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BUILDING LIFE TOGETHER

Aerial photo of the church property looking southeast from the corner of Cox Road and Routes 2&4.

Life Church was established in 2011, with the mission of loving God and loving others. That mission has been expressed by creating a place for loving, mending, preparing, and sending people. Since then, God has brought together an amazing body of servant-hearted believers, and He's not finished yet. Life Church is growing, making disciples through the life changing Gospel of Jesus Christ and loving like Jesus in our community.

Meeting in a public school has brought with it many challenges, but we are thankful it has not kept us from our mission. Imagine the possibilities if we were able to worship the Lord and serve this community within our own dedicated campus! We believe now is the time to increase our ability to serve and care for this body of believers and broaden our opportunities to reach this community for Christ.

A dedicated campus will help enhance our ability to be a place for loving, mending, preparing, and sending people. This booklet has been prepared to help you imagine with us, to explain to you our vision and our plan of action, and to inform you how you may partner with us to see the vision fulfilled. It is our prayer that you will join us as we take this journey together.

Imagine a place where people love God and love you.

Imagine a place where those who are hurting find hope and healing.

Imagine a place where people grow in understanding and applying God's Word.

Imagine a place that serves its community and beyond in Jesus' name.

Imagine a place where friends do life together.

Imagine Life Church.

Your fellow servants,

Pastor Dave and Pastor Steve

OUR MISSION

The mission of Life Church is to make disciples of Christ in Calvert County and beyond through God's transformative power.

OUR VISION

The church is not a building; it is a people. As a church, we recognize that we are called to preach the Gospel, to make disciples, and in all things love like Jesus. By loving God and loving people, His Kingdom advances and our community is transformed by the Holy Spirit.

Our own campus will help us fulfill this vision. A home for Life Church will serve both the needs of the church and the community. Our facility has been designed to be multi-use for church and community events. We envision a place where people come together every day of the week to learn, serve, and fellowship together.

OUR GOAL

Life Church plans to construct a 15,000 square foot multi-purpose building designed to allow us to serve the church and our community. Our campus will be located in Huntingtown, Maryland, at the corner of Routes 2&4 and Cox Road on our 7.24-acre property.

Construction of our facility will be in two phases: The first phase will be approximately 10,000 square feet and include a multi-purpose auditorium with seating for approximately 375 people, a children's ministry wing, kitchen, and a large foyer to serve as an area for fellowship. The cost of this phase is \$2.2 million dollars.

PHASE 1

The initial phase of our facility will provide for us the necessary space to continue current ministries and expand into exciting and new areas:



Heart F.E.L.T.



Operation Christmas Child



Life Kids



Shield Bearers

Current

- 🔹 Life Kids
- 🔹 Heart F.E.L.T. (Backpacks of supplemental nutrition for local school kids in need)
- 🔹 Operation Christmas Child (Boxes of necessities and gifts for children around the world)
- 🔹 Shield Bearers (Our unique ministry to Calvert's law enforcement community)
- 🔹 Worship Events
- 🔹 Movie Nights
- 🔹 Fellowship Gatherings
- 🔹 Life Groups

Expanded

- 🔹 Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- 🔹 Youth Nights (Basketball, Volleyball, etc.)
- 🔹 Open Mic Nights
- 🔹 After School Tutoring
- 🔹 Youth Mentoring
- 🔹 Food Drops for Farming 4 Hunger
- 🔹 Counseling
- 🔹 Parents' Night Out (An opportunity for parents to enjoy an evening away from the kids)
- 🔹 Special Drama Productions
- 🔹 First Responder/Military/Veteran Appreciation Events (Special services/dinners honoring local heroes)

In order to meet our lender's requirement for financing and construction to begin, we must raise \$575,000. As of August 2018, approximately \$220,000 has been given and set aside for this purpose. With God's help and yours, we are hoping to accrue the remainder of the funds needed to proceed within the next 12 months and break ground in the fall of 2019 or early 2020.

Our capital campaign, **Building Life Together**, is our way to secure the funding for this project; but it is more than that. It is about our life together and the mission that we share.

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

~John 10:10



Frontview render of the Life Church Calvert building.



