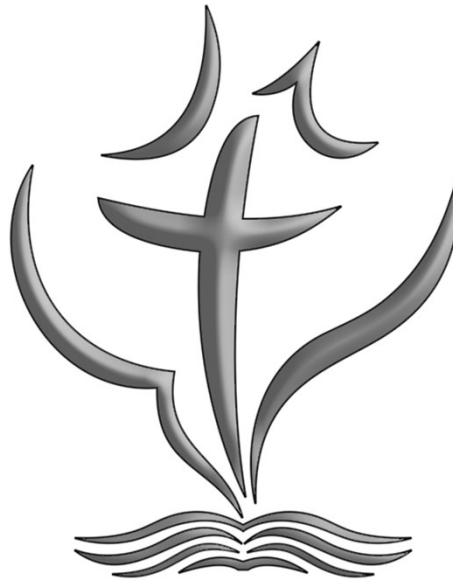


**Welcome to Calvary Chapel
of
Northern Kentucky**



Introduction

Key Verse

Revelation 1:1

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants--things which must shortly take place.

Introduction – Helpful Outline

- **1-3 – Exalted Priest-King, ministering to the churches.**
(Church is not mentioned again until chapter 19.)
- **4-5 – In heaven as the glorified Lamb of God on the throne**
- **6-18 – Judge of all the earth.**
- **19 – Conquering King of Kings**
- **20-22 – the Bride of Christ in the Millennial Kingdom and New Jerusalem**

Introduction – Helpful Outlines

Ages

- **Church Age – 1-3**
- **Tribulation Age – 4-19**
- **Kingdom Age – 20**
- **Eternal State – 21-22**

Introduction

The letters to the seven churches share a similar structure.

- *An address to a particular congregation.*
- *An introduction of Jesus.*
- *A statement regarding the condition of the church.*
 - *In two churches there is no commendation – Sardis and Laodicea;*
- *A verdict from Jesus regarding the condition of the church.*
 - *In two churches there is no correction – Smyrna and Philadelphia*
- *A command from Jesus to the church.*
- *A general exhortation to all Christians.*
- *A promise of reward.*

7 Churches of Revelation



Revelation 2:8-11

The Church of Smyrna: I Know

V 8

Jesus Describes Himself

V8 Jesus Describes Himself

First and Last – (Alpha and Omega)

Can only be attributed to God

Isaiah 41:4

Isaiah 44:6

Isaiah 48:12

Who Was Dead and Came to Life

They serve the Risen LORD, victorious over death.

Smyrna comes from myrrh, used to perfume dead bodies.

V 9

**Jesus Describes the
Church of Smyrna**

Vv 2-3 Jesus Describes the Church of Smyrna

*...joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven
(Hebrews 10:34).*

V 10a

Jesus Exhorts the Church

Vv 2-3 Jesus Exhorts the Church of Smyrna

“This ‘tribulation’ does not mean the common trials to which all flesh is heir. Some dear souls think they are bearing their cross every time they have a headache. The tribulation mentioned here is trouble they would not have had if they had not been Christians.”

- Vance Havner

Vv 2-3 Jesus Exhorts the Church of Smyrna

...that you may be tested

God has a purpose:

1 Peter 1:6-7 – genuineness of faith tested by fire

Romans 8:17 – if we suffer with Him, we are glorified with Him

In all ages, the blood of the martyrs has been seed for the church. - Tertullian

“The saints at Smyrna had not been given a pep-talk on ‘How to Win Friends and Influence People.’ They had no testimony on ‘How Faith Made Me Mayor of Smyrna.’ They were not promised deliverance from tribulation, poverty and reviling. In fact, the worst was yet to come.” (Havner)

V10b - 11

A Promise of Reward

Taking it Home

MEDITATION VERSE

Revelation 2:10b-11

Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.”

