



During 2006 and 2007 our church held three retreats with the purpose of seeking God's direction for our church through prayer and worship. It was during these retreats that the idea for a multi-purpose building was born. Following the retreats, a committee was formed to initiate the process of looking into the feasibility of such a project.

In May, 2007 we hired a consulting firm to help us with our fund raising campaign. And from June through September, the campaign was initiated receiving pledges of \$305,000 over a three-year period for the project.

The logo and theme for our campaign, "Hope For Tomorrow," came from a combination of our church's name and steeple and a verse from the Bible, which reads, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." *Jeremiah 29:11.*

A Building Committee was established in February 2008 to carry out the plans authorized by the Voters Assembly to build a 6400 square foot metal multi-purpose building with a budget of \$550,000. Prior to beginning the construction, in April and May, the parsonage and its garage were moved. On June 1, 2008 a ground-breaking ceremony was held and in July the erection of the building began.

The committee applied to the LCMS for help from Laborers for Christ in the framing of the interior. They arrived in August 2008 and spent the next two and a half months with us completing their assignment on October 26, 2008. The rest of the work was hired out to local contractors with completion coming in May 2009.

On June 7, 2009 the building was dedicated the "Lange Memorial Fellowship Hall." Psalm 127:1 "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain."

The purpose of this building is to provide better and larger accommodations for all of our ministries and, above all, to carry out the great commission from Jesus, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations. . . ." We are to be His disciples and bring others to know of the love of God through the ultimate sacrifice of His only Son, Jesus Christ, to bring us the gift of salvation.