BARRINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

BUILDING FINANCE COMMITTEE

April 30, 1965

Dear Member and Friend of the Methodist Church:

The enclosed brochure will tell you of our Building Fund drive for a new parsonage, debt retirement and Church capital improvements. This \$85,000 program has been given much consideration by the Official Board and the Building Committee, with final approval and the "go-ahead" signal just two weeks ago.

Believing that you are interested in this project, we are enclosing also a pledge card and a little Record Book, and a self-addressed envelope for your use.

Please give this matter your prayerful thought, and pledge as much as you are able. Most members are spreading their payments over the 30 months, either on a monthly or weekly basis. We shall be glad to send you Building Fund envelopes if this would be a convenience to you. Let us know.

Please feel free to write or call either one of us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Corliss D. Anderson and Edwin C. Bruning, 381-0850 358-1296

Co-Chairmen



Barrington Methodist Church

NOTES and SKETCHES of the

New Parsonage, Debt Retirement, and Church Capital Improvements

and

The Financial Plan

1965

The cost of preparing and printing this brochure has been borne by one of our members.

In Brief ...

After much study by competent committees and extensive consideration by the official board, we are now at the point of building a much needed parsonage which will house our senior ministers for the next 50 to 70 years.

It will now be possible to use the present parsonage for our associate ministers; the present rental property has been extremely costly to the church and to them.

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Along with building the new parsonage, we will be able to pay off the mortgage on the south educational wing and make a few capital improvements to the church and educational facilities. Most important of these is the completion of the second floor facilities which will serve our high school students in their MYF and church school activities.

This brochure is prepared with the aim of informing all our church members and securing the financial resources necessary to complete the whole project promptly. The achievement of this program will enable the church to be debt free by the end of 1967.

Chronicle of Events

January 1964

Official Board Chairman James H. Stiehl appointed a Survey Committee to study the church building and pastoral housing needs.

Hiram S. Cody, Chairman Corliss D. Anderson Mrs. Peter Barile Mrs. Harry C. Dickleman William E. Hile John M. Rockwood Earl M. Schwemm Richard D. Sturtevant

May 1964

The Committee on Church Building and Pastoral Housing was authorized by the Official Board to prepare specific plans to meet long term needs of our senior ministers and their families. The Committee was to examine houses which were for sale as well as stock plans for building.

The Board also authorized the Committee to make plans for the necessary financing, including the liquidation of the church building debt and needed improvements to the church facilities.

September 1964

Special Quarterly Conference appointed a Building Committee to study the Survey Committee's work and to proceed with the purchase of a parsonage, subject to the approval of the Elgin District Committee and our membership.

Herbert A. Herrmann, Chairman Corliss D. Anderson Mrs. Peter Barile Mrs. Philip E. Bash Mrs. Harry C. Dickleman William E. Hile Milton A. Lefevre Russell C. Mann John M. Rockwood Earl R. Schwemm Richard D. Sturtevant

October 1964

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Rockwood made a gracious offer to donate a piece of vacant property, ideal in every way, as the site for our new parsonage. The Official Board accepted this gift with an appropriate resolution of gratitude.

December 1964

The Building Committee retained the services of Robert Seekatz, architect, to help select a basic building plan and modify it to meet the unique requirements of a parsonage.

Gifts in cash and securities in the amount of approximately \$23,000 came to the Church before the year-end. Of this about \$7,000 was applied to the Church Building debt, and the balance of \$16,000 remains available for the parsonage and capital improvements.

February 1965

The Elgin District Committee on Church Location and Building reviewed and heartily approved the proposed site, the architectural plans, and the over-all financial program.

March 1965

On March 21 we held our official congregational meeting (called a Church Conference). Chairman Herrmann reviewed the architect's final drawings which were unanimously approved by the congregation. By appropriate motion and unanimous vote the Trustees were authorized to borrow up to \$30,000 on a parsonage mortgage; pledge payments are intended to retire this debt by the end of 1967.

