

**AMBASSADORS PROJECT**  
*Building the Vision*

# FROM YOUR PASTORS

**Faith Church was launched more than 50 years ago with a vision to spread the good news of Jesus Christ in Indianapolis and across the world.**

The Ambassadors Project seeks to build on that vision. The goal is not to create more space, but a facility that communicates and supports our story, our mission, and our values.

We are blessed with good facilities that are the result of people's faithful giving and service, but there are issues we need to address. The carpets are stained and the bathrooms need to be updated. There's little in the facility that tells who we are and why we're here – one current member said she drove by for years and never considered visiting because she didn't know it was a church. Our Welcome Center is tucked away under a balcony. People enter a large, bare lobby which can feel like a space to simply pass through on the way somewhere else. The layout, climate control problems, and lack of furniture discourage people from sticking around and connecting, and our building doesn't help answer guests' most important questions: Where do I go? What do these people believe? Does anyone care that I'm here?

We are a friendly and welcoming congregation, but “winsome” is not just an individual trait. In our culture people are technologically savvy, but lonely and disconnected.

**We need a facility that's welcoming and connects people to our vision and God's mission.**

With input from many people at Faith, we've prioritized a number of significant improvements:

- New welcome and connection spaces, both indoors and outdoors
- Relocated Info Center and dedicated Café space visible on entry
- Updated HVAC, lighting, carpet, windows, and refreshed restrooms
- Updated, visible, and secure Faith Kids area with a family lobby
- Improved signage and security

This project is about creating better space to develop informed, winsome ambassadors of Jesus Christ. It's aimed at addressing the spiritual, emotional, and relational needs of people in our church and community. Imagine what can happen when a body of believers, in one unified church, commits itself to this God-given vision! This is a special season in the life of Faith Church, and a unique opportunity for us all.

This booklet is designed to give you a closer look at important aspects of the project: from building plans and important dates, to your opportunity for personal involvement. We hope it will be helpful, and we pray it will encourage and challenge you as well.

Let's see what God will do when we come together with The Ambassadors Project to build the vision for the next generation of ministry at Faith!



# PAST • PRESENT • FUTURE

## God Centered | Thoughtful Biblical Teaching | Everyone Serving | Cross Cultural Engagement

These are the core values that represent our DNA and define who we are as a church. While the statements were created only recently, these values have been present since the beginning of Faith Missionary Church in 1964. The founders and subsequent generations have been faithful to the mission of the church universal: “To declare the glory of God through the gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth.”

We have always had solid, challenging preaching that faithfully upholds the Word of God. We have always had God-centered ministries that involve a large number of our people. We have always had a heart for sharing the gospel around the world. And we have always had major capital campaigns as we have lived out our faith and our mission.



Faith Church started at 6200 N. Carrollton Ave., but within a few short years outgrew its location in Broad Ripple. A capital campaign began in order to purchase a larger piece of property and to design and build a facility which would allow for growth. A new church sanctuary with a small fellowship hall was built at our current location in Nora and opened in 1979.

Rapid growth led to another campaign in 1984. Adding a large fellowship hall resulted in an explosion of growth, but the new expansion quickly became too small for the 1,350 weekly worshippers. Leaders considered relocating or adding to the facility, but ultimately decided to plant a new church in a vacant manufacturing facility five miles north. In 1991, Grace Community Church was born with nearly half of Faith’s congregation as charter members.



Faith Church remained faithful to its core values but its facility – with a crowded sanctuary and a confusing maze of hallways – stood in the way of growth. In 2001, leaders decided on a significant redesign which included the painful decision to demolish the beautiful but inadequate sanctuary.

Capital campaigns have always come at pivotal points in our history. Right now, God is bringing the nations to our neighborhoods, connecting us with friends and co-workers who need the hope of Jesus, and bringing the next generation through our doors. Our values remain the same. Our mission has not changed. But our facility requires extensive renovations to live out our vision, meet current needs, and prepare for new challenges.



God has given us a vision to create informed and winsome ambassadors to a secular culture, and we need to continue to be faithful to that vision.

