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TO THE PEOPLE OF COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH



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FROM PASTOR TSCHETTER...

NOVEMBER 11, 2019

The roads we travel on aren't always very clear. Even when we know our final destination, the unique twists and turns along the way can leave us wondering if we are on the right path. The solution is to follow the signs which give us the directions we need to come to the end of our journey.

Years ago, I was making the drive back to Omaha after a time away. Driving in a heavy, dense fog, I couldn't see very far down the road, but I could see the taillights of the car ahead of me. It helped me know where the road was going. When the taillights of the car began to veer right, I knew the road ahead would soon take me right as well. It was easy because I just followed the car in front of me.

This past year, CBC began a journey and the road ahead won't always be well-known or clear. It will require our trust in the Lord. In fact, we have called our journey *Forward in Faith*, representing our desire to trust the Lord to lead us to a different meeting location in Omaha. Our journey might be a little stressful at times, and the path might be somewhat foggy, but we know that our God is faithful to lead, guide and direct our steps. We will trust Him as we move forward in faith.

In your hands is the 2018-2019 annual report. It summarizes some of the ways we have been used by God in the last year and our faith that God has a future for CBC which will bring honor and glory to Him.

With excitement and anticipation,
Pastor Chuck



CBC ELDERS & DEACONS

JEREMY HASELHORST- ELDER CHAIR

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DENNIS DICK

BRENT ARNOLD

SETH GHEEN

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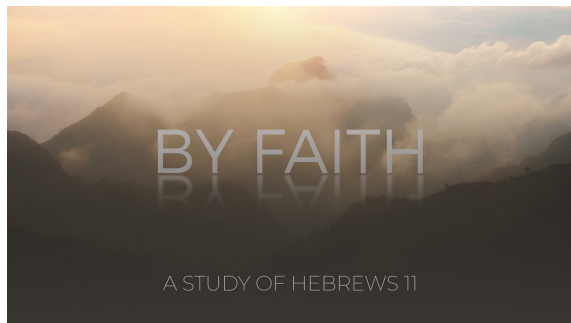
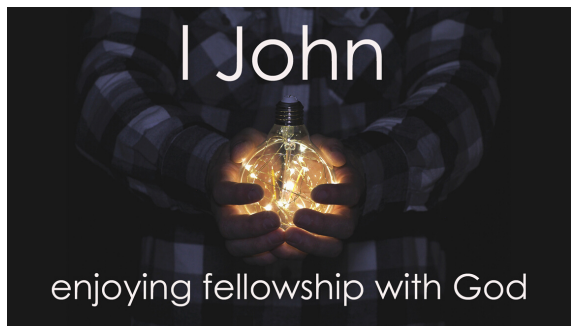
JEROME WENDT

JEREMY WISSINK

2 TIMOTHY 2:15

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth."

2019 SERMON SERIES



390 REGULAR ATTENDERS

234 CBC MEMBERS

370 AVG. SUNDAY WORSHIP

808 SERMONS LISTENED TO ONLINE

188 FELLOWSHIP GROUP MEMBERS

215 AVG. AWANA ATTENDANCE

20 NEW CBC MEMBERS

MISSION FOCUS

KNOWING CHRIST INTIMATELY...

Since CBC's first Sunday, meeting in what is now known as "The Annex," it has been known for its excellence in Bible teaching and encouraging those in attendance to "know Christ intimately."

With pastors Tschetter and Gheen both preaching in 2019, we studied the book of I John, Hebrews 11, the Old Testament book of Daniel and relevant messages such as, "What is Christian Water Baptism and is It Important?" and "The Law of Sowing & Reaping."

Six different adult Bible classes were offered as well, on topics such as "Effective Discipleship" and "The Parables of Jesus."

Our Awana program continued to thrive! In August of 2019, registration hit an all-time record of 245! The Sparks club set a record of 77 clubbers on a Wednesday night, with the average attendance overall being 215 clubbers.

Men's and women's Bible studies were also offered this past year, and very well-attended. The ladies filled room 201 with studies on the armor of God and Gideon, and the men looked at the Old Testament minor prophets and ended the year looking at the life of Job.

