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MANNA and QUAIL COMMUNITY LIFE CENTER

The Pastor and members of First Corinthian Baptist Church are proud to announce our vision and plan to build the Manna and Quail Community Life Center. This project is now in its infancy and we are seeking support anywhere we can find it. We are convinced that once the center is completed it will greatly and positively impact the lives of both youth and adults. Ultimately we believe this center will help to build a stronger and healthier community by providing greater access to needed services in south Frankfort and throughout the city of Frankfort. This pamphlet contains a brief overview of this project. It is the intention of First Corinthian Baptist Church to share this project with as many people as possible as we begin our capital fundraising campaign. If you are interested in becoming a part of this wonderful effort in any way please contact us at First Corinthian.

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OVERVIEW

MANNA & QUAIL COMMUNITY LIFE CENTER

Purpose

The community life center will serve the needs of Frankfort youth and families by providing a place in the south Frankfort community where access to recreational, academic, safety and spiritual program opportunities will be available. More specifically the center will assist in the revitalization of the South Frankfort community by providing individuals and organizations greater access in order to improve services. Organizations located in the immediate area that may benefit from the availability of the center include the Kings Center, South Frankfort Community Center, Women's Shelter, ACCESS Soup Kitchen and Men's Shelter, First Corinthian's New Day Ministries Program, and Youth Leagues. The center will also be available for needed services in the area like tutorial programs, cultural events, fallout shelter, meeting and conference space, and other related services. Other potential partners and or collaborations with the center may include but are not limited to the following: South Frankfort Neighborhood Association, Churches, City School System and Kentucky State University.

Vision

Reverend Leslie W. Whitlock, pastor of First Corinthian Baptist Church located on the corner of second and Murray Street is the man behind the vision to build the community life center. Under his leadership First Corinthian church membership has purchased property adjacent to the church on which the community center will be located. Pastor Whitlock has been working tirelessly throughout the Frankfort community for several years with both youth and adults. His focus has been to help reduce bad decision making due to broken families, poor parenting, a lack of spiritual guidance, alcohol and drug abuse and other socioeconomic factors. Currently Reverend Whitlock oversees a program called "New Day Ministries" which focuses on providing basic needs assistance, spiritual counseling and intervention/prevention of alcohol and drug abuse to help youth and adults overcome and avoid the consequences of poor decisions. The program has been successful and the court system has begun to refer more individuals.

Reverend Whitlock advocates for youth and adults through consultation with local judges, and law enforcement officials. He also collaborates with a clinical behavior therapist, a family service worker, human resource specialists, clergy, and other community resources and volunteers to implement the New Day Ministries program. Successful rehabilitative efforts, counseling, and employment assistance, experienced through the program has resulted in many individuals earning a pay check as opposed to receiving welfare assistance or being incarcerated. In addition to the needed access the community center will provide to youth and adults in south Frankfort and the community; it will also be used to address the infrastructure challenges of the New Day Ministries program. Reverend Whitlock is a humble man who believes God has called him to reach out and help those who are lost, less fortunate and in need in this community. The Manna and Quail Community Life Center will be a safe place where individuals can grow and learn how to reach their God given potential.

Need for a Community Life Center

To assist in revitalizing the South Frankfort community by providing individuals and organizations greater access in order to improve the availability of needed services. The types of services the center may provide in collaboration with other organizations and resources may include the following:

- Cultural enrichment activities
- Artistic/creative activities
- Recreational activities
- Meeting and conference space
- Youth crime watch activities
- Life application skills improvement
- Emergency assistance
- Family support services
- Health and wellness programs
- Faith based activities/spiritual counseling
- Alcohol and Drug abuse intervention and prevention
- Fallout shelter / Other related services

Building Plan / Cost Estimate

Plans are currently underway to construct a 6,540 square foot addition to First Corinthian Baptist Church. More specifically architectural plans presently reflect the community center will include a 4,250 square feet multipurpose room. This room for dining will seat approximately 350 persons and will be 52 feet by 85 feet. This room will also be used as a three quarter length gymnasium and include a 12 feet by 24 feet portable stage. Additionally the center will include three 18 feet by 20 feet training rooms and ability to convert training rooms to a larger conference room. A 16 feet by 24 feet kitchen will also be included and a women's and men's restroom. A mezzanine that will seat 50 people will be located above the kitchen and restrooms. The existing church fellowship hall will be renovated and connected to the new building. This area will be used as an office and conference room area. The functionality of the building was considered in its design. An architectural drawing has been completed and a miniature architectural model will soon be completed. The current cost estimate for construction of the building using brick is 660,000 dollars. Considering needed furnishing for an industrial kitchen, stage area, conversion to a gymnasium and other attached training rooms it is estimated that it will cost 140,000 to furnish the building. Total cost estimate is 800,000 dollars. Final discussions on exterior options are still being considered and could greatly reduce construction cost.

What's Been Done

- A building committee consisting of First Corinthian Baptist church members has been established.
- A building fund has been created.
- First Corinthian Baptist Church has purchased adjacent property on which the new building addition will be located. Plans are being made to clear off the land this year.
- Plans to demolish, move or renovate the structure next door to the church (old parsonage) to allow street access to the proposed new building addition is presently being researched. Concerns regarding how to deal with the structure center on it being located in the historical district of the city.
- Discussions regarding our vision for the Community Life Center are underway with local city officials.
- Discussions with our selected building specialist are ongoing.
- Plans to begin a capital fundraising campaign are being discussed and formulated.
- A **five year plan** to complete the building in stages is being discussed.

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1 NIV

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