

# projects



## champion forest baptist church

**Client:** Champion Forest Baptist Church

**Location:** Houston, TX

**Project Type:** New Construction

**Seat Count:** 4,300 (Phase III)

**Opening:** August 2002

**Architect:** Kendall/Heaton | Morris Architects

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**AD Scope:** Auditorium Design | Audio | Acoustics | Video Projection | Video Production | Theatrical Lighting

A sense of community was one of the primary design directives for the new auditorium for Champion Forest Baptist Church. The design solution was a room that gives each person a visual sense of other worshippers. A deep balcony reduced the footprint of the space allowing for proximity to the stage so that the design works as a whole to support a feeling of being connected. The sense of community is not only supported with the seating and sightlines, but also aurally with the acoustics. The acoustics of the room are designed to create a responsive environment to support congregational worship so that worshippers have a sense of the people around them.

AD and Morris Architects worked hand in hand so that the performance technologies were well integrated into the room and ceiling design. The backstage was planned with large and small rehearsal spaces which double as staging areas for live events. The speaker layout is left/center/right configuration to support both speech and music, and digital consoles were utilized at the front of house console position and at the on-stage monitor mix position.