



GRACE
FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

BUILDING FOR OUR FUTURE

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The Challenge

(WHY DO WE NEED TO DO THIS?)

Our current facility, a generous gift from a church member given to us years ago, has faithfully served us through decades of ministry. However, as God has blessed us with growth in our congregation and ministries, we now face critical space constraints that affect nearly every aspect of church life. Our Children's Ministry classrooms are often overcrowded beyond safe and effective levels. Youth ministries for both junior high and high school groups frequently reach or exceed capacity, especially during weeknight gatherings when small groups meet. Our midweek ministries struggle with limited space—women's Abide groups are forced to meet in hallways, kitchens, or any available nook and cranny. The Blessing ministry for young moms cannot accommodate new participants because of space limitations and fire code restrictions in nursery spaces, and a number of our Axios men's groups have to find meeting locations off-site.

Another pressing challenge is parking, which has become a significant obstacle to ministry participation. With only 66 parking spaces on our property, and previously available parking now unavailable from our neighbors, most church members must park across Paularino. This means younger families and older members are often forced to cross a street not designed for pedestrian crossings, which is far from ideal. This isn't a sustainable, long-term solution if we want to remain a welcoming place where everyone can join in the fellowship they need and love.





The Opportunity

(WHAT WILL SOLVE THIS?)

After a year of prayer and research, we have identified a property just one block from our current location that we believe will meet our ministry needs for many years to come. This new facility offers ample sanctuary space, allowing us to increase our capacity while maintaining the intimate atmosphere that makes Grace Fellowship unique. The space would enable us to keep only two services, with a courtyard and large lobby area for pre- and post-service fellowship, which we currently enjoy as a church family.

The facility provides everything our current location lacks: numerous small group meeting rooms for all our ministries, both on Sundays and during midweek activities; larger assembly spaces for Sunday worship, as well as for our youth and children's ministries; and, importantly, 178 parking spaces on-site with easy access to over 150 additional parking spots in adjacent lots if needed. This location keeps us ideally situated for our congregation and offers the infrastructure to support the ministry God has entrusted to us. Its proximity to our current building ensures we can maintain our connection to the community we've served while expanding our capacity to welcome new families and those God is calling to us.



The Solution

Our approach to this facility acquisition demonstrates the same careful stewardship that has kept Grace Fellowship debt-free throughout our history. The total cost, including necessary tenant improvements, is approximately \$23 million. However, by selling our current building and utilizing our existing reserves, we can contribute \$8.2 million to this project. This strategic approach leaves us with a capital campaign goal of approximately \$15 million, making this significant expansion achievable through the generous partnership of our church family.

We're committed to avoiding long-term debt by utilizing short-term bridge financing to facilitate a smooth transition. This approach allows time for pledges to be fulfilled, interior construction to be completed in the new building, and the eventual sale of our existing facility. Every dollar will be stewarded with complete transparency, and we're determined to preserve the intimacy and relational culture that make Grace Fellowship a unique community. Most importantly, we will only move forward if our congregation supports this decision and our financial foundation remains strong - this is truly a decision we'll make together as a church family.