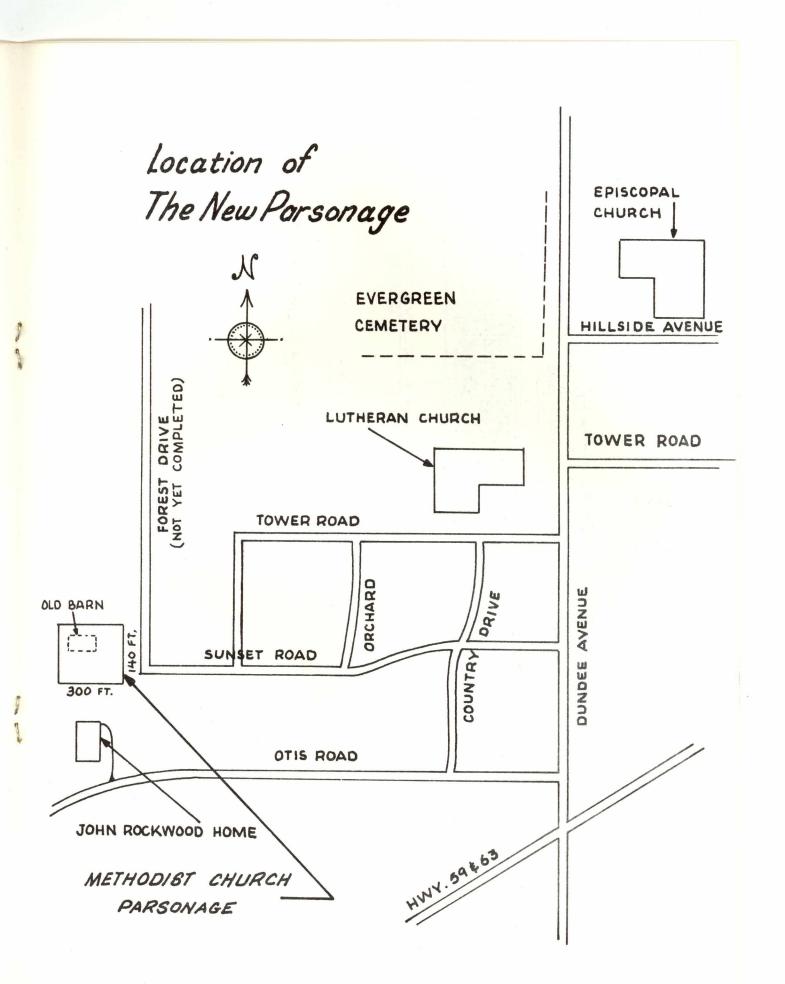
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The Official Board approved the complete program as outlined in this brochure and confirmed the appointment of the Building Finance Committee.

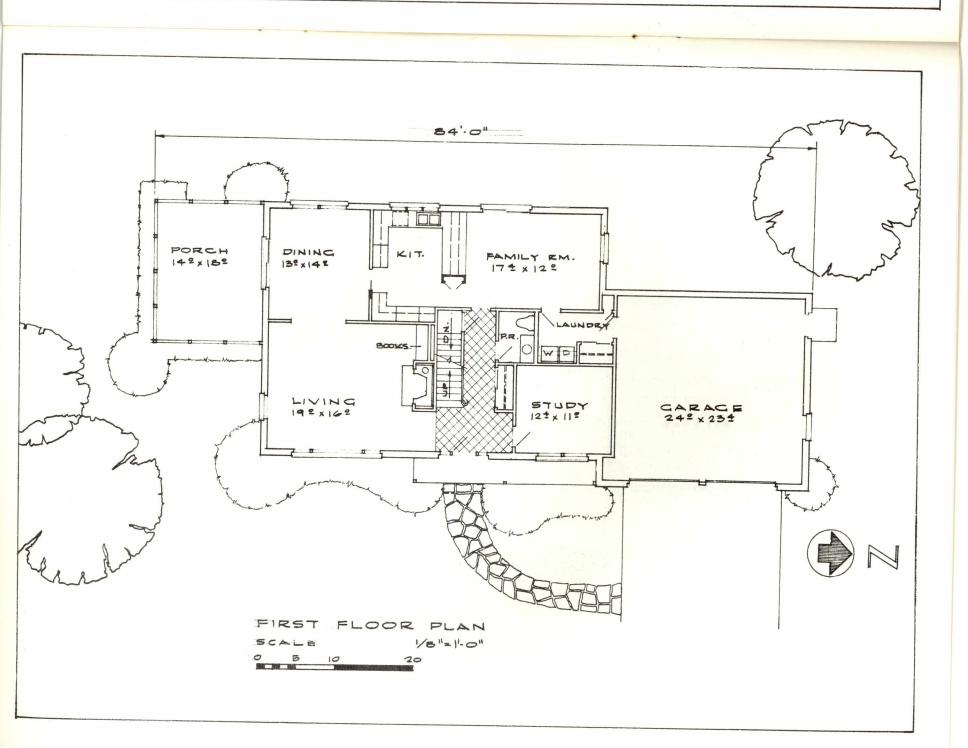
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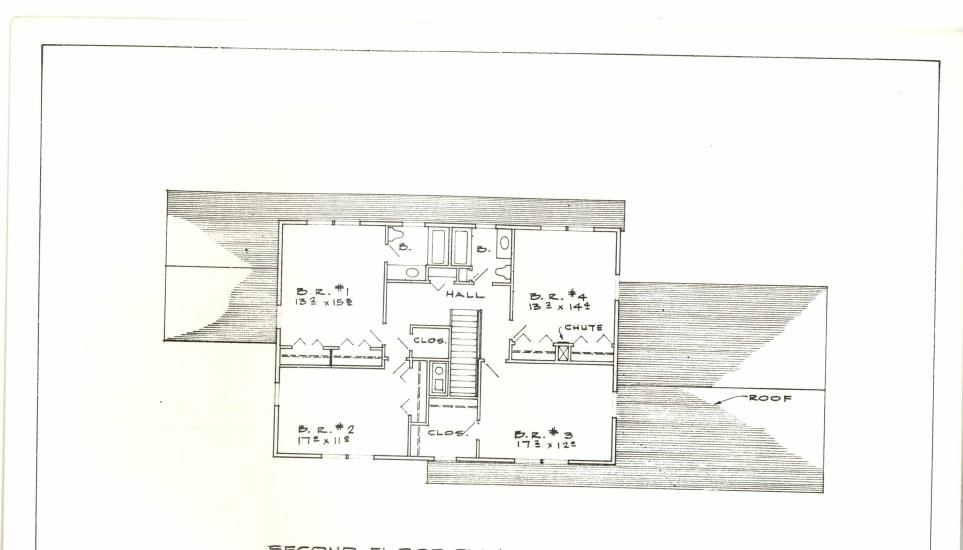
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As of early December, 1964

