



NOW &  
ALWAYS  
WHITE'S CHAPEL

A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



“THE FUTURE  
IS NOT SOMETHING WE ENTER.  
THE FUTURE IS SOMETHING WE  
CREATE.”

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Leonard Sweet

# NOW... AND ALWAYS.

It's a phrase that can describe a whole host of truths about the life of faith: the presence and power of the Lord, His care and consolations – they are eternally present but must be felt in the moment; they are always at hand, but we have to experience them in the now.

It's a phrase that perfectly describes the life of a growing church, too. There are needs that we have right now that, by God's grace, we will always have: the need for more studies, the need for bigger spaces, the need for better parking and improved resources, and the need for different ways to get involved. It's an amazing and humbling problem to have: as we have grown deeper in our commitment to being the church Christ has called us to be, we have grown wider, too. Our involvement numbers across every ministry in the church have simply exploded. And for as wonderful a problem as that it is, it's still a problem – an "always problem" that needs to be addressed now.

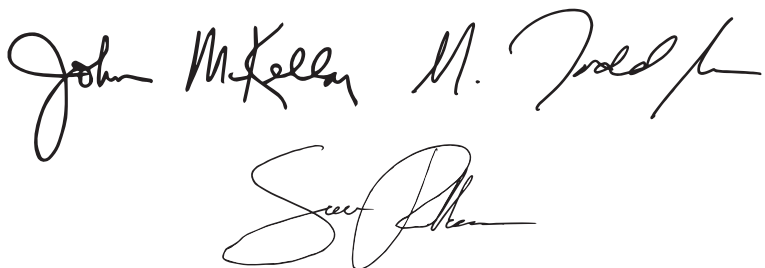
In the pages that follow, you will be introduced to the needs we're currently facing and our best plans for addressing them – getting serious about meeting the needs we have now while preparing ourselves to meet the needs we anticipate in the future. It's our prayer that, as you read through this booklet, you will find your soul stirred and your heart ablaze with excitement as you consider all the possibilities that lie ahead of us, and that you'll begin discerning your place in them, too. Like always, it will take all of us doing our part: working, praying, serving, and giving together; but, from the pioneering days of our founders, that's how White's Chapel has always moved forward... and we are eager to share the journey with you.

Now, as always, we are honored to be your pastors,

Dr. John McKellar

Dr. Todd Renner

Rev. Sam Robbins

The image shows three handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature, 'John McKellar', is written in a cursive style. The second signature, 'M. Todd Renner', is also cursive and appears to be written on the same line as the first. The third signature, 'Sam Robbins', is written below the first two and is more stylized, with a large, looped 'S'.

# FUTURE GENERATIONS

## WC Kids Ministry Continues To Grow

Our WC Kids Ministry has seen exciting and unprecedented growth over the last couple of years. In fact, we've welcomed over 150 new families in just the last 12 months. In 2024, we had our largest Vacation Bible School in history, with 1,064 kids and more than 300 volunteers (we actually ran out of room). And while all of this is good news, our WC Kids Ministry leaders need additional space to engage the hearts and minds of our little ones for Jesus Christ. The need is now; but so, too, is the solution. With your help, when our Student Ministry is relocated to their new facility, WC Kids will expand into the second floor of the current Student Education Building – nearly doubling their ministry space!



## A New Gathering Space For WC Students

The complexion of ministry with teenagers has changed. Right now, the challenges they're facing are more daunting than ever. Isolation. Fear. Anxiety. Doubt. We are seeking to construct a space that's warm, welcoming and inspiring – a place where youth can connect to God, to each other, to themselves, and to a lifelong relationship with the Church. This project is a logical next step, too: with the phenomenal growth of our WC Kids Ministry, this facility will maximize our ability to continue to serve those families as their kids move into WC Students. The building will house a gym as well as flexible spaces to be used for worship, discipleship, and other recreational ministries for WC families as well as the surrounding community.

# YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER

Projected Cost:	\$6,670,000
Size	14,163 Sq. Ft.
Location:	The former site of the Center for Spiritual Care
Special Features:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A gymnasium</li><li>• A large worship area</li><li>• A space for large gatherings, activities, meetings &amp; conferences</li><li>• An elevator</li><li>• Classrooms</li></ul>



# COUNSELING CENTER & SPIRITUAL CARE

So much happens in that little house up on the hill. It hosts a number of spiritual formation classes, the Counseling Center, and one of the largest chapters of Alcoholics Anonymous in Tarrant County. So much amazing ministry and deep soul care is taking place in a facility that has some serious limitations and infrastructural concerns – all of which will be addressed: with spacious meeting areas, private spaces for consultations, an elevator, and the relocation of the WC contemplative garden. We believe that now is the time to build a new dedicated space that would create opportunities to develop, deepen, and expand those ministries into a community that needs them. In addition, as our addiction ministry (Chandler’s Hope) continues to grow, this will be a wonderful place for healing and hope to happen.