Gathering area



Multi-purpose room for worship

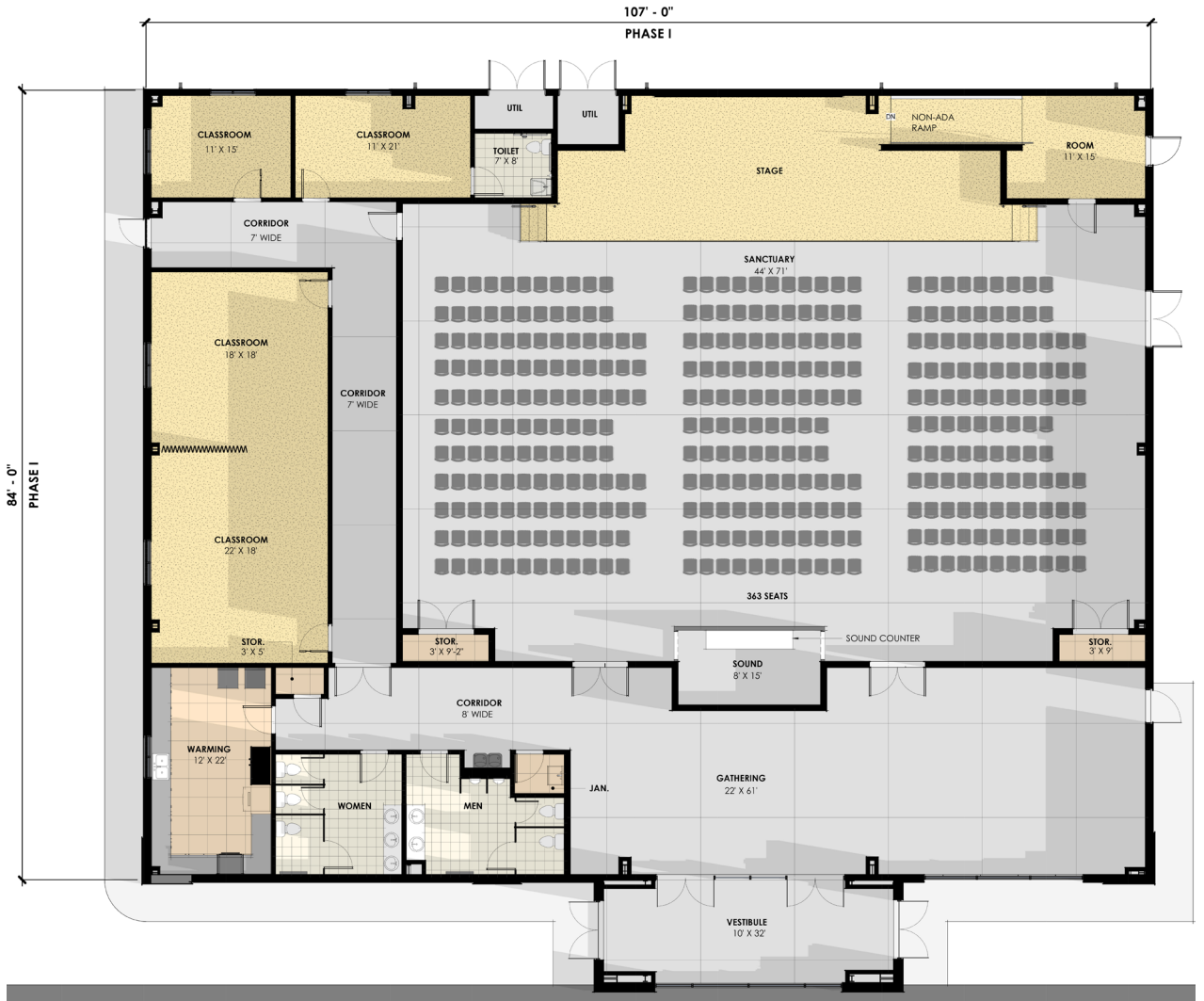


Life Kids



Multi-purpose room for activities

IMAGINE



PHASE 2

The second phase, to be constructed as God enables, will consist of a ground and lower level. It will provide additional ministry and office space, bringing our total square footage to 15,000 square feet. Our **vision** for the **future** includes spaces for:

- Counseling Center
- Safe Nights (ministry to the homeless)
- Community Education Events
- Christian Daycare/School
- Additional Children's Space
- Meeting rooms for Life Groups/Classes
- Office Complex
- Large outdoor playground



Frontview render of the Life Church Calvert building after Phase 2.