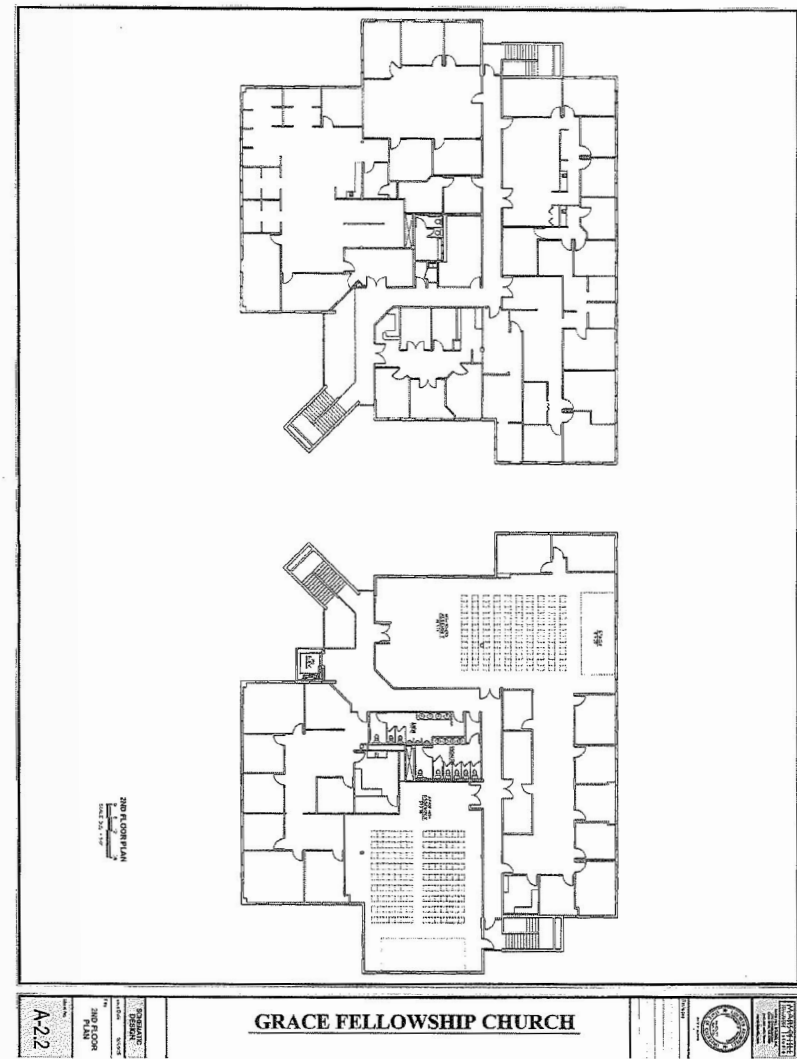
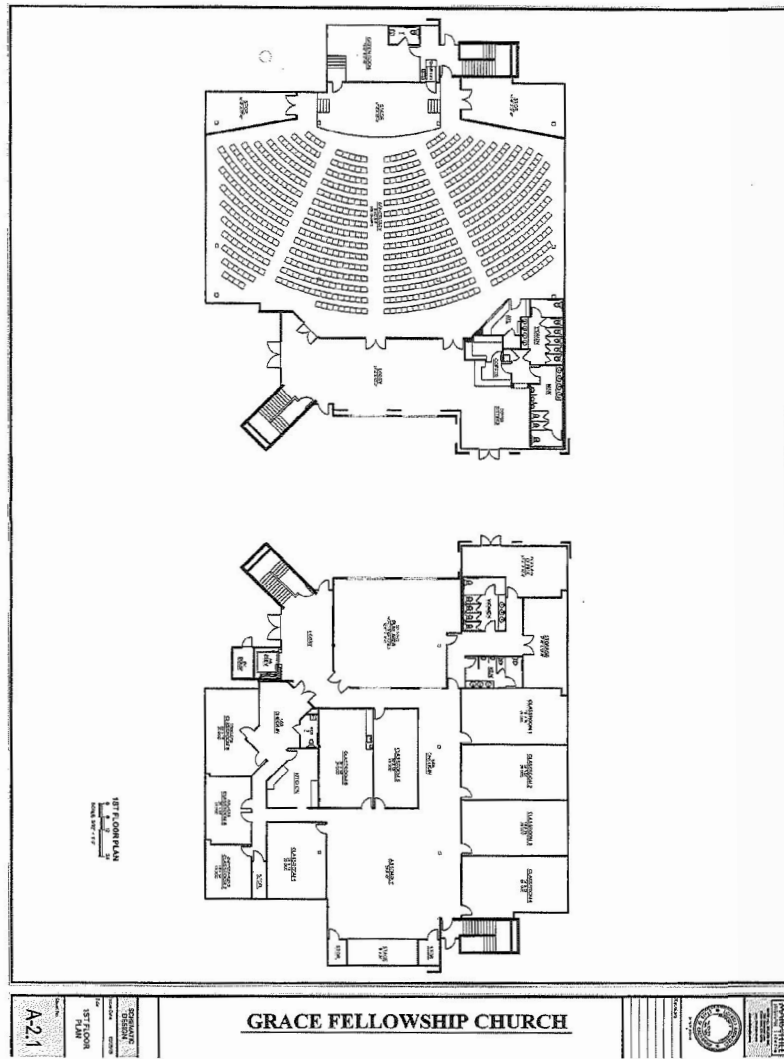


The Need

Your prayerful consideration and partnership are crucial to the success of this vision. We're not asking, "What would keep us comfortable?" but rather "What would best enable us to fulfill God's mission for Grace in the years to come?" Just as a previous generation's generosity provided our current home, we now have the opportunity to provide for the next generation of believers. Our mission is genuinely at stake - our ability to disciple children, reach families, and serve our community is directly limited by our current space constraints, and without action, we risk turning people away or losing the unique sense of community that defines us.

We invite you to join us in this mission through sacrificial giving that will help secure this property, inspire others in our congregation, and ensure Grace remains a place where lives are transformed for years to come. As we've learned from Scripture, God isn't constrained by buildings, but He does work through His people gathered in community. Our ultimate legacy isn't brick and mortar but lives transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are happy to meet with you to answer questions, hear your thoughts, and walk through this important decision together as we seek to be faithful stewards of all God has entrusted to us.

Rough Floor Plan Overview



Financial Summary

Building Purchase.....	\$14,100,000
Renovation & related costs.....	\$7,600,000
Contingency & Other Costs.....	\$1,500,000
Total Acquisition & Development Cost.....	\$23,200,000
 Current Property & Cash to be applied to Purchase.....	 \$8,200,000
 Net Financial Need to Raise.....	 \$15,000,000

Project Timeline

August 15.....	Purchase Contract Signing
October 14.....	End of Due diligence period
December 14.....	Conditional Use Permit Decision Date
 1st Quarter 2026.....	 Closing of Escrow & Renovation Begins
 4th Quarter 2026.....	 Project Completion



Current Site vs Future Site





Join Us in Building for the Future

As we step forward together in faith, we invite you to prayerfully consider how God is calling you to participate in this exciting chapter of Grace Fellowship's ministry. Your generous partnership will not only help secure our new facility but will also ensure that future generations can experience the life-changing power of the gospel in a space designed for effective discipleship and fellowship.



How to Give



PLEDGE HERE

Cash Gifts: You may give through cash, check, or online donation. All gifts are tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Stock Gifts: Donating appreciated stocks can provide significant tax advantages while maximizing your gift's impact. For stock transfers, please contact Gina Carpenter at gcarpenter@gracefellowshipchurch.org to coordinate the transfer process and ensure proper documentation.

Thank You.



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