Chencho's Eagle Project
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Idea: Make a prayer labyrinth for the church. The design I like is:

![Figure 1: My design](image)

A prayer labyrinth is a walk of reflection. I want this labyrinth to be handicap and children friendly. I also want the labyrinth to be low or no maintenance. Gardening ideas can be added later. The location is at the corner of Sudley Rd and Plantation Ln - between Sudley Rd and the creek close to the TD bank. The Bethel Lutheran church address is 8712 Plantation Ln. I'm make the labyrinth wheelchair friendly so the path will be 3ft wide so the footprint of this labyrinth will fit in a 47x47ft square. This area will give our church and community a place outdoors to pray or to reflect and help people with attention and memory difficulties (like Alzheimer's, etc...)

I excavated, with the help of a hardscape contractor, on Saturday, 27 Sep. We dug 7 inches into the ground. We put 30 tons of crushed stone in over two weeks and another almost 40 tons of crushed stone in on 18 Oct. So we have about 4-5 inches of base in the hole now. The rest of the crushed stone will be used this Saturday to ensure we have a 2% grade on the site to drain water.

The outside of the site had too much of a slope from one side to the other so I have to put in an unexpected retaining wall; I want this to be about 20 inches high at the highest so people can sit on it. The retaining wall will be on 3 sides of my octagon (each side is 20.5 ft) and will have a drain tube behind it.

**Items I need for this are:**
- drain tube - 100 ft
- 1/2-3/4 stone for the tube area
- 2 popup endings
- 85 ft of edging and 170 edging nails - (25 Snapedge pieces and 85-170 nails)

Bricks and capstones for the wall itself - I like:
  - Nicolock - Trinity - mojave or
  - Technoblok - Escala - mojave beige or
  - Nicolock - Firma - mojave or
  - EP Henry - Brisa Wall - harvest blend

If I can't find a sponsor for the brick or fund it then I will use railroad ties as a significantly reduced material but they won't last as long.
Then I have to put in the 1 inch of sand (already donated) and the pavers/slabs for the design.

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700-800 pieces of Nicolock - Heritage - red - 18in x 18in

The space between the paths needs pavers too but I wanted to use pebbles.

Finishing sand

![Image](image1.png)

**Figure 2: 18x18 inch slab**

I can’t have materials on-site all at once because we have limited space to put them. I have gotten volunteers to move the crushed stone to the site with wheel barrows and shovels and I will continue to receive help with moving and putting in materials.

The area for the labyrinth looked like this and at different stages of work so far.

![Images of construction progress]

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