

Foundations for Faith: The Challenge

March 2009 Update

“Lutheranch: I can’t wait to go there, can you!”

Excitement is building as congregations and individuals across the Southeastern Synod are participating in The Challenge campaign. Like the little girl in the campaign video, many individuals young and old are saying, “we can’t wait to go there.”

Before any additional development can take place, however, the purchase of the property must be funded through gifts received. We can reach our goals through generous participation of individuals, families, churches, businesses, and foundations that comprise the Southeastern Synod.

We are grateful for the generous support of many Southeastern Synod congregations. As of April 10, 2009 commitments to Foundations for Faith: The Challenge has reached \$3.1 million. A total of \$1,518,154.00 has been pledged/given in the congregational appeal. Seventy-one congregations have conducted a campaign. To date, 20 congregations have set a date for their campaign. Another 34 have approved a campaign and have a trained congregational leader. We are pleased and excited over the response.

Below is a list of congregations that have participated so far and their total:

Advent, Augusta, Ga.	\$ 6,000
All Saints, Huntsville, Al.	\$12,500
All Saints, Lilburn, Ga	\$40,063
Ascension, Jackson, Ms.	\$13,600
Beth Eden, Louisville, Ms.	\$ 1,500
Bethel, Biloxi, Ms.	\$ 4,200
Bethel, Springfield, Ga.	\$12,000
Christ Our Shepherd, Peachtree, Ga.	\$20,000
Christ the King, Cummings, Ga.	\$24,752
Christ the King, Dalton, Ga.	\$10,045
Christ the King, Evans, Ga.	\$22,000
Christ the King, Tupelo, Ms.	\$ 1,116
Christ the Lord, Lawrenceville, Ga	\$31,768
Christus Victor, Ocean Springs, Ms.	\$23,985
Community of Grace, Grayson, Ga.	\$12,500
Emmanuel, Atlanta, Ga	\$ 9,000
Epiphany, Colliersville, Tn.	\$ 3,000

Epiphany, Conyers, Ga.	\$23,000
Faith, Clay, Al.	\$ 5,110
Faith, Knoxville, Tn.	\$ 6,365.
Faith, Savannah, Ga.	\$18,662
First Lutheran, Nashville, Tn.	\$ 5,015
First United Lutheran, Kennesaw, Ga	\$29,270
Good Shepherd, Woodstock, Ga	\$27, 265
Grace, Carrolton, Ga	\$19, 879
Grace, Long Beach, Ms.	\$17,525
Holy Cross, Athens, Ga.	\$46,415
Holy Cross, Hiram, Ga.	\$44,460
Holy Trinity, Marietta, Ga.	\$125,000
Holy Trinity, Fairhope, Al	\$17,000
Holy Trinity, Kingsport, Tn.	\$30,807
Holy Trinity, Nashville, Tn.	\$ 1,400
Laurel Hill, Clyo, Ga.	Amt. To be Announced
Lord of Life, Memphis, Tn.	Amt. \$17,000
Lord of Life, St. Simons Island, Ga	\$ 4,917
LC Good Shepherd, Garden City, Ga	\$10,000
LC Incarnation, Marietta, Ga.	\$ 2,630
LC Messiah, Atlanta, Ga.	\$15,500
LC of Nativity, Austell, Ga.	\$ 4,975
LC Redeemer, Macon, Ga.	\$ 2,000
LC Redeemer, Savannah, Ga.	\$12,000
LC Resurrection, Marietta, Ga.	\$90,050
Memorial, Nashville, Tn.	\$15,000
Messiah, Knoxville, Tn.	\$30,000
Messiah, Madison, Al.	\$37,385
Our Savior, Gatlinburg, Tn.	\$ 500
Our Saviour, Johnson City, Tn	\$23,000
Prince of Peace, Alpharetta, Ga.	\$31,350
Prince of Peace, Fayetteville, Ga.	\$38,800
Reformation, Greeneville, Tn.	\$18,715
Shades Valley, Birmingham, Al.	\$120,585
Shepherd of the Hills, Birmingham	\$36,525
St. James, Brunswick, Ga.	\$14,125
St. James, Greeneville, Tn	\$ 2,050
St. James, Norcross, Ga.	\$ 4,315
St. John's, Atlanta, Ga.	\$ 20,000
St. John, Griffin, Ga.	\$10,000
St. John's, Knoxville, Tn	\$ 3,000
St. John's, Rincon, Ga.	\$ 5,128
St. Luke, Atlanta, Ga.	\$ 1,487
St. Mark's, East Point, Ga.	\$ 1,500
St. Mark's, Huntsville, Al.	\$78,230
St. Matthew, Columbus, Ga.	To be announced

St. Paul's, Maryville, Tn.	\$18,180
St. Paul's, Savannah, Ga.	\$ 1,200
St. Stephen, Decatur, Ga.	\$ 1,540
St. Timothy, Forest Park, Ga	\$21,725
St. Timothy, Hendersonville, Tn	\$60,000
Trinity, Hixson, Tn.	\$ 6,000
Trinity, Lilburn, Ga.	\$92,540
Triumphant, Dothan	\$ 1,000
Wingard, Cloy, Ga.	To be announced

In order to be successful, we need every congregation to participate. The appeal process is well-organized, easy to follow, and only takes five weeks to conduct. This campaign effort offers every member an opportunity to participate.

The master plan is currently being developed, but will only be implemented as the land is completely paid for. A new campaign will be launched to implement master plan recommendations sometime in 2010 or 2011.

Join the congregations that are listed in this article. You don't want to miss this opportunity!!!

If your congregation has not scheduled a date for The Challenge appeal for your congregation, please contact Libby Bedenbaugh, Senior Development Associate (libby@llmi.org) or 803-940-6523.