



MINISTRY CAMPAIGN CASE STATEMENT

LIBERTY LAKE COMMUNITY CHURCH

◆ We Open With Prayer

Through the “Imagine a Place” campaign we emphasize the importance of prayer. In fact, prayer is without a doubt, the key to the success or failure of this campaign. It is difficult to add financial commitments to our monthly budgets that significantly stretch us. Yet, that is exactly what you are being asked to do in this campaign. This is a huge leap of faith for our congregation. Remember, the power resides not in us but in Him. There are two main reasons why prayer is essential. First, we are talking about spiritual work with eternal implications. Any spiritual work must come from His power and provisions, not our own abilities. Spiritual strides are made on our knees in humble dependence on Him. Second, giving is a matter of the heart, and only God can move hearts. Prayer exposes us so that our hearts can be brought into alignment with His heart, and we become convinced of the part that God wants us to play in this effort. We are asking you to make investments in eternity.

◆ God’s Faithfulness (History)

Below is a timeline of our church and how our facility use has unfolded over the years.

Founded Land Donated 1953	Ray Reuf Pastor 1965	Jim Mikos Pastor 1989	Dave Butler Pastor 1998	New Land Deal 2006
	Worship Center Completed	Added: Present Office Area, Classrooms, Education Bldg Remodeled: Basement and Sanctuary	2003 Started looking for land	2005 Telect temp. location

◆ Our Vision

“Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left...” **(Isaiah 45:2, 3a)**

“From the fullness of His grace we have all received one blessing after another.” **(John 1:16)**

It is the time to “imagine” and the time to put our faith to work. Our church has been blessed in so many ways...with a congregation that continues to grow and outreach, and with our current church facility in that it has provided the opportunity for that growth. We want to build upon this foundation and embrace the future with an open “imagination” of what God wants to accomplish through Liberty Lake Christian Church.

It is our vision to build a facility that can host life changing conferences, music programs, concerts, missions programs, mid-week Bible studies and an expanded Kids R.O.C.K. Imagine a facility able to seat all the parents comfortably at the children’s programs or the entire congregation for special services. Not only will our church family benefit from a new facility, but the community will as well.

Imagine offering after-school youth programs such as Upward Basketball, which strives to build character in our youth or a facility for wedding receptions, dramas, and the list goes on.

We understand that we are not building a church but rather a facility to meet the needs of the church, the community and our dying world. Please join us in asking God how we can participate in this Vision.

◆ **Our Building Vision**

This “place” we plan to build will carry with it the legacy of the past, the dedication of the present, and the growth of the future members of Liberty Lake Christian Church. It will fill current needs and enable a discipleship and outreach opportunity beyond our wildest imagination. It will seem large in comparison; but definitely warm and inviting. The church building will be located in the heart of the community...perhaps becoming a new cornerstone that welcomes both the near and those from a distance in search of a new church home.

But let us not forget that a church is not built for *our* pleasure or comfort. As King David stated when addressing an assembly about building a temple of awesome proportion, “The task is great, because this palatial structure is not for man but for the Lord God.” (**1 Chronicles 29:1**)

◆ **Our Master Plan**

With God’s direction and membership approval, Liberty Lake Community Church found and purchased the 4.3 acre campus site for our new facility. The Mission Avenue site included the 9000 square foot Stepping Stone Child Care building.

The Two Part Expansion Plan

The development of this site requires two separate plans/programs:

1. The merging of our Liberty Lake Christian Child Care and School with the existing Stepping Stone Child Development Center. This merger was completed in September and the new Stepping Stone Christian Child Care and School opening with over 160 children and a waiting list.
2. The second part of this plan is the construction of the new facility on the adjacent acreage.

The Building Process: The process consists of three separate activities:

1. Planning, design and cost analysis: The architect and builder will work with the input from the members and ministries to complete the final design and determine the cost of each phase.
2. Gathering of Assets: This will include the selling of the Real Estate assets, the raising of funds through the Ministry Campaign and the securing of a Bank loans for construction and interim financing.
3. The “Phased Approach” to building the new facility: Over the next few years or shorter, as the Lord directs...we are seeking to build the new facility in two phases.
 - a. Phase One would construct a 20,000 square foot Community/Worship Center that includes a Gym/Community Center, kitchen, administrative offices, a few classrooms, landscaping and parking. The new facility will be attached to the School
 - b. Phase Two would add another 20,000 square feet and would include a 300-500 person Worship Center, expand the foyer and add additional space for meeting rooms and ministry specific areas.

The Timetable:

The Planning, design and cost analysis has begun and will be completed early in 2007. The construction could start as early as summer of 2007 but will move as fast as God’s wishes and the funding allows. The construction period should be 6-8 months.

Conclusions: All building projects take planning, time and finances. With God’s direction, your prayers, and help we will move forward toward the completion of a new and wonderful facility, and become closer to God and one another in the process.

