DESCRIPTION OF CHURCH PROGRAMS PROPOSED BY CITY GATE
FOR 5917 16TH STREET, NW

This is a large detached brick building at the corner of Olgethorpe and 16th. For many years is served as church facility and rectory for St. Luke's Serbian Orthodox Church. St. Luke's used the upper 2 floors as residences for church workers. They had their chapel and church office on the ground floor, and kitchen and fellowship and Sunday School space for children in the basement. City Gate would use the building in a similar fashion, the upper floors as residences, and the lower floors for small, neighborhood based programs, and for study and training for small groups of volunteers. The main program entrance is from Olgethorpe Street, and does not impact the traffic flow on 16th Street.

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Specifically, we would like to have an after-school tutoring program three days/week after school from 3:30 to 5:30 for approximately 15 children. Participants would walk or be transported by van. This program would be conducted on the basement level.

We would like to have two weekly ESL classes, one in the morning and one in the evening. We would anticipate 10-12 students in each class, the majority of whom would walk or arrive by public transportation. These classes could be held on either the basement or first floor.

We also are working with a group from the Bulgarian Embassy to offer a Saturday culture and language program for approximately 15 Bulgarian families. Children would be dropped off around 10 a.m. and be picked up around 3 p.m. on Saturdays. This program would be held on the basement level.

Finally, we would be working directly with church and community volunteers in several ways. The second and third floors contain 6 bedrooms and a kitchenette, and as mentioned, were utilized by the Serbian church for residential use. We would have a house manager and perhaps 2-3 long-term volunteers or staff who would live on the second floor. The third floor (and perhaps a second floor bedroom if available) would be used for short-term volunteers who would come on an intermittent basis and stay up to a week for training and mission opportunities. Most would come from churches or religious organizations outside of DC. They would receive training and an opportunity to work as volunteers in various social programs throughout the city. Our goal would be for them to go home with a new appreciation for our nation's capital and energized to make a contribution back in their home communities. These short-term volunteers would be transported by a church van to and from our facility during their stay in Washington. They would have come to DC by air or bus transportation, and their participation in City Gate programs would not involve automobile transportation or parking requirements.

Depending on how many long-term volunteers or staff were being housed, hospitality could be provided for 8-10 short-term volunteers on an intermittent basis. We would use as a guideline that under 15 persons can live by-right in a religious residence, and 5917

