



Calvary Chapel SAWGRASS



ministry
expansion
project

“Faith working through Love...” Galatians 5:6

“ My life is worth nothing unless I use it for finishing the work assigned to me by the Lord...telling others the good news about Christ.”

-Acts 20:24



From 10 people meeting in our little two-bedroom condo in 1991 to 3,500 people on Easter Sunday 2011, God has blessed our church ministry beyond my wildest dreams. Today, Calvary Sawgrass not only reaches men, women, children, and youth from every walk of life throughout South Florida, but also has a global impact reaching people all over the world. The best part of it all has been seeing people's lives radically changed by the power of God's love, and knowing that we really are fulfilling the greatest commission ever given to humanity... Reaching our World for Christ!

We are living in a historic moment in the life of our church. This is a moment of eternal significance and opportunity. We have taken many steps of faith together over the past 20 years as a church family, and God has blessed every one of them with miraculous growth and provision. We are a church that has always followed the calling of God to reach our world for Christ, and God is asking us again to trust Him and take yet another step of faith.

This brochure summarizes our church Ministry Expansion Project. Our goal is to simply add more space to accomplish the life-changing job that God has given us and to increase our capacity to reach even more of our world for Christ. This is not a “field of dreams” kind of project – “If you build it, they will come.” This is a project to meet the immediate and pressing needs of our growing church while making the necessary room to reach even more people for Christ in the future.

As you prayerfully read through this material, my prayer is that your heart will be touched by the Holy Spirit and that you will be deeply moved by the historic and eternal significance of this moment in our church's history. I want to invite you to join the incredible work that God is doing at Calvary Sawgrass and take a step of faith with us to reach even more of our world for our Great Savior, Jesus Christ!

Reaching our World for Christ,
Pastor Gary

We want to expand our capacity to reach even more people for Christ!



First Steps of Faith...

Passion to Start a Church

In 1989, Pastor Gary and Kathy packed up all of their belongings and moved to South Florida to begin Calvary Sawgrass. On the way, their moving truck caught fire, destroying all of their earthly possessions. The devastating tragedy did not stop them from pursuing God's calling to begin a church. There was only one way to go... *forward!* In 1991, the first Bible study was held at their home.



Baghdad

On Easter of 1992, the church had its first public meeting at Central Park Elementary school in Plantation. Over 115 people attended that first Easter service. Out of those 115 that attended, 100 people gave their lives to Christ. The next step of faith occurred in **1996**. In just six short weeks, a congregation of about **60 adults** meeting in an elementary school raised over **\$100,000** and completely renovated a dilapidated old warehouse on State Road 84 we now affectionately refer to as “Baghdad.” Our church **tripled** in size and began reaching even more of our world for Christ.



Current Facility

Starting with only \$3,000 in the bank, God provided miraculously and over the course of the next three years, the church purchased 10 acres of land and completed a \$3 million building project. **On Easter weekend 2003**, Calvary Sawgrass moved into its current facility and **reached over 1,000 people for Christ**, the largest attendance up to that date.



20th Anniversary Easter Celebration

← **This past Easter**, Calvary Sawgrass hosted its largest evangelistic event ever. Over **3,500** people attended Easter at the Rodeo Grounds and many gave their lives to Christ.

The Next Step...

Depicted below is a rendering of our new 1,500 seat sanctuary, allowing us to maximize the use of our 10 acre property. Our current sanctuary will convert to a center for our growing youth and children's ministries. The new sanctuary is joined to the current campus by covered walkways and a common courtyard and café area for comfort and fellowship.

