

United We Build Major Event Schedule

May 3
9:30 a.m. Church Wide Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Banquet & Children's Party

May 4-16
Gathering of Faith Promise Cards

May 17
10:45 a.m. Victory Sunday

Testimony

I am excited to see our church take this big step as we add education space and face our building needs for the future. The unity and support for the building program has been unbelievable to watch. I think we all look forward to the day we can build the education space and the fellowship hall area and celebrate together in them. As a young person with a young family I am so encouraged that the older adults are investing in young families. I just pray that our church seeks the Lord's will and does our best to reach lost people in our community and show them the peace and hope of our Savior.

- Beau Brown

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United We Build Campaign News

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United We Build Banquet to be May 3

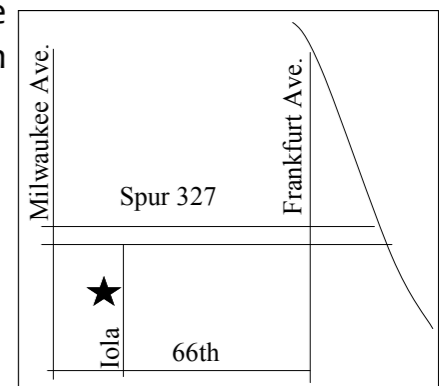
The members of Monterey Baptist Church are looking forward to having one of the largest gatherings of current church membership at the United We Build Banquet on Sunday, May 3, 6:00 p.m.

Currently, our Banquet Hosts are calling each church member asking for reservations to the banquet. If you have not received a call, please call the church office and make your reservations today. We need to know the number in your family who will be attending the banquet, the number of children four years of age through fifth grade who will be attending the Children's Party, and the number of children three years of age and under who will be cared for in the Nursery.

This evening of good food, fellowship, and inspiration will be a high point in our United We Build campaign. The program will include singing, testimonies, and a message by Bro. Jim Brown. Although no commitments will be made at the banquet, the total amount of advance commitments will be announced.

These advance commitments will be made by the Pastor, staff, Campaign Leadership Team members, Deacons, and other church leadership.

Many people have worked hard to make this banquet a truly great event in the life of our church. We know that you will be glad you attended this exciting and inspiring event.



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Each Person To Have Opportunity To Make Commitment

Pictured below is the Faith Promise Card to be used in the United We Build campaign. Each church member will have an opportunity to make a commitment to be paid over a three-year period of time. The commitments to this campaign are to be over-and-above your usual church giving. Equal sacrifices...not equal commitments is the goal of this campaign. Each family is encouraged to make this commitment a significant sacrifice for our Lord and for our church. This sacrifice will represent a truly great investment in the cultivation of spiritual lives.

Before filling out the card, **PRAY** about how much God would have you give over three years. That is the amount you would place in the box on the right hand of the card. Next, **DECIDE** whether you will give a portion of your total gift weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly and place that amount in the left hand side of the card. Your name, address, and signature are purely voluntary items.

Families will receive their Faith Promise Cards at our United We Build Banquet. For those who do not attend, the cards will be mailed to them the first week of May. Enclosed will be two cards. The white card is to be returned to the church by May 15. The yellow card is yours to keep as a personal reminder of your commitment.

We believe God has called us to a grand task. Help us as we build **“from our past...towards our future!”**

