

A newsletter for  
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# Forward March

..reaching forward to those things which are ahead  
 Phil 3:13



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## How do I learn more about the campaign?

- Brochures received at church services
- Newsletters
- Watch for an information video in on Awareness Sunday
- Talk to any member of the steering committee. Committee members are listed on the back of the newsletter

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## What is the *Forward March* Campaign all About?

We are embarking on an adventure into grace and giving. It is a spiritual journey of prayer and faith. It is a voluntary journey. As individuals and as a Church family, let us begin this journey of faith together.

We at McKenzie Church of Christ are richly blessed, but our facilities have become inadequate for our congregation and for our future growth. The renovation of our present

auditorium, the addition of a new enlarged fellowship center with divided classrooms, and remodeling of Winston Hall into a place where all members young and young at heart can enjoy recreational activities will allow us to grow and fulfill God's mission for us in this community.

## A Message from Jim



Jim Roberts

What will this church look like ten years from now? Twenty years? Thirty years?

Our forefathers asked the same question in their day. Aren't you thankful that they were looking ahead for the benefit of those who would come? "Forward March" displays that same attitude of building for the future.

Our elders are challenging us to dream with them of what the church in McKenzie could look like in the future. As the recipients of past planning, we too feel that we owe it to our children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and a host of others to do what we can to build for their future.

"Forward March" is an opportunity for every member to be a part of something bigger than one person. As we give, we join our brothers and sisters to accomplish great things for the glory of God in our community. In the next few weeks, listen carefully how you can make a difference.

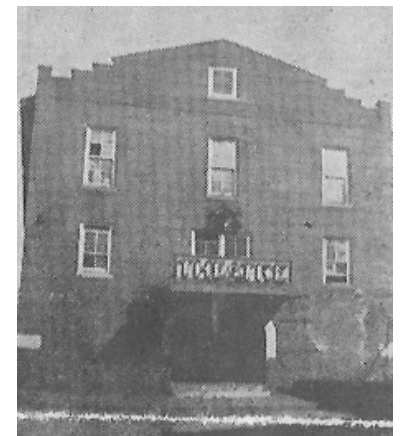
Catch the excitement as we enter one of the biggest challenges that this church has ever faced! Use your influ-

ence to better God's kingdom.

It truly is a great time to be a Christian and to be a part of the McKenzie Church of Christ.

"Forward March"- here we go together! May God open our hearts to generosity.

Jim



1929—First meeting place of McKenzie Church of Christ

## CALENDAR

Apr 15	Awareness Sunday
Apr 22	Stewardship Emphasis
Apr 29	Stewardship Emphasis
May 2	Prayer Marathon
May 6	Stewardship Emphasis
May 13	Response Encouragement
May 20	Celebration Sunday

## STEERING COMMITTEE

Executive Directors	David Johnson Dennis Kee
Campaign Manager	Chuck Sisson
Administration	Bobby Russell Joyce Russell Judy McAdams Brenda Johnson
Communication	Chad Turman
Major Events	Mary Kee
Spiritual Awareness	Randy McAdams Jimmy King
Children Students	Mary Walker Jarrod Bailey

*“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”  
2 Corinthians 9:8*

## How can I help? By Jarrod Bailey

**First**, take time to pray about our congregation and our vision. Ask God to bless us in all that we are doing now and for our future. Pray that God will use us to our fullest abilities to accomplish His purpose. Try everyday to spend time with God in prayer over our Forward March. As we begin our Forward March into an exciting future remember that it is going to be through our faith, our commitment to prayer, and our devoted service to God, that He will accomplish His purpose.

**Second**, make sure you understand. Effective communication is essential to our success. Between now and

late April, you will receive several newsletters, pamphlets, and hear or see various presentations. You will be invited to meetings to hear our McKenzie story—past, present, and future. You will hear the elders and Jim talk and preach about the spiritual life of our congregation. It will serve us well that you make every effort to stay informed on what is taking place as we Forward March.

**Third**, begin to prayerfully consider what you will give. The time you spend in prayer with God cannot be over emphasized. Giving is not a matter of wealth, but of willingness, and the final decision regarding your commitment

must be spiritually motivated from within your heart. As we have heard it is “not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice”. Your gift will be over and above your regular weekly gift, and must involve a willingness to be self-sacrificing, understanding that you give up something of real value for something that you value even more.

Our Forward March has the ability to move the McKenzie congregation to a higher level, both financially and spiritually. It is an opportunity for us to grow in faith, prayer, and devotion through biblical stewardship in all aspects of our daily lives.

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