



2018 Full Life Community Church Vision

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THE 2018 VISION FOR FULL LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Objective

TO CAST AND IMPLEMENT THE VISION OF FULL LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH TO BE A MISSIONAL, MATURING, MULTICULTURAL CHURCH THAT RECONCILES PEOPLE TO GOD AND ONE ANOTHER.

Theme:

BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS - JOSHUA 1:6-7 - *Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them. "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go.*

Goals

1. RAISE UP AND DEVELOP LEADERS TO EXPAND THE REACH OF THE CHURCH
2. ESTABLISH AND ADVANCE THE KINGDOM OF GOD THROUGH CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
3. DEVELOP A 5-YEAR PLAN TO SECURE MINISTRY SPACE FOR THE LONG-TERM FUTURE

Solution

1. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE THROUGH ESTABLISHING AND ADVANCING REGIONAL HOUSE CHURCHES
2. LAUNCH THE HISTORY IN THE MAKING COMMUNITY CENTER (H.I.M. CENTER)
3. ESTABLISH A BUILDING TEAM TO DEVELOP A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN AND BUILDING IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Project Outline

1. **WE WILL HOST A FOUR-WEEK BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 7PM FOCUSED ON COMMUNITY IN JANUARY 2018**
2. **WE WILL ENGAGE IN A CORPORATE DANIEL FAST DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2018**
 1. [HTTP://DANIEL-FAST.COM/](http://daniel-fast.com/)
3. **WE WILL MAKE DISCIPLES THROUGH THE FOLLOWING INITIATIVES:**
 1. **Launch Full Life House Churches in February 2018**
 1. Manor - Corey and April Tabor
 2. Pflugerville - Brent and Sonnecia Williams
 3. North Austin - Karen Brown
 4. Cedar Park - Stan and Angela Shipe
 5. Hutto - Larry and Lisa Griggs
 1. House Church Elders will engage in weekly coaching calls with the Lead Pastor
 2. House Church Elders will attend a monthly house church training
 2. **Gender Specific Bible Studies in February 2018**
 1. We will host a weekly men's bible study on Friday mornings at 6:30am in North Austin
 2. We will host a weekly women's bible study on Saturday mornings at 9am in North Austin
4. **WE WILL HIGHLIGHT THE "FIVE PURPOSES" ON SUNDAY MORNINGS**
 1. 1st Sunday - Membership / Fellowship
 2. 2nd Sunday - Maturity / Discipleship
 3. 3rd Sunday - Ministry / Service
 4. 4th Sunday - Magnification / Worship (Family Worship)
 5. 5th Sunday - Mission - Evangelism

5. WE WILL HOST FIVE MAJOR EVENTS RELATED TO THE CHURCH CALENDAR

1. Pastor and Wife Appreciation - February 18-19, 2018
2. Resurrection Sunday - April 1, 2018
3. Vacation Bible School - August 3-7, 2018
4. Church Anniversary - September 9, 2018
5. Fall Festival - October 31, 2018

6. WE WILL LAUNCH THE HISTORY IN THE MAKING COMMUNITY CENTER

1. We will hire a Missional Pastor / Executive Director for the H.I.M. Center
2. The H.I.M. Center will have a separate board of directors
3. Soft Open - January 16, 2018
4. Ribbon Cutting / Press Conference - Friday, February 17, 2018
5. Weekly Events

1. Tuesdays - Community Conversations (Spanish & English)

2. Thursday's - Community Night

1. 1st - Game Night
2. 2nd - Movie Night
3. 3rd - Open Mic Night
4. 4th - Dance Night

3. Fridays - Parents' Night Out

4. Fridays - 5th Quarter Parties - 9pm - 12am

5. Mother's Day Out - Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6. Summer Arts Camp / Tour - June - July 2018

7. Ambassador Program - September 2018 - May 2019

8. We will host seven conferences per year

1. 5:18 Reconciliation Conference - 4th Weekend in March
2. Marriage Conference - April
3. Women's - Conference - May
4. Men's Conference - June
5. Singles Conference - August
6. Student Conference - October
7. Full Life Retreat - November

