

Date: May 31, 2009

Location: Genesis Network Class

Leader: Sean Gilliland

Attendees:

Hunter and Lisa Wells

Jeff and Kim Ward

Dennis and Leslie Vaughn

Matt and Jennifer Marlatt

Tim and Susan Locke

Marissa and Ben Buchanan

Allyson and Kevin Long

Fred and Samantha Daniel

Lauren Jones

Q1) Talk about one or two existing programs or ministries at St. Mark's that you enjoy or that are particularly meaningful to you.

Sunday School

Furniture Program

Children's Ministries

Disaster Relief

L.I.F.T.

Scouting

Music Ministry

Food Pantry

Youth Programs

Preschool

Nursery

Coin Offering

UMW Greeting cards

Tree of Special Wishes

Shoebox ministry

Support our Soldiers

Room in the Inn

VBS

Mexico Mission Trips

Disciple Bible Study

Thursday a.m. Bible Study

Church Library

Stephen Ministry

Q2) The mission of St. Mark's is, "Making Disciples for Jesus Christ." With this in mind, as we looking to the future, in what ways do you envision God calling our church to be in ministry?

VBS evangelism

Growing College ministry

Growing the preschool

Promote diverse membership (race, background)

Modern mixed with traditional worship

Sports ministries

Expand local missions

Lock-ins

Temporary housing for visiting groups

Singles ministry

Welcoming visitors

Outreach to unemployed

Literacy/tutoring programs

ESL program partner with First UMC

Expand Food Pantry

Make building available for community events or concerts

Q3) What are some biblical or theological images of where we are or where we are going as a church?

Stuck between Old and New Testaments (traditional vs. progressive)

Fishers of Men

Mustard seed faith to move church in God's direction

Q4) In light of our conversation, what do you think God is saying to us in reference to our building needs?

Gym or multipurpose space (unmet need)

Space for music ministry/rehearsal

Sunday school space/classrooms

Sanctuary space – sacred

Fellowship space (banquet hall)

Don't need fancy sanctuary, keep practical

Need gym for preschool needs

Sanctuary for wedding space

Q5) Are you willing to make a commitment of resources to grow the ministries of St. Mark's?

Resources include time, sweat, effort and money

All contributions count

Host events to raise funds

What may we be willing to give up to be able to give more?