We look forward to what truths will be taught, learned and applied to our daily lives in 2020.



3506 VIEWS OF SERMONS ON YOUTUBE

1127 LISTENS OF SERMONS ON WEBSITE

500+ FALL FESTIVAL ATTENDERS

205 UNIQUE VIEWERS ON YOUTUBE

80 SPORTS CAMP ATTENDERS

56 NEW SUBSCRIBERS ON YOUTUBE

15 COUNTRIES WHERE CBC GLOBAL PARTNERS SERVE

30+ GLOBAL PARTNERS AROUND THE WORLD

... SHARING HIM LOVINGLY

This past year we had numerous opportunities to fulfill our mission of sharing Christ lovingly.

New this year was the ability to WATCH sermons on YouTube. Since January of 2019, we have gained 56 new subscribers and have had over 3,500 views of CBC sermons! We appreciate the work of Pastor Tim Gallegos and his sound team (Mark Shippy, Norman Foster, Seth Kleinwort and Mike Foshee) in accomplishing this.

Our website continued to be a huge tool for letting people know what to expect on a Sunday morning – from what adult Bible classes were being offered to the current sermon series being taught.

A new favorite outreach event this year was our CBC Sports Camp, offered during the summer. We had over 80 kids attend camp during the week and eight campers professed faith in Christ as their Savior through the work of the Holy Spirit and Pastor Guthrie's excellent team of workers.

In 2020 we hope to have continued success in sharing Christ through various outreach events. In addition, the weekly sermons on YouTube and our website reach people worldwide.

2019 MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

PASTOR JEREMY WISSINK

On Sunday evenings our students came together for Lifeline - the weekly gathering for middle and high school students that includes games, worship, teaching, small group discussion, and plenty of time with friends and adult leaders. A lot of emphasis was placed on the time spent in small groups. We are very thankful for the adult leaders who came each week to spend time with and invest in the lives of our youth. They play a huge role in the students' lives as they listen to, care for, and encourage them as they follow Jesus.

This past year our Lifeline small groups had a chance to go serve together by partnering with a ministry called The Beautiful Gate, a ministry reaching out to the homeless and needy in the neighborhoods around Hanscom Park downtown. Each group had a chance to go together to help serve a meal (that they provided) and participate in a Bible study at a low income housing apartment building. It was a great experience to grow together as they loved and served those in need.



PASTOR SETH GHEEN

2019 included several gratifying highlights in the area of discipleship. The number of fellowship groups continues to increase. Currently over 50% of the church body is participating in a fellowship group.

This year's men's retreat was titled "Overcoming Strongholds: Conquering Sin and Addiction." The retreat birthed a new men's group specifically for men working towards sexual purity.

Women's Bible studies have also grown and continue to thrive under the leadership of Lydia Tschetter.

God has blessed discipleship efforts at CBC. We look forward to seeing what He has planned for the future!

FORWARD IN FAITH

2019 CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Our Forward in Faith Banquet, held on April 28 at the Scott Conference Center, was a wonderful evening of fellowship, praise and worship. Praise the Lord we had over \$918,000 pledged that night toward our goal of \$1,000,000. In the days following the banquet, we reached and surpassed our goal!

To keep attenders up-to-date with all the Forward In Faith information, including video answers to questions, banquet pictures and "Imagine" renderings of what our new facility could look like, a Forward in Faith website was created at cbcfowardinfaith.com.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TEAM:

