be possible to build this building for less.

### **Where will the new education wing be located?**

- You will be able to enter this wing from the foyer. Two double-doors will be located to the left of the worship center entrance and by the preschool wing.
- The new wing will spoke out from the present building at an angle from the foyer toward the big oak tree.

### **Why do we need more education space?**

- Of eleven adult classes, four classes are over 80% full now and three classes are “on alert” at 65% full or more. One class is meeting in an office. The children’s division is already over capacity. Some preschool rooms are at capacity.
- With our present amount of space, going to two Sunday Schools would provide enough space for the children’s (grades 1-6) division. It would provide limited growth space.
- Going to two Sunday Schools would not fix the fact that the youth do not have space specifically designed for that purpose.
- The fellowship hall has to be shared with the youth Wednesday night Bible study and limits our options for Wednesday night activities in many ways.
- We need another building because no church will ever grow to need the space it does not provide. We need this building to continue to make room for more.

**Optional Office Area:** 1,500 to 2,000 square feet, depending on the scheme

**Cost:** Approximately \$127,500 to \$200,000 for construction depending on scheme (at \$85 to \$100 per square foot). Most projects with soft costs added into the project budget would run about 25% more, or \$159,375 to \$250,000 depending on scheme. It may be possible to build this building for less.