7. WE WILL LAUNCH TWO MISSIONAL, MATURING, MULTIETHNIC CHURCHES

1. LifeHouse Chapel @ UT - Sundays @7:14pm

1. February 4, 2018 - Super Bowl Party
2. February 11, 2018 - Preview Service
3. March 4, 2018 - Preview Service
4. April 8, 2018 - Preview Service
5. May 6, 2018 - Preview Service
6. June - August 2018 - Leadership Development
7. September 9, 2018 - Launch Weekly Services

2. Church Planter Residency

1. Brent and Sonnetia Williams will be serving with us for the next year to learn and prepare to plant a church in the North Pflugerville / Round Rock area.
 1. Pflugerville House Church - February 2018
 2. Preview Services - Once a month September - April
 3. Launch - Easter - April 21, 2019

BUDGET

Current Monthly Expenses Budget

This is based on maintaining

Monthly Expenses	Quantity	Unit Price	Cost
Worship Center	1	\$ 3,575	\$ 3,575
Mobile Phones	1	\$ 300	\$ 300
Electricity	1	\$ 160	\$ 160
Hospitality	1	\$ 100	\$ 100
Internet Service	1	\$ 106	\$ 106
Churchteams	1	\$ 40	\$ 40
Email and Hosting	1	\$ 25	\$ 25
Ring Central (Church Phone)	1	\$ 30	\$ 30
Planning Center	1	\$ 16	\$ 16
Total			\$ 4,352

Possible Updated Budget

This is based on maintaining A4 with Stipends and Missions

Monthly Expenses	Quantity	Unit Price	Cost
Worship Center	1	\$ 3,575	\$ 3,575
Pastoral Stipend	1	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Mobile Phones	1	\$ 300	\$ 300
Musican Stipend	2	\$ 100	\$ 200
Electricity	1	\$ 160	\$ 160
Internet Service	1	\$ 106	\$ 106
Hospitality	1	\$ 100	\$ 100
Worship Leader	1	\$ 100	\$ 100
Texas Alliance for Life	1	\$ 100	\$ 100
Sovereign Wings of Hope	1	\$ 50	\$ 50
Austin LifeCare	1	\$ 50	\$ 50
Churchteams	1	\$ 40	\$ 40
Ring Central (Church Phone)	1	\$ 30	\$ 30
Email and Hosting	1	\$ 25	\$ 25
Streaming Service	1	\$ 25	\$ 25
Planning Center	1	\$ 16	\$ 16
Total			\$ 5,877

Proposed Budget with New Worship Space

This is based on maintaining and moving to C1

Monthly Expenses	Quantity	Unit Price	Cost
Worship Center	1	\$ 5,132	\$ 5,132
Mobile Phones	1	\$ 308	\$ 308
Electricity	1	\$ 200	\$ 200
Hospitality	1	\$ 100	\$ 100
Internet Service	1	\$ 106	\$ 106
Churchteams	1	\$ 40	\$ 40
Email and Hosting	1	\$ 25	\$ 25
Ring Central (Church Phone)	1	\$ 30	\$ 30
Planning Center	1	\$ 16	\$ 16
Total			\$ 5,957

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Total			\$ 7,434

Monthly Income over the last year

MONTHLY INCOME

Dates	Income
January 2017	\$6,570.00
February 2017	\$6,243.00
March 2017	\$7,370.00
April 2017	\$6,285.17
May 2017	\$4,292.00
June 2017	\$4,600.00
July 2017	\$4,441.00
August 2017	\$4,316.00
September 2017	\$4,364.94
October 2017	\$11,841.64
November 2017	\$3,136.00
December 2017	\$3,650.00
Total	\$67,109.75
Average	\$5,592.48

PROPOSED PREACHING CALENDAR

Claim Your Destiny (Joshua)

January 7 - Be Strong and Courageous - Joshua 1
January 14 - A Prostitute with Purpose - Joshua 2
January 21 - The Crossover - Joshua 3
January 28 - These Walls are Coming Down - Joshua 5 & 6

Wednesday's

(Based on Creating Community: Five Keys to Building to Building a Small Group Culture by Andy Stanley)
\$20 @ Bread of Life Bookstore (Vision we're developing)

January 10 - People Need Community
January 17 - Leaders Need Clarity
January 24 - Connection Needs Simplicity
January 31 - Process Need Reality

