BUILDING OUR FUTURE

STEP BY STEP

WILLIAMSBURG UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

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Eight Visioning Circles Completed

In two weeks, more than 125 persons have signed up and more that 75 persons have participated in the Visioning Circles. That is an excellent sign that even in the quiet summer months, WUU is on the move!

With more than 600 unique comments thus far, it is clear certain themes are beginning to develop. As examples, we need:

- An open and sparse sanctuary with plenty of windows to be at one with nature
- Intimate spaces for meetings, conversations, and worship settings
- More and better facilities for a wide variety of activities like meetings, functions, dinners, storage, and community outreach
- Our children to be closer to us and our teens need dedicated, bigger spaces
- To find a different way to solve our space problems rather than replicate what mega-churches have done
- A green campus
- A Memorial Garden that is a special place, perhaps one that is not so isolated from our current facilities

However, we need your voice as well. With more than a dozen more Visioning Circles to go, please sign up so your voice is heard and you can hear the voices of others in the circle. Please sign up on Sunday in the foyer or contact the office at 757-220-6830 or email office@wuu.org



David Neiman Hosts Visioning Circle 5, Facilitated by Han von Baeyer

A Quote from the Building Our Future website

Our website at <u>WUU.org/About Us/Building Our Future</u> is filled with great resources to help you prepare for a meaningful Visioning Circle. As an example,

"WUU does not meet the mission it has set to be 'welcoming, sustainable...and accessible' to adults and children. We send our most treasured members- our children-out into traffic, inclement weather, and distance to classrooms that separate and isolate them from the congregation. Inherent in these problems are both safety issues and religious questions: how much do we care about our children? How much will we do to meet our mission?"

From The most significant document on facilities development (2010), chaired by Roger Guernsey

AUGUST:

Tuesday, 8/6, 7-9 pm Host: Dave Hamilton & Linda Lane-Hamilton, City of Williamsburg, Filled

Sunday, 8/11, 11:15-1:15 Host: Dave Neiman at **Parker House**

8 Spaces Remaining

Friday, 8/16, 7-9 pm Host: Les & Jo Solomon in **Windsor Forest**

2 Spaces Remaining

Saturday, 8/17 10am-noon Host: Linda Lane-Hamilton at Parker House

4 Spaces Remaining

Tuesday, 8/20, 7-9 pm Host: Dave Hamilton & Linda Lane-Hamilton, City of Williamsburg

2 Spaces Remaining

Saturday, 8/24, 10am-noon Host: Les Solomon at **Fahs House** (accessible)

8 Spaces Remaining

Sunday, 8/25 11:15-1:15 Host: Kurt Williamson at **Parker House**

7 Spaces Remaining

Friday, 8/30, 7-9pm Host: Roger & Merry Guernsey, Shellbank

6 Spaces Remaining

The entire schedule for Visioning Circles can be viewed on our website, click here

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