

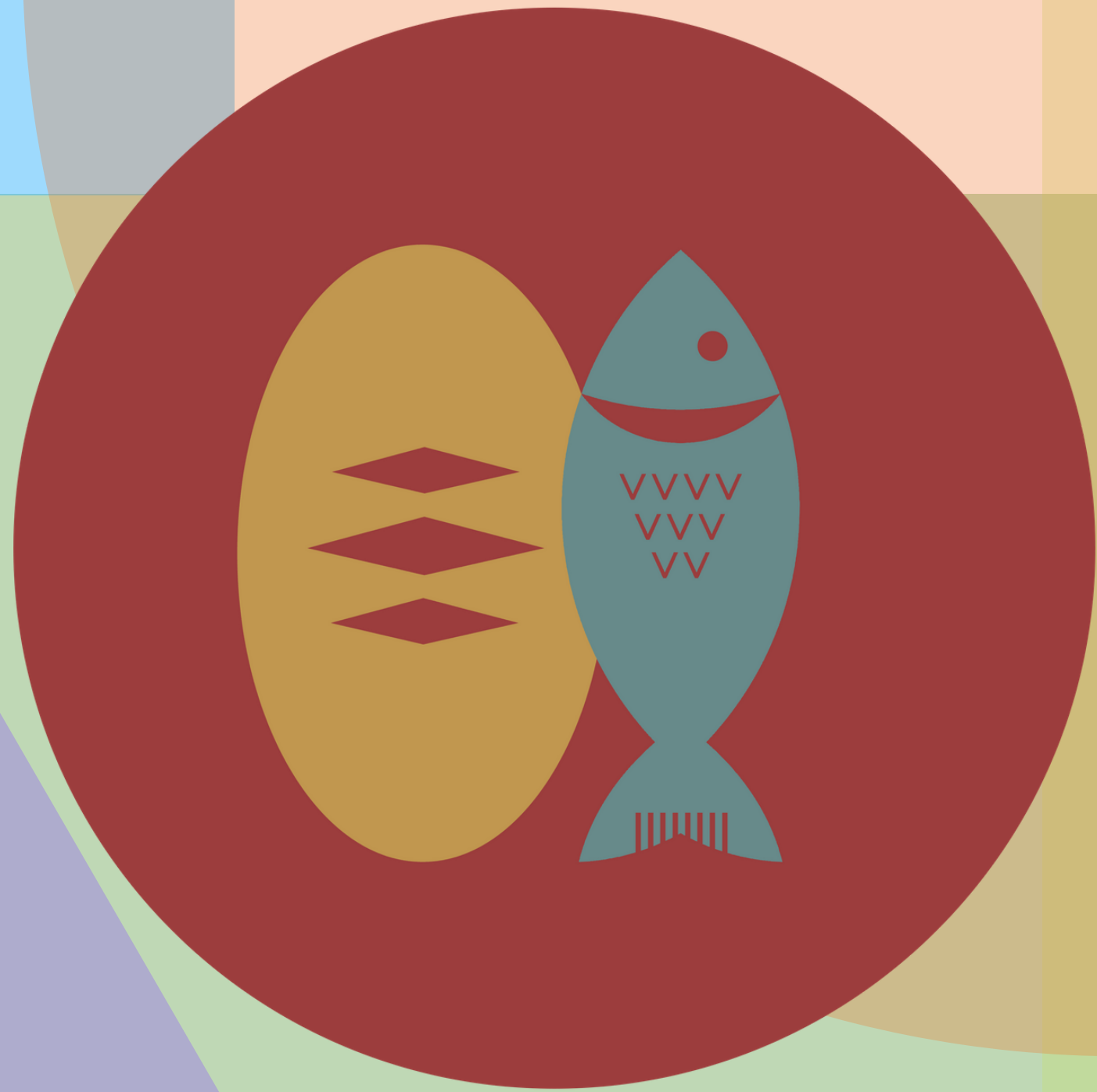
**HERE.  
FOR GOOD.**



THE CAMPAIGN FOR  
LEWISVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH



**PRAY  
THINK  
TALK  
GIVE**



A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of His household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit.

EPHESIANS 2:19-22

# WE ARE HERE. AND IT IS GOOD.

It's been a long road that has brought us back to where we started. But exploring every reasonable option, and even now the disruption of this pandemic, surprisingly, has solidified our firm conviction that we belong right here.

That certainty will be crucial. Creating a new church on this site will be demanding, disruptive and expensive. Many inconveniences and surprises lie ahead, as well as personal sacrifices.

We set out sobered by the distance we must cover. But we are also allowing ourselves to feel the excitement of depending on God.

