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Greetings in the Lord from beautiful Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center! I wanted to give you a brief update on the status and progress of our Kitchen & Dining Complex project.

If you have looked at our live webcam in the past few months you have not seen much change in the look of the site. As work has gotten delayed again, I wanted to let you know what is going on behind the scenes.

Our Selah newsletter documented the work of bringing in tons of fill material, the installation of the support geopiers and our hoped for work schedule for spring. Plans were submitted in early January for a limited permit to begin pouring the foundation concrete slab, but the local building inspector needed more detailed information on the under slab plumbing. In the meantime, we finished and submitted a 56 page plan submittal in late January for most of Phase One of the construction.

Our local building inspector, a very detailed and good man, reviewed our plans and sent back a 25 page letter with nearly 100 revisions that we needed to make to the plans before he would issue a permit for either the limited building permit or the more extensive one. As a result, we have spent the past two months revising plans from the architect, structural engineer, civil engineer and the HVAC and plumbing (mechanical) engineer! Unfortunately, that process has been quite slow, due in part to illness, surgeries, vacation and work load.

We have worked our way through about 2/3 of the revisions and are just waiting to get revised plans back from the mechanical and structural engineers. At that point, we can re-submit our revised 56 page plan!

Meanwhile, the funding for the project has continued to be very encouraging. We currently have \$1,561,914 on hand, as well as an M.J. Murdock grant for \$385,000 committed. To date, we have spent \$660,839, primarily on the geopier installation, engineering, site work/demolition and preliminary plumbing. This total amount puts us into the range of beginning to save funds for Phase Two, well ahead of schedule!

Foundation work and under slab plumbing are the next major parts of the project and will likely take us up to the start of the summer season, when framing can begin. With the terribly wet winter, and now spring, the delay in construction may be a blessing in disguise. From experience we know that God's timing is always perfect—sometimes we just wish we knew what His timing was!

Thanks for your prayers that plans can come together quickly, that our building inspector will approve the plans, and that we can restart construction and regain the momentum from the end of 2016. We will keep you posted on the progress. This building will be a great blessing for generations of CBCC guests and a great step of growth for the future.

In His Grace,

Jeff Carlsen
Executive Director