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PROCLAIMER

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A Word from Pastor Charlie

An Intentional Opportunity...

2018 is a year of intention at FBCER. We want God's will to be *done on earth as it is in heaven*. We want to *make the most of every opportunity* with the lives that God has given us; living our lives with intention as we seek God's plan and will. With this comes a calling to proclaim the message of the gospel through intentional gospel conversations with the people God has put in the pathway of our lives. All of this leads to an *intentional* opportunity that lies in front of us.

One of the most popular Christian songs in the 2000's has been *I Can Only Imagine* by Mercy Me. It has been sung at countless funerals and heard by millions on the radio. Churched and unchurched alike are familiar with this song but few know the story behind the lead singers and songwriters life that involves an absent mother and a harsh father and God's provision in his life. In March of 2018, a movie based on this true story is being released and it contains a story of hope in Christ.

We are renting out a theatre in El Reno on Friday, March 16th at 7:00pm for a viewing of this movie. Our goal is not simply for our church to have a movie night, but to have a night for us to be intentional by engaging unchurched and lost friends through inviting them to attend. The cost of a ticket is \$5 for our members but free for the unchurched/lost guest you are inviting to attend with you. Currently we have 72 tickets available but we will try to get more if the need arises. We will also make available a question guide to help you have a gospel conversation with the person who is attending with you in the future

Our hope is to help you engage people in your life with the hope of the gospel. This movie will provide a great opportunity for you to do this. Be praying about who you will be inviting, and seek to use this opportunity to introduce them to the joy and life that comes from our savior, Jesus Christ. More information on this event is available in this newsletter and on our website.

For His glory and your joy,
Pastor Charlie



Upcoming Events & Opportunities

More Abundantly Campaign

Through 15 months of the More Abundantly Campaign, \$573,869.54 has been given. Over the course of three years, we hope to raise between 1 & 1.5 million toward our building fund. Currently we are on pace to raise around 1 million. We're thankful for how God is providing through your generosity.

IF:El Reno

Ladies of all ages are invited to come and seek God as they look at one of Paul's letters to Timothy as he reminded him of the power and responsibility of sharing the gospel at the upcoming IF: El Reno event on March 3 from 9:00am-2:00pm. Cost to attend is \$20 per person and lunch is included. For complete info, please visit www.fbcelreno.com/ifelreno2018 or the IF table in the foyer. **Please register by March 1.**

Mission Ignition

1st-6th graders are headed to OKC to learn about missions at Mission Ignition this Saturday, March 3. We will leave at 8:00am and return at 3:30pm. Limited space is available and the cost is \$10. Contact Tyler at kelleyt@fbcelreno.com if you would like your child to attend.

FBCER Movie Night

"I Can Only Imagine" the movie will be coming to theaters on March 16. The movie offers the story about how that song became a worldwide hit but more than anything, it showcases God's redemptive power. Our church will be hosting a private showing of this movie at the El Reno Theater on Friday, March 16 at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$5 each and you can get a free ticket for an unchurched friend you invite. Reserve your spots at the welcome desk, in the Realm Connect App or at www.fbcelreno.com/movie.

Guys Night

Boys and men are invited to join us for Guys night on March 25. We will enjoy fried onion burgers, worship, and hear a testimony of how God has changed a man's life. This is a free event but please let us know if you plan on attending at www.fbcelreno.com/guysnight18.

New Church Directory

Throughout the month of February we took family pictures to prepare us for our new church directory. If you were unable to take your picture in February, we will have a make-up Sunday toward the end of March. Most people will access the directory through our Realm Connect app. If you requested a print version, it will be available in Mid-April.

Upcoming Important Dates

March 30- Good Friday Service @ 7:00pm

April 1- Easter Sunday- Worship @ 9:30 & 11:00am
(No small groups)

April 2- Coffee & Theology Pt. 3 Begins

April 20 & 21- Women's Retreat @ Falls Creek

April 27 & 28- Men's Retreat @ Falls Creek

Three Prayers for 2018

Lord, help me to be intentional in my life by...

- 1) seeking You and Your plan.
- 2) making a difference by joining in Your Kingdom work.
- 3) engaging people with the hope of Your gospel.



