

Antigo Community Church Family,

The time has come for us to get a new heating system in the Quest Center. We believe it is important to step back and assess how the Lord has used this facility to impact our community. Many vital community organizations do or have recently used the Quest Center for their operations including:

- TOPS for weight loss education
- Red Cross for blood drives
- Play and Learn for a play group
- Al Anon for helping victims of others' alcohol abuse
- Habitat for Humanity of Langlade County for board meetings and home application events
- The Aging and Disability Resource Center for senior meals and Meals on Wheels
- Hope Life Center for client consultation and counseling

When you look at those organizations and their missions we see a tremendous impact on lives being saved directly or impacted for holistic wellbeing. Antigo more closely resembles Jesus' New Creation because of what those organizations do - even in our facility! Those are an inherent good for our community on their own right. And those are just secondary impacts where God has allowed us to represent Him well to our community by loving partner organizations!

We are a church. Growing in Christ and making new disciples is the mission God has assigned to us. Our congregation uses the Quest Center for many gospel ministries including:

- Mentoring and accountability meetings
- English as a Second Language classes
- Mission Antigo
- Fellowship events
- Outreach events
- Ministry training events
- Family Life seminars
- Kids Clubs
- Youth Groups
- MOPS/Moms Next
- No Regrets Men's Ministry
- SALT
- Life Groups
- Counseling
- Bible studies
- Unofficial hang outs
- Staff interactions
- Leadership meetings
- Recording online church services

The Quest Center is critical for us to accomplish our mission. And, in Northern Wisconsin, a reliable functioning heating system is essential. The current system includes a heating system original to the building which has been failing as fast as we can pay the professionals to replace. It offers limited ability to control the temperature which can fluctuate wildly between rooms. Maintenance, repairs, and parts are costing us \$15,000 each year and heating inefficiency may cost another \$5,000. Additionally, our volunteer facilities team, staff, and elders invest considerable time and effort into caring for and reacting

to the heating system's problems. While we have tried to put off this expense as long as possible, we know that the time has come for our heating system to be replaced. Over the past year we have solicited and received bids from multiple contractors and received an engineer's solid recommendation to go with a rooftop heating system from Jerome Filbrandt Plumbing and Heating (which was the lowest cost bid as well).

In addition, the north wing of the roof will likely need to be replaced within the next few years. A Christian contractor bidding to replace the North wing roof said the roof likely has some life left and does NOT need to be replaced prior to installing the heating system. The total project including the heating system and roof has an estimated cost of \$170,000. We are confident that God can and will provide for this. We know these are challenging times for so many, but this project will help us be better stewards of our church finances going forward and provide a healthier and more comfortable environment for everybody who walks through our doors.

And we have already seen God provide in encouraging ways! Despite being in a pandemic and recession, we continue to be blessed by the generosity of our church community and have \$20,000 in emergency savings. Additionally, we have already received generous support toward this project. Please be in prayer and seek God's direction for your own family about how you can partner with us. It is a privilege and opportunity that each of us have to come alongside what God is doing at Antigo Community Church and in our own families.

If you can support the church financially, that is certainly a need, but we also realize that not all will be able to provide financial support. Thank you in advance for your prayers and support, whether it be financial or in other ways! Antigo Community Church is a special place in large part because of the community of believers who make Antigo Community Church their church home with us.

May Christ continue to build His church around the world and here in Antigo!

The Antigo Community Church Elders