

## **OUR STORY**

Mercy Presbyterian Church began in 2007 as a church plant of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg, VA. In 2010, Mercy particularized and has been growing body of believers with one common vision, "We are recipients of mercy who are now becoming reflectors of mercy."

Our hope and prayer is to reflect the mercy of God to our neighbors and the world, by the love of Christ Jesus and the work of his Spirit.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

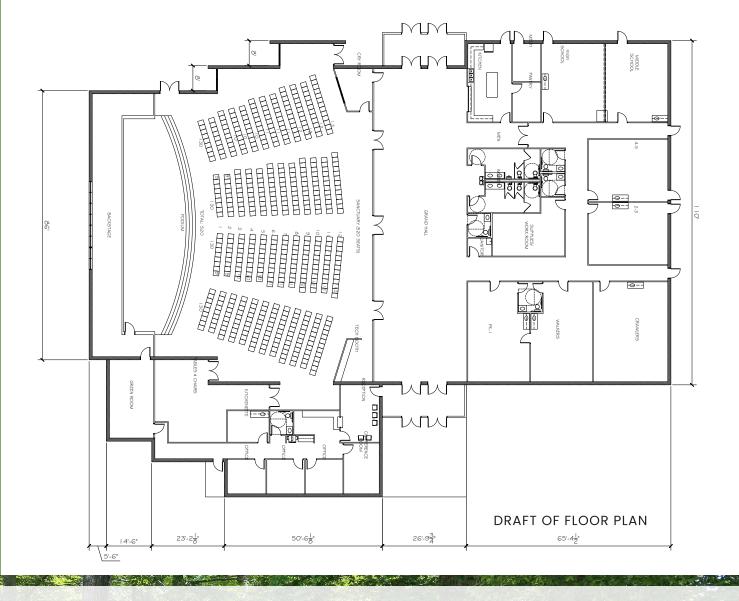
1 Peter 2:10



## **OUR NEED**

For almost 12 years, our church has been meeting at various facilities throughout the Lynchburg area. While we are blessed to have wonderful relationships with these community organizations, recent COVID 19 concerns and the size of our church membership have made finding a large enough facility in which to meet difficult.

We are a church of almost 300 members and on our busiest Sundays can approach nearly 350 people in attendance. It is our desire to have a location in which to worship together in one place as one body, to have rooms available for Christian education and weekly activities, and to have our church office located on the same location. In 2016, with the foresight and generosity of members of our church family, Mercy purchased 8.5 acres on Thomas Jefferson Road in Forest. For the last five years, we have been prayerfully waiting on the Lord's timing to begin building our church home. God has been opening doors during this season of prayer, and we believe that it is time to move towards building a permanent, visible worship and a tool for evangelism.



## **OUR GOAL**

Based on general calculations, our project is estimated to cost between \$2.6 and \$3 million. It is our hope to raise around \$1.5 million so that we are able to meet our most important building needs and manage the residual debt.

## **OUR PLAN**

On September 8, 2020, our elders and deacons decided to begin our first phase of construction on our property on Rt. 811 in Forest, VA; a building of approximately 14,000 square feet. This building will allow the church to meet its most immediate needs: A large enough space to meet for worship and church functions, "common space" for fellowship and community, office space and as many classrooms as possible.