Sunday Morning Stats

	<u>February 4</u>	<u>February 11</u>	<u>February 18</u>	<u>February 25</u>
Small Groups	370	376	377	377
Worship Attendance	483	427	546	555
Offering/Tithers	\$18,213.06	\$15,929.06	\$11,251.42	\$13,871.14
Building Fund	\$1,945.89	\$875.00	\$3,070.00	\$1,890.00



This Month's Serve Teams

03/04/18

Nursery Team Flex

Jessica Crain
Donna Eisenhour
Darby Eisenhour
Judy Scott
Joan Tubbs
Krystal Wiewel
Piper Graves
Alissa Wells
Peyton York

Parking Lot Team Flex

Larry Hodges
Jim Phariss
Ray Young

Welcome Team Flex

Maria Black
Sandy Cagle
Misty Corwin
Jeanne Koos
Dan & Delpha Miklautsch
Carolyn Phariss
Boyde Scott
Rusty & Jessica Shamblin
Vicki York
Cory Wells

Bus Driver - 03/04/18

Brad Siler

Wednesday Team 1

03/07/18
Lori Abner
Ronnie & Kathy Funck
Kathi Morrison
Jim & Jeanette Wehmuller
Donna Mogg
Vicki York

03/11/18

Nursery Team 2

Anne Beck
Alyssa Beck
Brianna Turner
Debbie Gallaway
Justin & Ashley Lingo
Megan Davis

Parking Lot Team 2

Bobby Mixon
Julio Trejo
Kyle Davis

Welcome Team 2

N'Lisa Havener
Terry & Krystal Littler
Jason & Lacey Looper
Jennifer McCarver
Freda Moffat
Tammy Perando
Kenneth & Susan Ronspiez
Adin Shafer

Bus Driver - 03/11/18

Jerry Woodall

Wednesday Team 2

03/14/18
Paul & Hope Fuell
Sue Gallaway
Malena Gonzalez
Delpha Miklautsch
Jack & Norma Tillery
Kerry Reeves

03/18/18

Nursery Team 3

Kevin & Brandi Gibbons
Hali Howard
Elizabeth Ontiveros
Michelle Whetstone
Stacie Riddle
Laura Duffy

Parking Lot Team 3

Alyssa Baker
Ronnie Ezell
Mike Murray
Jessica Porter

Welcome Team 3

Jennifer Davis
MaryKay Hokett
Linda Howard
Kathi Morrison
Sherry Murray
Christine Orr
Monte & Sheila Preno
Tamie Reed
Joan Tubbs
Amy Wells
Jerry Zucksworth

Bus Driver - 03/18/18

Tom Curtis

Wednesday Team

03/21/18
Spring Break - No Dinner

03/25/18

Nursery Team 4

Amanda Carnott
Angela Steffen
Taryn Wedman
Pam Ellis
Mendy Klepper
Taleigh Davis
Ryleigh Davis
Keira Davis

Parking Lot Team 4

Doug Carnott
Chris Cephas
Jesse Lesperance
Aron Steffen
Will Wedman
Jerry Woodall

Welcome Team 4

Ray & Carla Apple
Jennifer Awbrey
Kylie Koos
Bob Lee
Jessica Lee
Angela Lesperance
Donna Mogg
Sheri Nelson
Erin Tinsley

Bus Driver - 03/25/18

Wednesday Team 4

03/28/18
Betty Boevers
Willard Holsted
Maddison Henry
Lanae Goucher
Jessica McClure
Ralph & Jean Oltermann
Tammy Perando
Elynda Coburn



Wednesday Dinner Menu

March 7

Pizza
Salad Bar

March 14

Chicken Strips, Fries
Green Beans
Salad Bar

March 21

Spring Break
No Dinner

March 28

Steak Fingers & Gravy
Scalloped Potatoes
Salad Bar & Hot Roll



March

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 SH Change of Seasons 8am - Mission Ignition 9am - IF:El Reno
4 4pm - VBS team Meeting	5	6 \$2 Tuesday for Students	7	8 Trela's 32nd Anniversary	9 Charlie's BD	10
11 Daylight Saving Time	12	13	14	15	16 7pm "I Can Only Imagine" Movie Night	17 Tyler's BD
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Spring Break Mission Trip						
Finance Meeting @12:15pm		6pm Dental Clinic	Spring Break No Activities			
25 5:30pm Guys Night	26	27	28	29	30 Church Office Closed 7pm-Good Friday	31

Regular Weekly Schedule (unless otherwise noted above)

Sunday

8:30am Adult Small Groups
 9:30am Small Groups & Worship
 11:00am Small Groups & Worship

Wednesday

10:00am Midweek Service
 5:30pm Dinner
 6:30pm Planted, Rooted, Refuge & Adult Small Groups