How will He reveal Himself among us in this project? What will He do to increase our faith? What will He teach us that will empower our future ministry? As we offer our best to Him, these are the gifts He gives to us.

We enjoy reminding each other that we are here, together, to serve. Now we begin a new journey. Armed with clarity, conviction and a carefully drawn plan, it's time to act. And that is good

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Gordon MacLeod". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pastor Gordon MacLeod.

# WHY ARE WE HERE?

## For Worship

... to align our hearts with our Creator, to grow towards Him in every way

## For Witness

... to guide our friends and family and neighbours to Jesus Christ

## For Each Other

... to lift each other up in daily life, and help each other grow in faith

## For Our Neighbours

... to feel their hurts, to ease their struggles, and spark joy in their lives

## For Lewisville and the World

... to invest ourselves in the needs and concerns of the entire community

We arrived at Lewisville broken, desperately needing comfort, friendship, healing and hope. Lewisville affirms week after week that we're not alone, we all will have struggles in this world. They also remind us that people were not created to "fix" all our problems but God through people at this church is bringing us more of Him. I know the city is filled with people in need of this same comfort and hope.

- Kara Thomson





# OUR MISSION

# HERE TO SERVE



## FOR MY FAMILY AND I, THIS CHURCH HAS BEEN

A city of refuge while fleeing,  
An innkeeper's house while healing,  
A fishing boat full of friends  
while learning difficult lessons,  
Green pastures while growing,  
And an upper room to remember.

Erin Eastwood Allen

**TOGETHER WE WILL USE GOD'S GIFTS TO SPREAD THE  
GOOD NEWS BY SHOWING LOVE, SHARING LIFE,  
AND SERVING GRACE TO EVERYONE AROUND US  
BECAUSE HE LOVED US FIRST.**

"...we were very happy to share with you not only the gospel of God  
but also our lives—because you had become so dear to us."  
- 1 Thessalonians 2:8

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"One April afternoon in the face of an enormous fire next door, we urgently evacuated our daycare children. What a setback; tens of thousands of dollars in damage, and every item in our daycare requiring inspection for contamination from toxic smoke. The next night, Pastor Gordon MacLeod of Lewisville Baptist Church called and offered the church building to accommodate our 150 children during our period of desperate need. We were absolutely amazed by this incredible act of kindness, of true generosity and goodwill. The church demonstrated that we are all in this as a team, regardless of boundaries, religion, language or age - a lesson that sank in one morning as we watched our children walk around the church gym, hand in hand with members of the seniors' walking club."

# MORE LEWISVILLE THAN EVER

Lewisville Baptist Church has been serving the community of Lewisville for almost 190 years, a legacy we cherish. In this era we have acted on the simple and empowering conviction that we are here to serve. And we have lived that out.

Together, we enable and inspire each other take the next step toward God and good in our lives. We know Lewisville as a place where our joys and sorrows are deeply shared, where people are pointed to Jesus Christ, and where grace wins.

Together, we look beyond our walls, with acts of compassion, hospitality and support for our neighbours. We are known for generosity of spirit, for initiating programs that meet community needs, and joining efforts to improve life for everyone in Lewisville.

But we are humbly restless to do more. We want deeper faith and more spiritual growth. We want broader outreach, to touch more lives and make a bigger difference among our church family and in the world.

## WE WANT TO BE MORE LEWISVILLE THAN EVER BEFORE



"Circuit Riding Preacher" by Rik Berry



## FEATURES OF OUR RENEWED HOME TO COME

A welcoming, spacious lobby that can be used in several ways

Space for youth and young adult ministry, facilitating various sized groups

Dedicated space designed specifically for children's ministry

Flexible, larger support space for worship

Ample washrooms

Accessible throughout

A compact and efficient office cluster for ministry and administrative staff

Up-to-date safety standards

An atmosphere that communicates respect for our people and our guests



## WHAT WE GAIN

A safe and modern space for worship and fellowship

Greater capacity for education and discipleship

The freedom to introduce new initiatives and respond to needs

The ability to have more than one event at a time

More space and space that is also more inviting to welcome in the community

Fewer perpetual tear downs and resets

Many fewer crises and disruptions because of aged and exhausted infrastructure

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We don't yet know how God will lead us to serve with updated facilities. But think of kids, youth, moms, dads, sons, daughters, seniors. Think of those who are forgotten and excluded. Think about how God might direct us to serve when we have more capacity and many fewer hindrances.

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TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$5 MILLION

BORROWING CAPACITY

\$3 MILLION



In our careers we feel privileged to serve the community. As a family at Lewisville, it is a privilege to serve in a similar way, not only life changing, and life saving, but life giving. Increased resources will increase the ability to serve others.

