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PROGRESS SO FAR

WHAT'S NEXT?

Honey, I Shrank The Joists

Did they shrink in the rain?

Was the delivery truck side-swiped on the way to the construction site?

Were they attacked by a termite marching band?

Whatever the reason, the floor joists delivered for the balcony were the wrong size. Instead of the 12" joists we needed, we got 9" ones, and this has given rise to all sorts of wild speculation on the job site. (Maybe it was Elvis?)

In any case, our supplier is working on getting the correct joists delivered to us, along with \$100 for the inconvenience. Meanwhile, keep an eye out for a stack of 3" joists; perhaps we were supposed to get two deliveries and they just forgot to stamp "SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED" on the pieces.

Help Is On The Way!

A couple of sister churches are interested in helping us complete the new building! We already have a couple of offers for teams to work on Saturdays, and we're excited about the prospect of having more workers to attack the next wave of projects.

Come on out and help, people! This is a great opportunity to build fellowship with the other churches in the area! Kenny Moore at the associational office told Pastor Archer that another group is interested in coming out in late July to help, too -- before you know it, we'll have people climbing all over the building.

Up-Front Framing

The materials have been delivered for the front wall of the building! This is about the last major section of the outside wall of the building, and everyone's anxious to start working on it. We're all looking forward to getting the building 'weathered in' and better protected from the elements.

Baptist Platform

No, no -- not THAT kind of platform. No one's running for office (at least, not as far as we know). I'm talking about the platform inside the auditorium! As soon as the materials arrive, we're ready to start building the platform and the floors for the dressing rooms and baptistry.

We'll have to start watching Pastor Archer a lot more closely now; as soon as he has a platform to stand on, he may occasionally toss away his tool belt and start preaching! The baptistry is on order, too -- before too long, the new building will be a 'real' Baptist church!

Box No More!

If you've been debating whether to come out and take boxing lessons from John Lewis, I'm sorry to say that you've missed your chance. Your lifelong dream of becoming a boxing champion will have to wait a little while longer, it seems -- John has finished making all the boxes for the stone columns on the outside of the building! You have to move pretty quickly to keep up with John; if you fool around for too long, he'll leave you in the dust!

Prayer Request

Herb Dayhoff, one of the best stonemasons in the country, has volunteered to build our stone columns for us. Unfortunately, he has recently suffered a heart attack. We ask for your prayers on his behalf, not because we have work for him to do but because we're concerned about his welfare and want only the best for him. God will provide for our masonry needs one way or another; we want to pass this prayer request on to all of you so that you can join us in lifting Herb up to the Lord's care.

Working Hours

The work schedule varies with the weather, occasional hold-ups experienced while waiting for material, and other reasons. In general, there's something going on all the time weekdays and Saturdays unless the weather turns really bad.

For specific dates and times, ask around -- DeeDee Minne is helping Pastor Archer coordinate the volunteer effort, and you can also grab someone on the construction team to find out about day-to-day operations on the site.

Back Talk!

Got a question? Want to make an announcement? Want to recognize someone for a job well done? Get it in the paper! Contact **Philippe Nave** at **469-8327** (home) or **538-3150** (work) (send e-mail to pnave@lucent.com)

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