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ANNUAL REPORT
stonebriar community church

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senior pastor

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This report focuses on the future. Rather than taking us back and reviewing where we've been, it lifts our sights, pointing us toward where we're going. That's a healthy emphasis—providing fresh hope.

Years ago I read a statement that illustrates the value of hope: "We can live about 40 days without food, about 3 days without water, about 8 minutes without air, but only a few seconds without hope." Webster defines hope: "Desire accompanied by expectation of fulfillment." How vital is hopeful expectation!

Without it, prisoners of war languish and die. Without it, students get discouraged and drop out . . . athletic teams fall into a slump and lose . . . addicts return to their harmful habits . . . artists, entertainers, entrepreneurs, and even preachers lose their creativity. Sadly, churches that lack hope no longer remain enthusiastic about loving God and loving others. May that never happen at our great church!

As you read through these pages that have been so carefully prepared, take your time. Pause and visualize how God is leading us. Realize where He is taking us. As you do, your excitement will accelerate! If you really want to bring these pages to life, put yourself in that mental picture and ask, "How can I help in this area of ministry?" You might go a step further, asking, "Is there something I could do to make this part of our church even better?" But don't stop there—step out and do it! One of the secrets of keeping a church strong and wholesome is personal involvement.

I'm really encouraged as I think about how the Lord will use this report to accomplish two significant objectives: (1) to make all of us aware of how bright our future is . . . and (2) to get more of us engaged in serving Him at Stonebriar Community Church.

Those two thoughts energize me with hopeful expectation!

Charles R. Swindoll, Senior Pastor

DIRECTION AND CONTROL

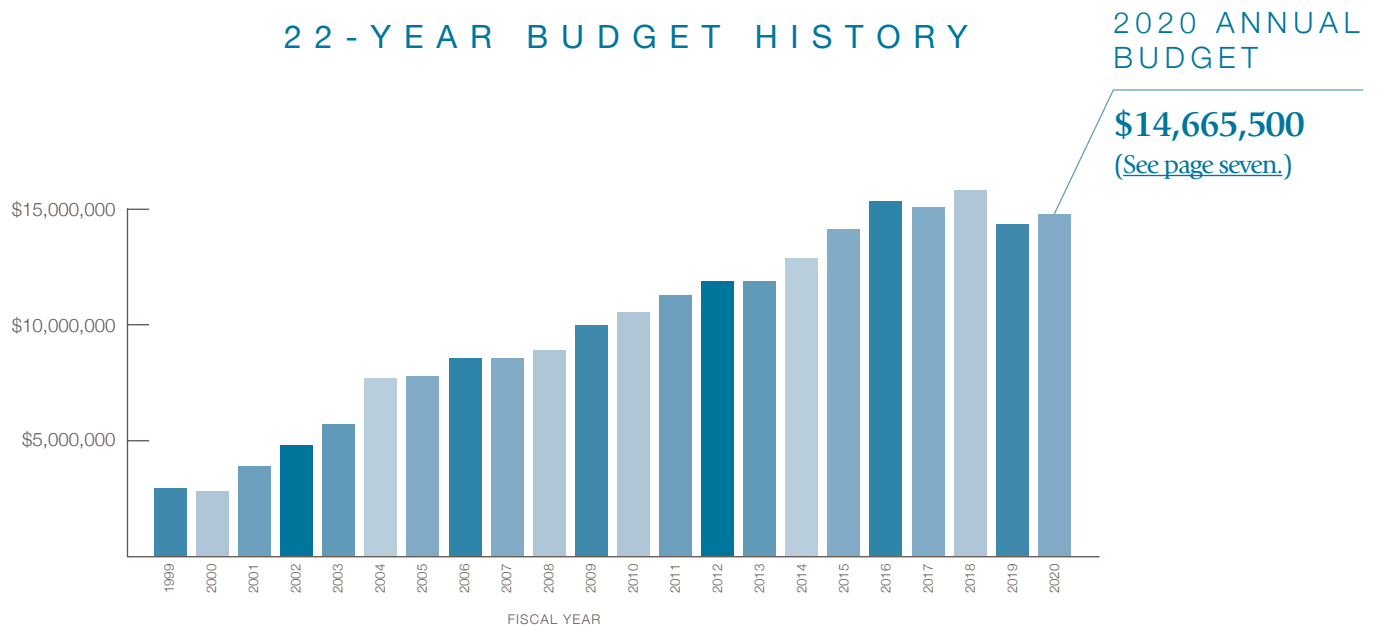
The Finance Department, with a staff of five, is led by Lorie Bradshaw, who reports to Don McMinn, senior associate pastor of arts and administration. Lorie has more than 20 years of experience in church accounting and has served at Stonebriar since 2003.