Looking forward to what God has planned for the next chapter at Lewisville. Let's dream big!

- David and Karen Candy



# Financial Overview



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## OUR PROJECT SCHEDULE



“At Teen Challenge, we believe we are an extension of the local church and for that reason, are so appreciative of the love and service Lewisville has offered over the past years. Whether it be through visits, meals shared, sharing in chapel and musical gifts, it has all added to accomplishing our goal of working towards the recovery of those fighting addiction. Your service makes an impact we are incredibly grateful for.”

-Nathan Barbour  
Teen Challenge Atlantic Men's Centre

### MAY 2020

- Design/Development

### OCTOBER 2020

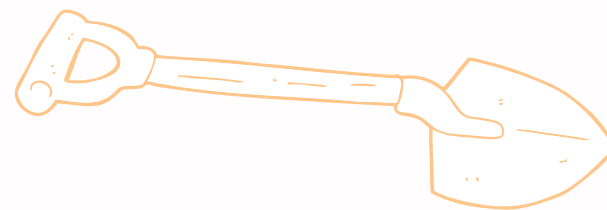
- Here. For Good. campaign presentations and discussion
- Individuals and families consider their commitments
- Renovation Phase 1 begins

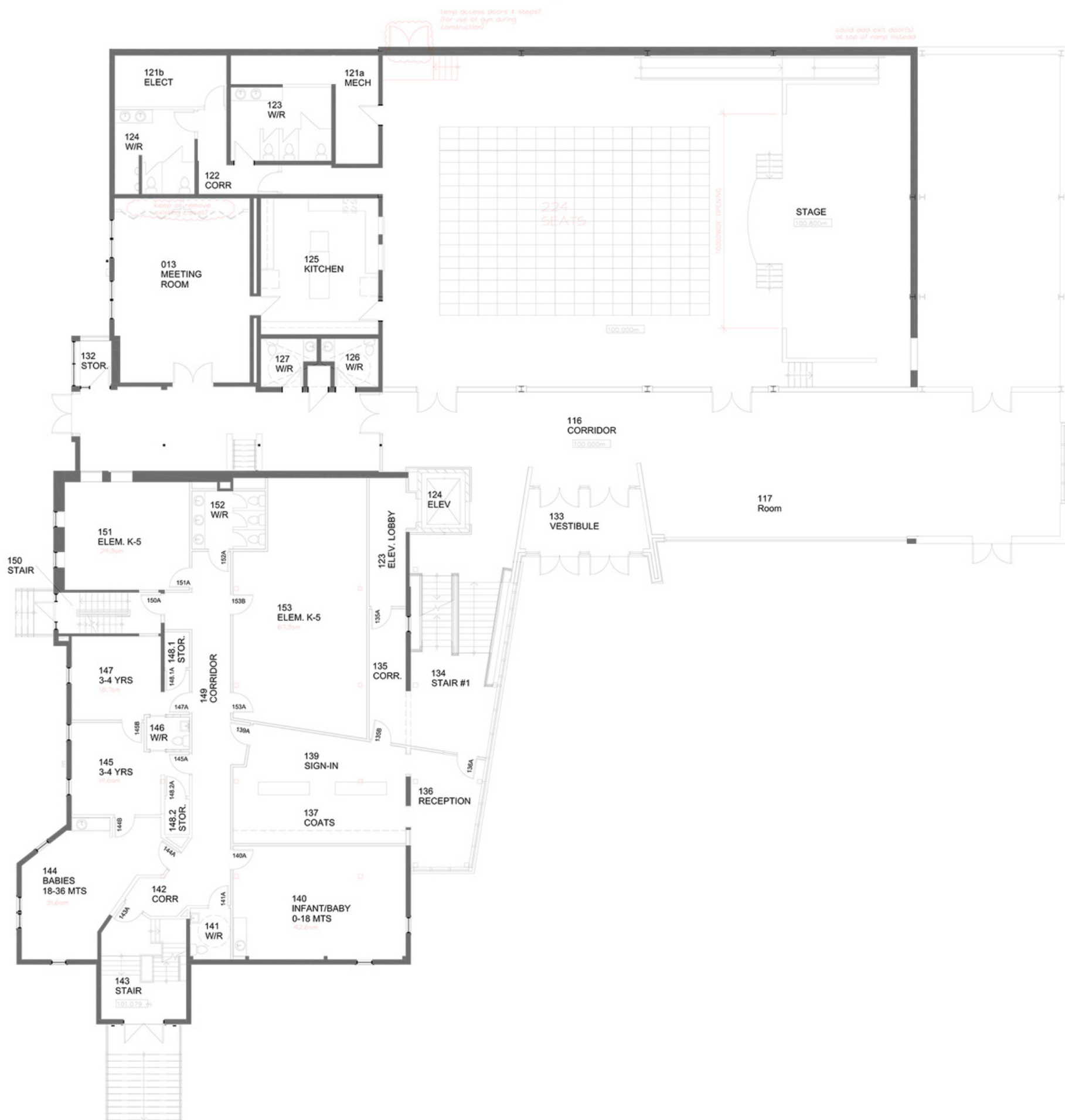
### NOVEMBER 2020

- Fundraising Update

### JANUARY 2020

- Moment of individual/family commitment
- Announcement of results and celebration
- Report to all donors and to the congregation
- Implement pledge fulfillment process





PRELIMINARY  
**CONCEPT**  
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## GOOD GIFTS

"I run a small, specialized school for kids with learning exceptionalities, and it's a constant struggle to keep the dream afloat. At a time when things were particularly challenging, a church I knew almost nothing about came along and offered to help. Their kids camp raised money for us, they sent people over to help with repairs and upgrades - for no reason and out of the blue. I love being part of a community where things like this can happen, and I'm rooting for Lewisville Baptist Church in this project!"

- Rebecca Halliday  
Riverbend Community School

## PEOPLE > BUILDINGS

"When I first came I was 40, questioning, scared and confused about Christianity. From day one, I was accepted, encouraged and coached patiently and at my speed. Since my arrival, we've gone through a number of significant changes in approach, style and perspective. Lewisville has become a beacon for the lost and hurt. We are very good at providing a comfortable home for learning through the worship, the message and the programs. Our mantra of being "here to serve" is spot on!

The changes that I mentioned have led us down a path of growth. For all the right reasons. God's hand is firmly on us and part of our responsibility includes taking necessary steps and walking through doors that are opened for us to continue to do our utmost until He leads us elsewhere. Currently, we are already struggling to make things work and, in some areas, are crippled. Expanding into (and beyond) our current needs is our next step and part of that basic responsibility that we have been entrusted with."

- Lloyd Taylor



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PROJECT COST: \$5 MILLION



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## A DAUNTING CHALLENGE. BUT IMPACT FOR GENERATIONS

