

LETTER FROM BUILDING TEAM TO OVCF
August 9, 2015

On Sunday, March 22nd, Steve Goddard stood before you as a representative of the leadership to inform you of future building plans we hoped to see happen. A lot of hard work and hours were put into that effort. But as the weeks went by something kept nagging me. I brought my concerns to the Building Team and I found out I was not alone. Here was the concern: if we did build the addition and found ourselves at 250, where would we put the children? If we reached 300, where would we put the children? Another issue was the length of time it would take to raise the money to pay off the existing mortgage and then to raise the money for the new project.

As a result, we began rethinking our approach. After several sometimes very long meetings, they have asked me to inform you of our idea. {Show slide show of Lil K and KidMo children}

The existing space is crowded. Sure there are days when it isn't, but there are also days when there is barely enough room to breathe. This is our first order of business! We need to make room for the children!! Our current thinking and planning is to add to the existing building going east and extending a bit north to mimic this section's roof line and structure. We do not have hard and fast plans as to the dimensions and size, nor how it will be connected. We are trying to contact the state fire marshal in order to find out about a sprinkler system being required. We will be in contact with a structural engineer to begin making plans. We also have no financial figures to share with you, except it will be considerably less than what we had been proposing. Some of what we are proposing will require volunteer help.

That also means a new direction in our fund raising. That being said, some of you may have given to the Building Fund with the sole purpose of paying off the debt. If that is the case, and you want it to continue being for that please let Diana know and that money will be earmarked for that purpose. If you do nothing we will assume it is okay to use the monies given toward the expansion of the children's area. We still intend on having a special offering on OVCF's 11th anniversary, October 25th.

The Building Team will continue to keep you updated as to our progress. Thank you for your love and concern for OVCF.