Our Finance Committee, composed of Treasurer of the Elders, senior associate pastors, Director of Finance, and lay persons approved by the elders, meets quarterly to review financial reports and recommend financial direction and actions to the elders.

An annual audit is performed by an independent audit firm, PSK. The audited financial statement for 2019 is available upon request. Our auditors consistently affirm the integrity with which we handle our finances.

The annual budget is composed by the staff, submitted to the Finance Committee for review, and approved by the elders.

Our fiscal year is July 1–June 30.



AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

PSK LLP performs an annual financial statement audit for the church. As an independent third party, our audits are performed in conjunction with auditing standards set forth by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. In each of our annual reports, we have expressed an unqualified (clean) opinion as to the fairness of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We commend the church and its leadership for handling its business affairs with a high degree of integrity.

— Bryan Baughman, Partner PSK, LLP, November 6, 2019

VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS

In 1999 the elders led the church to purchase 61 acres of land in Frisco. Subsequent acquisitions have brought our total land area to 85 acres. Our buildings and parking occupy approximately 40 acres while 45 acres are undeveloped.

The replacement value of our developed campus (301,000 sq. ft. of conditioned buildings) is approximately \$64 million. Depreciated value of the campus is approximately \$40 million. Based on comparable sales and listings (not an official appraisal) our undeveloped land is valued at approximately \$30 million.

DEBT STRUCTURE

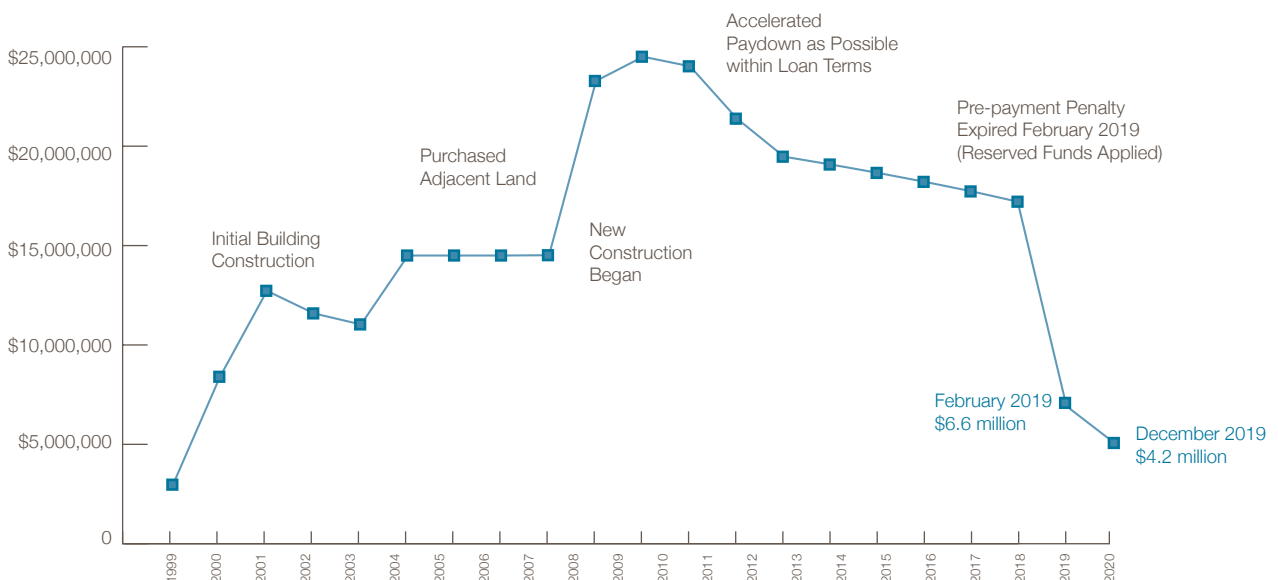
History

In 2009, our total indebtedness for land and buildings was \$24.5 million. The annual payment on the loan was \$1.7 million and was included in our operating budget. The loan structure did not allow for early paydown prior to February 2019, but freedom from debt has consistently been a priority. At the direction of the elders, an additional \$8.7 million was reserved for debt reduction over the past several years as part of our annual budget.