◆ **Our Ministry Campaign**

We began this ministry campaign to specifically build the Kingdom of God through facilities which help reach the needs of people. There are examples in scripture where people were asked to give over and above the normal tithe to the church and in each case; a specific request was made for resources to meet a specific need related to the Kingdom of God.* Our goal is \$750,000.00 in financial commitments from our church family. There are three steps to get to this goal. First, pray whether God would have you make this investment in eternity. Only He can change hearts by aligning our hearts with His. We encourage you to listen and follow His leading in how he wants you to participate. Second, this is a three year commitment that is to be made over and above your normal tithing to the church. We must continue to support the ongoing ministry of our church as we finance the new building. For many, this will require sacrificial giving. Finally, make your financial commitment by filling out the enclosed pledge card and place it in the Celebration Offering to be taken on Sunday, March 11th, the close of our campaign. This is not a contract which you will be obligated to pay but rather a commitment you will make with God and fulfill as He provides the resources. Remember it truly is about the amount of the sacrifice, not the amount of the gift.

Exodus 25:1-2 and 35:4-5 - The building of the Tabernacle
 2 Corinthians 8:7, 10-12 and 9:5-14- Paul in the New Testament

◆ **Making Your Commitment**

“Imagine a Place” that will help people come to know Christ personally and grow into fully devoted followers of Him. There is no better investment for the future than an investment in eternity. The Apostle Paul said, when we make such eternal investments we “...lay up treasures for ourselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that we may take hold of the life that is truly life. (1 Timothy 6:19)” Some ways to give:

- ✓ Cash Gifts – May be made from savings or from current income. The Giving Chart show how quickly cash gifts add up over time.
- ✓ Gifts of Stock- May be made by giving the stock to the church. This is often a desirable way to give, particularly in markets which have produced significant growth in investments. By giving a gift of stock, the giver avoids capital gains taxes on the investment growth and is eligible for a tax deduction equal to the full current amount of the stock gift. (Actual value of gift is equal to the mean of the high and low stock price on the day of transaction.)
- ✓ Gifts of Property- Such as land, rental property, or almost any other personal property can be made to the campaign. By giving gifts of property, the giver will generally avoid capital gains taxes and will be eligible for the full current value of the gift
- ✓ Paid-Up Whole Life Insurance Policies- Can be given to the ministry campaign.
- ✓ Mutual Fund Shares- Can be transferred to the church, avoiding capital gains and allowing for the full current value of the gift.
- ✓ Gifts-In-Kind- Gifts of construction supplies and/or services can have a major impact on a church’s ability to successfully complete its project.

*The Giving Chart below illustrates how your weekly or monthly commitment can make a large difference over the next three years.

Giving Chart

Wk	Mth	Qtr	Yr	3-Yr	Wk	Mth	Qtr	Yr	3-Yr
\$10	43	130	520	1,560	\$100	433	1,300	5,200	15,600
\$15	65	195	780	2,340	\$200	867	2,600	10,400	31,200
\$20	87	260	1,040	3,120	\$300	1,300	3,900	15,600	46,800
\$25	108	325	1,300	3,900	\$400	1,733	5,200	20,800	62,400
\$30	130	390	1,560	4,680	\$500	2,176	6,500	26,000	78,000
\$40	173	520	2,080	6,240	\$600	2,600	7,800	31,200	93,600
\$50	217	650	2,600	7,800	\$700	3,033	9,100	36,400	109,200
\$60	260	780	3,120	9,360	\$800	3,466	10,400	41,600	124,800
\$70	303	910	3,640	10,920	\$900	3,900	11,700	46,800	140,400
\$80	347	1,040	4,160	12,480	\$1,000	4,333	13,000	52,000	156,000

◆ **Pastoral Letter – Dave Butler**

Dearest Liberty Lake Family:

Surfers say there is nothing like catching a wave and riding its incredible power. It works the same way for the people of God. When God begins moving in the lives of the people of faith, it's time to ride the wave of His working. God has given us another new opportunity to see His power and presence. He is moving in wonderful ways. All we need to do is catch the wave and go with Him!

God's power is vital for our fellowship to fulfill its vision and mandate of making disciples for generations to come. Past generations of Liberty Lake Community Church had the opportunity to see God provide again and again for the fellowship's facility needs and, by being witnesses of the Lord's provision, it inspired those saints to live the life of faith. Now, a new generation of believers has come to our fellowship from our growing area. These believers need to have the opportunity to see God's power and provision at work so that they can follow the call of God to walk in faith and obedience too.

Let me ask you to think of a time when you saw God powerfully at work in your life. Do you remember what it was like watching God do His wonders? Truly, He is the God who can do "more abundantly than all that we ask or think." Join me in the excitement and the confidence that a new wave of the Lord's awesome power is moving in our fellowship.

Faithfully yours,
Pastor Dave