Projected Cost:	\$2,530,000
Size:	4,740 Sq. Ft.
Location:	The former site of the garage
Special Features:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A counseling center</li><li>• A large meeting room</li><li>• An elevator and a small kitchen</li><li>• Offices</li></ul>

# LA MESA

Right now, the embers of a thriving community are sparking to life. Our La Mesa community outreach center (formerly, El Buen Samaritano) is already at work in the schools and neighborhoods in east Fort Worth, spreading the love and grace of God! Worship services are already meeting. Discipleship groups are already forming. And lives are already being changed with the Good News of the Gospel! And all this is happening without any permanent space to call home. This new facility, working in partnership with the WC Mission Health dental clinic next door, will address the very real issues facing our brothers and sisters downtown – spiritually, physically, and emotionally. With a designated worship space and other rooms for community support and education, the center will make a Kingdom-sized impact for the name of Jesus Christ!



Projected Cost:	\$2,074,000
Size:	6,245 Sq. Ft.
Location:	The former site of El Buen Samaritano in southeast Fort Worth
Special Features:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A teaching kitchen</li><li>• A large, multi-purpose room</li><li>• Classrooms</li><li>• Offices</li></ul>

# SANCTUARY RENOVATION

Every weekend, we say it: that we are extraordinarily blessed. Regardless of which service you attend, the quality of our worship is second to none. Whether it's the WC Choir and Orchestra leading us into the transcendent presence of the Almighty, or it's the Praise Team and band inviting us to reflect upon the powerful and intimate relationship Christ desires, the WC worship experience is changing lives... but right now, we are at capacity. Both as a technical matter and as a practical one, the choir loft and platform are filled. An expansion would allow for others to find their place in this ministry and to find their voice (literally) in leading God's people in worship. The plan calls for expanding the choir loft, orchestra space, and the chancel/platform while also creating new production spaces for our teams to use. In addition, this concept makes the chancel area fully accessible to those with mobility issues.



Projected Cost:

\$3,162,500

Size:

8,456 Sq. Ft.

Location:

The Sanctuary

Special Features:

- A larger, and more permanent area on stage for the orchestra
- Additional seating to the choir loft and rehearsal area
- Handicap accessibility
- Larger rehearsal rooms
- Music and worship ministry storage

# FOUNDRY RENOVATION

The Foundry is the space on our campus that has seen the most change over the life of the church. It's been many things and gone by many names. But with growth happening in our Saturday night worship service and with WC Theater continuing to create communities of belonging for many talented students, it's time to give it a much-needed facelift. Right now, we have the opportunity to benefit both our weekend services as well as the six yearly productions of our thriving theater ministry. In addition, this improvement will create a more conducive space for the myriad of seasonal events that happen in The Foundry throughout the year.



Projected Cost:	\$2,563,400
Size:	6,689 Sq. Ft.
Location:	The Foundry
Special Features:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A sufficient stage for performances</li><li>• Enhanced audio/video/lighting</li><li>• Stadium seating for 290 people</li></ul>

# INFRASTRUCTURE

- Storage:** We are looking for off-site storage for our seasonal decorations, mission supplies, equipment, and ongoing needs. We’re also seeking to augment and utilize our existing property for adequate storage.
- Parking:** Parking continues to be a challenge for our growing congregation. Right now, we’re working to maximize every inch of our property for additional parking. We are also studying creative ways to help people move across our campus and within our buildings.

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- PRAY** Join us in praying that God will lead us into the future He has for us. We want only to add facilities that will bless this congregation and support our community – to provide vital ministries for others. Our highest aim is to reach others for Jesus Christ, and we hope this campaign will enable us to do that in a more fruitful way.
- PLAN** Throughout the remainder of this year and during the beginning of the next, we will be hosting several Town Hall Meetings to further explain these plans and to answer any questions that you may have. We hope that you will plan to attend at least one of these forums.
- PARTICIPATE** In February of next year, we will have the opportunity as a congregation to make our pledges (these can be paid over a three-year period). As always, capital giving is second-mile support. Our primary focus must always be on our tithing in support of the life-changing ministries of the church. We would love for every member and supporter of our ministry to participate as they are able. There is no gift too large or too small.
- PREPARE** In preparation of what’s to come, we hope to stir up enthusiasm by sharing the story of White’s Chapel. Be on the lookout for people who are searching for a solid, Christ-centered church home. Also be on the lookout for folks with questions or those who are seeking more information about these plans. We want to be fully available to respond to any questions or concerns.

# TIMELINE

## 2024

September –  
November

**Phase One:** WC Town Hall Meetings (in person and online) & Small Group Gatherings.

December

We will take a break from our capital campaign during the season of Advent to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

## 2025

January –  
February

**Phase Two:** WC Town Hall Meetings (in person and online) & Small Group Gatherings.

February

Leading up to our Pledge Weekend, be looking forward to a special “Now & Always” celebration event.

February 22 – 23

**Pledge Weekend:** During each of our worship services, we will have a special time of prayer and dedication. Once pledges are received, our Administrative Board will vote on the scope and the sequence of the proposed projects (the response of our congregation will determine the scope/size of our build). This will authorize our architects and Building Committee to prepare construction documents, seek city approval, and put the project out for formal bids – in all, this is a process that can take anywhere from 9 to 12 months.

## 2026

February

Once we have a final proposal and fixed pricing, the Administrative Board will, again, review the plans and consider authorizing construction. Depending on the projects approved, construction will take 9 to 12 months.

## 2027

February –  
December

As each space is completed, we will begin occupying them. We will, with the help of our architects, ensure that none of our ministries or worship services will be negatively affected by the construction process.

*"God has chosen you  
to build his holy house.  
Be brave, determined!  
And do it!"*

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1 Chronicles 28:10



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