Current Debt

In February 2019, the pre-payment penalty expired, and we used our reserve fund along with additional designated gifts from individuals to reduce our debt by \$9.7 million. The remaining balance of \$6.6 million was refinanced with very favorable terms and no pre-payment penalty.

As the graph below indicates, since 2009, the debt has been reduced by \$20 million. At the end of December 2019 the mortgage was \$4.2 million. We thank God for His provision and your generosity.



D E B T R E D U C T I O N P L A N

Our annual budget includes \$1.5 million for debt reduction. We make additional payments toward principal whenever possible, both from our budget and from designated donor gifts. Using only budgeted funds, we will be debt-free in January 2023.

But our goal is to be debt-free by 2021. Eliminating this debt will free up \$1.5 million annually to use for ministry. Also, by paying off the debt early, we will save more than \$250,000 in interest.

In May 2019, we asked our church family to contribute to a special Reduce the Debt offering. We were hoping to receive around \$300,000. By December 31, \$990,756 had been given. We are so grateful for the generosity of our people.

We will have another Reduce the Debt special offering this May and another in May 2021. Hopefully, these gifts will allow us to be debt-free by the end of 2021.

Calendar	Months	Description	Amount
2019	February	Loan Balance	6,551,927
	February–December	Reduce the Debt Offering	990,756
	February–December	Debt Reduced Through Budget & Year-End Surplus	1,349,683
		Balance End of 2019	4,211,488
2020	January–December	Debt Reduced Through Budget	1,358,552
	May	Projected Reduce the Debt Offering	700,000
	December	Anticipated Balance End of 2020	2,152,936
2021	January–December	Debt Reduced Through Budget	1,448,682
	May	Needed Reduce the Debt Offering for December Payoff	704,254
	December		0

**YOU MUST EACH DECIDE IN YOUR HEART
HOW MUCH TO GIVE.
AND DON'T GIVE RELUCTANTLY
OR IN RESPONSE TO PRESSURE.
“FOR GOD LOVES A PERSON WHO GIVES CHEERFULLY.”**

—2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 NLT

FINANCIAL GIVING

There are many convenient ways to give:

ONLINE

- at stonebriar.org/giving
- with an e-check, debit card, or credit card
- by giving a single gift or automatic recurring gifts

TEXT TO 469-275-9473

- text GIVE, followed by the amount you want to contribute (ex. to give \$50, text GIVE 50)

CASH

- offerings may be made during worship (envelopes are available at information desks)
- drop off at the church office during business hours

CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS

- during worship
- drop off at the church office during business hours
- U.S. mail
- electronic bill-pay through your bank

MARKETABLE SECURITIES (stocks, bonds, etc.)

- broker-to-broker transfer is most common
- account numbers and instructions are on our website; or you may call the church Finance Department for assistance

QUALIFIED IRA DISTRIBUTION

For many people, the increased standard deduction in 2018 could greatly impact the tax advantage gained from charitable giving. If you are at least 70.5 years of age, you may be able to reduce your taxable income by making your Stonebriar gifts directly from your IRA as a qualified charitable distribution (QCD). Please consult your tax advisor to see if this might be a good option for you.

LEGACY GIVING

In addition to giving on a regular, systematic basis, many people consider long-range planning financial instruments as a way to leave a legacy that will continue through the years. Options include:

- wills and living trusts
- charitable remainder trusts
- retirement assets
- charitable lead trusts
- charitable gift annuities
- donor advised funds

For more information, visit stonebriar.org/giving. You may also contact the Finance Department at finance@stonebriar.org, or call 469-252-5200.

2019 - 2020 BUDGET

\$14,665,500

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

This category covers the support departments shared by all ministry areas. Administrative services includes Creative Ministries, Finance, Human Resources, Database Maintenance, Information Technology, and Web Support.

DEBT SERVICES

Our budget includes \$1.5 million per year to cover required debt service payments as well as additional reductions in principal. ([See page five.](#))

BUILDING & GROUNDS

The building & grounds budget funds all activities associated with the operation, safety, security, and maintenance of all buildings, grounds, furnishings, and equipment owned by the church.

