



FACTS & FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Purpose: The proposed Bump Out project is designed to provide a permanent worship platform, baptismal, and storage area. This will allow our gym to once again serve as a flexible space for youth activities, children's programs, fellowship events, recreation, outreach and community ministry throughout the week.

Estimated Project Cost: \$ 960,000

Proposed Timeline:

October: Bump Out Q & A; VOTE Mtg.
January: Commitment Pledge Cards Returned
February: Financing Approval / Contractor Selection
April: Groundbreaking Ceremony & Construction Begins
December 2027: Target Construction Completion

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Why do we need more room?

A: *The Bump-Out is designed to provide a permanent worship platform, baptismal, and storage while allowing us to regain the use of our gym for other ministries.*

- **Improved Visibility:** A permanent platform provides better visibility for worship and preaching.
- **Permanent Equipment Space:** Dedicated space protects and organizes worship equipment and ministry supplies.
- **Permanent Baptismal:** A dedicated baptismal makes baptisms more accessible and regular.
- **Additional Storage:** Chair storage frees the gym for weekly activities.
- **Return of the Gym:** Restores the gym for youth, children, fellowship, recreation, outreach, and community ministry.
- **Improved Livestream Lighting:** Better lighting enhances our online worship experience.
- **Permanent AV Solutions:** Dedicated solutions for sound, lighting, and screens.
- **Increased Seating:** Approximately 57 additional chairs, increasing capacity to **304**.
- **Improved HVAC:** Addresses noise and uneven airflow throughout the gym.

Q: When can we start the project?

A: *Our target is to **break ground in April 2027**, pending funding, final plans, contractor selection, etc.*

Q: How long will construction take?

A: *Approximately **8–9 months**.*

Q: How many additional chairs will we gain?

A: *The current design would add approximately **57 chairs**, increasing seating from **247 to 304**.*

Q: Where will we worship during construction?

A: Our plan is to continue worshipping in the **Worship Center** throughout construction, while minimizing dust, noise, and disruption. As construction progresses, there may be times when temporary adjustments are necessary.

Q: Can we make the project less expensive?

A: Yes. As we review the final plans and costs, we can consider ways to control the project's cost while preserving its primary purpose. Potential options include limiting technology upgrades and not building a second floor at this time.

Q: What is the process for selecting a contractor/builder?

A: We plan to obtain **multiple bids from qualified general contractors** and evaluate them based on cost, experience, qualifications, and schedule.

Q: How will the church pay for the project?

A: Funding may include **current available funds designated for the project, congregation donations pledged over 3 years, large gifts, grants, and other designated gifts**. The goal is to combine congregational participation with responsible financing so that the project can be completed without placing an unreasonable financial burden on the church.

Q: What if we don't receive enough pledges to pay for the project?

A: The church leadership will evaluate the level of financial commitments received and determine what level of monthly loan payments the church can responsibly support.

Q: Can I donate now toward the Bump-Out?

A: Yes. Pre-pledge gifts can be given at any time, designated as **"Bump-Out"** and placed in the offering box or online through the church website. Other options may include **QCDs, memorial gifts, and appreciated stock**. Pledge commitments will be introduced as part of the "Making Room for Ministry" campaign in March.

Q: How do the pledges work?

A: The official pledge drive will begin in January 2027. Each household will receive a pledge packet and commitment card to prayerfully consider. Pledges can be fulfilled over a **three-year period, approximately January 2027 through January 2030**.

Q: What if I cannot give very much?

A: **Every gift matters.** We want to encourage **Equal Sacrifice, Not Equal Gifts**, with a goal of **100% participation**. It is about everyone asking, **"What can I prayerfully contribute?"**

Together, we can make room for ministry.