JEREMY HASELHORST- CHAIR
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CHARLES TSCHETTER

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

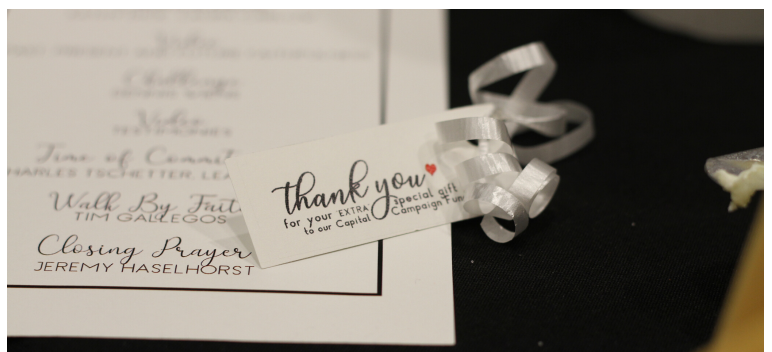


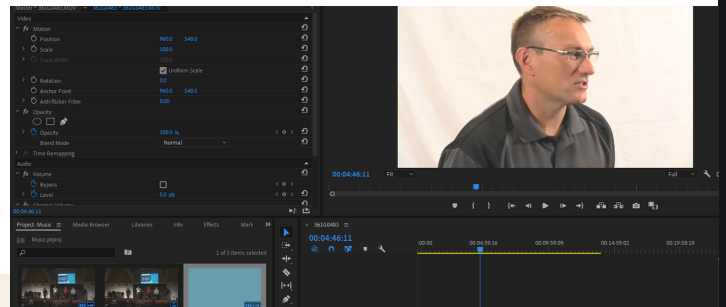
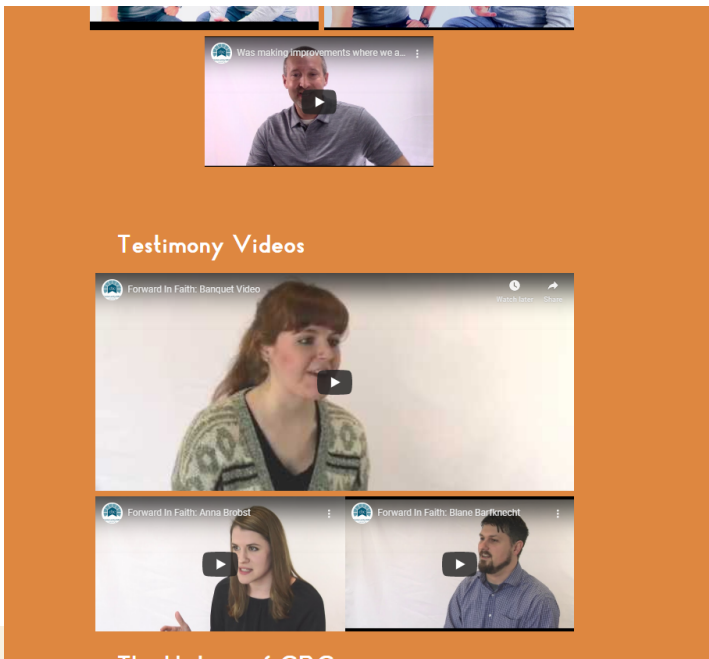


As of October 31, 2019, our Forward in Faith giving total was: \$245,368 -that represents the total number of dollars given toward the commitments that now total \$1,082,005.

Our Facility Identification Team (FIT) is actively pursuing each possible facility as it becomes known to them. Those team members are: John Taulborg, Kevin Shoemaker and Seth Gheen.

**WE ARE PRAISING THE LORD FOR THE TREMENDOUS RESPONSE TO THIS CAMPAIGN,
AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT THE LORD HAS PLANNED FOR OUR FUTURE!**





WORSHIP

2019 MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS- CONTINUED

PASTOR TIM GALLEGOS

2019 worship ministry highlights have come in three main areas: behind the camera, in front of the screen, and behind the guitar. Many hours were spent with eyes "behind a camera" this past year as we recorded Forward in Faith videos, various testimonies and GospelTalk videos. Along with all those videos came many hours spent "in front of a screen"- editing and preparing them for presentation.

Another 2019 highlight included the creation of our newest website, cbcforwardinfaith.com, where all of the Forward in Faith information is located. The most recent "screen" highlight is the development of a CBC app for our phones! This app will combine online giving, our online church directory and the ability to view sermons, all in one convenient location. It will also provide a way for us to communicate more effectively with one another. This app will be available SOON!

