

“THE CONNEXION” TO DEBUT IN SEPTEMBER

The number one “First Step Strategy” in our new strategic plan is to “fully implement a contemporary worship service and accompanying learning and fellowship opportunities.” Our plan is to launch the new service on **September 9**. We’re calling it “The ConneXion” to relate to our new vision statement: “A community of faith, connecting people to God, to each other, and to the world.” The “X” is the Greek letter that stands for Christ, and the “X” generation (25-40-year-olds) is a primary target for this service. The “X” spelling will give us some creative graphic opportunities, plus it’s the way John Wesley spelled the original Methodist connexion (British-style).

Of course, plans have already been in process for several months, but now we are ready to put the plans into action! Starting a new service is like giving birth to a new church. We are putting together a **LAUNCH TEAM** to make this new mission happen. We need Kingdom-minded missionaries! There will be many ways to help, even if you will not be personally attending that service.

Prayers

- ✓ To pray regularly for the success of this ministry.
- ✓ To serve in a prayer ministry to support this service.

Presence

- ✓ To attend this service for the first six months to help get it off the ground. (100 minimum, so we will have an initial “core group” to assure sustainability)

Gifts

- ✓ To make a contribution to the set-up costs for this service. (Total costs about \$100,000)

Service

- ✓ Music (instrumental and/or vocal)
- ✓ Set-up/take-down crew
- ✓ Hospitality/greeter/usher
- ✓ Audio/video/light technician (training provided)
- ✓ Help with second hour of Sunday School (Children, Youth, and Adult opportunities)

We will have sign-up opportunities in church the next few weeks. If you have questions, contact Mike Lovelady at 623-6668 ext. 107 or mlovelady@fumchs.com. Be praying about how God wants you to help launch this new ministry that will make many new disciples of Jesus Christ.