

Off and Running: Debt-Reduction Campaign
Hutto Discovery UMC

“God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.” Ephesians 3:20



Off and Running is a...

- spiritual work of HDUMC.
 - Belief in the mission and work of the church to make disciples (change lives).
 - It's not about the building, it's about ministry.
- capital fund campaign.
 - 3 Avenues of Giving:
 - Income (salaries/retirement) – day to day work of the church (budget)
 - **Capital** – accumulated assets/inheritance
 - Exodus 25: 1-9; 35:4-5, 21-29; 36:2-7
 - They gave as they had ability to build the tabernacle.
 - Estate – Considering a tithe of your will
- step to address a hurdle.
 - We lack the space to serve our congregation and meet growing community needs.
- step to move towards a goal of a new building.
 - We plan to build a multifunctional facility: worship space, serving kitchen, big room for running, playing, and fellowship, adequate nursery space, classrooms, and offices.
- More information available through Vision Sermon Series and Consultation Report.

Timeline of church debt and plan for building

- 2000 – Parsonage Loan of \$60,975
- 2006 – Sanctuary Relocation and Renovation Loan on \$550,000
 - accrued interest only until 2011, 3 year adjustable rate
- 2008 – Congregation worships at new location on Palm Sunday
- 2010 - \$388,195 total debt
- 2012 - \$350,102 total debt (\$319,462 sanctuary/ \$30,639 parsonage)
- June 16, 2013 – celebrate burning of parsonage note
- Dec 2013 - \$299,290 total debt
- Oct 2014 - \$270,448 total debt (4.0% interest, Texas Methodist Foundation)
- Nov 2014 - \$239,195 (Estate Gifts Received)
- Off and Running: Debt-Reduction Campaign (one year – 2015)
 - November 23 – Return Estimate of Giving Cards
- Jan 2015 – Site Planning Team begins planning for future of ten acres
- mid 2015 – Building Committee formed for new building (church and district approval process begins)
- Jan 2016 – Capital Funds Campaign for Building (3 year commitments)
 - Building is secured by pledges and 20 year note (payments currently in budget - \$28,500)
 - Remaining current debt plus building debt
- Early 2016 – Complete approval process and turn dirt
- 2019 – Continue process to pay off loan and follow site plan

Special Considerations

- Pray and talk with other family members about making a commitment to Off and Running.
- Consider making a contribution on November 23 to kick off campaign.
- Please continue to support your tithe towards the 2015 budget.
- Hold a balloon at the party.
 - We hope everyone can contribute something to the campaign to share in the celebration that is ahead.

