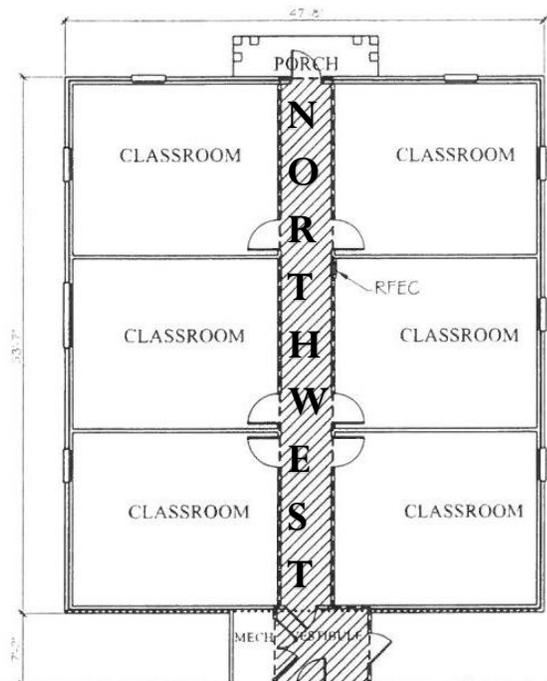


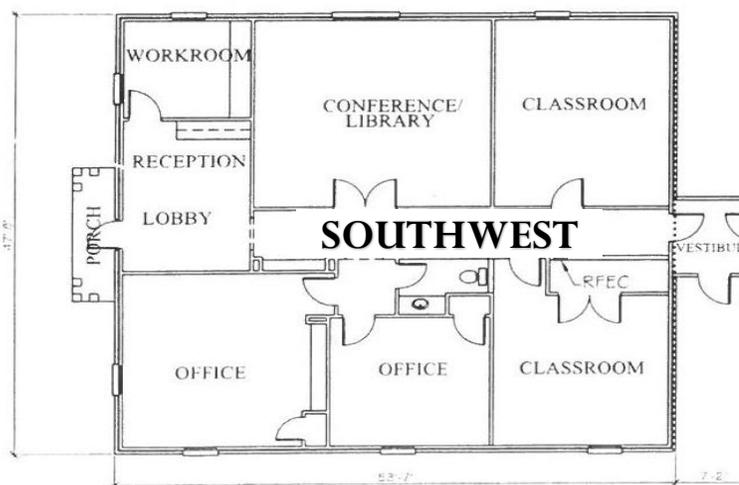
Construction Begins Soon!

Great news! The elders, deacons and ministers meeting went great on Sunday. Sted, along with our elders, revealed the overall plans for our second phase of growth. We are in the final steps of finalizing permits with the city of Gulf Shores. Therefore, we should begin construction in the next +/-30 days. Our goal for this project is \$600K and we have already collected nearly \$100K.

The northwest wing addition will remove the current nursery and renovate the 5-6 classroom into a new nursery with a bathroom. It will also have 6 new classrooms for K-6 grades. We hope to have new paintings drawn on the walls of this new wing to match "Our Bible Journey" in the current wing. That artwork will be of the prophets Samuel, Daniel, Isaiah, Elijah, Elisha, Jonah, etc.



The southwest wing addition will not hinder any current rooms because it will be attached to the "Fishbowl." This wing will add a Senior High and Junior High classroom. It will also add a larger classroom for L2L Bible Bowl, conference room, meetings, library, HCU extension classes, etc. Three new offices will also be placed in this wing for Ray, Jon, and Charlene. There will be a small bathroom placed in this wing for convenience.



You may also notice that there are other "minor" alterations that have been approved on these plans. For instance, we could remove the glass in the fishbowl for a pull screen, renovate a current classroom for a cry room with observation window, and adjust some of our classrooms for overflow. However, we are NOT going to do those things at this time. It has been decided to wait for those items until Phase #3.

What is Phase #3? In the future we would like to replace the carpet in our existing building, renovate the auditorium (stage, baptistery rooms, etc.), upgrade all the tech equipment (projectors, screens, monitors, speakers, cameras, etc.), enlarge the foyers, renovate the old kitchen, and possibly add a Welcome Center in the central foyer (in an existing office). We might also need to consider the parking in front of the building, but will have to work with the city. This phase does not have a budget yet or a proposed date. However, they are being considered for future construction.

We are growing! We are building! Praise the Lord! Please keep all of this in your prayers. The complete plans for Phase #2 can be found in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact one of the elders. May God bless your day!