



Dear Church Family,

I am praying you will give close, prayerful attention to the materials I have enclosed with this letter. They share a vision that is bold, exciting, and in a very real way, world-changing. In John 14:12 Jesus told His followers that they could do “greater things” than even they had seen and experienced through His earthly ministry. And, as with His followers then, we believe He is calling us now to do *Greater Things*.

Words can’t express how excited I am to see this dream become a reality. I believe God has prepared us for this moment, and I believe now is the time to step out in faith! You may ask, “Why now?”

- First, this is for God. We are called to maximize the gifts and abilities that He has given us as a church. All of this is for His glory.
- Second, for the church. As God continues to bless our Second Family, we must be strategic in implementing new ways to impact others with the gospel.
- Third, for our community. This community and our county should be different because we are here. We are called to love our neighbors and touch the nations for Christ.

I’m asking you to join with me as we build the nicest park in Houston County. It will be a place where young and old, families and friends, churched and unchurched can gather and enjoy life together. It will include baseball, softball, and t-ball fields, soccer fields, flag football fields, walking tracks, a splash pad, state of the art playground equipment, and so much more.

This brand new campaign will include more than just our Sports and Recreation expansion. We will also embark upon some much-needed improvements and renovations to our current property. These updates include: re-carpeting our Family Life Center, resealing and restriping our parking lots, installing security cameras in our children’s areas and around our campus, electronic check-in for our nursery and children’s ministry, and so much more.

This is why I am specifically asking you to do the following:

- Set some quiet time aside to read these materials, especially the enclosed brochure.
- Plan some time as a couple or a family to pray and ask God how you can make a significant difference. Ask the Lord for creative ways to give for His ministry.
- Bring your 3-year pledge and “first fruits” gifts to our special Commitment Services on November 6th and 13th.

I’m asking you to join me as we seek to do “greater things” for the glory of God, for the love of His church, and for the sake of our community. I can’t wait to see what God is going to do!

Expecting *Greater Things*,

Pastor Jim