PASTOR SETH GUTHRIE

It's been a fun and very exciting year in children's ministry! Our programs continued to grow, as we saw new families join us on Sunday mornings, our Good News clubs got up and running in two local elementary schools, and our Awana program grew to over 200 clubbers every week.

This summer, we took the initiative to run our own Sports Camp, which brought in campers from the neighborhood, along with our own CBC children. Building the whole thing from scratch took a lot of work and volunteer power, but it was a great week of ministry, with eight kids professing faith in Christ!

The Fall Festival was another fun night, with over 300 kids in attendance, plus moms and dads, all who heard the message of the Gospel. Children's ministry is hugely dependent on faithful volunteers, so a big "thank you" to everyone who committed their time and energy to helping kids learn about Jesus!

CHILDREN

2019 HIGHLIGHT: CONNECT19

RENEE CALVIN

In July of 2019, CBC had the privilege of hosting the annual convention of the Fellowship of Evangelical Bible Churches (FEBC). New FEBC President, Kevin Stone, had a new goal for the 2019 convention - that it might be a time and place where people connect with one another and share information and resources to do ministry more effectively. This new goal produced a new name, "Connect19."

Even though the days were busy, the evening sessions were a highlight of each day. The keynote speaker, Joe Dallas, was excellent. His messages each evening on the topic of biblical sexuality were so relevant for pastors and laypeople alike.

This was the largest attended convention in recent history. Many factors played a part in the 120 registered delegates who attended Connect19.

Omaha was a great city for many to visit, and time was given for all those attending to do some kind of "outing" around Omaha. The idea of connecting with one another was a draw, through breakout sessions or ministry forums, conversations took place all around our facility.

We look forward to being able to host another FEBC Connect event in the future.

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2019 GLOBAL PARTNERS

Joseph & Marthe Camara

Ron & Donna Schumacher

Joe & Denise Goossen

Sam & Tawnya Smith

Cristy Hofer

Lee & Michelle Sonius

Alycia Homeyer Oterdoom

Ken & Lori Stucky

Sanjek & Elsa Kukeev

Brynden Wiens

Gretchen Larsen

Dennis & Cindy Wiens

Don & Nancy Rempel

Wes & Laurie Wilcox

Julie Schmidt

Haitian Pastors

Steve & Mikki Schmidt

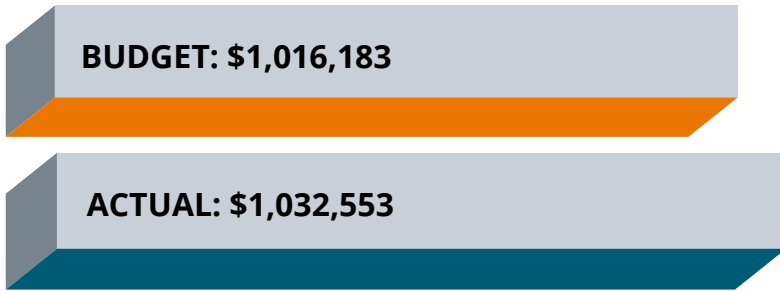
Gospelink Pastors: Tanzania,
Democratic Republic of the Congo,
Ukraine

