

Ardmore

—WORKS
inside. out.

This is the Church. This is the Steeple. Open the Doors.



*You're blessed when you get your INSIDE world – your heart and mind – put right.
Then you can see God in the OUTSIDE world.*
MATTHEW 5:8



Inside

CHURCH. STEEPLE. PEOPLE.

BRETHREN, I DO NOT REGARD MYSELF AS HAVING LAID HOLD OF IT YET; BUT ONE THING
I DO: FORGETTING WHAT LIES BEHIND AND REACHING FORWARD TO WHAT LIES AHEAD...

PHILIPPIANS 3:13



Dear Ardmore Member:

Throughout our journey together over the last several years, we have seen God do some incredible things in and through our congregation. Not only have we been able to fulfill our dream of building a new sanctuary and educational building, we have also been able to launch some wonderful new ministry initiatives such as our J. L. Wilson Guest House, our Handicraft Ministry, and partnerships in Morocco and the Ukraine. I see these things as signs of God's desire "to bring to completion the good work he began in us" (PHILIPPIANS 1:10). God continues to work "out" what he works "in." Let me put it another way:

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It seems to me God always works that way – inside out. As you thumb through this brochure and think about your commitment to this capital campaign, invite God to start something new in you. Then, live out that commitment by making a pledge. If we all take this step together, we will do much to take some long strides toward the future God has ready and waiting for us. Remember:

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Sincerely,

William J. Ireland, Jr.

Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to His good purpose.

PHILIPPIANS 2:12B-13





This is the Church

In 2002, Dr. Ireland asked “What is God speaking to your heart?” We then wanted to be members of this Church, and I also wanted to be baptized. The beautiful stained-glass image of Jesus warmly reminds me of God’s grace, and how we are welcome in this Church. Through worship and fellowship at Ardmore, our lives have been changed. To God be the Glory.

Paul Stimpson

*Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers.
Be shepherds of the Church of God, which He bought with His own blood*
ACTS 20:28



Since the beginning of the Christian Movement, believers have been interlocked into a structure that God calls the Church. In 1930, God established Ardmore Baptist Church to minister to the needs of the community. Throughout the decades Ardmore continued to grow and build.

Today we're still interlocked in fellowship & focus.

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This is the

Steeple

Ardmore is bricks, hymnbooks and children's storybooks. It's teachers, preachers, singers and cooks. It's a sanctuary from life's trials. It's also a place where we celebrate and grieve, grow and learn and ultimately come together to worship. The Spirit of our holy God lives in the midst.

Ardmore, like a beloved pitcher, is a vessel where God's love and grace flows freely to nourish and support us. We also flow outward to our community and lands far beyond our doors.

Peggy Trenchard

I've built this splendid Temple, O God, to mark Your invisible presence forever.

1 KINGS 8:13



Ardmore Baptist members are known for giving sacrificially, in time and money, to construct architecture that becomes the foundation of amazing ministry. From sanctuaries to entryways to steeples. We have an awe-inspiring structure that points to our God.

In beauty. In splendor. And in longevity.

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A photograph of a hand reaching out towards a sign that says "ENTER TO WORSHIP". The hand is in the foreground, and the sign is in the background. The background is a light blue wall.

ENTER TO WORSHIP

Open the Doors

People

When we first visited here, we knew we found our church home. We were awed by the sanctuary; delighted by the reverent worship, the clear, compelling messages; and, overwhelmed by the warm welcome of those seated around us. We were thrilled to discover the children's programs where they can grow and develop their faith in God. We continually meet people who are genuinely excited to have us here. We found not only our church home but also our church family.

Ben, Kim, Zachary and Jackson Creamer

On arriving there, they gathered the Church together and reported all that God had done through them and how He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

ACTS 14:27



Ardmore Baptist Church is loving people, gifted people, faithful people, caring people, servant-hearted people. Each of us is interlocked but we reach out. In missions. In kindness. In finances. God knows that we're stronger together.

We spread our hands out to the community and our world.

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As you can see from the beautiful pictures in this brochure, Ardmore has been blessed in many ways. When you think about our church, it is the hope of the Ardmore Works Capital Campaign Steering Committee that along with the facilities that come to mind, you see the people and ministries that form the essence of our church. *Ardmore Works. Inside. Out.*

Even though we have financial need, the real focus of this campaign is on the human capital – the people who are Ardmore Baptist Church. It is about who we are as a body of believers. It is about what we join together to accomplish for God's Kingdom. It is about our collective mission of changing lives through meaningful relationships.

The purpose of this brochure is to emphasize the importance of our capital campaign to reduce our debt. Our message is a simple one - We need every member to join in this effort.

If you are a new member or chose not to participate in previous campaigns, please prayerfully consider how you will join in the process of retiring our debt.

The numbers speak for themselves. At the end of our IMAGINE MORE Campaign, we will have about \$4.2 million dollars left to retire our debt. Our current debt is financed at a *tremendous* rate of 4.75% with five years left to go before the rate will be renegotiated. Our goal in this campaign

is to receive pledges sufficient to retire half of this debt over the next 3 years, from May 1, 2006-April 30, 2009. The more we give now, the more we save later. Won't you please help us reach at least \$2.1 million dollars?

**We need
every Member
to join this effort.**

*Please help us reach our
\$2.1 Million goal.*

On April 30th, we will have a procession of commitment in our morning service. You will be receiving in the mail a commitment card for your family. You will want to join other members and friends in this meaningful act of worship, as you bring your commitment to the Lord. Later that day, we will come together for a meal to celebrate our commitments and enjoy a concert by Ernie Rushing which will be followed by home-made desserts prepared by our wonderful cooks.



PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN AND OUR CHURCH. Your commitment will help us to keep Ardmore Baptist Church working. *Inside. Out.*

IF YOU PLEDGED AND GAVE TO EITHER THE IMAGINE OR IMAGINE MORE CAPITAL CAMPAIGNS, WE ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO GIVE AT THE SAME LEVEL AND POSSIBLY CONSIDER AN INCREASE.

IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER OR CHOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN PREVIOUS CAMPAIGNS, PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER HOW YOU WILL JOIN IN THE CHALLENGE OF RETIRING OUR DEBT.



Outside

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FOR ALL THINGS ARE FOR YOUR SAKES, SO THAT GRACE WHICH IS SPREADING TO MORE AND
MORE PEOPLE MAY CAUSE THE GIVING OF THANKS TO ABOUND TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:15



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