

GARAGE/WORKSHOP CONSTRUCTION

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Why Build a Garage/Workshop and Purchase a Skid Steer?

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How can I help?

- Pray for our staff. Ask God to protect and bless their work.
- Pray for our work. Ask God to bless those with whom we interact on these projects and to give us opportunities to share our faith as good stewards of His resources.
- Give generously to the Lord's work. Your gift now will help us complete this project on time.

What is the goal of Living Above & Beyond?

- *See reverse side.*

Will Bethel Church ever go into debt again?

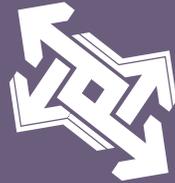
- Our commitment is to have a strong bias toward having little or no debt. We are hesitant to say we will never have debt because we recognize the next generation of elders and pastoral leaders may discern debt as an appropriate way to achieve the mission of the church.

How do I give to Living Above & Beyond?

- You can give online or by a check to Bethel. Just designate "Living Above & Beyond" or "LAB" in the memo.

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Our History

God has graciously provided our current facilities through two large building projects – one in 1994 and one in 2004. In 2007 we began offering Financial Peace University classes to help our congregation understand biblical financial principles. During a focused campaign in 2010, called Momentum, over 300 families took these classes, and to date over 600 families have benefited from this instruction.

In January of 2012, \$2.3 million dollars of building debt remained, we had no emergency reserve funds, and we used a line of credit to manage our expenses. Eight years later, through the good stewardship and generosity of God's people, we have eliminated this debt, established an emergency reserve, and no longer need the line of credit. In this short time, we have also been able to improve staff salaries and benefits, increase ministry and mission budgets, and start several new ministries.

Our Future

In order to be good stewards of our aging facilities we have invested over \$2 million dollars in necessary maintenance during the last seven years to repair/replace roofs, sound and video systems, carpet, parking, heating and air conditioning equipment, etc. We have done remodels of the Choir Room, Solid Grounds, FLC and a complete renovation of the kitchens. Expenses like these are normal and will continue. Funds are regularly budgeted to address regular maintenance and smaller capital expenses.

To fund larger projects, the Bethel Administrative Council and Elders have decided to continue to receive designated funds through the Living Above and Beyond channel, choosing one project at a time for the Bethel family to consider.

After much prayer and evaluation, the next project will be the construction of a garage/workshop and the purchase of a skid steer. The construction of the garage in the north parking lot is already done, so that it could be used this past winter. This project cost \$80,000. We have already received \$50,000 and invite the congregation to consider an additional Living Above and Beyond gift or pledge to help us complete the project this spring.



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