We thank God for the gift Lewisville people have been in our lives. We are grateful for God's presence here, for the spirit of service, and that the life we share here together benefits thousands of people outside our church.

We believe God is calling us to greater impact in the wider community and with each other. Having a home base that is inviting, accessible, welcoming, flexible and useful is crucial.

That's why we agreed to act as co-chairs of our Here. For Good. campaign.

We recognize that the goal is daunting. We also know it's been a moving target. But regardless of setbacks and even global pandemics, we are motivated by knowing that the investment we make now will generate an impact that lasts for decades.

So, we urge everyone to consider carefully what they will give. Creating the ministry space we need will require exceptional acts of faith and generosity. Earlier generations did exactly that to create the Lewisville we know and love – and it's time for us to do it again, for our ministry today, and for generations to come.

Matthew Barbour & Jillian Somers  
Co-Chairs  
Here. For Good.



# HOW TO GIVE

Every gift to **Here. For Good.** will directly grow the capacity of Lewisville Baptist to minister to the community, today and for a generation or more to come.

Each gift will be gratefully received, recorded and recognized in an appropriate manner.

You have several options for making your gift to the **Here. For Good.** campaign. All gifts will remain confidential and receive tax credit to the full extent allowed by law.

**Charitable Registration Number:**  
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## GIFTS OF CASH

Cash gifts provide immediate resources to Lewisville and advance the project timetable.



## GIFTS BY PLEDGE

With a pledge period of up to three years, you are able to budget for your donation, while Lewisville can plan the most effective means of accomplishing its goals.



## GIFTS OF SECURITIES OR PERSONAL PROPERTY

Gifts in this form may be advantageous to certain donors. Inquire with the campaign co-chairs or the church office for more information. (Please obtain independent financial advice about the tax or other specific implications of such a donation.)

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Cheques or financial directives should be directed to **Lewisville Baptist Church** and designated for "*Here. For Good.*" or "*Capital Campaign*". As with all your support for the ministry of Lewisville Baptist Church, your gifts to "*Here. For Good.*" are confidential.

**Pre-authorized giving** – We would be delighted for you to support *Here. For Good* and the ministry of Lewisville through a pre-authorized monthly gift from your bank account or credit card. Please contact our office and the church will make that arrangement.

# MY NOTES

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# LET'S BE IN TOUCH

FOR INFORMATION ON ANY ASPECT OF  
THE CAMPAIGN OR THE PROJECT  
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