MINISTRY PROGRAMS

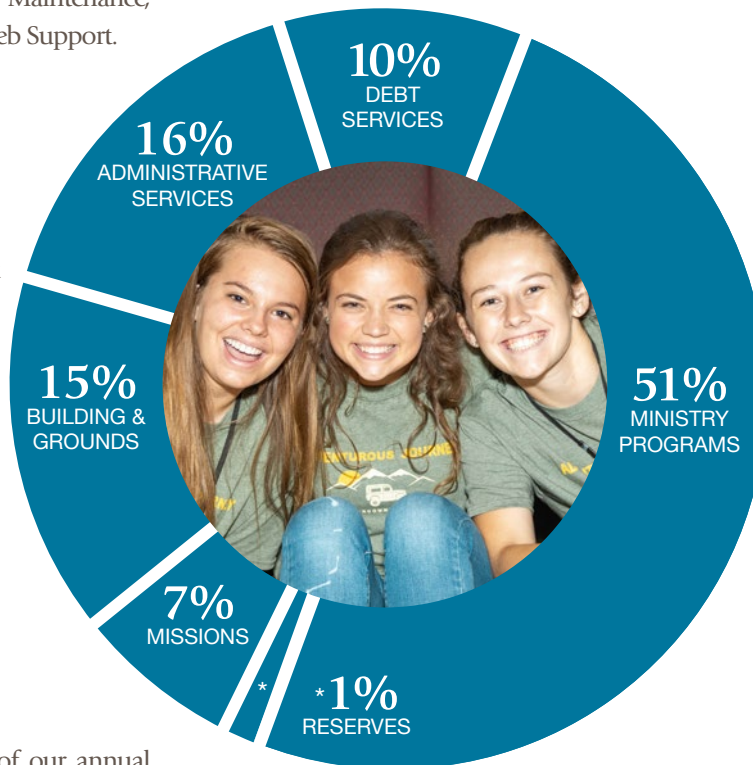
This budget area represents ministry needs, such as staff, curriculum, fellowship, worship, music, and events for all ages.

MISSIONS

Approximately seven percent of our annual budget supports ministry beyond our local church. We support multiple missions organizations including Samaritan's Purse, World Vision, Feed My Starving Children, and others.

RESERVES

Per our auditor's recommendation, we maintain four months of operating expense in a designated cash reserve account. These funds can only be spent at the direction of the elders.



The best way to support our church financially is to give to the general fund. While designated gifts are appreciated, the church's primary ongoing ministry is sustained through our annual budget.

GIVING AS GOD MOVES

In addition to our budgeted missions support, we also take special mission offerings, coordinate the gifts of individual donors, and sponsor mission trips.

With special offerings received five or six times annually, our Benevolence Ministry collected \$165,000 outside our general fund budget this year. **As part of caring for our community, we used these funds to assist more than 500 families with short-term and emergency needs.** Beyond financial assistance, budget coaching and care teams led by our Care Ministry help families acquire the skills needed to make a lasting difference in their finances.

The gifts received for our Disaster Relief fund made it possible for us to help with needs in Houston last year and to respond quickly to the needs of tornado victims in our area last fall.

As we strove to share the Gospel and demonstrate God's love to our neighbors throughout the world, we gave almost \$500,000 beyond what was budgeted for missions.

TOTAL SPENDING ON MISSIONS

58%

GLOBAL MISSIONS

26%

LOCAL OUTREACH
& COMPASSION

12%

BENEVOLENCE

3%

DISASTER RELIEF

1%

STUDENT MISSIONS

2019 IMPACT REPORT

15,000+ GROCERY
ITEMS
DONATED

600+ LOCAL
FAMILIES
FED

THANKS FOR GIVING

15,198
LUNCHES PROVIDED

MORE
THAN **1 million**
MEALS PACKED
FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

1,500+

SHOEBOXES COLLECTED
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

26 GLOBAL
MISSIONARIES
SUPPORTED



WHERE GOD IS LEADING US | HOW YOU CAN HELP

GOALS

With the future and flourishing of our church family in mind, our Pastoral Lead Team and Board of Elders prayerfully selected seven major goals for 2020. This list of goals is not a comprehensive view of all of our ministry priorities—rather, this is an intentional focus on key areas of ministry expansion. We will continue to dedicate time and resources to our existing ministries as we pursue these new goals in 2020. Over the next several pages, you will find an overview of each goal, opportunities to get involved, and a point of contact if you would like to learn more. We are eager to see how God will move in these areas throughout the year, and we invite you to join us in prayer and partnership.

