Our goal is to **raise $5M** for the 8:10 Mission Campaign. This building was renovated to generate $1M per year for local Tulsa missions.

This investment isn’t a new idea, but is part of a bold movement toward sustainable long-term ministries called “Social ENTREPRENEURSHIP.”

**Masterwork Academy** will be the first initiative of the 8:10 Mission! This Academy will not only teach the fundamentals of art, dance, and music, it will teach children to pay attention to God.

First Presbyterian Church, since 1885, has a **rich history** of serving the common good of Tulsa through local mission projects.

The **joy** of the **Lord** is your strength. – Nehemiah 8:10
8:10 Building

In early 2013, FPC member, Charlie Stephenson, woke up at 2 a.m. with a brilliant idea to renovate the dilapidated Avanti Building at 810 S. Cincinnati into Class A office space. All of the net profit would go directly to those in need by supporting local Tulsa mission projects.

FPC purchased the building and renamed it the 8:10 Building, linking it to Nehemiah 8:10 (“He joy of the Lord is your strength”) and the story of rebirth and rebuilding in the ancient city of Jerusalem. As of March 2017, the building is 84% leased with three long-term tenants: only one full floor remains available for tenancy. At full occupancy, the building will generate approximately $1M in net profit every year.

Through the generosity of designated member gifts and resources, FPC has already invested $6.7M in the purchase and renovation of the 8:10 Building. By sharing its vision, First Church hopes organizations and individuals like you will join us in investing in the future of Tulsa.

Your financial gift represents a phenomenal return on investment! Commitments to this campaign will retire the $3M price tag of the completed renovation and tenant build-out. You can help us conclude the final steps toward generating up to $1M a year to be invested in the lives of our neighbors in need.

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Our First Project: Masterwork Academy
A Faith and Fine Arts Program

The Need
Research shows that creative after-school programming is a significant factor in uplifting at-risk students—not only in terms of academic achievement, but also in the enhancement of critical personal skills.

Young, at-risk students are more likely to spend their time after school unsupervised in front of the TV or in the streets. Alone, these kids are starved of creative stimulation and both the adult and peer relationships that are so critical in forming who they will become. Lack of financial support and growing academic pressure have also reduced fine arts education and extracurricular activities in public elementary schools.

The Vision
Part of the income generated by the mission campaign will support our first project: a faith and fine arts academy. This after-school program, located across the street from First Presbyterian Church in its Bernsen Community Life Center, will serve at-risk children from Anderson Elementary, a Tulsa Public School just north of downtown.

The academy will be a Christ-centered, safe, and affordable opportunity for children to:
- grow in the Word of God
- build long-term relationships with peers and adult mentors
- receive professional instruction in visual art, dance, and music
- explore new interests
- receive a nutritious snack

The need is clear. Equipped with the resources, leadership, and facilities to make an impact on these young lives, First Presbyterian Church is ready to respond! Support the Academy by kick-starting the financial engine that will drive it. Your donation to the 8:10 Mission Campaign does just that.

The Pilot Program
- Music basics using ORFF concepts and instruments
- Dance and creative movement
- 2-D Visual art including drawing and painting
- Bible study
- Viewing art through the lens of faith

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Our History
From the first sermon preached from the steps of J.M. Hall’s General store in 1883, to the establishment of Tulsa’s first public school, First Church has been fully invested in the common good of Tulsa. The congregation has been instrumental in establishing institutions that have served to strengthen many. Giving back to the community is not new to First Presbyterian Church. This is who we are: invested in our community.
How Can You Help?

Give...

Tulsans are generous people. And your generosity makes it possible for us to fulfill our mission.

Please make checks payable to 8:10 Cincinnati, LLC, or pay by credit card at www.FirstChurchTulsa.org/810MissionCampaign

Love...

Pray for this first, God-breathed mission endeavor for the 8:10 Building. Pray for the leadership and students at Masterwork Academy. Pray for the staff and families at Anderson Elementary. Ask God to lead us to discover the next 8:10 mission project for Tulsa.

Serve...

Volunteers Make the Difference

Opportunities to serve within Masterwork Academy abound! Even if you don’t consider yourself “artsy,” there are ways you can help, such as: assisting teachers, offering hospitality to waiting parents, helping kids, and much more.

There is a place for you.

Be a part of the legacy.

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