

New Church Building Project

First, a little history. On July 17, 2006 Pastor Mike Cauley, President of Florida Conference chaired a meeting of leaders from Winter Springs and Seminole Meadows SDA churches. The purpose of the meeting was to determine the feasibility of combining churches and becoming one church.

In their Business Meeting on 8/15/06, the Seminole Meadows SDA church voted to unify with the Winter Springs SDA church. On 8/31/06, the Winter Springs church also voted to unify with the Seminole Meadows church. The date to make this official is set at October 7, 2006 when Seminole Meadows members and Winter Springs members meet to worship under one roof for the first time.

On 9/7/06, a special combined Church Board meeting was called for the purpose of selecting a transition team to begin considering how to accomplish the merging of two churches with active ministries.

Of primary importance, was to start thinking as one church. It was voted to keep the name Winter Springs SDA church until we actually were ready to move.

A building committee with several subcommittees was later selected and has been active. The most activity has been in the effort to sell the Winter Springs facility. At the November 2007 Church Board meeting, it was announced that an agreement had been reached.

A contract from Temple Israel was signed by the FL Conference Association on Nov 27. On January 2, the due diligence period will end, and if all negotiations have been resolved, the closing would occur within 10 days. We will occupy the church for another 60 days after closing. The architect estimates at least 2 years to complete the new building. We are looking for a place to have Sabbath school and worship services on Sabbath mornings as well as a location for church offices. Because of the great need for two-way communications during this time of selling, searching and building, we will use every method available to get questions answered. Listen for Sabbath morning announcements and calling post, watch for bulletin, newsletter, email, and website announcements.