

Continuing the Vision Q&A

Where will the funding for the new tabernacle come from?

To meet the \$3 million goal, funding will come from individual donations from Koronis friends and supporters and the Minnesota Conference. The conference is fully committed to the camping and retreat ministry and will invest resources generated from the sale of camp sites into future capital enhancements. The next step of the strategic plan is the replacement of the tabernacle. The conference will provide \$1 million for this project; groundbreaking is planned for spring 2017. Another \$160,000 in gifts previously designated to the tabernacle will also be applied to the new building.

Why can't all funds from the sale of Camp Kingswood and the future sale of Decision Hills Camp be used for this?

Koronis Ministries is part of a family of Minnesota United Methodist camps. Members of the 2012 conference session stipulated that a portion of the net proceeds from the Camp Kingswood sale be used to pay down camp debt. Remaining funds from both sales will be used to support all three primary conference camps—Koronis in Paynesville, Northern Pines Camp in Park Rapids, and Kowakan Adventures near Ely—in order to support a vibrant, healthy, and well-rounded camping ministry. Thus donations from individuals are needed to work alongside camp and conference funds.

How can I help?

Individuals will have an opportunity to make a three-year commitment to the

How do I stay informed about this project?

Visit the Camp Minnesota website for regular updates, and watch for information via e-mail. If you have questions, contact:



Some of the timbers from the historic tabernacle (pictured above) will be used in the new tabernacle and will serve as a reminder of the building's rich history.

"Continuing the Vision" fundraising effort. Pledges may be given as a one-time gift or as a weekly, monthly, quarterly or annual commitment.

Which parts of the old tabernacle will be used in the new structure?

The picture window will be reconstructed in the new building, and the bell and some timbers from the historic building will be used in the new building.

Can I keep a piece of the old tabernacle?

Eventually, the seats and small pieces of wood from the old tabernacle will be

available for purchase, and all proceeds from the sales will be used to help fund the building of the new tabernacle.

What is the tabernacle's denominational history?

In 1922, the tabernacle was built by the Evangelical Church. In 1946, the Evangelical Church and Church of the United Brethren in Christ merged—and the tabernacle came under the leadership of the newly formed Evangelical United Brethren Church. Then in 1968, the Evangelical United Brethren Church and the Methodist Church merged—and the tabernacle became part of the just-formed United Methodist Church.

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