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# PROPOSED REMODEL PLANS

The Board is proposing a two Phased Project. Phase #1 is the remodel of the current church. Phase #2 would be the construction of a new worship sanctuary adjacent to the present building at some future time.

#### PHASE I

There are two different proposed remodel plans that are being considered for the property we purchased. The first plan (Scheme I) is to enlarge the seating capacity in the present sanctuary to about 300 by adding several rows of seats at the rear of the present room and maybe a couple of extra rows in the front. To allow for the additional seating at the rear of the sanctuary, the current library, foyer and restrooms would be eliminated. For children's rooms, the current rooms would be enlarged and at least two rooms added by taking a portion of the present community center. New bathrooms and church offices would be located near the current entrance from the parking lot.

The second proposal (Scheme 2) would create a worship center in the large room that is now the community center and this room would seat 400+. The present sanctuary would be divided into 4 rooms for children's Sabbath school rooms. The present children's rooms would be renovated to allow another Sabbath school division and a room for potluck and other events. The wall separating the Sabbath school division and the potluck area would be a folding wall which would allow a larger room for potlucks and other events.

The timing for each of these plans is essentially the same, about 6-7 months and the cost is about the same for each scenario. The best estimate right now is that it will run \$800,000 for the complete project and we have a little over \$400,000 in the bank. Roughly speaking, we need to raise another \$500,000 by February.

#### PHASE II

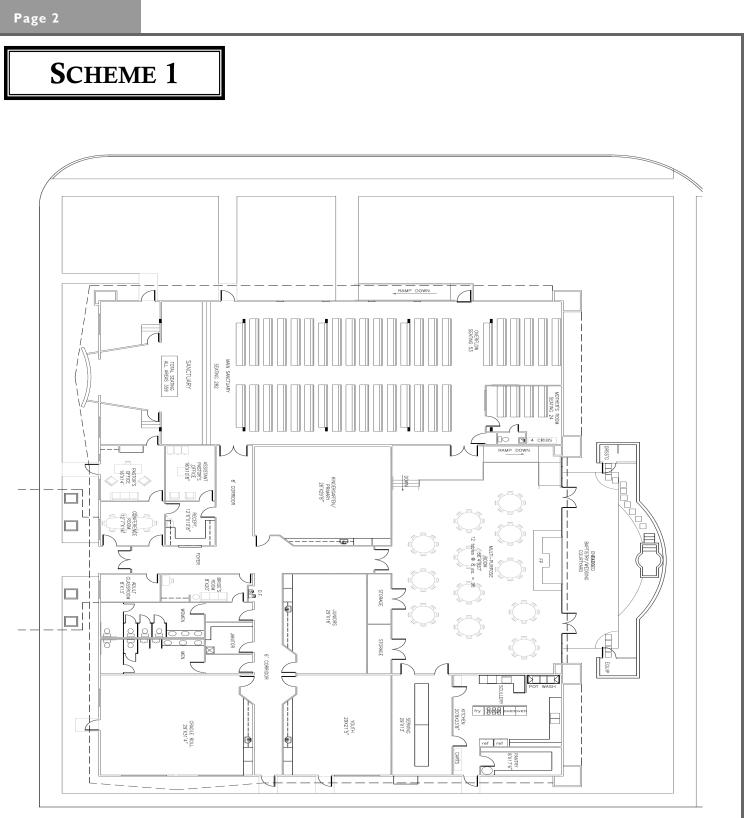
At some future time, Sunnyside would build a new worship sanctuary adjacent to the current church. The new facility would include a sanctuary, offices and some rooms for adult Sabbath school classes and/or meeting rooms. The projected cost for this Phase would be about \$1,000,000. There is a drawing that shows how this facility might be located on our property, but no plans have been drawn for this Phase and no funds have been spent or will be spent on this Phase until the church is ready to proceed.

### THE PROCESS

The church board discussed these plans at length at the last meeting. It is there commendation of the board that the second remodel proposal (Scheme 2) be approved by the church in business session. Therefore, a business session of the church will be held immediately after the church service on July 25. If you are unable to attend this session please feel free to respond to this email with your comments and votes prior to the meeting on the 25th.

I understand that this process is a bit unusual and maybe a bit hasty for some people, but with the usual summer schedules of vacations and campmeeting, and with the architect indicating that he has a window of two or three weeks to get on this project immediately, we decided to follow

the course outlined above. — Bud Dickerson



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