PARSONAGE

Cost of construction, architect's estimate made subsequently, March, 1965	\$39,800				
Add approximate 10% for landscaping, driveway, and architect's services	4,000				
CHURCH DEBT RETIREMENT	27,000				
CHURCH - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS					
Finish second floor rooms (four) in south educational wing for use of Sunday School for high school students for MYF meetings and Boy Scouts	6,000				
Storm windows and screens on church and present parsonage	1,500				
Sanctuary floor tile	1,500				
Lincoln Street parking and sidewalk improvement	1,000				

CONTINGENCIES

To allow for shrinkage in pledges due to illness, change of circumstances, leaving this area 4,200

TOTAL

\$85,000

We want to give every church family the opportunity to have a personal part in this program. Evaluate yourself, please give prayerful thought to the following table of gifts. Select a bracket which will represent a truly proportionate gift for you and your family.

Monthly and Weekly Giving

to

Church Building Fund

or

30 Monthly Payments

Weekly Payments

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We are not asking for gifts of equal size, but of equal sacrifice. Give according as God has prospered you, remembering that "everyone to whom much is given, of him will much be required." Luke 12:48



Building Program BARRINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

I am here, Mr. Prospect, on behalf of the Church to discuss the building program and enlist your support for it.

As you know, the Official Board recognized the need for additional Church facilities some months ago and appointed a Planning Committee for the purpose of investigating the needs that must be met, the proper planning for the correcting of these deficiences in facilities, the analysis of our financial ability to pay for the Church expansion needed, and the methods available for financing the building program. This Planning Committee has been working for several months and has ascertained our most pressing need for facilities, the most economical and practical method of installing them, and the cost of these improvements. These data have been reported to the Official Board and the Official Board has approved the same and authorized the Committee to proceed to endeavor to finance a building program.

We are fortunate to have in our midst an executive of one of the Nation's largest fund raising organizations, Mr. Paul Younger, who has contributed greatly of his time and knowledge in planning our financial campaign. We find that without the generous assistance of a relatively small number of people, we are not likely to meet the goal we have set for ourselves in conservatively financing the building program.

You are one of the Church constituents whose liberal support of this program is a must if we are going to succeed and that is why a group of us are calling on others in this same category preliminary to the submission of this program to a congregational meeting and the holding of a general financial campaign.

Let us look at the facts in the situation!

THE BARRINGTON METHODIST CHURCH IS "A GOING CONCERN"

Let's take a look at the record:

IN FIVE YEARS OUR MEMBERSHIP HAS INCREASED FROM APPROXIMATELY 300 TO 794

Church attendance was 90-100Average per Sunday is now 200CHURCH SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP HAS INCREASED 50% IN THE LAST 5 YEARS

Church school attendance was 140 Average per Sunday is now 210 GROWTH IN CHURCH ACTIVITIES HAS KEPT PACE WITH THIS PROGRESS

Our conference rating for activity and loyalty is "HIGH"

DURING THIS PFRIOD OF GROWTH WE CAN FOINT TO SOUND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Our Budget has in recent years been consistently balanced: it has increased from \$8,052.00 to \$17,020.00 in 5 years - a 100% increase

Even a casual look at our Church building will assure you it has been well maintained.