Being Full Life

February 4 - Relevant Teaching
February 11 - Racial Reconciliation - Pastor April Tabor
(Lent Begins February 14)
February 18 - Pastor's Appreciation - Pastor Carlton Smith, Pastor Marcus Jones and Pastor Herman Hicks
February 25 - Real Relationships and Restoring Families - Pastor Kenyatta Simmons (Houston, Texas)
March 4 - Raising Up Godly Leaders
March 11 - Reclaiming the Community - Pastor Michael Satterfield (Dallas, Texas)
March 15-17 - Possible Missions Trip to Jackson, Mississippi
March 18 - Reaching the World

Being the Church Part 2

March 25 - Acts 6
April 1 - Acts 7 (Easter)
April 8 - Acts 8
April 15 - Acts 9
April 22 - Acts 10
April 29 - Serving Day

Women's Series (Women of the Bible)

May 6 - Guest Preaching Pastor Betina Bunton

May 13 - Pastor April Tabor - (Mother's Day)

May 20 - Guest Preacher: Pastor Theodora Moten-

May 27 - Rev. Mary Whitehurst(Memorial Day Weekend)

Possible topics: (Esther, Ruth, Mary (Mother of Jesus), Martha and Mary)

Men's Series (Men of the Bible)

June 3 - Minister Troy Tabor

June 10 - Pastor DeChard Freeman

June 17 - Pastor Corey Tabor - Father's Day

June 24 - Pastor Ed Johnson III

Possible topics (Joseph, David, Paul, Peter)

SHAPE Series

(Based on SHAPE - Finding and Fulfilling Your Unique Purpose by Erik Rees)

July 1 - Spiritual Gifts - (Independence Day Weekend)

July 8 - Heart & Ability (Vacation Bible School)

July 15 - Personality

July 22 - Experiences

July 29 - Serving Day

Corinthians Series (selected passages from Corinthians that speak to the times)

August 5

August 12

August 19 - Back to School Weekend

August 26

September 2

September 9 - Church Anniversary

September 16

September 23

September 30 - Serving Day

Daniel Series (selected passages from Daniel that speak to the times)

October 7

October 14

October 21

October 28 (Fall Festival)

November 4

November 11 - (Possible Full Life Retreat Weekend - Maybe Sabbath Retreat)

November 18

November 25

December 2

Advent

December 9

December 16

December 23

December 30 - Serving Day

2018 LEADERSHIP TEAM

1. Corey Tabor, Founder and Lead Pastor
2. April Tabor, Teaching Pastor
3. Karen Brown - Church Mother
4. Lisa Griggs, Worship Pastor
5. Angela Shipe
6. Stan Shipe
7. Valerie Williams, Treasurer

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FULL LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH SUMMARY

Full Life Community Church Mission

We live to reconcile people to God and one another.

Full Life Community Church Slogan

Living life to the fullest!

Our Strategy: The Five Purposes

- Magnification – Loving God
- Membership – Loving God’s People
- Maturity – Developing God’s People
- Ministry – Serving God’s People
- Mission – Reaching God’s People

Full Life Community Church Vision Statement

- Missional – We are church that is in the city, with the city, for the city. We seek to partner existing community organizations to make a difference that will impact the community.
- Maturing – We are a church that seeks to guide people to the next step of growth in their relationship with God.
- Multicultural – We seek to be a church that affirms and embraces the ethnic identity people within the various cultures that are represented in our community.