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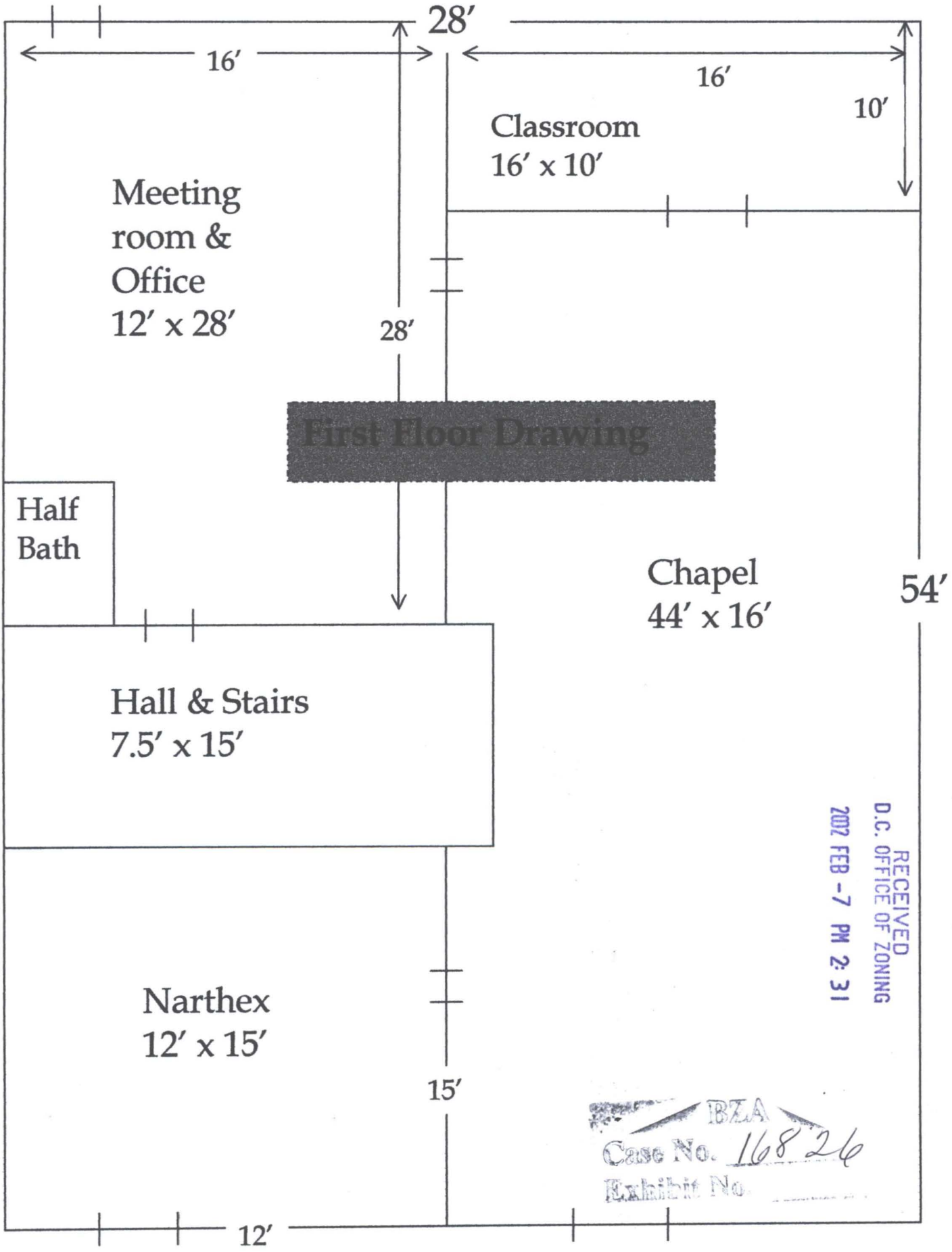
has the space and facilities to readily accommodate that number of persons, especially when many would be guests staying less than a week.

We also would plan approximately once per month to have a week night and/or Sunday gathering for local City Gate volunteers or volunteers from District of Columbia Baptist Convention churches. This would be similar, for example, to what DC Habitat for Humanity has done at Calvary Baptist Church for years. One night/month their volunteers meet in task groups to plan and prepare their work. For City Gate such gatherings would typically include worship or study in the chapel.

We would estimate these monthly or bi-monthly meetings would involve 25-35 people. Some would come by public transportation but most would arrive by car, probably a total of a dozen cars or less since most cars would have multiple occupants. These meetings would be scheduled when parking would be permitted on 16th Street. The chapel and other rooms on the first and basement levels would be used for assembly and small group meetings on these occasions.