HOW WILL OUR GOAL BE ACHIEVED?

The first and most important pledge we are requesting from you, the Life Church family, is to pray. It is absolutely essential that a project of this magnitude be supported from the ground up with the prayers of God's people. Without this foundation, we have no right to expect God to bless our efforts to raise the necessary funds to build this campus. Will you commit to taking time each day to pray for God's blessings upon this project and ask for His guidance in how He wants to use you to help make it possible?

Each commitment that is made will enable us to build a home for more effective ministry both now and in the future. As you pray, we ask that you consider the following:

- Recall the blessings God has given to you, and remind yourself that everything we have belongs to God; our role is simply to be good managers of the resources He has entrusted to our care.
- Consider Life Church's calling and our unique opportunities to serve God and our community through ministries like Heart F.E.L.T. and Shield Bearers; our in-house ministries such as Life Kids, Life Teens, Ladies of Life, Men of Life, Life Groups; and our partnerships with those serving as missionaries around the world, and organizations like Samaritan's Purse, Farming 4 Hunger, End Hunger, and Birthright.
- Bear in mind that no one can fully know the impact that may be made for Christ by your sacrificial commitment. Every commitment, regardless of its size, will be an important contribution to the fulfillment of our calling.
- Discuss your family's participation with all members of your family and what it will mean to each of you.
- None of this can be accomplished apart from a firm reliance on God and devoted prayer. We ask for you to consider selecting a time/day to pray specifically for this project and share that with us on your ***Building Life Together*** commitment card.



A place for small groups



A place for families



Future appreciation events



Worship Events

As you seek God to reveal to you what sacrifices He may ask you to make, please pray for others who are also seeking God's direction. Pray for your pastors and the entire Campus Development Team. Pray for discernment, wisdom, and strength as they provide leadership for the church to see this vision become a reality.



Ministry Hub



Counseling Center



Fellowship Events



A place for kids and youth

We know that giving of your finances in support of this project is a very important decision, one not to be taken lightly. Therefore, we have included a series of questions and answers that we hope you will find helpful:

What is a *Building Life Together* Commitment?

A *Building Life Together* commitment is a commitment from an individual, couple, or family for a specified time and purpose. Based upon God’s promises, by faith we expect Him to enable us to fulfill the commitment we make. Our individual commitments to taking this step of faith help us reorder the priorities of our entire lives. Anticipating God’s provision, we are enabled to see our stewardship in a totally different way. Instead of sitting back and waiting on God, we begin to actively look for ways God will provide the means for us to fulfill our faith promise.

How much should I give in my commitment?

The amount you give is between you and God. Some within the church are already giving a percentage of their income to *Building Life Together*; others are giving a set amount each month in addition to their tithe and/or offerings. Regardless of the amount you decide to give, all gifts to *Building Life Together* are important and will be used to reach our objectives of loving, mending, preparing, and sending people and impacting our community with the love and transforming power of Christ.

Here are some tools we think will help you as you prayerfully consider your gift.

Pledges Needed	Pledge Amount	12 Months	18 Months	24 Months
40	\$1,000	\$84	\$56	\$42
35	\$3,000	\$250	\$167	\$125
30	\$5,000	\$417	\$278	\$209
10	\$7,500	\$625	\$417	\$313
3	\$10,000	\$834	\$556	\$417
Total Pledges	Total Amount Pledged			
118	\$400,000			

Are you asking that my *Building Life Together* commitment be in addition to my weekly/monthly giving?

We encourage you to go to the Lord in prayer and discern from Him what He would have you give. Whatever you decide to give, we ask that it be above and beyond your current level of support, and not decrease your tithe or other giving.

Is there a specific time when I should begin fulfilling my *Building Life Together* commitment?

We are asking you to consider submitting your *Building Life Together* commitment on Commitment Sunday. Of course, you have the option of submitting your commitment and giving toward its fulfillment immediately. Since this will be an ongoing campaign, you may also submit your commitment card at a later date if you are not able to participate in our *Building Life Together* Commitment Sunday.