Full Life Community Church Values

1. **Relevant Teaching** – We believe that the Bible is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training people to apply what the Bible teaches. We seek to use creative teaching and training methods to preserve timeless truths in a contemporary form. Biblical teaching is the foundation upon which God brings about long-term transformation in the lives of His people. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Matthew 7:24-29, 1 Chronicles 12:32, Acts 2:42-47).
2. **Real Relationships** – We believe that God has created every person to be in an authentic relationship with Him and with other people. We seek to be a community that creates an environment where people can come to know and be known by God while knowing and being known by others. Real relationships are the laboratory in which God brings about long-term transformation in the lives of His people. (Luke 10:27, Acts 2:42-47)
3. **Racial Reconciliation** – We believe that all people are created by God with a unique racial and ethnic identity that reflects the image of God. We seek to affirm and celebrate ethnic identity while encouraging, equipping and empowering our community to be one that is authentically racially reconciled. Racial Reconciliation is a demonstration of Christ's power that honors God and inspires people. (Genesis 1:26-28, John 17:20-23, Acts 10)
4. **Restoring Families** – We believe that God established the family as a Godly community, which reflects his relationship with His church and His children. We seek to build families to be whole and restore families that have been broken. Restored families provide a foundation for spiritual heritage to be passed on to the next generation. (Genesis 2:19-25, Ephesians 5:22-6:4, 2 Timothy 1:5)
5. **Raising Up Godly Leaders** – We believe that men and women are called to lead according to the gifts and calling they are given by God. We seek to be a community of faith where godly leadership is modeled, developed and rewarded. Godly leaders use their influence to lead the church towards God's purpose for the church. (John 13:14, 1 Corinthians 11:1, 2 Timothy 2:2)
6. **Reclaiming the Community** – We believe the church should be a partner in serving the people in the community. We seek to meet material and spiritual needs for those who live in our surrounding communities following the example of Christ. Community development is a demonstration of the power of Christ through His church to fulfill His mission. (Micah 6:8, Luke 4:18-19, Galatians 6:10)
7. **Reaching the World** – We believe that the church is called to reach people around the world with the love and message of Jesus Christ. We seek to use our financial, human, intellectual and spiritual resources to partner with other churches and organizations to reach people groups throughout the world for Christ. Reaching people beyond our borders is the fulfillment of the commission that Christ left His church. (Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8)

Our Expectations

1. Partnership involves Prayer– Philippians 1:3-4

- a. Paul remembered his partners in his prayers because as a leader he was praying for them and they were praying for him. Prayer is the power that moves heaven and changes earth.
 - i. When we pray God is invited to get involved.
 - ii. When we pray earth is subject to heaven's desires
 - iii. When we pray the enemy is under attack and God's kingdom is advancing.

2. Partnership involves Participation – Philemon 1:6

- a. Giving of your Time – we are asking each partner to commit their time to being involved with FLCC (5-10 hours per week)
- b. Giving of your Talent – we are asking each partner to serve in the community and the church based on their S.H.A.P.E. (For those who have not received the www.uniquelyyou.com assessment, we will send a link this week for you to complete so we can support you in your ministry service).
- c. Giving of your Treasure – we are asking each partner to give according to our giving values:
 - i. Cheerfully – Learn to give to God with joy.
 - ii. Priority – Learn to give to God first.
 - iii. Consistently – Learn to give to God on schedule.
 - iv. Proportionally – Learn to give God a percentage.
 - v. Generously – Learn to give to God in faith.
- d. Giving your Testimony – We are asking each of you to begin sharing Full Life with your friends, family members, co-workers, etc. 75% of people come to Christ because of the invitation of a friend, family member or associate.
 - i. Faces of Full Life Videos – also we are going to be taping :30-1:30 videos about why you are a part of Full Life. There is nothing like the power of invitation.

3. Partnership involves Patience – Galatians 5:22

- a. The fruit of the Spirit is patience. To be a partner you must be willing to allow God to work in his time. Jesus spent 3 years working with 12 individuals to establish the foundation of what is now the global church.

4. Partnership involves Perseverance – James 1:4

- a. We must persevere in pursuing God's purpose as a church. The enemy would love for us to experience obstacles and allow them to stop us but we must continue towards God's calling for our community of faith.

5. Partnership involves Passion – Philippians 1:9, Philemon 1:7

- a. Passion for God

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- b. Passion for those in God's family
 - c. Passion for those who are far from God