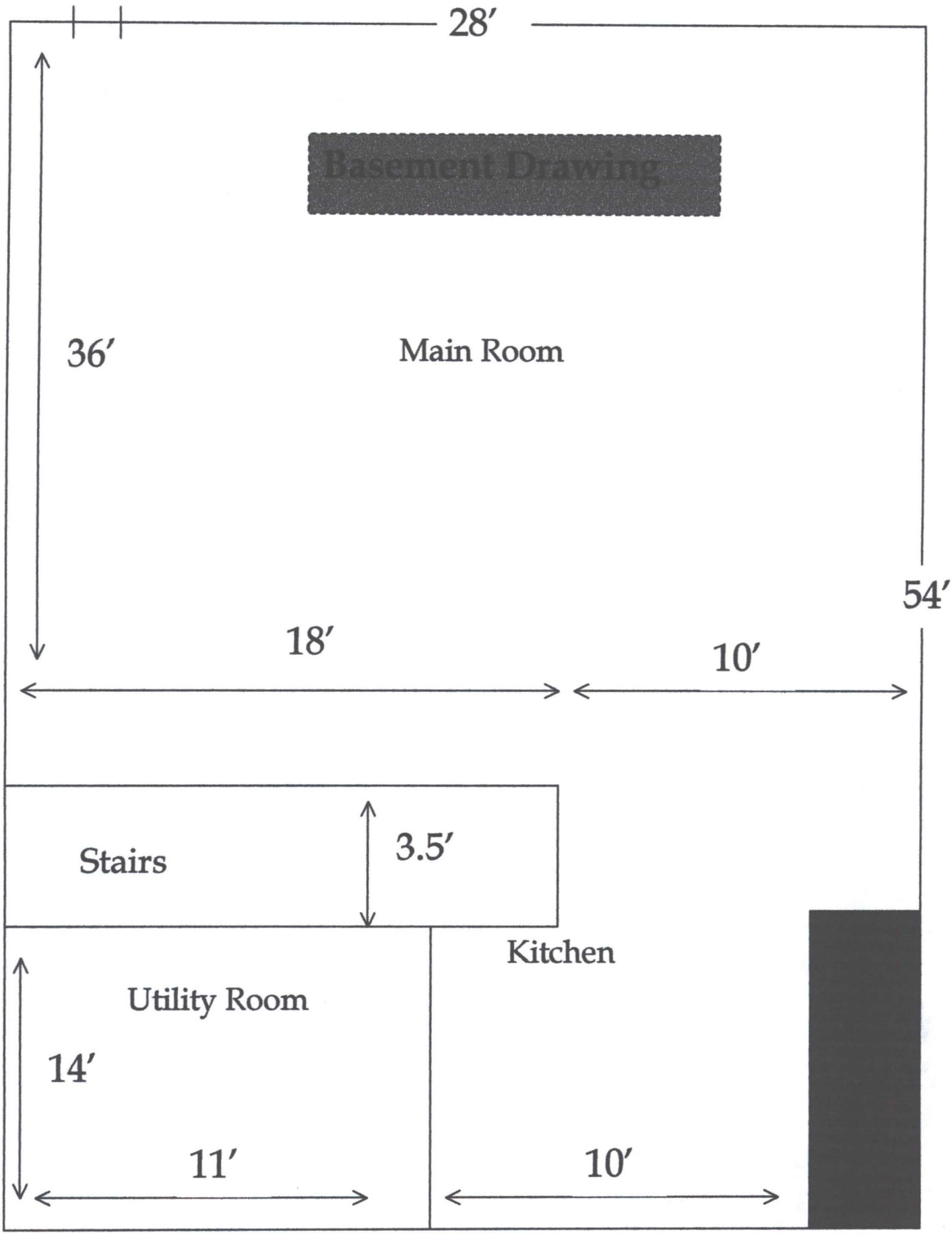
Note: In our November BZA application, we referenced worship or instructional meetings of up to 75 people in the chapel, since this was what the existing certificate of occupancy permitted, and it would be good to have that capacity if some special event were to warrant it. However, normal monthly meetings were involve only 25-35 people.