IN THE YEAR AHEAD, WE WILL PRAYERFULLY . . .

FOSTER SMALL GROUP DISCIPLESHIP

BUILD AN INTENTIONAL AND COMPREHENSIVE MARRIAGE MINISTRY

DEVELOP A SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

EXPAND OUR MINISTRY IN LITTLE ELM

BECOME DEBT-FREE BY 2021

STEWARD OUR RESOURCES BY GOING GREEN

UPDATE FACILITIES

1

FOSTER SMALL GROUP DISCIPLESHIP



SMALL GROUPS: THE PREFERRED PATHWAY FOR DISCIPLESHIP

In Matthew 28:18–20, Jesus told us to “make disciples.” Therefore we will **love God** by obeying this great command, and we will **love others** by helping people connect and grow as followers of Christ in the context of small group relationships.

Followers of Christ are:

- **HUMBLY SUBMITTED** to God in their hearts and biblically transformed in their minds.
- **SACRIFICIALLY GENEROUS** so they become an intentional blessing.
- **RELATIONALLY HEALTHY** so they foster inclusive community.
- **MORALLY DISCERNING** so they are culturally engaged.

How will we accomplish this goal in 2020?

Our church will:

- Provide a warm, easy connection in our various ministries.
- Disciple people in the context of small group relationships.
- Identify faithful, available, and teachable ministry partners gifted to lead with us.

What can you do?

- Engage in a small group through a Sunday Fellowship, Home Fellowship, or Bible study.
- Consider becoming a small group leader or hosting a Home Fellowship.
- Connect with others, and invite them to join you in worship.

e-mail sarahm@stonebriar.org, or visit stonebriar.org/homefellowships • [/sundayfellowships](https://stonebriar.org/sundayfellowships) • [/men](https://stonebriar.org/men) • [/women](https://stonebriar.org/women)

BUILD AN INTENTIONAL & COMPREHENSIVE MARRIAGE MINISTRY

MARRIAGE: A GOLDEN COVENANT

Marriage is a covenant created by God. The “seasons” of a marriage are many, beginning with the excitement of finding *the one*, and culminating in the hope of sharing as many golden years together as possible.

Our church is developing a comprehensive marriage ministry that will span all the years of a marriage. It will encourage, equip, and engage couples through times of celebration and times of challenges.

We invite you to participate in this dynamic and much-needed ministry. If you are in a season where you need refreshment, encouragement, or help, we welcome you and we are here for you with Christ-like counsel, support, and prayers.

Perhaps you have weathered seasons in your own marriage and are feeling called to share some of the lessons learned with others. We have a place for you to answer that call.



How will we accomplish this goal in 2020?

Our church will:

- Recruit couples to serve as mentors.
- Provide training for marriage mentors and coaches.
- Supply marriage resources, including developing a social media presence.
- Offer marriage workshops and programs.

What can you do?

- Sign up to become a mentor couple.
- Pray for those leading and participating in this new and exciting ministry.
- Participate in enrichment opportunities to invest in your marriage.

If you need help in your marriage, or if you are wanting to serve in the marriage ministry, please contact our Pastor of Marriage Ministries, David Ake, at 469-252-5244 or davida@stonebriar.org.

3 DEVELOP A SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

UNLOCKING POSSIBILITIES

“Old age is as important and meaningful a part of God’s perfect will as youth. He is interested in both the waxing and waning of life. Just as potential is locked up in young people, and often never developed, so the full possibilities of old age often remain dormant and die with the person. The work of God will be greatly enriched when more attention is given to releasing and utilizing this hidden resource. Older people represent the greatest potential resource and labor pool within our churches, though consistently ignored.” —Howard Hendricks

Our church is blessed with many senior adults—Christ-like people gifted with experiences and talents that are rich with vitality.

We will soon launch a comprehensive senior adult ministry that will provide those in their senior season opportunities to both grow and give back through fellowship and worship.

We encourage you to be active in our church community. Also, if you feel called, we are looking for people to share their gifts as part of an organization and implementation committee. We welcome your participation.

OLDER PEOPLE REPRESENT THE GREATEST POTENTIAL RESOURCE

How will we accomplish this goal in 2020?