Our Growth Plan

- Sunday Worship Gatherings – Each Sunday we will provide opportunities for you to worship God through musical worship, fellowship with other believers and learning from God's word through a biblical message.
- F.U.L.L. Life House Churches – Weekly we will provide an opportunity for you to grow with others in house church bible study that focuses on prayer, bible study, support and service. F.U.L.L. stands for fellowship, understanding, love and leadership all which will be developed during these house churches.
- Discovering Full Life – We will provide the foundation needed to begin following Christ at Full Life.
 - Full Life and You – Come be introduced to the mission, vision and values of Full Life Community Church and see how they connect with who you are.
 - Joining the Family – Learn about joining God's family, going public with your faith, spiritual habits that will help you grow in your faith.
 - Playing Your Role – Learn about how God has shaped you to serve and discover how you are called to serve at home, in the community and the local church.
 - World Changers – Discover how you can actively share your faith at home and abroad.
- Missional Community Team Opportunities (growing and serving together)
 - Connections Team – embracing guests and engaging partners (new members, ushers, greeters, parking lot) (Membership)
 - Facilities Team – assisting in cleaning and decorating the church facility (Ministry)
 - F.U.L.L. Life Groups Team – groups that learn and serve together (Maturity)
 - Hospitality Team – assisting with creating a welcoming environment through food and drinks on Sundays (Membership)
 - LifeHouse Children's Ministry Team – helping our children experience full life - (Ministry, Maturity)
 - LifeHouse Student Ministry Team - assisting students in experience full life (Ministry, Maturity)

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- Married for Life Marriage Ministry – partnering with other couples to grow the marital relationships in our church. (Ministry, Maturity)
 - Media and Marketing Team– web site, graphic design, social media, sound, video production (Mission)
 - Men’s Ministry Team - assisting men in growing to be kingdom men (Ministry, Maturity)
 - Missional Ministry Team - assisting in serving our community at home and abroad (Ministry, Maturity)
 - Prayer Team – commit to praying for Full Life Community Church and the Austin community (Magnification)
 - Significantly Single Ministry Team - assisting singles discovering and living out their significance (Ministry, Maturity)
 - Transportation Team – offering transportation for college students who would like to attend.
 - Women’s Ministry Team - assisting women in growing to be kingdom women (Maturity, Ministry)
 - Worship Team – assist in leading worship for worship gatherings (Magnification)

Our Vision

We see a community of faith that offers relevant weekend worship experiences designed to inform, instruct and inspire people to fulfill their God-given purpose. We see a thematic worship experience that includes various forms of the arts and media to effectively communicate the gospel to current and future generations. We see singing music that provides a multi-ethnic sound representing the various rich histories of the people we feel called to reach. We see sermon series that present the timeless truths of scripture in a contemporary form for long-term life application. We see a worship experience that our partners can feel comfortable inviting their friends who are seeking to know God.

We see a community of faith that builds real relationships through a series of meaningful connections with others in the church. We see a community where guests can feel free to discover faith and partners can feel free to develop in their gifts and abilities. We see a network of life groups that develop relationships that extend far beyond their weekly bible study to doing life in regional specific groups.

We see a community of faith that experiences true reconciliation through seeking God, shared experiences and personal sacrifices that lead to the salvation of many souls. We see a community where people can discover and embrace their ethnic identity while being encouraged to acknowledge, accept and appreciate the ethnic identity of others. We see a church where partners

develop personal relationships, work together in corporate partnership to ultimately affect systemic change that leads to justice and equality in our community. We see people from various racial and ethnic backgrounds attending weekend worship services, weekly life groups and serving in ministry together as a reflection of God's image in the earth. We see our church being a visible model of what it looks like to have a growing, healthy, intentionally multi-ethnic church.

We see a community of faith that affirms the value of family in our philosophy of ministry and ministry offerings. We see a church that encourages families to honor the priorities of God and family so spouses can love one another and parents can love their children through the ministry of presence. We see a community that raises children and students to know and accept Christ as their personal Savior leading to a lifetime of kingdom impact. We see a children's ministry that teaches children about God's love for them and the value of a personal relationship with Christ. We see student ministry that teaches and demonstrates practical ways for students to live out their faith in their family, school and community. We see a church that affirms the value of singles encouraging them to use their gift of singleness to advance the kingdom of God.

We see a community of faith that raises up godly leaders to lead in the home, community and the church. We will empower leaders to lead in the marketplace using the gifts and influence God has given them. We see a ministry placement model that places people in roles of ministry service and leadership based on how God has shaped them to serve. We see creating an environment of team leadership where the various gifts of the body of Christ can be used to equip the body for kingdom impact. We see being a church that partners to plant other churches in the United States and around the world.

