

First Place Early Learning Centre INC (FPELC)

January Update

We are excited to share our monthly update! Each month we will provide updates on the FPELC and we have also set up a bulletin board outside the Fellowship room with this key information. Please bring forward any questions and we will follow up and also include in our updates.

A special shout to Dave, Mark, Justin and Richard for helping us work through all the logistics with the construction start up!

<p style="text-align: center;">CONSTRUCTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asbestos Abatement & Air Testing is completed! • Demo continues, mainly in the gymnasium area • End of January, will begin making the holes in the walls that is required for new ductwork. • Bi-weekly construction meetings-initiated January 14, 2026 (Minutes posted on the bulletin board) • Building permit applications submitted • Required edits on the site & architectural plans re-submitted to Ministry of Education 	<p style="text-align: center;">The “OTHER STUFF”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Finalizing legal documents ▪ <i>Lease Agreement</i> (between the Church, FPELC, City) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Once finalized to be submitted to Regional Council ▪ Provide to City of St. Thomas (required for funding) ▪ <i>Indemnity Agreement</i> (between the Church & FPELC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Outlines loan repayment expectations ▪ <i>Toronto United Church Council Loan (\$1.5M)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Submit all legal documents (listed above) to fulfill loan requirements ▪ Register mortgage ✓ <i>City of St. Thomas start up agreement- COMPLETED 😊</i> • FPELC Board Logistics and set up of financial processes & recruitment
<p style="text-align: center;">DESIGN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check out the FPELC design and outdoor space! • Drawings can be found on the easel (in Fellowship Room) 	<p style="text-align: center;">WHAT’S NEXT?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require approval by Ministry of Education of our site and architectural plans • Once approved they issue a letter which allows the site plan approval and building permits to be issued by the City of St. Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction will begin to move forward, with plan to have renovations completed by October 31, 2026 • FPELC Annual General Meeting & Tours!

Mark your Calendars!!!

Sunday March 1st following our anniversary service, we will have a short meeting (FPELC AGM & Church Updates) Followed by tours of the space!