

## Outline History of Wellspring

- 1994 Church Growth Seminar at FUMC, Georgetown with The Reverend Tim Russell.
- 1994 Meeting at Stephen & Nancy Benold's house to discuss a new UMC on the west side.
- 1995 Sun City Georgetown announced.
- March 1996 Nancy Council Woods contacted about planting a new UMC in Georgetown.
- June 5, 1996 Nancy Council Woods appointed by Bishop Joe Wilson to "new church under development" in Georgetown.
- July 1996 Williams Drive property purchased by Church Growth and Development.
- August 23, 1996 Core Group meets for the first time: George & Barbara Brightwell, Rick & Peggy Fitzgerald, Jeff & Lisa Houston, Diane & Tommy Parker, Michael & Mary Reeves, Narciso & Dorothy Rodriguez, Earlene Scott, Harold & Jean Steadman, Teresa Violano, Ben & Shirley White, and Nancy Woods.
- September 1996 Nancy Woods receives keys to Northside UMC building. Pews donated to Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Andice. Building renovated into offices, meeting space, etc.
- October 1996 Wellspring, a United Methodist Community of Faith, adopted as our name.
- October 17-18, 1996 First all-church planning retreat; Don Bomarito, convener.
- February 23, 1997 Dress rehearsal worship services at Benold Middle School.
- March 2, 1997 First public worship services at Wellspring, a United Methodist Community of Faith.  
8:30 am – Traditional service  
9:30 am – Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 am – Contemporary Celebration!
- June 1997 Recognized at Central Texas Annual Conference meeting as a new congregation.  
Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor.
- November 23, 1997 Charter Sunday Service (174 charter members). Bishop Joe Wilson preaching.
- January 25, 1998 First Church Conference; organizational meeting; Bob Weathers presiding.
- April 29, 1998 Incorporated as a Texas Non-profit Corporation.
- June 1998 Recognized at Central Texas Annual Conference meeting as a newly chartered church.  
Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor.
- August 1998 Office and meeting space expanded at 701 North Austin Avenue.
- November 22, 1998 First Anniversary of our Charter. Church Conference and Birthday Celebration.
- June 1999 Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor; Building Committee affirmed by Church Conference; 365 full members at the end of June.
- August 1999 Heimsath Architects engaged for development of Master Plan for Williams Drive facilities.

October 3, 1999	Three worship services and three church school sessions offered on Sunday: 8:30 am – Encounter; Nursery & Adult Education 9:30 am – Traditional; Church school for all ages 11:00 am – Celebration!; Nursery & Adult Education
October 17, 1999	Community Forum with the congregation conducted at Benold Middle School by Ben Heimsath to gather dreams and visions of the people for the Williams Drive campus.
October 30, 1999	Ben Heimsath and Clovis & Maryann Heimsath lead Design Retreat Workshop with Wellspring Building Committee, staff, and lay leadership.
November 21, 1999	Second Anniversary of our Charter. Church Conference and Birthday Celebration.
December 26, 1999	Wellspring reaches 377 full and associate members.
February 8, 2000	Master Plan Report from the Heimsath Architects for our future facilities at 4111 Williams Drive.
March 23 & 26,	Town Hall Meetings were held to present the preliminary Master Plan concept to the April 2, 2000 congregation. Over ninety persons attended the three sessions, plus the nine members of the Building Committee.
April 9, 2000	The Church Conference, conducted by District Superintendent Reverend Harvey Ozmer, unanimously adopted the following: 1) the preliminary Master Plan with 10 additional acres, as presented, 2) Texas Methodist Foundation as our Capital Stewardship Campaign consultants, and 3) Heimsath Architects to begin design of Phase I of the Master Plan.
June 2000	Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor, to begin her fifth year at Wellspring.
August 20, 2000	All-church visitation to kick-off our Capital Stewardship Campaign, “Mission on Progress.”
September 24, 2000	“Mission Possible” Celebration, Sun City Ballroom: a meeting of all members of the congregation for lunch, worship, and celebration of our vision and mission in preparation for Commitment Sunday, October 1.
October 1, 2000	Commitment Sunday for our Capital Stewardship Campaign. (\$2.13 million to date)
November 19, 2000	Third Anniversary of our Charter. Church Conference and Birthday Celebration.
December 31, 2000	Wellspring closes the year with 433 members; average worship attendance of 268 each Sunday morning.
March 25, 2001	The Building Committee reports at a Town Hall meeting of the congregation that the design of Phase I of the buildings has progressed to 47% completion of the construction drawings. However, no progress has been made on purchasing the additional ten acres needed to make the design work, causing our schedule to fall behind. The Committee asks for permission to look at other site options. The next day a new site opportunity is offered to the Building Committee.

