

Town Hall Meeting September 10, 2023 FAQ

1. How much did we receive for the sale of the east parking lot land?

A1: We received \$1.21 million from the sale of the east parking lot. The proceeds from the sale were placed in a designated fund for future ministry use and we are now using them for various ministry initiatives.

2. Did we tithe any part of the proceeds from the land sale?

A2: Yes, we tithed 10% of the land sale proceeds (\$121K), in addition to the 20% we tithed from the 2022 budget surplus (\$76K). These funds allowed us to provide individual \$50K grants to three of our Greenwood mission partners, supporting God's beautiful kingdom work in the Denver metro area, Ethiopia, and Pakistan.

3. What has been done with the rest of the funds to date?

A3: The balance of funds from the sale of the east parking lot are being used to fund ministry initiatives and capital improvements for the building. Thus far, the Session has approved funding of the Greenwood Fellows Program as well as the interior remodel of the building, including the kids and students' spaces, adult ministry spaces and the Connecting Point.

4. Why are we leasing the East Wing to an outside group or entity?

A4: Leasing the East Wing allows us to generate additional income that can be used to support church ministries, initiatives, and necessary maintenance costs. The leasing of that space also allows us to use our physical ministry spaces more consistently throughout the week.

5. How much are we expecting to receive from the lease of the East Wing? What do we plan to do with this extra income?

A5: We expect to receive at least \$840,000 over the next 5 years from the lease of the East Wing. This extra income will be applied to operational and capital maintenance costs for the building, which will allow us to direct more of our general budgeted funds towards ministry and mission.

6. Why are we moving our Emerging Generations ministries into the center of the building?

A6: Moving all our kids and student ministries to one area in the center of the building enhances safety and accessibility, allowing us to make those spaces easier for families to get to on Sundays and midweek events and offering a more secure environment.

7. Where are adult ministries going to meet?

A7: Adult ministries will be meeting in various new rooms on the main floor of the building including the newly renovated Commons, Chapel, Aspen, and Conifer classrooms. This provides the same amount of square footage for Adult Ministry as previously allocated upstairs, with the added benefit of making the spaces far more accessible on the main floor of the building.

8. What are the plans for the interior remodel of the building?

A8: The plans include remodeling our kids' and student ministry spaces, the Commons and adult ministry spaces, as well as an expansion of the Connecting Point that will increase fellowship space right off the Sanctuary.

9. How much is the remodel projected to cost and how are we funding the project?

A9: The remodel project is currently budgeted at \$758k, which includes a 20% contingency fund. The project will be paid for by the proceeds from the land sale of the east parking lot.

10. How long will the remodel take?

A10: Once construction begins later this fall, the remodel is expected to take 12-16 weeks, depending on availability of materials and crews.

11. What are the Greenwood Fellows?

A11: The Greenwood Fellows is a Christian discipleship and leadership development program for recent college graduates. The 9-month program will seek to inspire and equip the emerging generation of leaders for the marketplace, church, and world through connection, formation, and residence with the Greenwood community.

12. Why are we planning an all-church retreat? When will it be?

A12: In a fast-paced and busy world, an all-church retreat is an opportunity for our congregation to come together for spiritual formation, community building, and fellowship outside the usual church setting. The All-Church Retreat is planned for August 30 - September 1, 2024 (Labor Day Weekend) at YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park.

13. What are we doing with the results of the Church Health Survey?

A13: The results of the Church Health Survey are being carefully reviewed by our leadership team alongside a Church Health coach. They will be used to identify areas of strength and areas needing improvement, helping guide our future decisions and actions to better serve our congregation.

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