

KNOX'S

Tipping Point



“We wanted to create a place for the community to participate in the life of Christ through sharing and serving.”

– Clinton Roberts,
Co-Pastor

Sometimes it's better to add on. Sometimes it's better to start over.

Knox Presbyterian's "Build the Vision" campaign focused on moving a 1960's facility into the 21st Century. In addition to renovating several campus quads, the plan called for razing the original sanctuary and building a new one that better served the church's growing needs. "Our initial challenge was to make the case for why a new sanctuary was needed," said Senior Pastor Clinton Roberts. "It all came down to helping people see the future of what Knox could truly become."

The Naperville, Illinois community is fast-growing, and Knox leadership knew it would need to have a facility that could accommodate the community's needs. Campaign chair, Blair Hatcher, said, "We talked to as many people as possible, and you could see the change in people's hearts towards the campaign."

The \$5 million campaign goal was exceeded, including a \$400,000

special gifts campaign. Outside of the campaign, giving to Knox's general fund remains stronger than ever as the renewed sense of purpose and unity motivates the people.

Church Growth Services' role was "invaluable" according to Hatcher. "This project was more than business to them. From the beginning there was a strong sense of their spiritual commitment to us," he said. Pastor Roberts added, "Their availability and work ethic was so important. This truly is a 'calling' for them, and that's what makes their help such a blessing."

Knox was already a service-oriented congregation, but this campaign has laid the foundation for even higher service to Naperville. As Pastor Roberts commented, "We are now able to address the community's growth by addressing the church's spiritual growth as we reach beyond ourselves to the community through nurture, education and service for Christ."

That's "building a vision" for the future. ■



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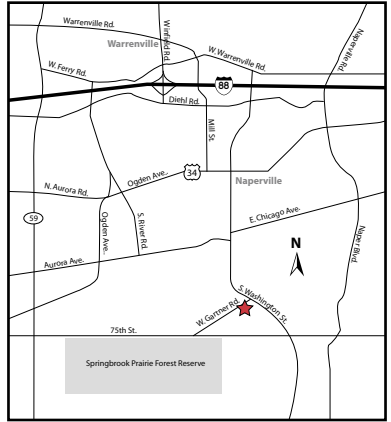
Jesus was always careful to warn people to count the cost. Decisions that call for commitment need prayer and discussion. When you decide to move forward with your next debt-reduction or capital campaign, remember that the tipping point in your campaign begins and ends with God. Remember, too,

that campaign success is about more than just forming the committees. It starts with the pre-campaign assessment. Church Growth Services' pre-campaign assessments will help you count the cost and eliminate a false start. You can discuss your campaign tipping point with a CGS consultant today. They've been coaching churches for more than 45 years.

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