

MEET THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

God has done great things throughout the month of September, as the building project has continued to move forward. Kick off meetings have occurred with architect Glenn Reinders, the building committee, and the executive team to review plans, schedules, and next steps. An AV subcommittee (John Kraemer, Bernie Kraemer, and Brian Magnus) will connect with the architect and an AV consultant. In response to people's feedback, changes to our plans include expanding the nursery into the current library (and moving the library), building a large storage room under the new kitchen, expanding the new washrooms, and adding more parking. The ministry team leaders have been consulted regarding these changes and are on board. It is great to see the drill rig on site - a true sign that the project is progressing. Thanks to all for your prayers and comments to date. The building is a means to advance God's work. My goal as chair of the building committee is that in each touch point we have during this project, God's light will shine and his kingdom will advance. Feel free to connect with myself or the building committee members should you have a question.

Yours, in Christ,

Mark Dykstra and the Building Committee, Adrian van Eck, Bernie Kraemer, Cora Millar, Jonathan Molyneaux and Brian Magnus



RECENT MILESTONES



- Glenn Reinders was engaged as our Architect! Meetings are underway.
- The Building Team has met with the City of Guelph to understand their approval requirements.
- Soil testing was undertaken to confirm foundation and stormwater management requirements.
- Finance subcommittee led by Jeff Allen is meeting with potential lenders.
- Church incorporation will be finalized by month's end.



NEXT STEPS

- Our Site Plan will be submitted at the beginning of October to the City, and we will await their comments and approval.
- Finalizing Floor Plans - room layout and uses
- Leads from Kitchen Committee and AV/IT Subcommittee to meet with Architect to review needs and discuss opportunities



KEY MILESTONES

- Site Plan Approval - January 2017
- Building Permit Approval - February 2017
- **Start Construction next Spring!**



PRAYER NEEDS

1. Please pray for the newly formed Building Committee and each of its members. Pray that God will provide wisdom and guidance as this team continues the building process.
2. We have applied to the Federal Government for a \$50,000 Accessibility Grant. This is available to help with the costs of sidewalks, washrooms, and elevators. Please pray that our application will be accepted!
3. Pray for the timely submission of our Site Plan to the City of Guelph and Township, where at least 21 different departments will be commenting on it. Please pray that the approval process proceeds quickly and without many required changes!
4. Praise God that the ongoing monthly giving is meeting our budget.
5. Praise God that \$262,000 in pledges have been given to date. This includes \$50,000 in advance pledges.