



Heartbeats along the way: The Courageous Heart

*"Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart."
2nd Corinthians 4:1*

Under the leadership of our Building Committee, we are engaged in an exciting and challenging ministry: to create a Worship Center that will serve this fellowship and Carlisle for generations to come. Today Jeff and the team will give us another status report. They have been working hard with the contractors, reviewing the proposals, re-sizing and re-organizing spaces to achieve the most useful and flexible building possible within the defined budget, building code, and legal restraints.

It's a time for us to praise and thank the Building Committee for what it has achieved and how they have been guided by God. We must also applaud their courage in shouldering this monumental project. They are: Jeff Barnes, Ryan Heishman, Colleen Kulp, Mike Landis, Joanne Monoski, Joanne Reynolds, Courtney Svirbly, Rick Washinger, & Brad Weiser.

We've just begun a new year, one that will be very significant for Carlisle UMC and our journey to a new worship center. By year's end, we should be looking at new construction rising from a 25-acre soybean field. As Sir Winston Churchill said "This is not the beginning of the end; it is the end of the beginning."

So, let's not lose heart. Let's speak encouraging words to one another this year. Let's count and share the miracles God has showered upon us, and digest the latest miracles we hear of today from the Building Committee. And remember, in less than two years we will walk into CUMC- Spring Garden, and it will be beautiful!!

"O God of Mercy and Might, please continue to bless our Building Committee with Your Presence and Wisdom. Give us the words of encouragement to share with one another through this year of great expectations. We ask this for Your Glory. AMEN."

~ cl reynolds