

# projects



## bethany world prayer center

**Client:** Bethany World Prayer Center

**Location:** Baton Rouge, LA

**Project Type:** New Construction

**Seat Count:** 2700

**Opening:** January 2001

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**AD Scope:** Audio | Video | Acoustics | Theatrical Lighting | Architectural Lighting

Bethany World Prayer Center's ministry in north Baton Rouge, Louisiana needed a second sanctuary to serve its congregation located in the southern part of the city. Flexibility in the new space was important, and the project was fast-tracked to accommodate the rapid growth. Services have moments of high-energy, moving worship while other moments are quiet and contemplative. The church needed a lighting system which could impact the mood in the room and support this on demand.

Speech intelligibility was a priority in the sound system design as well as strong support for the high-energy music that is such a vital part of the experience at BWPC. The solution was an alternating left/right speaker system. On-stage monitoring is a combination of wedge monitors and headphone monitors. The sophisticated components, hardware, software, cabling, color and special effects, were designed to give a great deal of capability on a fixed budget. The sanctuary is new construction, but was designed in such a way that it can be converted in 3-4 years once a larger, permanent facility is completed. Many design elements were taken from the north campus facility to give a common feel to both rooms.

**ACOUSTIC DIMENSIONS**