



ST MINA COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Big Miracles With A Little Land

We are a part of this tremendous miracle! Imagine, due to our forced move from our small Church on 17 Ave SW we have been blessed by God's hand and given the opportunity to move and expand to Balzac. We are about to build the first Coptic Church in Calgary in His name!

We have seen many miracles since our move from 17 Ave. God has helped us purchase land, secure the best architects, and even finance the project. The Board of Deacons are now proud to announce that we have reached a milestone in our history.

The Final construction drawings are expected to be complete by the end of May, and the building permit by Mid June, 2010! With construction to follow shortly after that.

Thank you for your faithful prayers!

Construction Update

We have had several offers from top construction contractors who received our request for proposal (RFP). These offers were evaluated with assistance from Woods Parker and our Church's *Key Experts*. After serious review we've shortlisted two contractors: *Clark Builders* and *Genesis*.

The Board of Deacons (BoD), with the assistance of our *Key Experts*, have begun the process of extensive interviews with the above contractors. We will announce the successful applicant in next months Newsletter.

The successful contractor will be involved in the pre-construction phase which includes: input on the final construction drawings, assistance in obtaining the building permit, initial cost and schedule, cash flow forecast, tendering documents to suppliers and sub-trades, appraisal of tender submissions, update final cost and schedule, etc.

Thousands Have This
Priceless Gift - But Never
Discover it!

Volunteering - the greatest gift of all that has kept the Coptic Church alive since the days of Christ. Please ask how you can be a part of Coptic history by volunteering for one of our many services.

Check the Kind of Church You Want

The Board of Deacons (BoD), with assistance from *Key Experts* from St. Mina congregation, met with the Structural, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering team to review their progress to-date and to answer their questions about specific details. Next step is 50% progress review meeting scheduled for mid-April.

For further information questions or comments please go to www.thedream.stmina.ab.ca there you will find more details and updates on the project.