

## **Thinking About Buying a Home – Questions to Ask Yourself**

Your first consideration when buying a home is to establish just how much do you really need. Some questions that you should ask yourself include:

- Is life in your present home too close for comfort?
- Do you have to take a number every morning outside of your own bathroom?
- Would a family room or a playroom be useful?
- Could your kitchen be redesigned to be more efficient?
- Do you need to minimize number of stairs?

Most homeowners can answer yes to at least one of the above question. It is all a matter of space and how it is used. It is also a matter that you have to consider carefully when choosing your next home. Some questions that you might ask in determining your needs for the new home include:

- How many rooms will you need for the house to be livable?
- Is a single bathroom enough or would it be more convenient to have a second one?
- Do you need more bedrooms? It is all right to have two small children bunked into one room when they are small but what happens when they are older.
- Would a main floor laundry be appealing?

You need to think about how many rooms you need and will need in order to give your family the comfort you need without being forced into spending money that you had not foreseen needing to spend.

It is not just the space inside the home. You also have to remember any special need that you may have such as a large yard and proximity to schools and shopping. If you plan on buying a truck or trailer you will have to check zoning regulations for the area in which you live.