

## **WHERE WE ARE – WEEK OF APRIL 26, 2009**

### **Building:**

1. The engineers from Ryan Biggs have been in the church to begin their work.
2. Building permit has not been issued (Ed May has been away – returning this week) so we are about two weeks behind schedule.

### **Partnership for Missional Church (PMC)**

1. This week, we will begin one of the key components – gathering information from the congregation.

2. The Listening Team is accountable for this: Lynn Walker, Chair, Lee & John Cheek, Dutch Pinkston and myself.

3. The process is very well defined by Church Innovations, based upon their research and evidence of 20 years of experience. Twenty-four people are interviewed (regardless of the size of the church). They represent different perspectives: from very involved to those more on the periphery.

The interviewers have completed the training designed to assure that each interview is conducted in the same way. There are eight questions, which are asked in the same order. The interview takes about one hour to complete. The interviewer will take notes and then summarize the answers, which you will be asked to read in order to be sure that the summary reflects what you told us. You will then be asked to sign off on the summary, confirming that we have captured your stories accurately.

4. The process is meant to be inclusive, so if you really want to be interviewed, please reach Lynn W or me no later than next Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. We must complete all interviews by May 13<sup>th</sup> and Peter R. has until May 20<sup>th</sup> to input everything on the computer and send it to Church Innovations.

5. As you can see, we have a very aggressive timeline.

6. Any questions, please see me at coffee hour.