YES, THE BARRINGTON METHODIST CHURCH IS TRULY "A GOING CONCERN" ----

Those responsible for this deserve and must have adequate facilities to maintain and further the Church's vital program of service

The Church must keep pace with the increasing demands of a growing community

BUT - - - TO MEET THESE DEMANDS, WE MUST PROVIDE AT ONCE FOR URGENTLY NEEDED ADDITIONAL SPACE

The study involved in the planning for additional facilities was based on several primary considerations which were determined as a first step. These were:

- (a) Additional facilities should not be installed to accommodate more than present requirements plus growth within the foreseeable future - in other words, over-expansion was to be guarded against.
- (b) Expansion of Church facilities must be kept within our financial means.
- (c) No building program involving the incurring of a large indebtedness, repayable over an extended period in the future, would be considered.
- (d) The present attractive architecture of the Church was not to be compromised.

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EW FACILITIE'S RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE ARE:	
A NEW CHURCH SCHOOL ADDITION	
A two-story and basement wing constructed at the northeast corner of the Church containing 7 Sunday School Class meeting rooms, 2 large meeting rooms (subject to division for class meeting rooms) and a Minister's study	
Estimated to cost	\$ 68,000
IMPROVEMENT AND CONVERSION OF THE CHURCH BASEMENT	
Installation of 3 Sunday School class rooms,	
improvement of the large Sunday School meeting room,	
modernization and improvement of the Church kitchen and installation of a washroom	
Estimated to cost	8,000
INCREASED SPACE IN THE SANCTUARY	
Lengthening of the present sanctuary to the west to accommodate 4 more rows of pews,	
construction of a balcony in the location of the present Sawyer room (increasing sanctuary seating capacity by 50%),	
construction of two staircases to the balcony,	
a staircase to the basement, and	
a new entrance foyer	
Estimated to cost	24,000
Total cost of the Building Program	\$100,000
NOW THEN, CAN OUR CHURCH FAMILY MEET THIS COST?	
WE BELIEVE IT CAN!	
An analysis of our giving potential indicates that \$100,000 can be successfully achieved, provided	
EACH DONOR TO THE FUND SUBSCRIBES HIS FAIR SHARE OF THE TOTAL	

But what is each donor's fair share of the total? What would your "fair share" be, Mr. Prospect -- and, what is <u>mine</u>? -- to insure the raising of \$100,000

SINCERE EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE BY THE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE TO GIVE EACH OF US A FAIR MEASURE BY WHICH TO DETERMINE WHAT OUR GIFT OUGHT TO BE.

How has this been done?

To begin with, an analysis of hundreds of campaigns establishes the well-known fact that in any fund-raising effort such as our Building Program -----

ABOUT 75% OF THE MONEY MUST COME FROM 20% OF THE GIVERS This means that a pattern of giving about like the following

will be necessary if our church is to raise \$100,000

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340			Total	\$100,000

All gifts are payable over 30 months or longer (3 tax-years) IF FACH ONE OF US ACCEPTS OUR FAIR SHARE OF THE TOTAL, WITHIN OUR

\$100,000 WILL BE RAISED

With this in mind, several members of our Church were given a list of the Church constituency, and were asked to put down opposite the name of each one of us, the amount they believed each one of us would like to give when fully informed of the need, and could give in terms of financial ability. These estimates, arrived at independently, have been averaged, and a suggested figure determined for each of us.

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In other words, Mr. Prospect, an honest attempt has been made by a committee of our own friends and associates in the Church, to estimate an amount which each of us might like to subscribe, and might be able to subscribe; the sum total of which approximates the \$100,000 needed.

And so it is my pleasant assignment, Mr. Prospect, to bring this story to you. I believe you feel as I do that this need is urgent and deserving of our support. I believe you want this program to succeed just as I do. I suspect you are wondering, just as I did, what your fair share of such a program ought to be.

If so, Mr. Prospect, I am prepared to give you the figure which the Committee has listed opposite your name. I want to emphasize, however, that this is in no way an attempt to tell you what to give. We know that each man must make this decision for himself. And we know that these estimates are rough approximations at best.

These estimates may be too high or too low. But, they do represent an honest attempt to provide each and every one of us with a suggested amount, the sum total of which will raise \$100,000----and mark a great advance in the life and service of the Church we love and from which we profit.

We do know that unless we in the 20% of the Church congregation that must subscribe 75% of the cost of this program are not able to underwrite our portion of the \$100,000, we must abandon, postpone or scale down the new facilities required to continue and augment the fine service of the Church - we feel sure this won't be necessary.

Of course, each man will reach his own decision. And whatever his decision, our Church will accept it with gratitude and with full confidence that he has worked out the problem of his share in a way which is fair and sound.

THE AMOUNT PROPOSED FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IS &

So, Mr. Prospect, there is the story. I have been asked to see you, to tell you this story, and to give you the figure which has been suggested for your consideration. We hope this will help you in your decision as to the share in our CHURCH BUILDING PROGRAM which you can accept.

April 25, 1952.

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