

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Steve Hill, Crossville City Manager,

Crossville Christian School is a ministry of First Presbyterian Church. We are a small congregation of approximately 100 people.

After serving the community for the past twenty years by providing academically excellent education, our facility is in need of a major repair. Our septic system must be replaced.

We are looking at two solutions. The first is a new septic tank and drainfield. The second is a solution that involves tying into the city sewer system.

The first solution is a considerable expense in its own right, though it is significantly less than tying into the city sewer. However, this fix is probably only a twenty year answer at best. At the end of this time period we could be right back where we are now. This solution also potentially impedes our ability to expand.

The second solution is a financial stretch, but it is a permanent fix. Approximately 1700 feet of pipe must be run in the right of way to tie in with the public system at the intersection of Hwy 70 and Peavine Rd. (Given the school's location at 15 Rock Quarry Road, it is notable that the city sewer is just to the west of us on Hwy 70, to the north of us at First Street, to the east of us at the aforementioned intersection of Hwy 70 and Peavine Rd., and to the south of us on the Miller Bypass. This location may present other solutions than those of which we are aware.)

Not only are we training leaders through our school for our community's next generation, our church is significantly involved in helping the poor of Cumberland county. We have committed ourselves to caring for many through Good Samaritan, Bread of Life, and the Plateau Pregnancy Center. We also help to provide a chaplain to the Good Samaritan Village at Fairfield Glade which is a vital ministry to the elderly in our community.

Our ability to provide these services to Crossville and the surrounding area will be negatively impacted if we alone must shoulder the financial burden of extending the city's sewer infrastructure. So, we are kindly asking for your consideration in laying this needed pipe as a permanent fix for sewer issues at our school and church. The city's assistance in funding this project will go a long way toward ensuring our continued ability to carry on the ministries we have been a part of for over two decades.

Thank you for your time in considering our request. If there is any way I can be of assistance to you in the days ahead, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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