

TABERNACLE
BAPTIST
CHURCH

GROWING TOGETHER

FOR THE GOOD OF ALL AND TO THE GLORY OF GOD

STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE OVERVIEW


WE DESIRE TO BE
TRANSFORMED BY
CHRIST AND TO SEE
TRANSFORMATION
FOR CHRIST FOR THE
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LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

One of the greatest joys of serving as your pastor is watching God continue to answer prayers that many of us have prayed for years. We have prayed that God would grow His church—not only deep in spiritual maturity, but also wide in gospel influence. By God's grace, those prayers are being answered. We've prayed for growth, and it's happening!

That reality calls us to faithful stewardship in this present moment of momentum.

Nearly forty years ago, faithful members made the courageous decision to relocate our church to this campus. They sacrificed, planned, and prepared a place for a generation they would never fully know. Because of their faithfulness, countless lives—including many of ours—have been transformed by Christ within these walls. Today, we have the privilege of continuing that legacy.

Over the past decade, God has allowed us to accomplish something truly remarkable together. Through your generosity and God's faithful provision, we have retired our remaining indebtedness, addressed millions of dollars in deferred maintenance, and transformed many of our ministry spaces through the Envisioning Transformation initiative. Those investments strengthened our church for this present season of ministry. Today, as God continues to bring new people into our fellowship, we have the opportunity to complete the next chapter by transforming several remaining ministry spaces that have yet to receive the same thoughtful attention.

The Apostle Paul reminds us that growth is God's design for His Church:

> *"Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ... from whom the whole body, joined and held together by 3 every joint with which it is equipped... makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love." Ephesians 4:15–16*

That is the heart behind Growing Together. This initiative is not driven by crisis but by opportunity. We are not transforming our campus because we hope God will begin working—we are transforming our campus because God is already at work. As we faithfully steward what God has entrusted to us today, we prepare the way for future generations to experience the same life-changing gospel that has transformed ours.

Thank you for your faithful generosity, your steadfast prayers, and your unwavering commitment to the mission of Tabernacle Baptist Church. I invite you to prayerfully consider how God would have you participate in this exciting season of ministry. Together, let us continue Growing Together as we are transformed by Christ and see transformation for Christ for the good of all and to the glory of God.

Expecting His Best,
Dr. Stephen V. Allen, Senior Pastor

THE VISION

For years, we have prayed that God would grow His church both deeper in spiritual maturity and wider in gospel influence. Today, we are witnessing those prayers being answered! As we continue calling our congregation to steward every area of life, now is the right time to steward one of our greatest ministry resources —our campus. Growing Together is our opportunity to steward God's blessings by preparing our campus for the people He is already bringing.









WHY GROW TOGETHER?

God has always called His people to prepare faithfully for the work He is already accomplishing. Throughout Scripture, seasons of spiritual growth were accompanied by seasons of faithful stewardship. God's people prepared places to worship, welcomed strangers with hospitality, and created environments where future generations could know and follow Him. Today, we find ourselves in one of those moments.

Over the past several years, God has blessed Tabernacle Baptist Church with renewed momentum. As faithful stewards, we now have the opportunity to prepare our campus for the people God is already bringing and for those He has yet to bring. We need to go "All-In" on Growing Together.

Growing Together is built upon two simple convictions:

- Growing Together in Worship: Worship should inspire wholehearted devotion that leads to transformed lives.
- Growing Together in Hospitality: Hospitality should communicate genuine belonging that cultivates lifelong transformation.

Everything in this stewardship initiative supports one or more of these priorities.



WHY NOW?



God Has Been Faithful

God has answered prayers we have prayed for years. Our church is experiencing renewed momentum. **We've prayed for growth—and it's happening!**

God Has Prepared Us

Over the past decade, we have retired our remaining indebtedness, invested millions of dollars into deferred maintenance, and transformed significant ministry spaces. Together, we have strengthened the foundation for future ministry.





God Has Entrusted Us

Our campus is one of God's greatest resources for ministry. Faithful stewardship means preparing these spaces for the people God is already bringing and soon will bring into our family.

God Is Calling Us

Growing Together gives physical manifestation to our desire for people to practice whole-life stewardship . As we steward every area of life for Christ, we also steward the campus He has entrusted to us for future generations.

God Will Be Glorified

This initiative is about fulfilling our vision to be transformed and see transformation. It is about creating environments where worship flourishes, hospitality welcomes, and disciples are made—for the good of all and to the glory of God.

GROWING TOGETHER IN WORSHIP

"OH COME, LET US WORSHIP AND BOW DOWN; LET US KNEEL BEFORE THE LORD, OUR MAKER!" PSALM 95:6

The Worship Center is the heart of our gathered life as a church. Week after week, this is where we gather to lift our voices in praise and respond together to His calling. As God continues to grow our church, we have the opportunity to transform this space so it better serves every generation that gathers here to worship.

OUR GOALS

Enhance the Worship Experience
Create an environment that removes distractions and allows people to focus more fully on Christ.

Improve Accessibility and Flexibility
Ensure our Worship Center effectively serves people of every age and ability while preparing for future ministry needs.

Invest in Excellence for Future Generations
Strengthen the Worship Center through thoughtful improvements that will faithfully serve our congregation for decades to come.