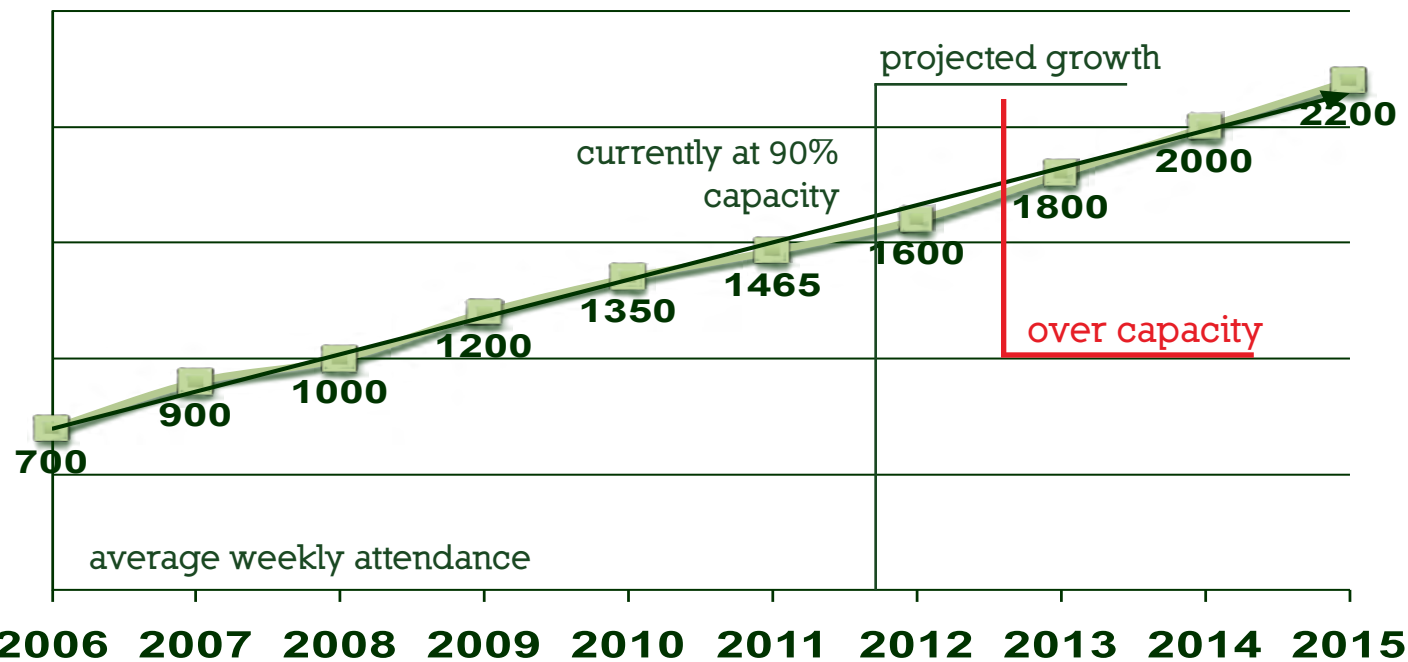


Children's and Youth Ministry

At the same time as we build our new sanctuary, we will remodel our current sanctuary into our new multi-purpose Youth & Children's Center. We also plan to add a second floor of additional classrooms on top of our existing classrooms (the existing classrooms were pre-engineered to take a second floor). We also plan to add additional office space, parking and play areas for our children and sports areas for our youth. This will maximize the use of our ten acres on Flamingo Road and complete our original site plan.



our present challenge:
approaching max capacity



our next steps...

step 1

Sept 2011 - Aug 2012

**Capital Campaign
Raise \$250,000**

- Architect/Design Fees
- Permitting/Initial Planning
- Improve Church financials

step 2

Sept 2012 - Aug 2013

**Capital Campaign
Raise \$750,000**

- Complete Construction Plans
- Secure Financing

step 3

Sept 2013- Aug 2015

**Construction
Begins**

- Break Ground
- Complete Sanctuary
- Remodel Youth/Children



key congregational decisions & next steps

- Come to every weekend service during Steps of Faith or watch online.
- Attend Family Night on Wednesday, September 28th at 7 p.m.
- Ask God how you should be involved.

church family night

A gathering for everyone who considers Calvary Sawgrass their church home and would like more information about our Ministry Expansion Project.

what you can do:

- Pray
- Review Materials & FAQs at calvarysawgrass.org/futurebuilding
- Sign up for e-mail updates
- Return your commitment card on Sat/Sunday Oct. 8-9
- Participate in Step of Faith Offering Weekends Nov. 19-20 , Dec. 24-25

illustration of gift levels

Financial Projections:

Minimum Funding Needed to Raise: \$1 Million
 Year one goal: \$250,000
 Year two goal: \$750,000
 Max Debt Load: \$3 Million
 Project Total: \$4 Million

# of gifts	gift amount
1	\$500,000
2	\$250,000
2	\$100,000
2	\$75,000
4	\$50,000
5	\$30,000
10	\$25,000
10	\$20,000
10	\$15,000
20	\$10,000
30	\$7,500
50	\$5,000
100	\$4,000
100	\$3,000
100	\$2,000
100	\$1,000
Many	\$500
cumulative:	\$4,000,000

something to consider...

20/20 Vision
 If 1,000 people can commit an additional \$20/month we will raise \$240,000 in one year

Note: The above list of gifts is only one illustration of how Calvary Sawgrass individuals and families could collectively commit all the funds necessary for the Ministry Expansion Project.



□ governing values for growth

As we prayed, planned and looked toward the future, we were guided by these values:

- ① **Making the most of what God has given us** - we are committed to be the best stewards of the people, ministries, and resources that God has given us.
- ② **Make a Big Church Small** - we are committed to maintain our family identity as we connect people from the crowd to the core.
- ③ **Preserve Our Core DNA** - we are committed to protect the unique and helpful distinctives that make Calvary Sawgrass who we are today!
- ④ **Flexibility in our Future** - we are committed to plan and think in such a way that we allow God to define our future.
- ⑤ **Reach Our World for Christ** - we are committed to increasing our capacity to relieve suffering in the name of Jesus on a global and local scale.