Our church will:

- Host events for senior adults.
- Provide life planning, outreach, and instruction for senior adults.
- Include multi-generational opportunities for the church and community.

What can you do?

- Serve on our planning committee.
- Pray for those leading and participating in this new and exciting ministry.
- Participate in upcoming activities—and invite a friend.

For questions about our senior adult ministry offering, please contact Lauri Lanier at 469-252-5364, or e-mail lauril@stonebriar.org.

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EXPAND OUR MINISTRY IN LITTLE ELM

“The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields. Now go ...”—Luke 10:2b–3 NLT

NOW GO . . .

Little Elm (population 50,000) is our neighbor; it’s only seven miles from our church. For years, our Community Care team has had an ongoing ministry to share and show the Gospel of Jesus to this economically and culturally diverse area. Yet, there is still so much more we can do.

How will we accomplish this goal in 2020?

Our church will continue to:

- Provide our Summer Lunch Ministry to Hilltown, an unincorporated community of about 1000 residents. Last year alone, we provided 280 daily weekday lunches throughout the summer as well as backpacks, holiday celebrations, and food during other times when there is insufficient food available for low income families.
- Offer weekend food bags and an after school Bible program called Kids’ Beach Club on the campus of Oak Point Elementary every Thursday throughout the school semester.
- Partner with Feed My Sheep Pantry to care for and provide monthly food donations, backpacks, Thanksgiving bags, and Christmas and Easter treats.

We are praying for opportunities to:

- Expand our partnership with schools in Little Elm to have more opportunities to connect with families throughout the year as well as support and encourage school staff.
- Have an ongoing presence in the Hilltown community where we could deepen relationships with the adults as well as children and better meet needs for families such as food, ESL classes, student tutoring, and Bible studies.
- Build stronger relationships with area churches in Little Elm as we partner and collectively meet the needs of the residents in the Hilltown community.

What can you do?

- Sign up to share the Gospel with children after school in the Kids’ Beach Club.
- Pray for opportunities for us to minister to Little Elm residents.
- Offer your time and resources to help us make, pack, and deliver food and other necessities to those in need.

Joining God in His work in Little Elm is an honor, and the work is extensive. Missional Living invites the Stonebriar community to pray about joining our team in serving, showing, and sharing the Gospel in Little Elm this year. We serve weekly, so contact Karen Hawkins at karenh@stonebriar.org or Jean Allen at jeana@stonebriar.org to learn more.

stonebriar.org/missions

BECOME DEBT-FREE BY 2021

WE'RE GETTING THERE.

Twenty-two years ago, our 80-acre campus was nothing but cotton fields. Today we enjoy a large, well-developed campus. Throughout our short lifespan, we have been fiscally prudent—borrowing money only when needed for capital improvements—but we have dreamed of the day when our church would be debt-free.

We've made huge strides toward that goal: in 2009 we had \$24.5 million in debt. By December 2019, the debt was reduced to \$4,211,488. We are within striking distance of eliminating our debt.



How will we work toward this goal in 2020?

Our church will:

- Continue to practice good stewardship of our financial resources.
- Be discerning in necessary expenditures, using only budgeted funds.
- Make additional payments toward principal whenever possible.

What can you do?

- Prayerfully consider how you can give. (See page six for options.)
- Pray for our Finance Committee, elders, and senior leadership.

See page five for more details about our debt-history and an exciting and feasible plan to be debt-free by 2021.



STEWARD OUR RESOURCES BY GOING GREEN

THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S AND EVERYTHING IN IT.

—PSALM 24:1a NLT

CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION

Just as Adam and Eve were given responsibility to cultivate and keep the earth (Genesis 2:15), we are called to be good stewards of God's creation. We accept the God-given responsibility to use resources wisely and minimize our impact on natural resources. We desire to increase the environmental awareness of our church and establish best practices for energy conservation, waste management, and water conservation.

For many years, our church has taken seriously our responsibility to be good stewards of our campus and resources. We utilize the latest technology to control HVAC energy consumption, and our new construction has adhered to best practices for energy efficiency. We will soon replace all Worship Center bulbs with high-efficiency LED bulbs (ROI of 24 months). While we have done a lot, more can be done.

Proper stewardship of the environment is a major concern among young adults. We hope that Stonebriar Going Green will be an opportunity to engage with our community through activities for the common good and that our testimony will open doors to share the Gospel message.

How will we accomplish this goal in 2020?