Strategic Investments Include

- Platform expansion
- Audio System Improvement
- Flooring replacement
- Organ integration
- Platform accessibility improvements
- House lighting upgrades
- Seating refurbishment
- Acoustical enhancements
- Theatrical lighting improvements
- Interior painting



GROWING TOGETHER IN HOSPITALITY

"THEREFORE WELCOME ONE ANOTHER AS CHRIST HAS WELCOMED YOU, FOR THE GLORY OF GOD."ROMANS 15:7

Hospitality begins long before worship starts. Every driveway, parking space, sidewalk, sign, doorway, and greeting communicates a sense of welcome and invitation. As God continues bringing new people to Tabernacle, we can transform our campus so that every guest experiences belonging from the moment they arrive.

OUR GOALS

Create Outstanding First Impressions
Help every guest feel expected, welcomed, and valued from their very first visit.

Improve Safety and Accessibility
Provide clear pathways, well-maintained parking areas, and thoughtful wayfinding that remove unnecessary barriers for guests of every age and stage of life.

Strengthen Guest Connections
Design spaces that encourage meaningful conversations and help guests take their next step toward becoming part of the Tabernacle family.

Strategic Investments Include

- Parking lot improvements
- Exterior directional signage
- Guest connection environments.
- Designated guest parking
- Interior wayfinding signage
- Security enhancements



IT'S GOING TO TAKE ALL OF US

To make this plan a reality, we all must put our trust in God and step forward in faith together. Our prayer is that the entire church will joyously embrace God's plan for Tabernacle Baptist Church. Below is an example of how we might achieve our goal:

NUMBER OF GIFTS	GIFT AMOUNT	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GIFTS	CUMULATIVE TOTAL	DAILY GIFT BASED ON 6 MONTHS
2	$100,000	$200,000	$200,000	$547.95
7	$50,000	$350,000	$550,000	$273.97
8	$25,000	$200,000	$750,000	$136.99
9	$10,000	$90,000	$840,000	$54.79
12	$7,500	$90,000	$930,000	$41.10
16	$5,000	$80,000	$1,010,000	$27.40
18	$4,000	$72,000	$1,082,000	$21.92
22	$3,000	$66,000	$1,148,000	$16.44
27	$2,500	$67,500	$1,215,500	$13.70
34	$2,000	$68,000	$1,283,500	$10.96
43	$1,500	$64,500	$1,348,000	$8.22
52	$1,000	$52,000	$1,400,000	$5.48
250		**$1,400,000**		

TOTAL PROJECT COST $1,400,000

HOW WE WILL GIVE

"EACH ONE MUST GIVE AS HE HAS DECIDED IN HIS HEART, NOT RELUCTANTLY OR UNDER COMPULSION, FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER." 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

As God has faithfully provided for Tabernacle through the years, He has consistently worked through the willing hearts of His people. This initiative invites each of us to prayerfully consider how God would have us participate in preparing our campus for the ministry He is already accomplishing and the people He has yet to bring.

On **November 15, 2026**, we will officially launch the Growing Together stewardship initiative. From that date through **January 17, 2027**, we invite you to prayerfully consider making a gift or financial commitment toward this important effort. At the conclusion of this commitment period, we will evaluate the gifts and pledges received to determine the available budget and prioritize projects accordingly. As you consider your participation, we encourage you to seek God's guidance in determining how you can give sacrificially, above and beyond your regular tithes and offerings, to help bring this vision to life.

No gift is too small when it is offered in faith. Our goal is not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice. As each member responds in obedience, God weaves our individual acts of generosity into a shared testimony of His faithfulness.



WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

We recognize that every family's situation is different. Some may choose to make a one-time gift, while others may prefer to give over a period. Every gift, regardless of size or method, helps prepare our campus for future ministry.

You may participate through:

- One-Time Gifts
- Recurring Commitments
- Gifts of Appreciated Securities or Other Non-Cash Assets
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (for those who qualify)

OUR COMMITMENT

As with previous stewardship initiatives, we are committed to exercising wise and faithful stewardship. Projects will be prioritized according to available resources, allowing us to move forward responsibly while honoring the generosity of God's people.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How were these projects selected?

The projects included in Growing Together originated from a comprehensive assessment of our campus conducted by the Facilities Overview Team. The Team identified the facility improvements most needed to support the future ministry of Tabernacle Baptist Church. Their recommendations were then prayerfully reviewed and affirmed by the Church Ministry Council, the Properties Committee, and the Deacon Administrative Council before being adopted as the priorities for this stewardship initiative.

How much are we seeking to raise?

The initiative goal reflects the estimated cost of completing the projects included in Growing Together. As costs are finalized and work progresses, projects will be completed according to available resources and the priorities established by church leadership. We anticipate the total cost at around $1.4 million.

Will the church incur additional debt?

Our desire is to continue exercising wise stewardship. As in previous initiatives, projects will move forward responsibly as resources become available and according to the direction of church leadership. It is our intention to complete these projects without incurring new indebtedness.

How can I participate?

Every member has an opportunity to participate. Some will give a one-time gift, while others will make a commitment over time. Our prayer is not for equal gifts, but for every person to seek God's direction and respond with joyful obedience.



How will I know the progress of the initiative?

Throughout the campaign, regular updates will be shared with the congregation celebrating God's provision and reporting project progress made possible through your faithful stewardship.

When will the projects begin?

Projects will begin according to the campaign timeline and available resources. We hope to begin the major construction to the Worship Center in the late Spring / early summer of 2027.

Will the Worship Center remain available during construction?

The Worship Center renovation will be completed in carefully planned phases to minimize disruption. We currently anticipate that the space will be unavailable for approximately 10 weeks. Although this brief inconvenience will require flexibility, it represents an investment that will serve our church family and future generations for many years to come.



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