

We are excited about the direction in which God is moving New Hope Community Church and believe that He is continuing a mighty work here!

As we align ourselves with our newly minted Vision for New Hope, one of the steps we've undertaken has been to look at how we might update our facilities to make them more usable for current attendees and more attractive to potential new worshippers.

Earlier this summer, NHCC leadership, as well as a few members, visited several local churches to gain insight on how they updated their facility to accommodate growth. It was an interesting exercise that has helped us think through our own challenges.

The next step in this process has been to request proposals from a couple of architects and engage one who has extensive experience doing what we believe we may want to do. Gilbert, McLaughlin, Casella was selected by the Elders in August to help us develop plans for:

- Better space utilization to maximize the space that we have;
- Rejuvenating our existing space to create a new interior look and achieve a more appealing, updated "feel" for our church for all ages of worshippers; and
- A master plan as to how we can best use all of the space on our site.

The firm has already been in communication with our leadership, as well as attended several NHCC worship services and functions, to better understand our congregation and what our current needs may be. They will continue their research and conceptualization work before presenting a proposal to us in the months ahead.

As this process moves forward, we'll keep you updated. In the meantime, you can play a big role by joining us in prayer to better see where God is... and the steps we need to take to join Him there.

Sincerely,

Pastor Paul and the Elders