GLOBAL PARTNERS

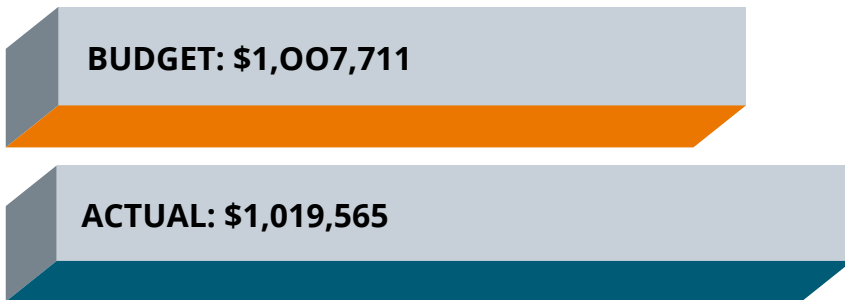


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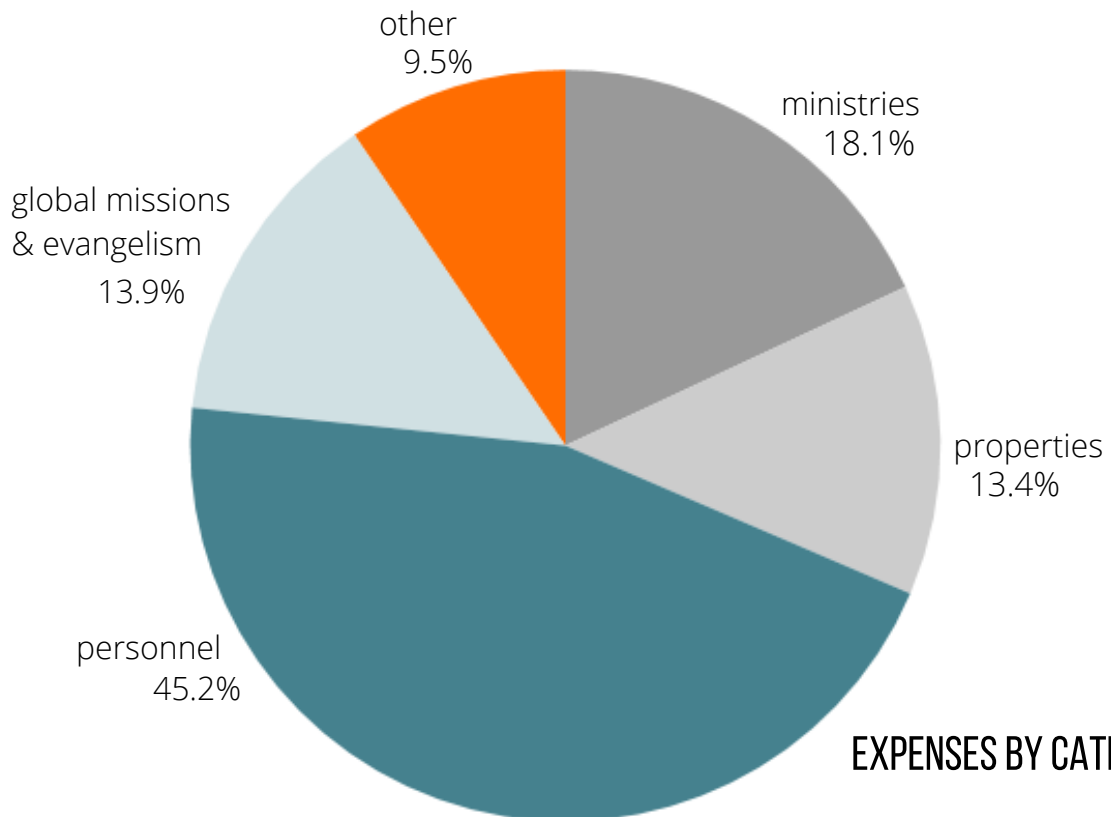
INCOME EXCEEDED BUDGET BY \$16,370



EXPENSES EXCEEDED BUDGET BY \$11,854



INCOME EXCEEDED EXPENSES BY \$12,988



A VISION FOR THE FUTURE ...

