

THE GREATER STORY

2017

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CHURCH







Dear Church Family,

When I look back on 2017, I experience mixed emotions. Our family was rocked in July when our son and daughter-in-law experienced deep, personal loss. My world was then turned upside down (literally!) when I broke my leg and had to have surgery to repair it. Like so many of you who have experienced tragedy and medical difficulties, times like these can be a challenge to our faith. We cannot help but ask “Why Lord?” in these situations. We often search for answers on this side of heaven while having to patiently wait for our heavenly Father to either answer, or tell us to trust Him in His good plan.

While the answer may be delayed in coming, I can say that the Lord was so very faithful to our family during these times. His presence was near during our loss as many prayed, offered comfort, and compassionately ministered to us. His provision was tremendous during my recovery and rehabilitation. Darla is simply an amazing wife and a great nurse as well! She truly is God’s gift and provision to me. Currey Creek members generously provided more food than we could possibly eat. My doctors and physical therapists displayed amazing skill and fantastic care during my convalescence.

Perhaps this last year has been a mixture of hurt and joy for you too. I hope that during the hurt your faith was stretched and strengthened. I pray that during your joys your heart rejoiced at the kindness and provision of our Savior. As you read the following pages you will see how the Lord has blessed Currey Creek. Let’s rejoice together over the past year and look forward in anticipation to how we will Exalt God, Engage the Culture, and Enrich the Christ-Follower in 2018!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John D. Free". The signature is written in a dark color and is positioned above the printed name.

John Free

ELDERS

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2017 Currey Creek Church Elders

Contact us at elders@curreycreek.com



John Free



Jared Patrick



Stuart Head



Eric Cate



Bobby Langenbahn



Travis Vaught



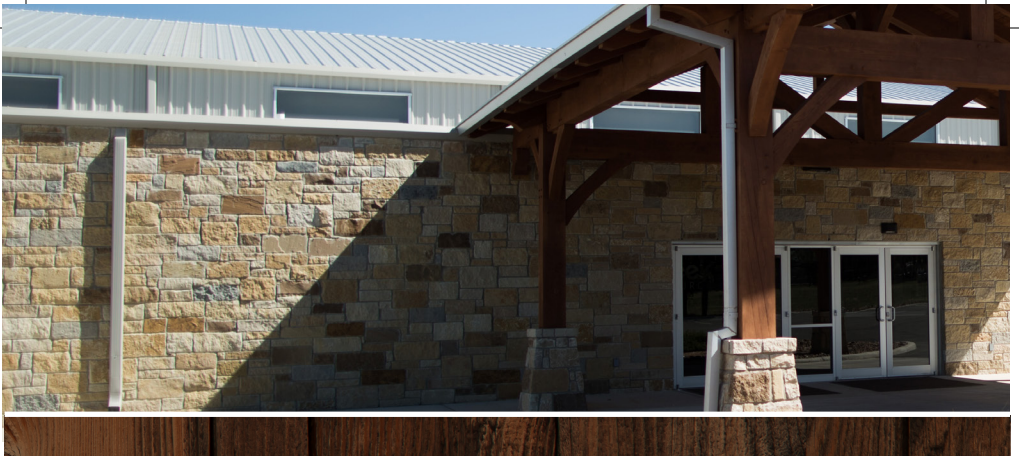
Hank Bussey



Rob Wainner



Derek Kirchner



A TIME TO PLANT

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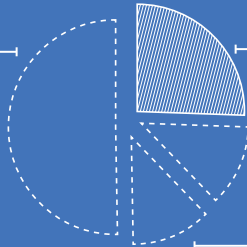
We are completing our second full year of fund raising for a new combined worship and children's ministry facility that will adjoin the current worship facility. During that time, we have been finalizing the layout, design, and audio/visual components of the new space and expect to bid the project in early 2018. In the meantime, our community continues to grow! The closest development to the church is Southglen, where new homes have just begun to reach completion with the first residents expected very soon. This neighborhood is planned to house 370 families! Even more, directly across I-10, Regent Park has completed its first few homes and is expected to have 950 new homes when completed. What was not on our radar last year when considering our immediate area growth is multi-family housing. Vantage at Boerne has apartments available now and will have 288 units when completed, and another 48 unit development is in the planning stages right here on Cascade Caverns Road. Boerne as a whole is on pace to have more than 600 annual new home starts for the 4th straight year, and BISD has more than 9,800 planned future lots. It is indeed a fantastic time to plant, as the Lord brings people to Boerne. May we be found faithful in "Exalting God, Engaging our Culture, and Enriching the Christ-Follower" now, and for many years to come.