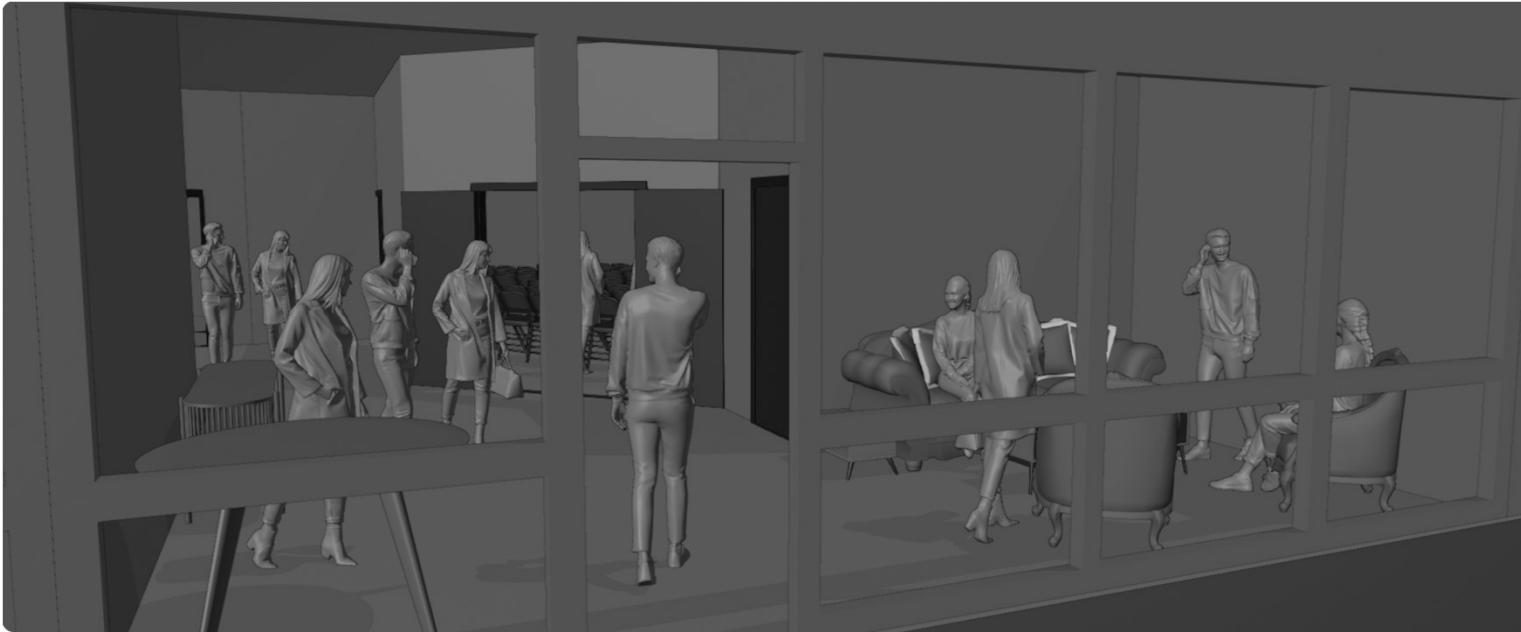
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Revelation 22:20-21

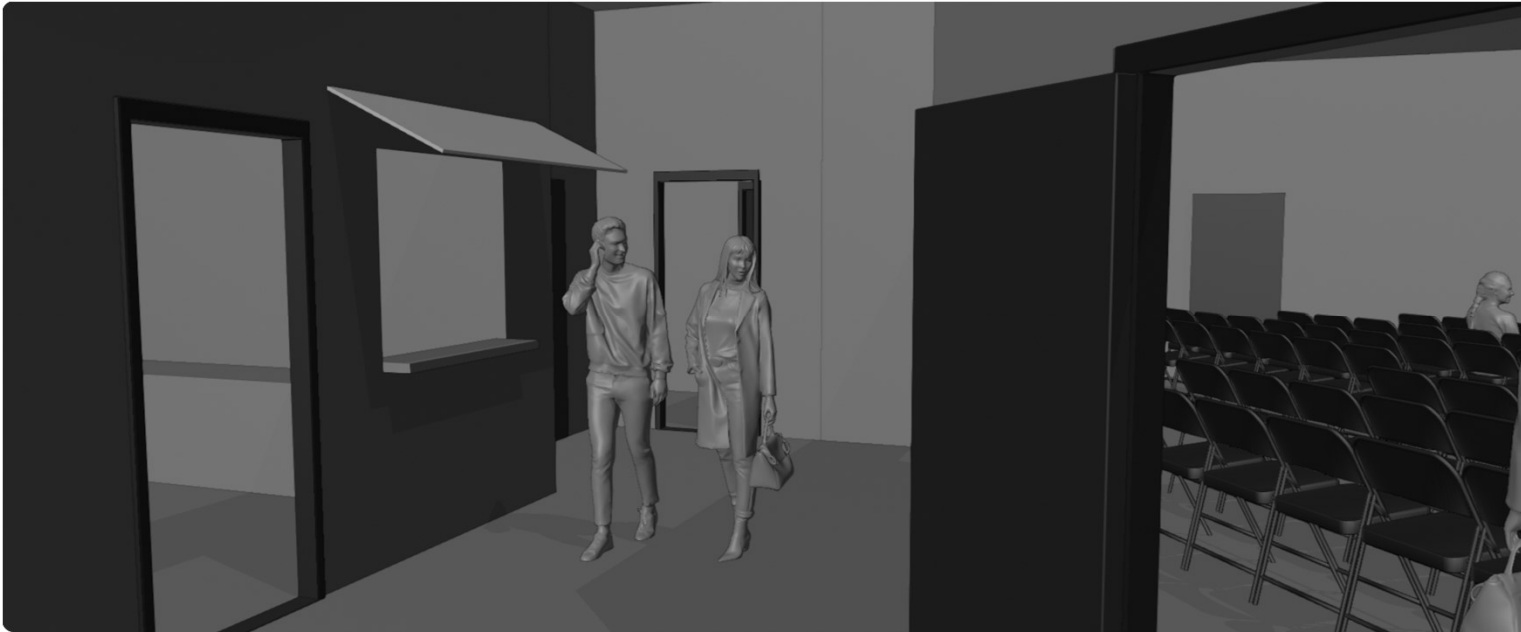
He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming quickly.” Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