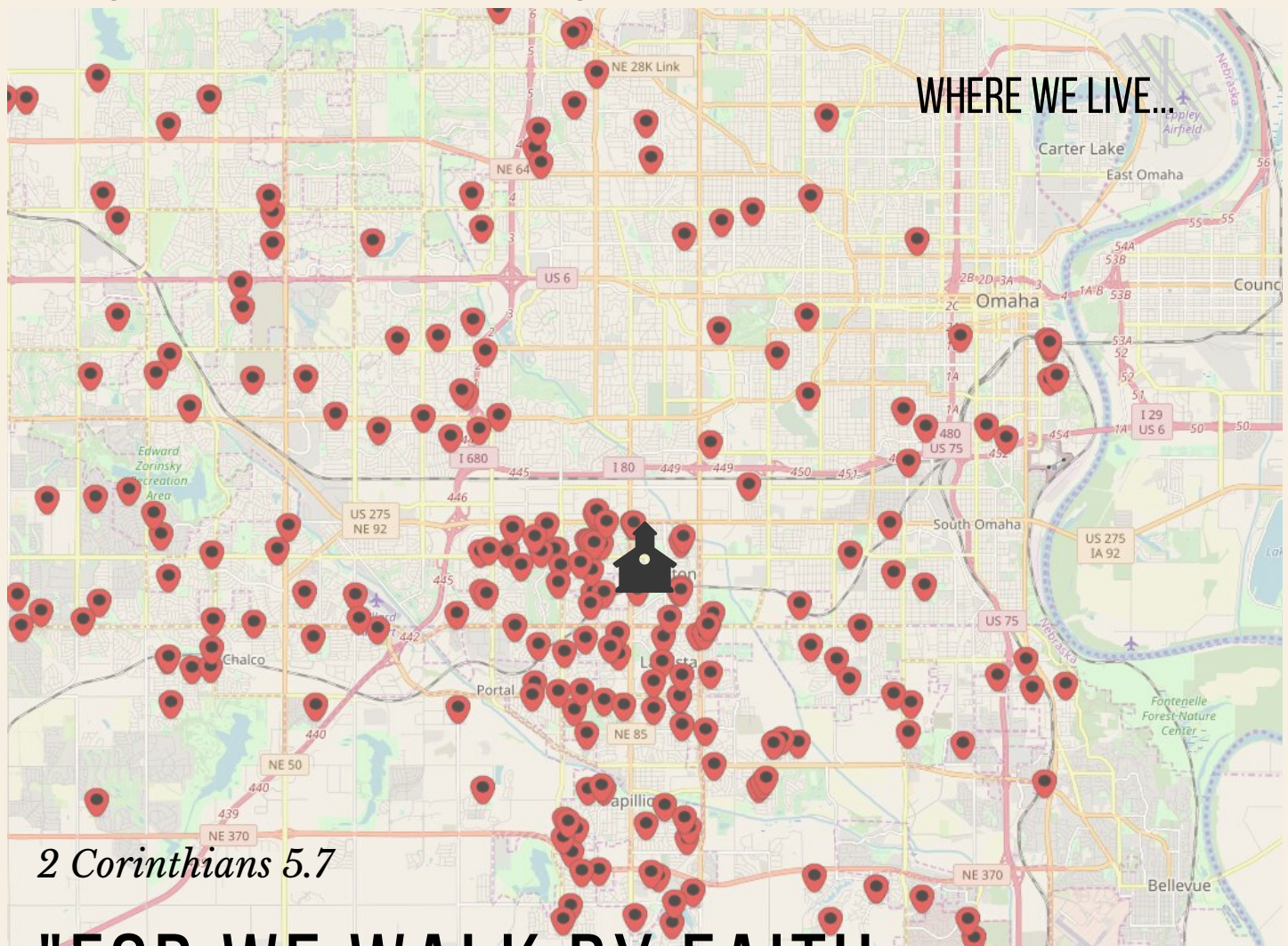
A NEW FACILITY

Through the years, Community Bible Church has found itself at many crossroads, needing to make decisions that would have numerous implications for the future. This year was no different. Our choices will certainly affect the next generation.

Now is the time for our vision to become reality, and make the move to a facility that will better meet the needs of our growing church family.

We believe God's provision for CBC will be wonderfully and abundantly demonstrated in our future. We challenge you to not be a bystander on the road ahead, but a driving force as we move forward in faith.

The goal for our new facility is to enhance our current ministries, and position CBC for ministry effectiveness for the next 20+ years in Omaha and around the world.



2 Corinthians 5.7

"FOR WE WALK BY FAITH

not by sight ... so we make it our goal to please HIM."





Community Bible Church
To know Christ intimately, and share Him lovingly