

## From the Building Team

I would like to take a moment to show my appreciation and thank God for the opportunity to do some much needed building improvements in our church this year. I must admit that we have been somewhat negligent over the years by not recognizing things that need attention.

First I thank the members of our church for their generosity in giving to the building fund and praying for our church. The funds support the opportunity to improve and encourages us to give thought to bigger things like expanding our horizons and growing our church. The prayers are of utmost importance, we know God will answer our prayers. This reminds me of a favorite scripture in the bible. In 1 Chronicles 4: 10 **Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, "Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain." And God granted his request.**

Not much more was said about Jabez, but what we do know is God granted his request. This prayer seemed to be on the self-ish side, it was all about Jabez but there's nothing wrong with praying for yourself. God knows your heart, Jabez prayed for blessings and to enlarge his territory. He acknowledge God as the God of Israel, knowing anything is possible with God. He put God in the center of his life and his work and God blessed him. So thank each and every one of you that have supported the building team.

To bring everyone up to date on the current projects, **first**, I will start with the parking lot. Our plans for improvements involve three stages. (1) Seal and stripe the existing asphalt. You may have notices this is complete. Our objective was to preserve the asphalt and by stripping we picked up additional spaces and doubled the amount of handicapped spaces. (2) On the south side of the asphalt we have rock or base material which is good until it rains, it gets messy. Eventually we plan to asphalt that area but we don't have enough funds at this time. The plan is to spread smaller rock about one inch deep over the existing rock, seal it like the asphalt and stripe like the front side. This will be much cleaner and we will pick up additional parking. (3) We plan to add an additional parking lot possibly on the north side of the church. We are getting quotes on this stage at this time.

**Second**, painting and replacing ceiling tiles. Offices, ladies room and the sound room are completed on the sanctuary side. The hallway and the doors have been painted in the north wing. All of the ceiling tile has been replaced on the sanctuary side. We still have some work to do to complete the painting.

**Third**, carpet and chair cleaning. Some of the chairs in the sanctuary have been cleaned. The goal is to clean all the chairs, red and blue. We still need to clean the carpet and finish the chairs.

**Forth**, spreading dirt on the soccer field for leveling and trimming trees. Ten yards of dirt has been spread on the soccer field to level and prepare for the tabernacle. Trees on the east side of the building have been trimmed.

We are getting some real traction on these projects and I would like to thank the following people for giving their time and hard work in getting the job done.

Painting and ceiling tile, Suzette, Doug and Raedean, Bryan and Ron, Dick Webb and Kathy Barrett.

Cleaning chairs, the Boy Scout Troup (Dave Nielsen.)

Spreading dirt, Thanks to Lou Myer for bring his tractor, Eddie, Matthew, Morris, Keith and Garrett for spreading dirt.

Tree trimming- Thanks to Doug and Raedean.

A special thanks to Morris for organizing the work days and helping with the ceiling tile. These are exciting time at our church, it is a time for giving and fellowship and Joy in being blessed for a job well done.

Thanks again to all of you and I look forward to spending time again in fellowship with one another and our Father in heaven.

Rob