

FAITH CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CENTER

birmingham, alabama

The Faith Chapel ministry has come a long way from where it started with four friends and a Bible in a local living room. Twenty-one years later, in 2002, the congregation opened a 3,000-seat \$15 million "Word Dome" that was built and paid for without incurring any debt.

Stromberg Architectural Products supplied the massive columns as well as pilasters and plinths that are prominent in the interior of the dome's structure. These elements were created using Stromberg's Glass Fiber Reinforced Polymer (GFRP), a revolutionary material that completely opened a new world of possibilities in architecture when it began being used in 1930s.

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