We see establishing a community development center that becomes a picture of Christ in the community through meeting material and spiritual needs in the community. We see students and adults partnering together to provide after school programs for latch key children. We see offering arts camps designed to allow children and students to discover artistic gifts to express love for God's goodness. We see offering various family-based programs including pre-engagement counseling, marriage counseling, divorce recovery and celebrate recovery. We see training and sending volunteers to make a tangible difference in the community through partnering with existing local and regional organizations.

We see making missions a value that is lived out for every generation in our church so that children, students and adults are able to participate together in making a difference throughout the world. We see partnering with international organizations to provide volunteer support for ongoing projects in countries throughout the world to assist the poor, sick and disenfranchised. We see commissioning short-term and long-term missionaries from our church to take the gospel to the nations in practical ways. We see using our financial, human, informational and spiritual resources to meet the material and spiritual needs of those who are in need around the world.

Our Statement of Faith

The Bible

The Bible is God's word to all people. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is truth without any mixture of error. (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20, 21; 2 Timothy 1:13; Psalm 119:105,160, 12:6; Proverbs 30:5)

The Trinity

God

God is the creator and ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in three persons – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God. (Genesis 1:1, 26, 27; 3:22; Psalm 90:2; Matthew 28:19; 1 Peter 1:2; 2; Corinthians 13:14)

The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is equal with the Father and the Son as God. He is present in the world to make humans aware of their need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth. He equips us with spiritual gifts for effective ministry and empowers us to live, grow, and serve in obedience to God. (2 Corinthians 3:17; John 16:7-13, 14:16, 17; Acts 1:8; 1 Corinthians 2:12, 3:16; Ephesians 1:13; Galatians 5:25; Ephesians 5:1)

Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He is co-equal with the Father. Jesus lived a sinless human life and offered himself as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of all men by dying on a cross. He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended to heaven's glory and will return again to earth to reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. (Matthew 1:22, 23; Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1-5, 14:10-30; Hebrews 4:14, 15; 1 Corinthians 15:3, 4; Romans 1:3, 4; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Timothy 6:14, 15; Titus 2:13)

Humanity

People were created in the image of God for a loving relationship with God. However, people have rebelled against God, actively or passively choosing to go their own independent way. Thus we are alienated from God and suffer the corruption of our nature because of our sin. The effects of this fall from our intended relationship with God can be reversed through faith in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. (Genesis 1:26; Genesis 3:9-13; Romans 5:8-16)

Salvation

Salvation is a gift from God to people. People can never make up for their sin by self-improvement or good works – only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God’s offer of forgiveness can a person be saved from sin’s penalty. (Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8, 9; John 14:6, 1:12; Titus 3:5; Galatians 3:26; Romans 5:1)

Security of Salvation

Because God gives people eternal life through Jesus Christ, the believer is secure in salvation for eternity. While salvation is maintained by the grace and power of God, not by the self-effort of the Christian, obedience is evidence of one’s faith. (John 10:29; 2 Timothy 1:12; Hebrews 7:25; 10:10, 14; James 2:14-18; Peter 1:3-5)

The Church

The Church is the living Body of Christ on earth and comprised of all true believers in Jesus Christ. He is the head and source of the Church's life, which exists to glorify God. The Church fulfills its mission by celebrating the glory and goodness of God, cultivating personal growth in Christ, caring about one another in biblical community and communicating the gospel in word and action to the world. Matthew 16:15-19; Ephesians 4:14-16; Acts 2:41-47

Christ’s Return

Jesus Christ will physically return to earth to establish his eternal kingdom. He will judge the world, reward the saints and rule for all eternity. This is the blessed hope of the Church and its encouragement for perseverance in faith and ministry. Those who have been reborn in Christ will live with Him forever. (John 14:1-3, Matthew 24:29-31, Revelation 19:11-21)

Our Partnerships

1. Austin LifeCare – Community Partnership
2. Austin LifeGuard – Community Partnership
3. Austin LifeChange – Community Partnership
4. Dessau Elementary School – Community Partnership
5. EMBRACE Initiative – Community Partnership
6. History in the Making CDC (H.I.M. Center) – Community Partnership
7. InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA – College Ministry
8. Texas Alliance for Life – Community Partnership
9. Sovereign Wings of Hope – World Missions