How often am I required to contribute toward my *Building Life Together* commitment?

How much you give and how often you give is up to you. Some participants are giving a portion of their *Building Life Together* commitment each week, others monthly or quarterly. You may even want to consider a one-time contribution. You may select an amount and a giving schedule that works best for you.

Are there other ways I can give?

Yes! You may give gifts of stock, mutual fund shares, or other property which can then be used to support *Building Life Together*. You may also realize additional tax benefits by making gifts of property. If you would like to make this type of gift, we would be happy to discuss it with you.

Is my commitment legally binding? What if I can't keep commitment?

We recognize financial hardships occur. We encourage you to seek the Lord in such moments. Your circumstances may be a way for your faith in God and His provision to be stretched and strengthened. Because your *Building Life Together* commitment is a faith commitment between you and the Lord, and although it is important for determining how soon we may have the funds necessary to break ground on our new campus, your *Building Life Together* commitment is not legally binding. You are under no legal obligation to keep your commitment.

I want to give, but I don't know where it will come from. How can I find some extra money?

Many people feel that their budget is too tight. Are there ways to find extra money in your current budget? Consider the following and you may find that you have some extra money in your budget right now. Here are some ways to potentially save:



Making coffee at home versus a Starbucks/Wawa run

Weekly Savings: \$10-\$25
Yearly Savings: \$260-\$1,300



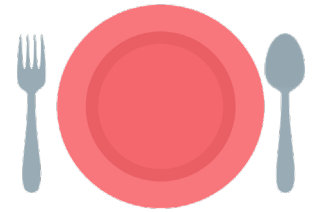
Packing a lunch versus eating out at work

Weekly Savings: \$25-\$50
Yearly Savings: \$1,300-\$2,600



Quit smoking/drinking

Weekly Savings: \$50-\$100
Yearly Savings: \$2,600-\$5,200



Eating dinner at home versus dining out one day a week

Weekly Savings: \$50-\$100
Yearly Savings: \$2,600-\$5,200



Cutting Cable T.V. and use streaming services only

Weekly Savings: \$10-\$25
Yearly Savings: \$260-\$1,300



Lowering your current auto insurance

Weekly Savings: \$5-\$15
Yearly Savings: \$260-\$780

POTENTIAL WEEKLY SAVINGS

\$150-\$315

POTENTIAL SAVINGS OVER 52 WEEKS

\$7,800-\$16,380

ARE YOU READY?

We desire to see 100% participation in both prayer and financial commitment from all who consider Life Church their home. We hope you understand how important this is for all of us at Life Church! Will you commit to taking time each day to pray for God's blessings upon this project and ask for His guidance in how He wants to use you to help make it possible?

As always, should you desire additional information, Pastor Steve, Pastor Dave and the members of our Campus Development Team, Dave Sneade, Eric Hofer and Kevin Weimert would be happy to meet with you.



First prayer walk on the property.


OUR PRAYER

Join us as we pray...

Heavenly Father,

We praise You for who You are and all You've done. You have provided Your Church salvation through the blood of Jesus Christ. You have blessed and sustained us, a growing community of Christ followers, giving us a place to worship. We desire to reach the lost for Christ--for Your glory alone. All good gifts come from You. We confess we need Your direction and wisdom, Lord, concerning this ministry and our campus. You desire us to build. We want Your will to be done. Give us wisdom in every area. Grant that we may joyfully give from the abundance You supply to build a house for Your Holy Name, that the light of the Gospel of Christ may shine through Your Church. Direct us Lord, in all we do with Your great grace and favor. We are relying on You. It's all for You and from You. In Jesus name we ask, AMEN.



An aerial photograph of a church property. The image shows a multi-lane road with several cars in the upper left quadrant. To the right of the road is a large, dense forest of green trees. In the upper right corner, a baseball field is visible. The entire image has a green and blue color overlay.

Life Church exists to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and to see people find life in Him. We believe that this is accomplished by making disciples as Christ commanded, modeling obedience to His teachings.

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Aerial photo of the church property looking northwest to the corner of Cox Rd and Routes 2&4.