**It’s time for the Ambassadors Project.**

# LOOKING AHEAD

## PROJECT DETAILS

### WELCOMING ENTRANCE

A new cross and welcome signage in multiple languages | Vestibule doors for control climate in the lobby

### LOBBY RENOVATION

New large signage and a world map | Rooms 148 and 150 opened to create an information center and dedicated café | Updated bathrooms, lights, HVAC

### FAITH KIDS SECURE CHECK-IN & LOBBY

Faith Kids area visible through the lobby | A friendly and secure check-in leads to a new family lobby

### OFFICE RENOVATION

A new, more secure office entrance with a classroom/conference room

### OUTDOOR CONNECTION SPACE

Exterior connection area softens the look of the church and creates an inviting space



## MINISTRY IMPACT

- A family with elementary kids visits church for the first time. They can see where their kids will go and what Faith Church is about.
- A young Faith family picks up their 2-year-old and connects with visitors; they chat in the family lobby and make plans to get together.
- A community group of single adults living in apartments meets at church in a comfortable space that encourages community.
- Parents drop off their child for Wednesday night ministry. Instead of going to Starbucks, they grab a coffee in the café and connect with other parents and ministry leaders.
- An immigrant couple spends an hour on Tuesday night practicing their English with a conversation partner. They see 150 other adults from around the world doing the same thing in a space that communicates welcome and understanding.
- A senior saint crosses paths with a young mom. They have comfortable connection spots to pray together and encourage each other.

# THE FUNDING PLAN

## How Will We Get There?

The building project has an estimated cost of \$2.5 million. Our vision is to raise the whole cost of the project through this campaign (not taking on long-term debt) and build according to what people give. We dare to believe that with God, this is possible. However, such a God-sized goal will only be accomplished with deep sacrifice and wide participation on the part of the entire Faith Church family.

As the chart demonstrates, the capital campaign will succeed with equal sacrifice, not equal gifts. Some major gifts (“deep” gifts) are needed. Broad-based participation (“wide” gifts) will also be needed. We ask that each person 1) Believe God for what He can do when we step out together in faith, and 2) Prayerfully consider what God would have you to commit towards this project, as God has enabled you to give.

## Will You Join Us?

### INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLDS GIVING TABLE

# Individual Households	3-Year Amount	Weekly Amount	Monthly Amount	Annual Amount	Collective 3-Year	
1	\$400K	\$2,564	\$11,111	\$133,333	\$400K	D E E P
1	\$200K	\$1,282	\$5,556	\$66,667	\$200K	
3	\$100K	\$641	\$2,778	\$33,333	\$300K	
7	\$50K	\$321	\$1,389	\$16,667	\$350K	
10	\$25K	\$160	\$694	\$8,333	\$250K	W I D E
25	\$15K	\$96	\$417	\$5,000	\$375K	
25	\$10K	\$64	\$278	\$3,333	\$250K	
36	\$5K	\$32	\$139	\$1,677	\$180K	
50	\$2.5K	\$16	\$69	\$833	\$125K	
30	\$1.5K	\$10	\$42	\$500	\$45K	
25	\$1K	\$6	\$28	\$333	\$25K	
<b>213</b>					<b>\$2.5 MILLION</b>	

# NEXT STEPS

**This is a big project, bigger than any of us.** That's why we need everyone to be involved, asking God to lead and provide. Here's how you can help our church meet this challenge and grow spiritually:

## DEEPEN YOUR DEVOTION

Spend time with God, in His Word and prayer. Use the weekly prayer guide and bookmark as reminders to guide you. Praise God for His goodness, pray for His work in us through this campaign, and ask for His direction. Ask that God would lead in your decision to make a commitment of personal sacrifice.

## CONSIDER YOUR GIFT

Discuss with your spouse, family, and others how you can take part financially in The Ambassadors Project.

## MAKE A COMMITMENT

Complete the Commitment Card to pledge your involvement and seal it in the envelope provided.

For those attending an Advance Challenge Meeting:

- Return your sealed envelope personally to Chris Frank or the church office by September 23.

For rest of the congregation:

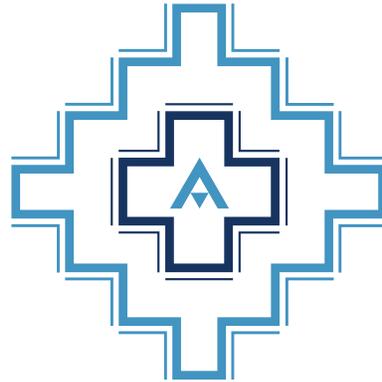
- Return your sealed envelope on Commitment Sunday (October 7) during worship.

## WATCH GOD WORK

We are looking for God's direction and provision. This is an amazing opportunity to see God do a great work among us and through us!

**For more information, visit [faithchurchindy.com](http://faithchurchindy.com)**

## CAMPAIGN LEADERSHIP



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#### **Executive Committee**

Dennis Dawes – Co-Chairman  
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Lydia Vickery – Campaign Administrator

**Advance Commitments** – Stafford Walker

**Arrangements** – Kim Yurek

**Communications** – Janna Baker

**Creative Giving** – Jeremy Davis

**Presentations** – Adam Daulton

**Reminders** – Anne Forbes

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