

IGNITE

MAY 2024
MASTER CAMPUS
PLAN UPDATE

Dear Church Family,

Since January 2023, we have encouraged one another to be in prayer for our *Ignite* vision and the Master Campus Plan (MCP) for our facilities. Please take a few minutes to read the following details that will help you to be informed and involved.

Why are we doing this?

God has called us to ignite a movement of authentic followers of Jesus, impacting the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our vision for the next 5 years is to reach 1,000 people with the gospel and to release 200 equipped leaders from the next generation for Church leadership.

Our church family voted on March 26, 2023 to implement the MCP included in our *Ignite* vision. The MCP is an important tool for helping us accomplish the mission and vision God has given to our church and will enable Whitesburg to flourish for many decades to come.

What is the process?

The *Ignite* MCP is a four-phase plan to provide additional and renovated spaces for our Student Ministry, Senior Adults, Life Groups, and Administrative offices. Phasing will be necessary to enable ongoing ministry and stay within the financial parameters approved by the church.

Main Campus Primary Goals

- Improve campus flow and facility layout, while completing renovations of the oldest parts of the campus.
- Improve access/egress and Life Group location for Senior Adults.
- Create ministry appropriate space for a growing Student Ministry.
- Maximize parking.
- Improve and create adequate office space for the ministry team.

South Campus Update

Chapel Completed [Chapel Use Policy](#)

- Cost \$250K, funds provided through designated gifts.

Academy Gym

- The gym project on our South Campus is a part of our Master Campus Plan. The project is being funded by donations from Academy families and through the Academy budget.
- Anticipated completion: February 2025

Helpful Information

- Beginning June 10th, the North Lobby (Entrance 9) will be closed until further notice.
- A sidewalk from the parking lot to a small entrance at the north side of the Worship Center will be available.
- Senior adults are encouraged to use the Atrium and South Lobby entrances (Entrances 3 and 5).
- Handicapped drop off will be at the South Lobby (Entrance 5) on Sanders Road.
- Please utilize the shuttles and golf carts to assist you from the parking lots.

Next Steps - Phase 2

- Contract signed.
- Demolition of existing drive-through canopy at the North Lobby entrance.
- Construction of new Student building and Senior Adult Life Group space.
- Construction of adjacent secondary Senior Adult parking lot.
- Anticipated completion: September 2025

Phases 3 and 4

- Renovation of remaining areas of existing campus.
- Administrative office facility.
- Facility upgrades for Worship Ministry.
- Phases 3 & 4 planning will take place during construction of Phase 2. The Building Committee, Office of the Pastor, and other departments will be working together on this planning.

Our Facilities Team and Building Committee are considering other needs that may fit within the approved financial parameters the church approved by church vote on March 26, 2023. Items under consideration: 1) west parking lot resurfacing and repair and 2) existing roof repairs. Estimated costs for these items is currently \$1,000,000.

Financial Update

We are grateful for your generosity and faithfulness. Our currently available cash does not include future funds that may be received from members and other sources. All future funds will further improve our cash toward these projects.

How will the four phases be funded?

- Available cash.
- Debt payment allocation within our current ministry plan (budget), funded by the faithful tithes and offerings of members and attenders of WBC.
- Our *Ignite* MCP Offering from September 10, 2023.
- Since September 10th, many are giving on a regular basis to support this endeavor.
- A building loan for remaining balance that fits within the church's approved financial plan.

How do I get involved?

The participation of all of our church family is needed and encouraged. When our church family prays, seeks the Lord's direction, and obeys His leading, He will do an amazing work in our midst! Join me in helping to *Ignite* a movement of authentic followers of Jesus.

Next steps:

1. Pray.
2. Faithfully support the Ministry Plan (budget) with your tithes and offerings.
3. Consider giving an offering to the Master Campus Plan as a regular part of your financial support of the vision and mission of WBC.

If you have questions, please let us know. The leaders listed below will be glad to help.

Sincerely,

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