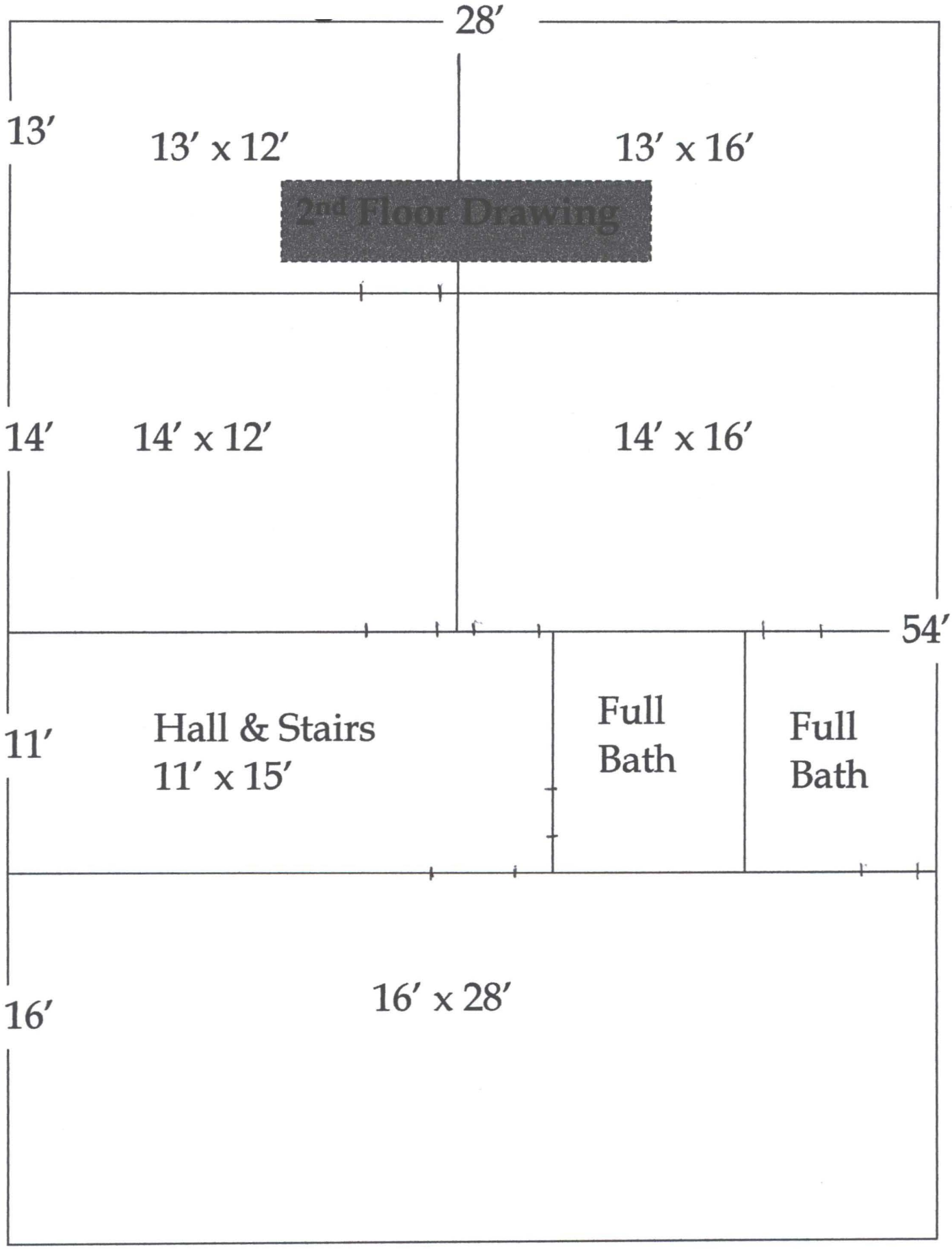
The accompanying drawings provide an approximate floor plan of the buildings.