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A TIME TO PLANT

December 2017

\$5,000,000
Borrowed

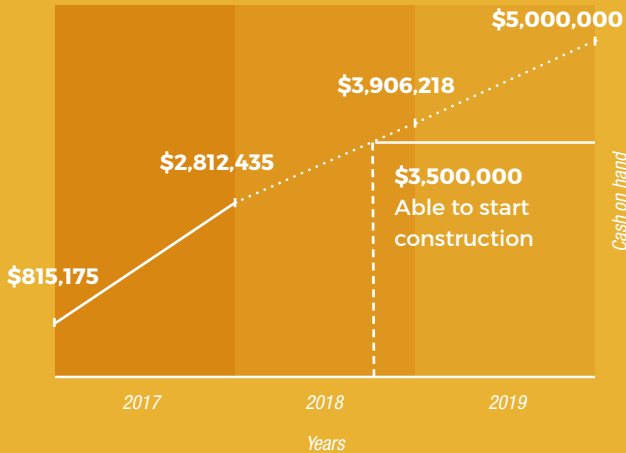


\$2,599,772
Cash Received

\$1,220,114
Need in 2018

\$1,220,114
Need in 2019

PROJECTED TIMELINE ESTIMATE



CHURCH GENERAL

Financial Update:

\$2.6 MILLION

2017 Budget

\$3+ MILLION

2017 Tithes

\$2.75 MILLION

2018 Budget

2018 Budget:

42% Personnel

18% Facilities & Operations

12% Ministries

11.5% Missions

11% Time to Plant Savings

5.5% Reserve/Discretionary

FUN
FACT!



**14.5
YEARS**

is the average length our staff members have been married.

2017 Baptisms:

28

Total for the year

7

At Easter on the Square

Membership Renewal:

1056

Adults & Kids in 2016

1170

Adults & Kids in 2017

Tithing Units:

449

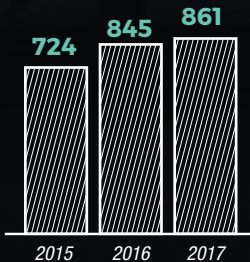
2016 Giving Units

480

2017 Giving Units

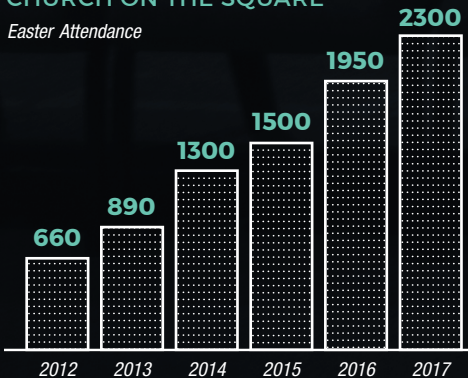
SUNDAY MORNING ATTENDANCE

Average (Adult)



"CHURCH ON THE SQUARE"

Easter Attendance





Eric Cate

Business Administrator



Shelly Williams

Admin. Assistant



Jenny Farias

Financial Assistant



Rachel Plank

Business Assistant



Can you match each staff member with their first pet?

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| ___ 1. "Princess" the poodle | a. Jared |
| ___ 2. "Skippy" the fish | b. Jenny Featherston |
| ___ 3. "Sheamus" the dog | c. Jenny Farias |
| ___ 4. "Pinkerton" AKA Mr. Pinky a mutt | d. John |
| ___ 5. "Jody" a beagle/corgi mix | e. Ashleigh |
| ___ 6. "Fluffy" the dog | f. Bret |
| ___ 7. "Charlie" the collie | g. Isac |
| ___ 8. "Jody" the white chihuahua | h. Shelly |
| ___ 9. "Simon" the cat | i. Kinleigh |
| ___ 10. "Muffin" the mutt from the pound | j. Rachel |
| ___ 11. "Trouble" the iguana | k. Stuart |
| ___ 12. "Barney" the pony | l. Deb |
| ___ 13. "Linus" the Cat | m. Shellie |
| ___ 14. "Sam Dog" the dog | n. Eric |

Answers: 1. a. Jared 2. l. Deb 3. h. Shelly 4. k. Stuart 5. n. Eric 6. g. Isac 7. d. John 8. b. Jenny Featherston 9. c. Jenny Farias 10. e. Ashleigh 11. i. Kinleigh 12. m. Shellie 13. j. Rachel 14. f. Bret

CREEK KIDS

Creek Kids Ministry Update:

God continues to show Himself faithful through the ministry of CREEK KIDS! From babies learning about our Creator God all the way to 5th graders studying the miracles, parables, and teachings of Jesus. Our awesome team in CREEK KIDS is full of volunteers working together to plant seeds in the hearts of babies, toddlers, and elementary-aged children. We are currently walking through lessons in the New Testament and enjoying our curriculum, The Gospel Project.

Nothing excites us more than seeing a child take hold of God, His Word, and pursuing a relationship with Jesus Christ. We pray, "that the glorious Father, would give them the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. That the eyes of their hearts would be enlightened so they may know the hope of their calling." (Ephesians 1:17-18)

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creek
KIDS

FUN
FACT!



