



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Builders for Christ,

Welcome to Valley Baptist Church. I trust you will quickly have a sense that you are joining a work of God in helping us provide the facilities to further our purpose of preparing people to meet Jesus. When you arrive, you will see that great strides have already taken place to make sure we are well prepared for the work to begin when the first teams arrive. The Valley church family has already invested many hours of work in this preparation and we are committed to the support required for each team to have a successful and fulfilling experience.

You will be a part of a historic juncture in the life of Valley Baptist Church. In 1963 a small group of people who had a burden for the souls of the people in the Fox Valley committed to establish a presence here by constructing a first-unit building. This set the tone for many fruitful years of ministry which has included the need for now the fourth major expansion. Although each previous expansion was crucial in the continued ability to fulfill the purpose of helping people come to faith in Christ and making disciples, we have a strong sense that this current addition is as important as the commitment to provide that first building in 1963.

We have sought diligently to follow God's leading each step of the way in the process that has brought us where we are today. These included two capital campaigns which committed the finances needed to take a next step forward. At Valley we look for strong unity from the congregation to move forward on any major decision and the vote on moving forward with the building was almost 98% positive. God provided a lending institution to make a commitment for our construction and mortgage loan. The last answer to prayer was the commitment by Builders for Christ to commit to the project. I wish all of you could have been there when our building team, working on a Builders for Christ project in Roseville, Minnesota this summer gathered together in a room one evening to hear Lawrence Corley break the news of the commitment of the A Team to our project. To say the room erupted in thanksgiving and praise would be an understatement.

Our own building team which has served for 26 years, many of these years with Builders for Christ projects, will invest many hours in finish work in addition to our people who will work side by side with you. We are so grateful for your commitment and look forward to the great fellowship and ministry that will mutually take place while you are here.

Please let us know how we can serve you while you are with us during the coordination meetings.

Our Lord Comes!

Pastor Larry