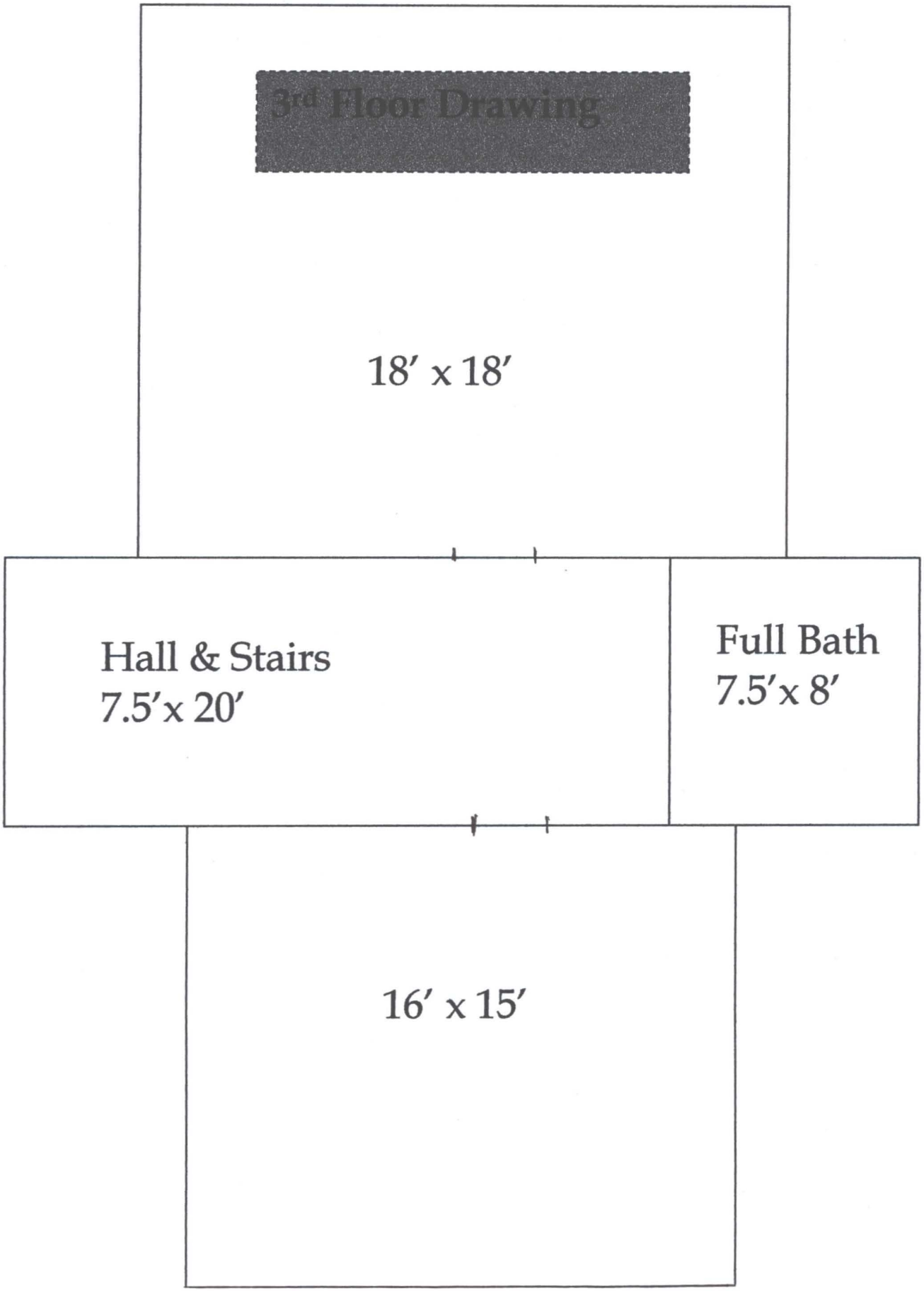


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28′
Basement Drawing
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Main Room
54′
18′
10′
Stairs
3.5′
Kitchen
Utility Room
14′
11′
10′


28′
13′
13′ x 12′
13′ x 16′
2nd Floor Drawing
14′
14′ x 12′
14′ x 16′
54′
11′
Hall & Stairs
11′ x 15′
Full
Bath
Full
Bath
16′
16′ x 28′


3rd Floor Drawing
18′ x 18′
Hall & Stairs
7.5′x 20′
Full Bath
7.5′x 8′
16′ x 15′