PARKWAY
BAPTIST CHURCH



Parkway Baptist Church Family,

Three weeks ago, we shared an unexpected need involving the plumbing stack and restrooms in our Lower East Wing. Water damage, mold, and asbestos required the restrooms to be taken down to the studs quickly, as sewage began releasing through broken pipes. We also learned that insurance would not cover the work.

Based on the information available at the time, we asked you to prayerfully consider helping us raise $50,000 to care for our church family's building. As of Monday, September 21, you have given **$50,270**. We are deeply grateful. Your generosity has already relieved much of the financial strain of this unexpected project, and it is a beautiful expression of your care for ministry that God has called us to at Parkway Baptist.

We want to share what we have learned as the work has progressed.

The flood mitigation, asbestos removal, and plumbing assessments are complete. That work cost **$26,033**, which the Trustees paid from funds already designated and available for facility needs. Without funding a portion of the plumbing costs from this amount, as originally planned, as well an increased overall cost of the bathroom reconstruction, this raised our anticipated costs. With that said, the restrooms are now ready for plumbing repairs and reconstruction, and flooring in the hallways ready to be replaced.

We received the final bids for the remaining work late last week. With a fuller understanding of the damage and the work required, **we now expect the entire project to cost approximately $117,000**. That includes the work already completed, extensive plumbing repairs, reconstruction of the restrooms into ADA compliant family restrooms, and replacement of water damaged flooring outside the restrooms and along the Kidzone Worship hallway.

After accounting for the $26,033 already paid and the $50,270 you have given, **approximately $40,697 remains to fully fund the project**.

We know this is more than we first anticipated, and we wanted to share the updated figures with you plainly and transparently. Why? This is your church building and we are in Gospel ministry together. We are fixing up the house in order that God will continue to build a family.

Sometimes the Lord can use bathrooms (or any other unexpected emergency in our lives) to bring us to our knees to help us fix our gaze upon Him. In all of our competencies, successes, and our financial stewardship and management, we can easily forget that we are absolutely dependent upon God for everything. The Apostle Paul reminds us, "What do you have that you did not receive?" (1 Corinthians 4:7)

May we use this moment to recall the goodness and the sufficiency of Christ.

We invite you to pray about whether you can help meet the remaining need. Our desire, if possible, is to complete the work without drawing from general fund reserves or redirecting funds designated for other purposes.

It is a joy to witness the Christ-like unity among our members as we seek to complete this need together. Our Finance Committee, Trustees, pastors, and staff are working together to move the project forward as quickly and responsibly as possible so this part of our building can serve our church family again.

As we said in our first letter, this unexpected need is simply a bump in the road, not a change in direction. We remain committed to caring faithfully for the building God has entrusted to us while continuing the ministry He has called us to do.

If you would like to give, you may place cash or a check in the offering boxes on Sunday and mark it **"Restrooms."** You may also give online at www.parkwaybaptist.net/give by selecting **"Restrooms."**

Parkway family, thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your faithfulness. Together, let us meet this need as we continue to glorify God, proclaim the gospel, and make disciples.

With gratitude,

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