

Thank you for your interest in FORWARD - an ambitious fundraising campaign to move Lighthouse Church FORWARD for Cedar Lake.

MOVING FORWARD

Since Lighthouse Church acquired this property seven years ago, previous major projects have included roof repairs, auditorium upgrades, and nursery and multi-purpose room renovations.

These updates allowed us to safely and comfortably continue holding Sunday services, activities like small groups, baby showers, graduation parties, shared meals, and more. In addition, the doors are open to serve the community through the food pantry and by hosting blood drives, school events, music classes, AA meetings, sports teams, and more.

Through these open doors, God has positioned us to walk alongside more people on their faith journeys. Just recently, several young people began attending church, gave their lives to Jesus, and followed Him in baptism. People have begun to re-engage with Jesus and with church, while others are finding freedom from addiction. As our area grows, we expect God to give us more and more opportunities to serve our community and share Jesus with them.

Lighthouse's mission is, "For far too long the church has been known for what it's against. We want to be known for what we are for. We are for Cedar Lake." To move FORWARD in this mission, it is vital that the *property* of Lighthouse Church continues to serve the important work that God is doing in and through *people*.

FORWARD GOALS

The FORWARD Campaign has 3 Goals totaling \$450,000 to be completed by 2030!

Goal 1 - \$50,000

Raising the \$50,000 down payment required to install a new parking lot. Once this goal is met, construction can begin. The remaining \$200,000 of construction costs will be paid by obtaining a loan.

Goal 2 - \$200,000

Paying off the loan within 3 years. Early debt payoff to avoid additional interest will keep the parking lot project as economical as possible.

Goal 3 - \$200,000

Replacing auditorium and hallway carpeting, renovating bathrooms and other rooms. This is estimated to cost \$200,000 to complete these projects by 2030.

Goals 1 and 2, totaling \$250,000, represent the total cost to replace the parking lot including:

- Removing and rebuilding the entire lot down to the base layer
- New striping to maximize space and provide handicapped and guest parking
- Replacing electric lines to parking lot light posts
- Repairing concrete at several of the building entrances
- Allowing for proper connection to and drainage from the new parking lot



(Artist's rendering of the replaced parking lot)

Goal 3, totaling \$200,000, represents the cost to make interior improvements including:

- Replacing carpeting in the auditorium and hallways
- Renovating several bathrooms
- Rehabbing other rooms
- Making the inside of the building as inviting as the outside

PARTNER FORWARD

Please prayerfully consider partnering with Lighthouse to move FORWARD for Cedar Lake with a Kickstart Contribution **and** a 3-Year Recurring Commitment in addition to your regular giving.

Kickstart Contribution

Your one-time Kickstart Contribution will go toward Goal 1 - raising the \$50,000 down payment needed to install the new parking lot.

Recurring Commitment

Your 3-year Recurring Commitment will go toward Goal 2 - retiring the debt incurred from completing the parking lot. Below is a sample scenario that would allow us to accomplish Goal 2 of repaying the loan. If for the next three years:

2 families give \$1,000/month + 2 families give \$500/month + 5 families give \$300/month + 15 families give \$100/month + 15 families give \$50/month + 20 families give \$10/month -> Goal 2 Reached!

If we all work together, we can reach these goals and move FORWARD for Cedar Lake.

Whether you can make a large donation or a smaller offering, every contribution will move the project FORWARD and make a difference. You can give at <u>lighthousecedarlake.com/forward</u> or by using the enclosed commitment card.

Faithfully Pray

Please also be in prayer for the FORWARD Campaign and for Lighthouse Church to keep moving FORWARD for Cedar Lake. We invite you to utilize the enclosed prayer bookmark to use as a reminder to pray faithfully for the Lord's wisdom and provision.

Thank you again for your continued partnership in the mission of Lighthouse Church. We are excited to see what God has planned for our future as we move FORWARD!

Looking FORWARD with you,

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"Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen."

Ephesians 3:20-21