

## Building Update – May 2019



Those of you who have been to the church lately will have noticed the beginning of some construction activity. We have retained the services of Hawkey Church Management from Barrie to act as our Construction Managers to oversee the construction of the new addition. They have begun mobilization with trailers and equipment being delivered to the church. Unfortunately, this will result in a short term loss of parking, which cannot be avoided. Our plan is to get the new parking lot in place as early in the project as possible so that we can all park there during construction. Tree removal is well underway, but the remaining work to get those lots turned into a parking lot is going to require a month or more to complete.

The process to obtain the necessary approvals from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula is continuing. On May 7<sup>th</sup>, Council will be presented with a by-law for their approval to implement a Site Plan Agreement for our project. Once this is approved, the Town can issue us with a Building Permit. The application for the building permit is to be submitted on Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>. In the meantime, Hawkey Church Management is obtaining bids from all of the various trades to complete the work to build the addition. We expect the bidding process to be completed about the same time as the Building Permit is issued.

For several months now, Mel Rinehart has been hard at work arranging for a mortgage for the new addition. We have now been approved for the mortgage, and the legal work to sign the papers and get the mortgage registered is underway, so that we will have the necessary financing available to complete the project. We have been hugely blessed so far; however, we continue to pray that the Lord will bless this project going forward so that we have sufficient funds to build what is planned, and that we minimize the mortgage at the end of the project.

Some people have been asking if we will be using the tent this summer. We plan to have the tent erected on May 20<sup>th</sup>. It will be going back where it used to be on the south side of the church, so that it will not be affected by the construction work.

Every step along the way, we have prayed over this project. We are keen to continue to do so. Matt Boyd will be leading a prayer team specifically for this project. They are meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 6.30 PM. Everyone is welcome to join in, and is encouraged to contact Matt in order to become part of this effort.

We recognize how important it is that we try and keep the lines of communication open throughout this project. We will be issuing a monthly update, such as this one. We will also be conducting a monthly Q&A session between the services. The first such session will be held in the youth room on the second floor, at 10.20 AM on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May. If you have any questions about the project, you are encouraged to attend. However, you do not have to wait for those sessions to get your questions answered. In between sessions, you can contact Keith Mombourquette at 519-379-7574.