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To: Members / Supporters of the Ministry at First Latin American Baptist Church (FLABC)
From: The FLABC Ministry Staff
Subject: Farewell Event for our Worship Temple at 6205 W. Fort St. in Detroit

Dear Ministry Family and Friends,

The time has finally come for the congregation at FLABC to say farewell to the church building that has served as our center of worship for the past (50+) years and formerly as Immanuel Baptist Church. As has been widely announced in the news media, our building will very soon be demolished by MDOT to make way for the new Gordie Howe International Bridge, a project currently in progress.

In accordance with His unfailing faithfulness, the Lord had blessed us with a re-modeled church building complex, located at the corner of Scotten and Wolff Streets. Situated in the heart of Mexicantown, it is the ideal setting for us. There is a great sense of excitement and expectation, as we contemplate the prospect of moving and launching a reinvigorated ministry into the Hispanic community.

To enable our ministry family to participate in a final farewell to our Fort St. building, we are sponsoring an Open House event on Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, from 12PM to 3PM. Please join us for a Mexican Menu luncheon, testimonies, and opportunity to meander throughout the building one last time. If you see an item that is not already earmarked for our new building, you may be able to tag and add it as part of your own personal memories, while serving at our church. Although not required, a small monetary donation is appreciated.

Another program highlight includes the removal and examination of the contents of a time capsule, originally embedded in the front NE cornerstone of the church in 1904 by the original builders.

A related goal for this event is to raise \$10,000 in funds, with the intent of purchasing a new state-of-the-art computer-driven video and audio projection system. A luncheon will be served at 1PM, for which you will have the opportunity to donate towards realizing this goal.

In the event that you cannot join us in person, please consider supporting us financially by making your donation to: FLABC of Detroit, and mailing to 2004 Scotten Ave, Detroit, MI 48209, Attn: Stewardship Board.

We look forward to enjoying your fellowship, as we close the door on one significant chapter of church history at the Fort St. building, and open the door to a new chapter at our future Scotten St. location. Please feel free to distribute this invitation to any other friends who have partnered with this ministry in the past. Additional details will be posted at church website www.flabcdetroit.com

In His Service,
The Ministry Staff at FLABC

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