18
POUNDS
of gummy bears &



30,096
CHOCOLATE
CHIPS
were the topping of
choice for popcorn
at our Drive-In
Movie Night!





Ashleigh Marshall

Children's Minister



Kinleigh Knudson

Family Ministry Support



Jenny Featherston

Associate Children's Minister

HIGHLIGHTS

300

*people kicked off our very first
Glow-In-the-Dark Praise and
Worship Dance Party!*

525

*people came to 3rd annual
Creek County Fair.*

7

*weeks of the Gospel Plan of
Salvation was taught to our
preschoolers.*

84

*new volunteers joined the Creek
Kids Team.*

142

*people attended training to get
ready for the awesome 2017-18
school year.*

260 +

*gifts were given to children
across the Hill Country area from
Currey Creek Church as Creek
Kids partnered with Hill Country
Daily Bread Ministries for a
Christmas toy drive.*

STUDENTS

Upstream Student Ministry Update:

Our student ministry has been marked by God's overwhelming faithfulness. We have prayed big, bold prayers for life transformation and eternal impact, and He has gone far beyond our expectations. We are growing in our understanding, abiding in His love, and excited to be a part of his redemptive mission in Boerne and around the world.

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FUN
FACT!

HELLO
my name is

7,940
NAME TAGS

*were printed during
Upstream this year alone.*





Stuart Head
Associate Pastor



Bret Williams
Student Pastor



Kinleigh Knudson
Family Ministry Support

HIGHLIGHTS

40

seniors headed a group of 130 high school students on average each Wednesday night.

60

adult volunteers ministered to 340 students throughout each week.

50

students participated in mission's projects either locally or globally.

58%

increase in average student attendance on Wednesday nights.

180

students and leaders grew together at MS and HS Camps this summer.

ADULT MINISTRIES

Adult Ministries Update:

As we look back on 2017, we are so grateful for all that God accomplished. From Home Groups completing 34 weeks in our Hebrews study, to Creek Institute transitioning to a small group format with multiple classes, to men being engaged with topics of work, marriage and character, to women's bible study adding a Thursday night class, it is truly remarkable what He has done in and through us. We simply cannot wait to see what God has in store for us in 2018!

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Jared Patrick
Associate Pastor



Deb Baez
Adult Ministries Coordinator

HIGHLIGHTS

185

people registered for Creek Institute in the spring and fall semesters.

163

women registered for our spring women's event "Embrace" with Lisa Smartt and 265 for our fall women's event "Cultivate" with Kelly Minter.

186

women registered for our fall and spring bible study classes.

138

men signed up to meet at 6am in the morning to study God's Word at Men's Roundtable.

38

small groups met at homes and during classes in fall 2017.

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FACT!**



**771
HOURS**

were spent in small groups this year.

WORSHIP

Worship Ministry Update:

God has continued to move strong in our worship ministry from children's all the way up to adults. Our teams continue to focus on worshipping God rather than worshipping "worship" itself. That means that the style we play and song choices are not the primary focus, we care only about presenting true biblical worship to our church family. 60 people actively lead in worship every month and we see that number growing. We as a worship ministry are a family and we love working together being able to present our gifts before the Lord.

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FUN
FACTS!



9

YOUNG

*worship team
members.*

• • •

One got married.

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One got engaged.

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*One celebrated one
year of marriage.*

• • •

*Two celebrated two
years of marriage.*



Isac Guajardo
Worship Pastor



HIGHLIGHTS

2017

saw the launch of CREW in our Creek Kids ministry. High School students and adults lead our children in worship through motions and dance.

15+

high schoolers rotate leading worship every Wednesday. High School Worship is continuing to be a strong student lead ministry.

10

strong middle schoolers are being developed through Middle School worship.

MISSIONS

Missions Update:

In 2017 we pursued the biblical commands of Psalm 82:3 and Matthew 28:19-20. We were able to partner financially with organizations in our area and around the world to provide for those who need help and supporting churches who are doing that work as well. Currey Creek supports 10 local ministries, 5 global ministries, and 4 church planting ministries. Through these efforts, we have seen countless lives transformed with help and salvation.

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HIGHLIGHTS

19

people went to Nicaragua on short term mission trips this year.

\$32,000

was raised by Currey Creek to sponsor Pine Drive Baptist Church after Hurricane Harvey.

\$277,566

was the amount given to missions this year.

4

trips were taken to help rebuild homes and churches after Hurricane Harvey.

146

instant potato boxes were collected for the Hill Country Daily Bread Thanksgiving boxes.

FUN
FACT!



320
CHILDREN

received school supplies and Christmas presents at King of Kings Church in Nicaragua.



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