

CHURCH SEARCH

BACKGROUND: Our fellowship has less than two years to 'take possession' of a new home. Despite vigorous attempts to locate a suitable property, no vacant land or existing structure has been found which meets both our physical requirements and our financial resources. To date we have relied on real estate brokers resulting in few useful prospects.

It is time our Fellowship as a whole join together to actively assist in the search process.

PROPOSED ACTION: This requires some of us to commit some time to a systematic search in or around your neighborhood or nearby commercial, light industrial or institutional uses for potential candidate sites. Our search area has includes Thousand Oaks, Westlake Village, Newbury Park, Moorpark, Agoura, Oak Park, and Simi Valley.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR: A church may be located in almost all land use designations including residential, commercial, institutional etc. Given the time crunch and our limited resources, we need to examine every possibility no matter how implausible. So while looking for vacant land we need to pay particular attention to existing industrial or commercial buildings- not only those that have a "For Sale" sign but any building for lease, vacant or occupied but apparently under utilized, derelict shopping strips, empty banks, even churches with very large acreage. We are seeking between 5,000 and 12,000 SF (the size of two large homes)

Prospective sites will need to have an acre or more of parking to satisfy different municipality's parking requirements. For the purpose of estimation, figure about three or four times the building footprint. Potential buildings that do not appear to have enough parking spaces may still do the trick. Because our primary need is Sunday, surrounding properties not in use on weekends may be available by permission or lease.

We ask you to search in any area you believe might contain candidate properties. We urge you to examine places you've never visited. We need fresh eyes on this project. Time is running out.

Attached is a **CHURCH SEARCH SURVEY SURVAY FORM**. Print it out. Put it in your car and note candidate properties. You don't have to fill out every line. Michael Pittas is coordinating this effort please call him if you have any questions. 805-558-6368. Drop off any suggestions to any member of the Site acquisition committee on Sundays Bill Robinson, Terry Hinricher, Susan Bray or Michael Pittas.

CHURCH SEARCH SURVEY FORM

<u>NAME</u> <u>PHONE</u> <u>E-MAIL</u>	SITE#	SITE#	SITE#
SEARCH AREA 1. ASSIGNED ZONE 2. STREET BOUNDRIE 3. TOWN,VILLAGE 4. COUNTY(Simi/Ventura) 5. INCORPORATED? 6. UNINCORPORATED			
PROPERTY LOCATION 1. TOWN-VILLAGE ETC 2. ADDRESS 3. POSITION ON STREET 4. NEARBY STRUCTURES			
PROPERTY TYPE 1. RETAIL 2. COMMERCIAL 3. RESIDENTIAL 4. INSTITUTIONAL 5. OPEN SPACE 6. OTHER			
PROPERTY STATUS 5. FOR SALE (contact?) 6. FOR LEASE(contact?) 7. EMPTY BUILDING 8. VACANT LAND 9. OTHER			
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION 1. NUMBER OF STORIES 2. ESTIMATED SIZE (S F) 3. PARKING/LANDSCAPE AREA			