Our church will:

- Install LED bulbs throughout the campus.
- Create a Going Green planning and steering committee comprised of volunteers who are skilled and passionate about caring for the environment.
- Create ways to reduce paper and styrofoam usage on campus.
- Provide recycling containers throughout campus.

What can you do?

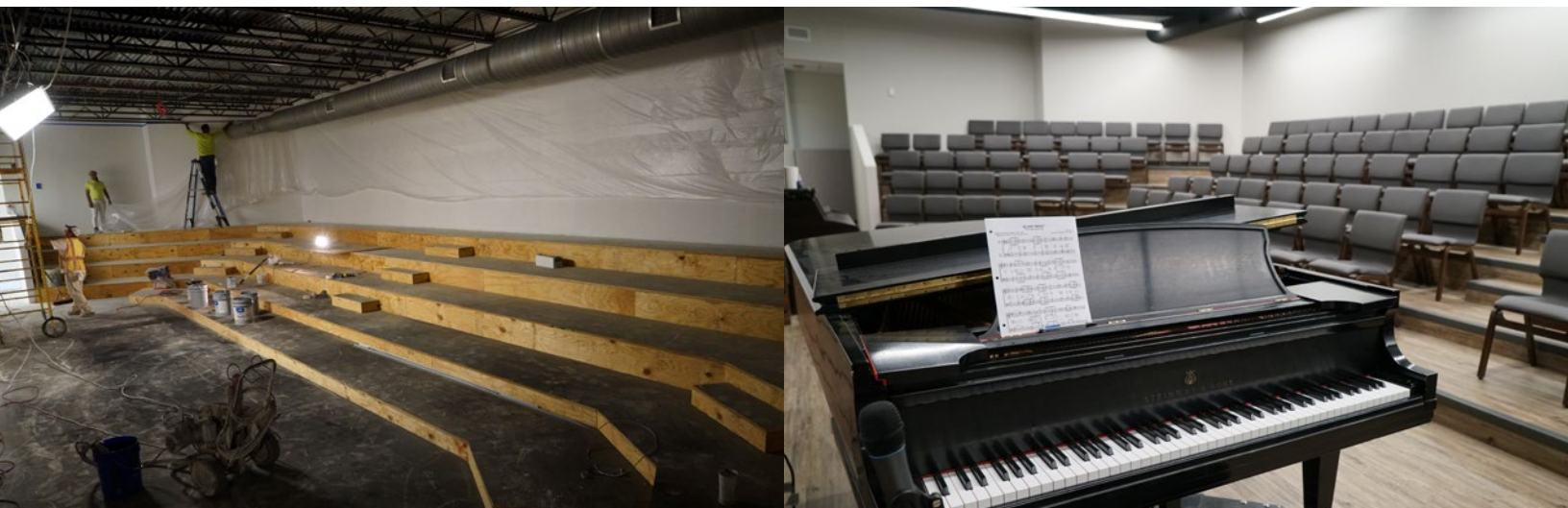
- Be thoughtful about energy consumption throughout our facilities.
- Utilize provided recycling bins.



UNLOCKING POSSIBILITIES & POTENTIAL

We have 301,000 square feet of buildings on our campus. Buildings A (Worship Center), C (Children's), and B (church offices, classrooms, and Multi-Purpose Room) are 12, 11, and 18 years old, respectively. They are used by thousands of people every week. In 2019 our facilities team handled 14,000 building requests for all the ministry needs throughout the year, including set-up, repairs, and building updates.

Additionally, in 2019 we created the Campus Planning Team, comprised of staff members from various ministries and departments. They are coordinating the remodeling of our facilities. In fact, you've already seen evidence of their work in the B lobby entrance and the new choir room renovations. Projects now being considered include updates to the Special Needs Tweeners hallway as well as a multi-year plan for our entire campus. Be sure to keep an eye out for new improvements.



What have we done to reach this goal so far?

Our Campus Planning Team has overseen:

- Remodeling the lobby in Building B with new flooring and paint.
- Remodeling the Choir Room.
- Refreshing the Multi-Purpose Room.
- Restocking our two ponds with fish. (Stay tuned for upcoming community-wide fishing tournaments.)
- Giving the Junction 56 (preteen ministry) room a new look.

What can you do?