Announcements

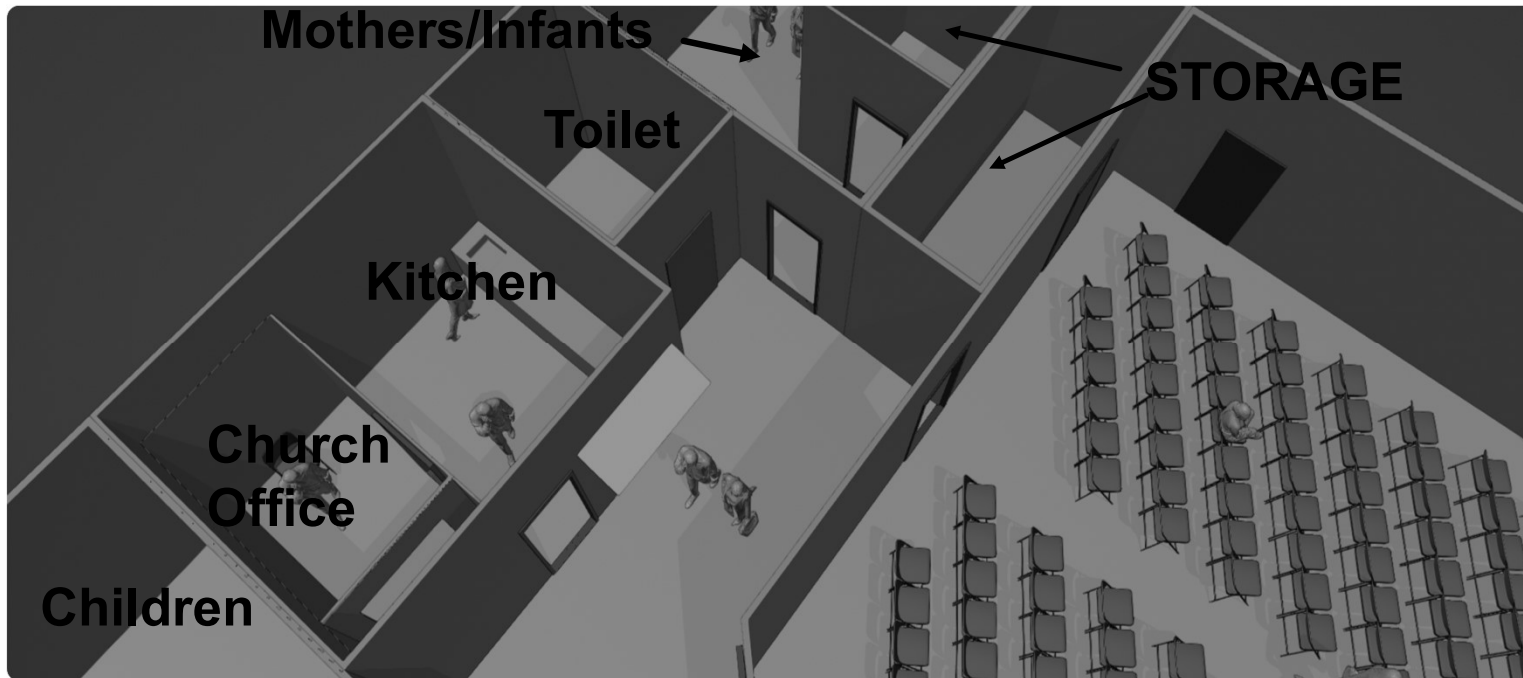
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Entry



