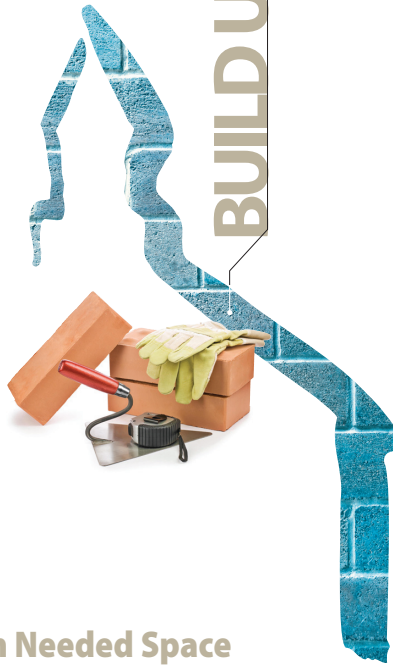


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Baptist Builders Club USA



Build Up Spotlight

Church Adds Much Needed Space

JASPER, IN—David King, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, wants BBC donors to know what an incredible year 2010 was for the church and what has already happened in 2011. Last year 19 people came to salvation, 4 were baptized, and 95 percent of the church members became involved in regular church ministry. This year the church has been having monthly events designed to reach their community for Christ. So far this year, 10 individuals have placed their faith in Christ, and 1 was baptized. By God's grace Fellowship Baptist hopes to share the gospel with every man, woman, and child in their surrounding county, as well as in their own city of Jasper.

Attendance at the church had grown so much over the past few years, they could barely fit in the church's 1,200 square foot auditorium. The building had only two restrooms and no real kitchen. In 2006 the church began to plan next steps for



Before building expansion



Building expansion completed



Sanctuary before



Sanctuary after expansion

a building project. Over three years people of the church raised almost all of the money for the project, but still needed a boost to complete the build. In April 2010 at the Baptist Builders Club administrative meeting Fellowship Baptist was approved for a \$10,000 grant. Those funds allowed Fellowship Baptist to finish off the project. One year later they have completed a 7,000 square foot addition that includes an auditorium, classroom space, more bathrooms, teen room, and kitchen.

On March 6th, 2011, the church held a dedication service. City officials, construction teams, and BBC Director Michael Nolan, along with his family were on hand to join in the celebration. Michael Nolan gave a charge to the church and reminded them the church was not just a physical building, but that they were the church.

BBC Director Visits Buckeye, AZ

Buckeye, AZ—Pastor Adam Zamora of Desert Hills Baptist Church presented a recognition plaque to Michael Nolan, director of Baptist Builders Club, to show appreciation to BBC-USA and the GARBC for their investment and fellowship with the church. In April 2010, Desert Hills was awarded a grant of \$15,000 toward the purchase of chairs, sound equipment, and a community outreach publication. On their December 5th Sunday visit in Buckeye, Michael and his wife, Kristen, spent the day with the Desert Hills Baptist Church family. Michael was privileged to preach in both services. The church currently meets in a local elementary school.



Donor's Spotlight



■ Harold and his late wife, Thelma

Couple Partners with BBC•USA for 60 Years

Lakeland, FL—For 60 years Harold Bigelow and his late wife, Thelma, participated in Baptist Builders Club, both as givers and receivers. The Bigelows were part of two churches that received grants from Baptist Builders Club, one in each half of the twentieth century.

In the late 1940s the Bigelows were among the founders of Calvary Baptist Church in Fairhaven, NY. In 1950, when it became necessary, they asked for help from BBC. One thousand dollars was granted to aid the church with its expansion. Harold recalls that the gift was a blessing to a new and struggling church.

In 1993 the Bigelows were members of Cornerstone Baptist Church in Lakeland, FL. This church received a \$10,000 grant for its building project.

Harold and Thelma personally experienced how God can use others' finances and prayers to assist and encourage a church. Five times a year, BBC sends out call letters, updating BBC members and calling for prayer and gifts. Harold says, "I have tried to be part of each call as it comes. Even though

my gift might be small, I know it helps."

Church Plant in Chicago Suburb Enjoys Benefits of Expanded Program

Schaumburg, IL—In June 2010, Baptist Builders Club announced the expansion of its Start Up Fund. Under the expansion, approved church-plant applicants receive up to \$55,000 in funds and services over three years, pending a yearly review.

In November 2010, Great Commission Baptist Church, Schaumburg, IL, was approved as the first church in this expanded program. The church is being planted in one of Chicago's northwest suburbs. Currently the congregation meets in a local community center, but members are praying for God to provide their own facility soon.

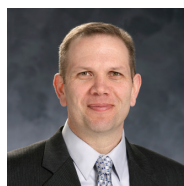
They tell BBC: "The challenges and opportunities of being a new church plant are huge! It is a blessing and encouragement to know that we have the support and assistance of the Baptist Builders Club and the Association as a whole serving alongside and fellowshiping with us. The prayer support, financial assistance, services, and wisdom provided by the BBC are a valuable gift as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission."

Start Up Expansion Update



■ Pastor Scott Greening and church volunteers carry supplies into the current meeting location.

Note from Michael



Greetings to you—Whether you are a Baptist Builders Club member, a first-time BBC newsletter reader, or a friend of BBC, I hope you are blessed by these updates of the ministry and the churches that are helped.

For more frequent updates, visit BBC on the Web. New stories are posted regularly, and the site includes a special section with a daily devotional.

If you are not a member but would like to learn more, the Baptist Builders Club website provides information on what BBC does and how God can use you to help Regular Baptist churches across America. The Get Involved page has a link to help you register as a BBC member. To learn more, take a few minutes and visit www.BaptistBuildersClub.org.

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