



Friday, April 14, 2023

Dear Cornerstone Church Family:

Since last September, our church leadership has been seeking God to take Cornerstone DEEPER in Community, Discipleship, and Outreach. Some practical areas in which this has manifest itself include:

- We began a congregation-wide Bible reading program in January
- We began 3 new Life Groups in the fall
- Our winter Sunday School classes had themes around discipleship
- We began a new congregation-wide weekly prayer meeting this winter

We are now presenting a new opportunity for you to continue going DEEPER in Discipleship through sacrificial giving.

From its founding, God has blessed Cornerstone with a welcoming spirit. We have regularly welcomed each other and the community through the doors of our building almost 7 days a week. Now we are presenting to you an opportunity to build on that welcoming spirit and strengthen our connections amongst our congregation and our community through the **BUILDING CONNECTIONS** campaign.

The Building Connections campaign is a group of capital projects for which we are seeking investment to strengthen our connections within the congregation as well as the community. We believe the result of these investments will be a combination of greater:

- Opportunities for community within the body of Cornerstone
- Engagement in worship in our worship center
- Knowledge and familiarity of who Cornerstone is by the community
- Secure access to our facility

We are asking you to give above and beyond what you normally give to the church and, since we understand this may require significant sacrifice for many of you, we do not take this request lightly. However, this is an opportunity for you, as a member or regular attender of Cornerstone, to have an eternal impact on the lives of others through your prayers and financial giving.

The projects you would be giving to in the Building Connections campaign are more fully described in the brochure attached, but they include:

- New floor for the worship center
- Sound and lighting enhancements in the worship center
- New storage facility and outdoor activity area
- Improved secure access to our building
- New digital sign for the front lawn

*Romans 15:7 - Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.*

As I close this letter, I am asking you to do the following:

1. Please carefully review all of the materials included with this letter
2. Pray, asking the Lord if you should sacrificially give to this effort
3. Come to the information meeting right after the church service April 23
4. Pray for the campaign and that our church will be an increasingly welcoming place for all
5. Consider how much to give and, if you are giving, pledge that amount using either the QR code on the back of the brochure or the paper pledge card included with this letter. Paper pledges may be submitted either by mail to the office or in the weekly offering basket. **All pledges must be received no later than May 21.**

There will be an **information meeting right after the church service this Sunday, April 23**. I encourage you to come hear more about Building Connections and bring your questions. If you cannot attend and have questions, or just want to email your questions directly to the capital campaign team, there is a dedicated email account set up specifically for this campaign. Please email [buildingconnections@cornerstonepca.com](mailto:buildingconnections@cornerstonepca.com).

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Billy Haines