



ELDORADO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**MORE THAN  
A BUILDING**  
**1 PETER 2:5**

# THE CALL

## SAVE THESE DATES

**Sunday**  
**October 30**  
**The Call of God**

**Sunday**  
**November 6**  
**The Awe of God**  
**5:00 pm –**  
**"More Than A Building"**  
**Dinner & Worship**

**Sunday**  
**November 13**  
**The Response of**  
**God's People**

**Sunday**  
**December 4**  
**First Fruits**  
**Sunday**

## Our Need

Can you imagine what God can do when we are faithful to Him? Buildings are only important because they are tools to expand the Kingdom ministry. Can you imagine how God can equip us for more ministry with this new tool for our church? More space for our next generation of children and youth, along with space for events, fellowships, and community ministry will make great tools for HIM.

## The Call of God

Throughout the Scriptures, there is the emphasis of God's call on our lives. In the Old Testament, God places a call on Moses to lead the people, on Jeremiah to prophesy, on Jonah to preach, and on countless others to serve in a variety of ways. Then, in the New Testament, again the call comes to men like Peter, James, and John, to name only a few. What is noticeable each time is that the call is different. They are called from specific life roles to come and serve Him in specific ways. Some were called early in life, while others were called later in life. But in every case, God had a plan for their lives. Nothing has changed today. God still places a call on our lives to come and serve Him. In Ephesians, we read, "And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers." We are still called from different places at different times to do different ministries.

Look at the Scriptures and you will find that He uses our lives, but He also uses the material things He has placed in our trust. People who live in the Word of God, hear the Call of God. Remember, the Word is "alive and active" and it always points people to God. What is the Word saying to you? What role does the Call of God have in a campaign process? We are asking you to not only talk to God, but to position yourself to hear the Call of God on your life. Sometimes that means we need to be in our prayer closet. Sometimes we need to take off our shoes because we are on holy ground. Sometimes He will speak in a still, small voice or through someone else. In any case, we do not want to miss His Call.



**"Jesus called a little child and had him stand among them."—Matthew 18:2**

*"God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them."—Hebrews 6:10*



**I can't afford to give, or can I?...**

## **CREATIVE WAYS TO GIVE**

- Make a financial commitment to the campaign. Then, have each family member choose one thing that has value, sell that item and give the proceeds to the "More Than A Building" campaign as an additional seed of faith.
- If you are in sales, why not give 5% of each commission during the three years of giving, in addition to your regular giving?
- Delay purchasing a new automobile or other major item to give monthly payments to plant seeds of faith in the "More Than A Building" campaign.
- When dining out, order water instead of paying for a beverage and give those funds to the church.

Look around you and consider how you could change your patterns and be better able to contribute.

## **Q & A**

**Why do I need to use a commitment card?** As we begin this venture, the church leadership needs two pieces of information. First, how much do we have financially to work with? And second, how many of our families are supporting this venture?

**What if something happens and I cannot give what I commit?** While we should each strive to keep our commitment, your amount can be changed at any time by contacting the church office.

**Who will see my commitment card?** Your commitment card will be treated with the same careful confidentiality as your regular gifts to the church.

## **"More Than A Building" Worship and Dinner Event Next Sunday: November 6, 5:00 PM**

Don't forget! Dinner followed by worship will begin at 5:00 pm at College Heights Baptist Church. This will be a great opportunity to learn more, and praise God for what he is doing among us. Childcare is available at the church for birth through kindergarten at College Heights. The Celebration Team has been calling families for their reservations. If you have not received a call, please call the church office to make your reservation. There is no charge for this event.



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## **God's Call On Me And My Family**

Chloe Ann has been coming to Eldorado First Baptist Church her whole life. I started coming forty-eight years ago. I came on Sunday morning, sang the hymns, listened to the sermon, shook the preacher's hand on the way out, and went home. I foolishly thought this was good enough. What I did not realize was that I would soon get stirred up and encouraged. God would use my wife, Chloe Ann, to help me to understand that we needed to go to church not only on Sunday mornings, but Sunday and Wednesday nights too. God would use people like Charlie Reeves and Harold Mills to help me to see that I needed to be much more committed to God's work in my life. When I look at Hebrews 10:24-25, I realize that it is our responsibility as brothers and sisters in Christ to stir one another up and encourage each other more and more as the day of Christ is drawing near. God used each of these individuals to call me to Him. What is God calling you to do? How will He use you to call and disciple others?

— Tom Clore

## **Our Verse**

"You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."  
— 1 Peter 2:5

## **Our Prayer**

"Lord, what are you calling me to do?"