

### **When will the campaign begin?**

Lifestyle Stewardship begins in September.

Specific dates to remember include:

- Friday-Saturday, Sep 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>  
24 Hour Prayer Celebration

(Information packets delivered to each home)

- Sunday Sep 21<sup>st</sup> - Awareness Meetings  
(The Great Day of Fellowship)
- October 26<sup>th</sup> - Celebration Victory  
Sunday

### **When and how will the final decision be made as to whether or not we will move forward with this project? Must pledges total an established minimum dollar amount before construction can commence?**

The decision of whether or not to move ahead with the project will be made by the Admin Board/Church Council. The Admin Board's decision will be based upon input from the Campaign Committee. This decision will most likely be made sometime in November after pledges are made and costs are determined. We have not established a minimum dollar amount that must be pledged prior to final approval.

### **How can we afford to have a capital campaign when our attendance is not growing?**

One of the reasons for our campaign is to help our congregation grow in membership and attendance. Generally speaking, we are drawn to places where we have friends, that are inviting in appearance, and are easily accessible. Therefore, the objective of our campaign is to grow community and

and commitment by providing an attractive gathering space for Andrews Chapel members and visitors to get to know each other and the ministries of Andrews Chapel. As to whether or not we can afford this campaign, the question could be asked, "Can we not afford it?" For sure, the proposed expansion site is expensive and it is a leap of faith, but it is with "seeds of faith" and the belief that in Christ we have "a future with hope" that we are engaging in this very ambitious adventure.

### **Who decided to pursue the project?**

The proposed site expansion reflects feedback gathered from the congregation during Andrew Chapel's two-year Long Range Planning Strategic Process which began in June 2004. During that time, congregation members provided input to our leaders (through committee meetings and a congregational survey) about what they believe God is calling Andrews Chapel to do. This process was followed by four months of interviewing committees, staff, and other groups that use the current facilities of the church.

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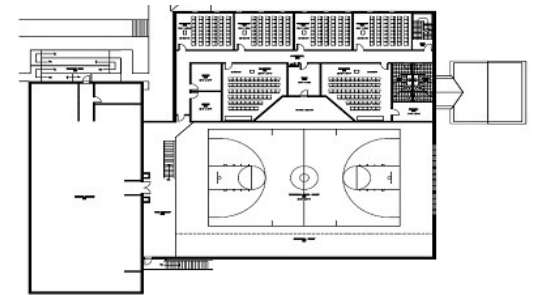
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## ***Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign***



## ***Questions and Answers! #1***

***"I will not offer to God that which costs me nothing"***  
***2 Samuel 24:24***



## ***Questions and Answers Regarding Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign***

### **What is the Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign?**

Our Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign is a financial capital campaign, in which God's people at Andrews Chapel United Methodist Church are asked to make a three year financial commitment beyond their regular giving.

### **Why are we raising capital funds? How will the capital funds be used?**

The funds raised in this campaign will be used to build a new multipurpose fellowship building.

### **Why are we building a Multipurpose Fellowship Facility?**

A multipurpose facility will offer the church many more opportunities for ministry. It will also allow the church congregation to meet together at the same time in a single facility.

### **We've hired an outside consultant to help us with the campaign. Isn't this a lack of faith on our part?**

No more than using an architect or going to the doctor. A consultant is a professional we hire by faith to help raise funds for the new building. Statistics show that churches using a consultant raise an average of double the amount of churches who don't, even with the consultant's fee. This seems very prudent stewardship.

### **How long will the campaign last?**

The actual campaign will only be 4 weeks. However, we will be giving our gifts over a three year period.

### **How much money will we need to raise?**

1.5 Million

### **Don't we already have a lot of money in the bank?**

We do. All of our previous assets have been placed into short term Certificates of Deposit for building purposes.

### **Is this considered part of my tithe?**

No. Your commitment should be above and beyond your regular giving.

### **How much will the building project cost?**

Going forward, the total cost of the building project is estimated to be \$2,000,000.

### **Can Andrews Chapel United Church afford a major building project at this time?**

Yes, we can! This is a big challenge, but through sacrificial giving Andrews Chapel can realize this financial goal. Sacrificial giving means a level of stewardship above and beyond our regular commitment to God of our tithes and offerings. It requires reassessing our spending and readjusting our priorities to meet God's call. Sacrificial giving costs the giver. And through faith, God will enable us to carry out the commitment that he has laid on our hearts. King David demonstrated his understanding of giving in 2 Samuel 24:24 when he wrote, "I will not offer to God that which costs me nothing."

### **Does Andrews Chapel need my contribution?**

Yes! Andrews Chapel needs every member's contribution to its Lifestyle Stewardship campaign. This includes the young, old, singles, couples and families. Because Andrews Chapel members have varying material means and varying financial demands, sacrificial giving will mean

something unique to each member. Sacrificial giving means "not equal gifts, but equal commitment." In the end, the amount of each member's gift is the amount that God leads each to give as a result of prayer. Everyone's gift is equally important to the success of the Lifestyle Stewardship Campaign and equally appreciated by Andrews Chapel. Furthermore, all Andrews Chapel members, despite their financial resources, can contribute to this campaign through prayer as we ask God to guide us and our leaders to conduct this campaign in a God-pleasing way.

To assist members in determining what God is calling them to sacrifice for this campaign, Andrews Chapel is offering a four-week Bible Study on stewardship. The bible study begins on Oct 2. Other helps will also be provided over the next three months.

### **When will financial commitments be received and for what time period will we be asked to commit to over and above giving?**

You will receive a commitment card in the mail the last week of September that can be offered in worship services the first week of October. If you are unable to attend worship, you can mail your commitment card or drop it off at the church office. We will also provide opportunities during the two weeks following commitment Sunday for people to turn in their estimates of giving. Your commitment may be paid out over a three-year period beginning November 9, 2008.

### **Who do I contact if I have other questions?**

These members have agreed to serve in leadership positions, and welcome your inquiries:

Rev. Wimbley Hale, Pastor  
Lester Jackson, Executive Director  
Louis Johnson, Campaign Manager A  
Wilma Hastings, Campaign Manager B  
Randy Reid, Leadership Campaign Director  
Susan Warren, Administrative Director