April 22, 2001	Wellspring's Church Conference approves the purchase of 21.25 acres on Williams Drive one mile past the Sun City entrance. The property at 4111 Williams Drive will revert to Church Growth and Development. Work with the architects to site the buildings on the new property begins.
June 2001	Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor, to begin her sixth year at Wellspring.
July 1, 2001	The Reverend Ed Wilder (Southwest Texas Annual Conference, retired) was hired as a part-time assistant to the pastor in worship, visitation, pastoral care, and spiritual formation.
August 16, 2001	Randy Cauley, Community Developer for the Getsemani Community Center, joins the Wellspring staff as part-time Youth Director.
September 21, 2001	Wellspring takes title to 23.1 acres on Williams Drive at Woodland Park subdivision.
November 18, 2001	Fourth Anniversary of our Charter. Church Conference and Birthday Celebration.
December 9, 2001	Church Conference and Ground-breaking Ceremony on Williams Drive for Phase I of our permanent church home
December 31, 2001	Wellspring closes the year with 486 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 279 each Sunday morning.
January 31, 2002	Construction begins on our new church home located at 6200 Ranch Road 2338 (Williams Drive) in Georgetown. Brath, Inc. of Round Rock is the general contractor.
June 2002	Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor, to begin her seventh year at Wellspring.
November 24, 2002	Celebrate the Blessings! We move from Benold Middle School to our new building at 6200 Williams Drive, five years and one day after receiving our Charter.
December 8, 2002	Consecration service for our new facilities. Bishop Ben R. Chamness presiding.
December 31, 2002	Wellspring closes the year with 533 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 291 each Sunday morning.
May 2003	A Building Study Committee begins meeting to determine the feasibility and need for Phase II facilities.
June 2003	Nancy Woods re-appointed as senior pastor, to begin her eighth year at Wellspring.
July 10, 2003	A stained glass window depicting Wellspring's water and cross symbolism was installed above the fountain in the Worship Center. The window, a memorial gift from anonymous donors, was dedicated on Sunday, July 13, 2003.
September 28, 2003	A farewell communion service for Reverend Nancy Woods was held at 10:30 AM. A potluck luncheon and "Roast Nancy" followed worship, ending with prayers of blessing on Nancy's continued ministry.
October 1, 2003	Effective this date, Bishop Ben Chamness appoints The Reverend Nancy C. Woods as Senior Pastor at First United Methodist Church, Burleson, Texas. The Reverend Dr. Gary A. Whitbeck is appointed as Senior Pastor at Wellspring.

October 5, 2003	Services of welcome and celebration of an appointment for Dr. Gary Whitbeck and his wife Paula.
December 31, 2003	Wellspring closes the year with 636 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 378 each Sunday morning.
February 29, 2004	A fifth worship service "Making Waves" begins at 5:00 PM on Sunday evenings. It is a young adult contemporary praise service.
June 2004	Dr. Gary Whitbeck re-appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring.
September 26, 2004	Farewell celebration for Dr. Linda Watkins as she retires as assistant pastor at Wellspring. The 8:30 Chapel service was discontinued.
October 1, 2004	Tracy Lynn Wiley joins Wellspring as director of youth ministries.
December 31, 2004	Wellspring closes the year with 704 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 381 each Sunday morning.
May 2005	Construction begins on three softball fields and one soccer field on the east side of Wellspring's property.
June 2005	Dr. Gary Whitbeck re-appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring.
August 2005	Sarah Locke joins Wellspring as Director of Adult and Children's Ministries. Michael Austin joins Wellspring as Director of Music Ministries.
December 31, 2005	Wellspring closes the year with 741 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 356 each Sunday morning.
June 2006	Dr. Gary Whitbeck re-appointed for another year as senior pastor at Wellspring.
August 1, 2006	Dr. Dan Bonner joins Wellspring as part-time associate pastor.
December 31, 2006	Wellspring closes the year with 778 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 328 each Sunday morning.
April 29, 2007	Dr. Gary Whitbeck announces his plan to retire as of December 31, 2007.
May 10, 2007	Community Forum led by Ben Heimsath of Heimsath Architects. Over 100 in attendance gave needs input for next steps in Wellspring's facilities Master Plan.
June 2007	Dr. Gary Whitbeck re-appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring.
June 11, 2007	Design Retreat led by Heimsath Architects. Representatives of the congregation developed detailed changes to the 2000 Master Plan for the architects create a new design.
December 31, 2007	Wellspring closes the year with 775 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 276 each Sunday morning. Dr. Gary Whitbeck retires.
January 1, 2008	The Rev. Debra Crumpton appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring.
September 2008	Wellspring holds its first Lay Academy offering six classes with 85 people participating.

December 31, 2008	Wellspring closes the year with 774 members on the rolls and an average worship attendance of 272 each Sunday Morning
June 2008	The Rev. Debra Crumpton re-appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring.
July 15, 2008	The Rev. Steve Buchele appointed to Wellspring as Associate Pastor and Minister of Music.
March 7 & 8, 2009	Wellspring held a two-day Spring revival with the theme "Bearing Fruits" and Retired Bishop Violent Fisher as preacher.
June 2009	The Rev. Debra Crumpton re-appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring. The Rev. Steve Buchele re-appointed to Wellspring as Associate Pastor.
December 2009	The Rev. Steve Buchele is appointed as Associate Pastor of St. Phillip in Round Rock to lead their mission endeavors in the Congo.
December 31, 2009	Wellspring closes the year with 806 members on the rolls and an average attendance of 263 each Sunday Morning.
May 16, 2010	Wellspring held a called Charge Conference to establish a Permanent Endowment Fund.
June 2010	The Rev. Debra Crumpton is re-appointed as senior pastor at Wellspring.
October 10, 2010	Wellspring held its first Sacrificial Sunday in lieu of a Fall Festival. The special offering was in excess of \$23,000 exceeding the amounts raised in the festival during the previous two years.