



# Plumb Line



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## PROGRESS SO FAR

### It's Springtime!

Look around you, and you'll see that springtime has finally arrived! The grass is getting green, trees are budding out, and winter is slowly losing its grip. We've had quite a bit of rain and snow lately, and you can see its effect on all the plants around you.

The spring rains have had another effect you may not have noticed, however -- the roof on the new church building is turning green as well! Jerry Eitelbach and Kevin Ross have been working away up there, and the roof is 'greening up' with sharp-looking metal roofing! The wind and rain have been hammering at the tar paper for quite a while, but now we're making steady progress to get the roof finished up. Then, we can relax a little and watch the spring rains water the grass instead of the inside of the building.

We are indeed fortunate to have Jerry and Kevin as our 'gardeners' for this work; I can't think of anyone else who has a green thumb that works on a tar-paper roof!

### The Clock Is Running

In the last issue of the Plumb Line, we talked about the tight schedule for the month of May. Guess what! May is here, and so is the tall scissor lift we need to start all our work up in the top of the building!

Fire sprinklers and plumbing are near the top of the agenda for the scissor lift right now, followed by electrical wiring for the big lights up in the top of the auditorium. We hope to keep that scissor lift busy on one project after another throughout the month of May so that we get the maximum benefit from its rental fees, so we're trying to schedule and coordinate a whole stack of jobs all at once. The scissor lift may not look much like a taxicab, but the meter is running just the same. If you can possibly pitch in and help with the building project at this time, we can save some money by spending as little on rental fees as possible.

## WHAT'S NEXT?

### God's Provision

Just about the time we think we've got things all figured out, God comes along and reminds us of His grace and His provision. Praise Him for His bounty!

The other week, Pastor Archer heard from Bob Cook, the pastor of the Boulder Assembly of God. Pastor Cook was really excited about our efforts to build a new church building, and he asked Pastor Archer's permission to take up a collection in his church for our building program! Pastor Archer thought it was an excellent idea, and Pastor Cook went back to tell his congregation about our project. Later, Pastor Cook brought back the results of the offering - a check for **\$1,400** to be used on the project! Pastor Cook told Pastor Archer that he really felt God's hand on the Mountain View congregation, and the two of them prayed at the altar in the new building for God's continued blessing.

Wow!

I don't know about you, but this really takes my breath away! Too many times, we build all sorts of walls and barriers between ourselves and fight over everything from soup to nuts. It's easy to focus on silly issues and human problems, and we often get in God's way when he really wants to bless us abundantly. In this case, though, two men of God joined together in prayer for the advancement of His work in this area and a sister church has expressed its support! I'm glad we serve a God that loves us, aren't you?

### Pour, Pour, Pour!

At long last, we're getting ready to start pouring the parking lots for the new building. We'll have to pour it in sections, and we're going to need a LOT of workers to get everything done. If you can help, we need you out there! If you can't come out to the site, cover us in prayer as we look forward to warmer days and good weather for outdoor work.

## The Upper Room?

The floor joists are in place for the classroom area above the vestibule in the new building! Now, the carpentry crews are working to get the floor decking down and start on the interior walls. We're trying to squeeze every cubic foot of usable space out of this new building; originally, the big box above the vestibule was drawn in as wasted space.

Stewardship comes in many forms -- we're responsible to God to not only manage our own personal resources in accordance with His plan but also to make the most of the facilities we build and dedicate to His ministries.

## First Column Complete!

The first of several stone columns around the outside of the building has climbed clear up to the roof! You need to walk out and take a look at this column; it is really nice. Like many people, I appreciate sharp-looking stonework but I had no idea how much work went into it. Six cheers and a tiger for Herb Dayhoff, our stonemason!

## Auditorium Walls

Framing work continues on the interior walls in the auditorium, and you can see the internal structure taking shape day by day. One part of the process that seems to take forever is framing in the ceilings over hallways and rooms; you don't really think much about it when you see walls go up, but the ceilings have to be framed in as well.

It's a lot of fun to put up walls, and that part of the work goes pretty quickly; you just assemble wall sections and flip them up into place. Everybody cheers when all the walls are up, but then somebody has to cut about nine zillion boards and balance up on top of the walls to put the ceilings in place. Think kind thoughts about the folks doing this work; it's a pretty boring and time-consuming job.

## Working Hours

The work schedule varies with the weather, occasional hold-ups experienced while waiting for material, and other reasons. In general, there's something going on all the time weekdays and Saturdays unless the weather turns really bad.

For specific dates and times, ask around -- DeeDee Minne is helping Pastor Archer coordinate the volunteer effort, and you can also grab someone on the construction team to find out about day-to-day operations on the site.

## Back Talk!

Got a question? Want to make an announcement? Want to recognize someone for a job well done? Get it in the paper! Contact **Philippe Nave** at **469-8327** (home) or **538-3150** (work) (send e-mail to [pnavel@lucent.com](mailto:pnavel@lucent.com))

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