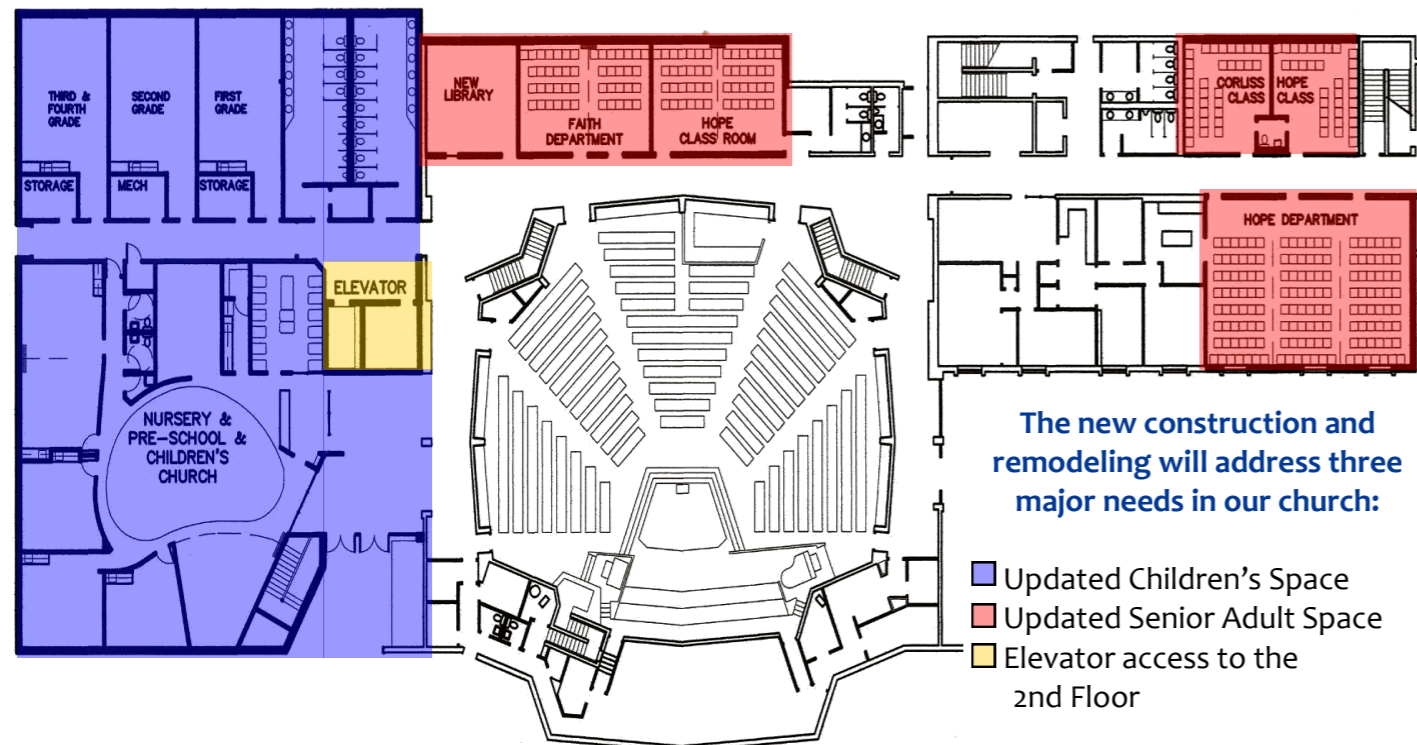
It will be wonderful to have a new building with space to grow. Children represent the future so we must provide comfortable, roomy areas for them.

Moving all the older groups closer to the sanctuary will make it easier for some.

My needs have always been met by the Lord and will continue to be as I contribute to the building.

Nan Burch

Meeting Existing and Future Needs with Expansion



Special Bible Study Lesson To Be Taught on May 3

A special Bible Study lesson will be taught to everyone attending youth and adult Sunday School on May 3 at 9:30 a.m. This lesson will give biblical principles on which to base our giving and sacrifice for the United We Build campaign. Each teacher in the Youth and Adult classes will present the lesson in his/her own class. They will challenge us to do our best in making a commitment to the building fund.

Every church family will receive one of the special Bible Study lesson leaflets prior to Sunday, May 3. Read the leaflet as you prepare for this special class.

VICTORY SUNDAY, MAY 17

Victory Sunday on May 17 will be the first day we begin taking offerings for our United We Build Campaign. During our morning service at 10:45 a.m., we will have a time of celebration as we begin the journey of giving our equal sacrifices towards building the new children's area.

There will be special blue offering envelopes that you can use to give your gifts on a regular basis. The blue envelopes will be in the back of the pews or you may ask for them in the office. Another option is to designate your gift on the memo line of any checks you might use.

Make plans to join us for Victory Sunday at 10:45 a.m.