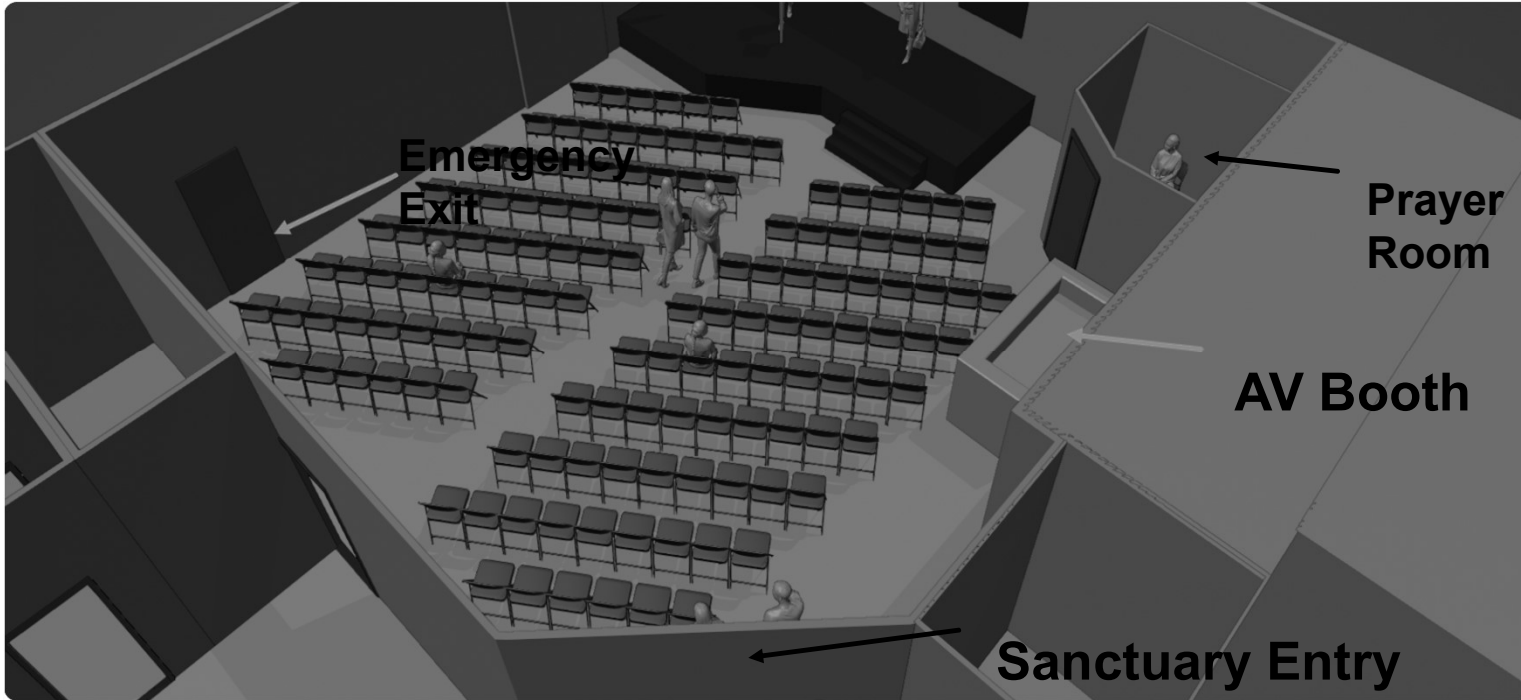
Kitchen and Hallway



Children, Church Office, Kitchen,
Mothers/Infants, Storage



Sanctuary Entry



Sanctuary



Prayer Room / AV Table

Time Table

▶ Design Phase

- **Floor plan complete**
- **Choosing flooring, paint, etc**

▶ Contractor identified – waiting on estimate

▶ Materials acquisition ongoing

▶ Working on August occupancy

- **August 3 – Thursday Bible Study**
- **August 13 – Sunday Service**

Work Projects – Partial List

TASKS PRE and DURING

- ▶ **Scraping floors for flooring prep**
- ▶ **Assembling storage shed**
- ▶ **Partial move**

POST-REMODEL TASKS

- ▶ **Moving / Set-up**
- ▶ **Cleaning and inspecting chairs**
- ▶ **Kitchen outfitting**
 - **Cabinets, sink, shelving, etc**
- ▶ **Hanging TV monitors**
- ▶ **Assembling Office furniture**