

FAQ

What is Building on Faith?

Building on Faith is a capital campaign to raise over \$1.5 million in the next three years to continue to finance the construction of our new facility and grow our ministry. It is a special gift, over and above your regular pledge to the congregation.

Don't we already have the Growing in Ministry, Building to Serve capital campaign?

We will complete the Growing in Ministry, Building to Serve Capital Campaign at the end of 2007. That campaign equipped and empowered Good Shepherd to faithfully move toward the next step in building our new facility and developing our mission and ministry.

How is Building on Faith different?

The Growing in Ministry, Building to Serve Capital Campaign laid the groundwork to expand our facilities and grow our ministry. The Building on Faith Capital Campaign will continue our efforts as we build, complete, and begin to utilize our new facilities and as we use our new facilities to expand our ministry in more profound ways.

\$1.5 million. Is this a realistic goal?

Yes, this is a realistic goal. Through detailed interviews and research, the professionals at Kairos believe \$1.5 million is attainable. To undertake such an exiting project is an act of faith and trust in God, who is exceedingly generous, and each other. It calls us, the people of Good Shepherd to "step out in faith" and "step up in generosity", not only to support the building project but also to continue to fund our ongoing ministry. We invite all to take time to prayerfully determine what you will commit to, as a faith-filled steward.

Why is a pledge important?

In offering a pledge, we make a commitment to return a portion of what God has given us. From a practical perspective, pledges allow us to make better plans for expanding our ministry and funding our new facilities. They enable us to create a realistic timetable.

How long will this campaign last?

The Building on Faith Capital Campaign is a three-year campaign. Your response card gives you the option on how to configure your gift. Some will give one large gift up front, while others will give a designated amount each week for the three-year period. It is a special gift, over and above your regular pledge to the congregation.

How does my gift to this campaign affect my annual giving to Good Shepherd?

Your pledge and gift for the capital campaign is separate from your annual stewardship giving. Any gift to Building on Faith is over and above your annual stewardship gift. The expenses of the annual operating budget are ongoing and basic for our church's present ministry. Your pledge to the capital campaign will grow our ministry and build a modern church facility.

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May I give something other than cash? Such as stocks, real estate, or other gifts?

You are encouraged to think of assets in addition to a cash pledge. Giving stocks, real estate, or other valuable items as a charitable donation is beneficial to you and the church. If you think you would benefit from more information on this topic, call Gordon Lamb at 301-279-0953 or David Misenheimer at **704-968-4660**.

What if my financial situation changes, or I move before the end of the giving period?

At any time during this three-year period, you may increase or decrease your pledge by informing the Good Shepherd business manager. Regardless of where any of us might be in the next three years, we shall remain rooted in Christ as we reach out to others.

Who is involved in this campaign? How is it organized?

Members of the Leadership Team include:

Jud Stailey, Director	240-683-8427
Don Wernly	301-330-5833
Andrea Maples	301-990-0496
Kathryn Hoffpauir	301-528-6356
Bernie Trumbl	301-869-8433
Fritz Foltz	717-334-6641
Pastor Dave Sonnenberg	301-869-1780

We have several members of the congregation organized into different teams, including Executive Oversight Group, Communications, Leadership and Sharing Events, Messengers, Spiritual Life, and Advanced Gifts. We are blessed at Good Shepherd to have so many who want to contribute their time and talent to make this campaign a success. Our Kairos & Associates consultant, Pastor David Misenheimer, is guiding our efforts.

How can I find out more about Building on Faith?

A series of events have been planned to share the story and answer any questions you might have about the Building on Faith Capital Campaign. We encourage you to attend the Campaign Launch, and at least one of the Sharing Events. Visit the Good Shepherd website often to obtain updates and information at www.goodshepherdonline.org.