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Living Beyond Limits in 2019

Ephesians 3: 20-21 (NIV) ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

This year we are going to take a deeper dive in knowing Jesus, details you might not have known, or maybe have long forgotten. We are going to look more closely at Jesus-both the Son of Man and the Son of God. It is my firm belief the more we know Jesus, the person, who lived on this earth, who lives inside each of us who believe in Him, the stronger our faith will grow. This year we are going Beyond the Limits of this world and diving deeper into the spiritual realm and take a closer walk with our Savior.

He is calling us, "Come. Follow Me. I have so much I want to show you. I have so much I want to bless you that is not of this world you are living in. Walk with Me. Be My student. Study Me and I will reveal profound and hidden things that are kept a mystery to this world. I will show you things you never even imagined. I will open doors for you that you never thought were possible. I will place dreams in your heart that are not your own, but are mine created for you to carry out. If you want to live with purpose, follow Me. To follow Me, you must study My History, My ways, My thoughts and My Words. Follow Me with all your heart, mind and soul and I will make Myself known to you."

2019 is going to be amazing year in growing beyond our limits! Are you ready to follow Jesus more fully and grow immeasurably more?



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To Him be glory!

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Women's Ministries 2019

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (NLT) ⁴ There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. ⁵ There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. ⁶ God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.

A new year, a time to look back at the year that has passed and to look forward with confidence and anticipation at the year to come. Looking back with gratitude for the friendships, the shared laughter, the prayers answered, the sorrow shared, for the community of women here at Living Gospel Church.

Looking forward with confidence to our inspiring Women's Conference to be held March 16th this year. To more Women's Breakfasts (dates to be announced soon) and to our monthly prayer mornings.

If God is nudging you, if He has been whispering in your ear to start a group, to host a breakfast, to plan an event please raise your hand and say "here I am Lord". Let this be the year to step up, to be ready and willing for the blessings that come with going where God leads.

We will be having a planning meeting soon for Women's Ministries where we will organize the Conference, set dates for Women's Breakfasts, discuss other ideas and set an agenda for the coming year. Please be in prayer, be ready to share ideas, to help organize our events, to be a part of this ministry. There is a place, a role for each one of us as we grow together, as we learn more, as we start another year with confidence in His promises.

Karen Breneman

Celebrating-

January Birthdays

Bob Breneman January 1 Abra Shimpach January 4 Jerry Hughes January 9 Karrie Landsverk January 11 Fran Porter January 18 Kassadie Sugden January 22 Shari Kleist January 25 **Brinleigh Batz** January 26

Wedding Anniversaries

We don't know of any in January?

If we missed anyone's birthday's or anniversaries throughout this year, please let us know so we can update our records for the new year!



Wish List for Continued Church Building Enhancements

Last year at this time we shared this message below and it's good for us to evaluate our church every year from this perspective-that of a visitor.

While there is much charm and beauty to our church, there are a few areas that are in great need of updating. We must look at our church from the eyes of visitors coming to determine if this could be a place to call home. We invite you to look around the church as a whole with the eyes of a visitor. What is your impression? What would you want to see improved? Share your ideas with our chairman, Bob Dreifke. Below are some ideas we have and if you like these, share how you could help to bring about these changes. We accomplished quite a bit in 2018 thanks to your help!

- The carpet in our front inside stairwell should be replaced.
- The laminate counters in our kitchen are peeling up and should be replaced.
- The cabinets in our kitchen could use a facelift and TLC.
- The cushions on our pews (from the mid 50's) could use new life in them.

Unless we share, we never know who has a talent, resources, or financial provision to help care for God's house. Please pray and see how God is calling you.



Membership: Brick by Brick We Bond Together

1 Corinthians 12: 12-14 (NIV) ¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

We have been so blessed with many new faces this past year and it is very encouraging to see how God is continuing to build His church for generations to come. May we always be a church ready to welcome those seeking to find acceptance, friendship and to know the Lord. May our doors at Living Gospel invite all into a place of warmth, love and hope.

As an existing member of Living Gospel Church, this is our responsibility to always keep in our forefront. May every ministry we serve in extend the same warmth, love and hope to all who visit us. May every detail of our worship services create this same experience for all who come to visit. May each of you as members continue to feel this same experience as you worship and serve alongside other members. *Brick by brick we bond together.*

Are you interested in learning more about membership? There are great benefits to membership that will deepen your faith and commitment to God. We will be holding a new membership class in January. If you are interested, please let Pastor Karrie know and she will arrange a time that works best for the majority schedule, or she can meet one on one with you.

If you want to become a member of Living Gospel Church, it's a simple process! Simply tell Pastor Karrie, have a conversation together about your reasoning, make your intent known before the congregation-arranged by Pastor Karrie-and let the congregation bless you and welcome you!

As a member you gain a sense of lasting belonging, ownership in what the church is building, increase your commitment level and serve with greater purpose, strengthen the body of Christ and obediently follow God's divine plan to belong to a local church. Let's continue to add bricks to God's kingdom and God's church! To Him be the glory!

Coming Events-

Saturday January 12th– Men's Breakfast and fellowship 7 am at church.

Monday January 21st-Ladies prayer group 9 am at church.

Living Like Jesus - Connect in a Small Group and Discover how we live more like Christ, together.

Wednesday's: Youth 6:00 pm, Adult 7:00 pm at church

Need a different day or time-form a new small group with 2-3 others! It's simple and so powerful as you form deeper connections and study His Word together!

1 John 4:17 (NLT) And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world.

Coffee With Pastor Karrie

When is the last time we sat down over coffee or tea?
What happens in your week in between Sundays matters to me. Let's connect, encourage one another and pray together.

We can meet wherever is most comfortable for you.

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May God Bless You and Make His Face Shine Upon You.

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