Ministry Profile Kingdom Vision

Fellowship Alliance Chapel continues to have a passion to follow God's call and make room for more people in our region who need a relationship with God. Since 1980, God has blessed our church with tremendous growth. An average of 2,200 adults and children attend FAC every weekend. More than 4,000 people currently call FAC their church home and participate in small groups, classes, services, and special events.

"We don't want to lose the dynamic of what FAC is all about as we grow, but I've been encouraging ministries to be prepared and ready to double in size once the new building is finished," explained Pastor Marty Berglund. "My brother, who lives in Indianapolis, started with a church of around 3,000 people. It took many years for them to build a bigger building. Once they did, the church grew to 7,000 people. It more than doubled in a couple of months. It shows there's a great need to make more room for people. Get ready and be prepared!"

Pastor Marty is also excited that the new parking lot is being worked on again. Once that's accessible, we can begin building the new Sanctuary. "It may sound weird to start with a parking lot," he added. "However, that needs to be completed first because the new building is going to be built on top of our existing parking lot. As part of our major parking lot is ripped up to build walls, we will need a place to park."

Pastor Brian Snyder shared, "Now that the weather is better, we are excited to move forward on the Kingdom Vision projects. We are currently reorganizing and shuffling around the offices to make additional space for ministries throughout the week." The house that Pastor Brian Snyder, Pastor Greg Ginion, and Pastor Nick Simpson once rented is currently being remodeled to create offices for administration, children, and youth leaders. This building, now called by the number 195, is not fully finished. When completed, it will hold new offices for the following people: Pastor Brian Snyder, Donna Beridon, Tess Scaffidi, Chris Rose, Mari Lynne Snyder, Joanne Horner, Pastor Erik Jarvis, Pastor Mike Williams, Jane Beebe, Cathy Watson, Eddie Jurimas, Pat Vickery, Nick Mendillo, Russ Batten, and Jeremy McAlack.

The number 199 is used in the address for Fellowship Alliance Chapel. Then each of the other buildings owned by the church will also be named by a number which will be seen on new signs soon. The building 184, also known as the Stanfa house, will continue to be used on a regular basis for ministry purposes, and the Brown house will now be called 197. The building 197 is designated for the Adult Ministry leaders, and it will hold offices for Pastor Marty Berglund, Pastor Glenn Kantner, Pastor Nick Simpson, Pastor Don Hay, Pastor Erik Rebstock, Pastor Jim Entwistle, Pastor Dave Krilov, Pastor Brent Brendle, Carol Batten, and Debbie Schneck. Also, Donna Thomas presently works in that office building as a temporary administrative assistant.



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FAC is also working on moving offices for Ed Jurimas, Debbie Jurimas, Scott Urwiler, and the rest of the facilities team. The new office locations for the staff members has allowed for five to six additional meeting spaces for ministries throughout the week.

"As we make these moves, there is a need for more remodeling, painting, and general repairs to offices and classrooms," explained Brian Snyder. "If you would like to volunteer to help, contact Ed Jurimas."

Brian is thankful for all the volunteers and the facility team who have helped so far. Purcell Construction donated a week's worth of free service. "If you or your business can donate your time, we would love for you to help with the ways we are making more room for people," Brian added.

Brian currently leads a building team of men who are offering their skills and time — Jerry Braatz, Sr., Rick Chubb, Randy Holberg, and new member, Bill Cariss.

"When Bill Brader passed away last year, God supplied Bill Cariss to sit in his seat and join the building team," said Brian.

"As the new guy on this team, I have taken a crash course in all the groundwork that's been laid (both figuratively and literally) over the past several years," Bill Cariss shared. "It's an exciting time to be part of this as there is a flurry of activity going on right now, such as DEP approvals arriving any day, beginning of construction by our builder, Big Sky Construction, road improvements by the county, utility poles ready to go in by PSE&G, and formalizing our financing with the bank. It's very exciting but also a bit nerve wracking as we try to coordinate all this into a smooth process while maintaining all the normal activities of a busy church like FAC." Bill is very pleased and humbled to serve with such a great group of talented people. He has considerable experience with building projects and funding. Part of his job at Holman Automotive includes overseeing building projects for dealerships in New Jersey and Florida.

"I trust that God will use me to help in any way with this huge undertaking. I can't wait to see this building come 'out of the ground' very shortly!" exclaimed Bill.

Randy Holberg, another volunteer on the building team, also continues to trust God to lead him in serving. He's been involved with the construction of the FAC facility for about 26 years, even before he started attending the weekend services. He was the project architect for the current Sanctuary as well as the classroom and foyer building. Since he and his family moved to the Medford area more than 22 years ago, FAC has been his church home, and he's been involved in the design for most of the

additions and renovations to FAC's existing facilities. After an interview process, his architectural firm was selected to be the architect for the new expansion at FAC.

"As I look back, I can see that there were many times when God was leading and preparing me to be a part of the building team for Kingdom Vision," shared Randy. "God led me to be an architect. He led me to work for my previous employer and begin designing churches. God led me to move my family to Medford, and He led me to FAC. There are so many other decisions and circumstances in my life where I can clearly see how God led me, and I thank and praise Him for each one. I believe God will continue to lead me, and I love serving Him and His people."

As Kingdom Vision moves forward, prayer is an essential part of the entire process. We can't impact the Medford area and the world without praying for God's wisdom and guidance. Our FAC family can be praying for the people involved in the negotiations with banks, the finalization of bids, the installation of waterlines, the relocation of telephone poles, and the widening of roads. Prayer for safety and patience is also needed as there will be disruption to traffic flows as construction continues.

Pastor Marty Berglund, Pastor Brian Snyder, Bill Cariss, Randy Holberg, and the rest of the building team are excited to continue to carry out God's dream for FAC. "We are currently tweaking new designs of the new Sanctuary. The latest photos will be displayed soon in a video online and in the Welcome Center," Brian shared. "Thank you to all the people who have been faithful in giving financially. Keep watching for other opportunities to get involved!"

If you have any questions about the Kingdom Vision ministry, contact Pastor Brian Snyder, brian@myfac.org. If you would like to volunteer in Kingdom Vision, contact Ed Jurimas, edj@myfac.org.