

BUILDING WITH A PURPOSE

The ultimate goal of the building process is to obtain the;

- best possible building
- lowest feasible cost
- least amount of time

But, that is not enough for a church. The purpose of a church building is not a church building but church building.

We are not simply building places in which to worship God. We are building as worship of God.

Nothing offers a church so great an opportunity for new life and new witness as a building process that builds up the church.

- Strengthen and enrich fellowship
- Foster deeper commitment
- Express new hopes and dreams
- Extend vision
- Enlarge mission
- Support growth

How does this happen? Through our best efforts and the grace of God.

“The process of orientation to a problem is almost one hundred per cent of the solution.”

Piet Hein Danish Poet/Scientist

Building church facilities is a problem of purpose long before it is an architectural or a financial problem.

More problems result from thinking more about the structure than the reasons for building it.

The first questions are faith questions, church life questions, mission questions, purpose questions-not architectural questions, such as: What will it look like? Where can we build it? How much will it cost?

Buildings are:

Facilities - Before design there must be a purpose.

Statements -You need to know the message

Tools -Needed in order to perform the task