- Be mindful and considerate of furniture and facility wear and tear.
- Pray for the Campus Planning Team and the contractors they choose.
- Regularly contribute to the general fund through offerings. ([See page six.](#))



by charlton hiott, senior associate pastor of shepherding ministries

Midweek Dinners at Stonebriar are a blast! Have you been? These Wednesday night gatherings have become a friendly place to pause in the midst of a full week, enjoy a delicious and budget-friendly meal, and linger with others. Folks of all ages sit and fellowship around tables in the Atrium as the sun sets and conversations begin.

These casual dinners have become a metaphor for the important opportunity and necessity for a Christ-follower to have regular, smaller, more intimate connections within our church. The purpose of Midweek Dinner is to fill you physically, encourage you relationally, and show you hospitality. Even the round tables are an intentional design decision made to provide a practical opportunity to gather and to see, be, and relate with others.

Each Sunday, and during the week, life-giving sustenance, personal fellowship, and encouragement are offered in our ministries. It's encouraging to note that every service, event, study, and ministry at Stonebriar has had a biblical audit, a theological labor, and a continual prayerful and humble submission to the Holy Spirit. We hope to participate (by grace through faith) in the living Word of God in our day-to-day lives and to share the love and Good News of Christ in this dark and wounded world.

GOD IS RELATIONAL. ... THE FIRST THING HE CALLED “NOT GOOD” WAS BEING ALONE.

Our Father has hard-wired us for connection and community, while understanding in our brokenness, relationships can be a struggle. We fail and get hurt at times. Yet this is part of God's redemptive design to “work out” our faith in Jesus Christ (Philippians 2:12–13) and to be beautifully shaped to His likeness (Romans 8:29). God's desire is to bless, encourage, support, shape, and grace us through relationships. What a gift to simply trust Him and participate (commitment and accountability)! Simply said, He uses every relationship to make us more like His Son for His glory and for our good.

In the last few years, we have adopted the saying *Love God, Love Others* as our divinely distilled mission. Each day, wherever the Lord has us, we want to make it our goal to demonstrate love toward our Father and others. Within the body of Christ, we carry this out by intentionally connecting with other believers for fellowship, encouragement, and love centered on Christ and His Word. Think: **Connect With God, Connect With Others.**

We gather because God is relational. He lovingly and intentionally places us in our families and among our neighbors. In His perfect creation, the first thing He called “not good” was being alone. Jesus even told us that when we communicate intimately with God the Father, we are to address Him as Our Father. It's not about me or you . . . it's about *us in Him*. Here's a bold challenge to consider: Where are you connected with others at Stonebriar? Who are you doing life with in a God-pursuing way? It will take effort, it will not be perfect, and it will have its challenges. Yet His divine design for life and the church is that we would live, relate, and learn to love others. The opportunities for this type of connection are plentiful.

Our Midweek Dinners are great, and if you can, I hope you will join us. But so much more than these meals, in 2020 and the years ahead, will you intentionally connect with others more deeply and meaningfully here at Stonebriar?

TO ENJOY & EXPERIENCE MINISTRY FULLY, BE:
INTENTIONAL • AVAILABLE • VULNERABLE • ACCOUNTABLE

Prayerfully consider the following:

Are you . . .

- committed to meeting regularly with a group of people to share, fellowship, pray, serve, get to know and be known, have fun, and simply belong?
- intentionally seeking others in your life with whom you can learn to be accountable?
- committed and accountable to others in a Sunday Fellowship? Home Fellowship? Bible Study? Marriage Core group? Other ministry small groups?



OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT:

Bible Studies & Small Groups for Men and Women

Home Fellowships

Midweek Dinner

Marriage Core

Stonebriar en Español Groups

Sunday Fellowships

To find your place to belong, visit stonebriar.org/ministries. If you need help deciding where to get connected, contact Cheryl Trudel, ministry leader of connecting & equipping, at cheryltrudel@stonebriar.org.



by don mcminn, senior associate pastor of arts & administration

Back in 1982, John Sculley and Apple co-founder Steve Jobs got together every weekend for five months as Jobs was trying to convince Sculley (then CEO of Pepsi-Cola) to take a job at Apple. Sculley recalls, “We got to know each other very, very well, but at the end of it I said, ‘Steve, I’ve thought about it, and I’m not coming to Apple.’”

“Steve paused and thought for a while, and then he was about 18 inches away from me—and in those days he was in his 20s and he had jet black hair, very dark eyes and he was right in my face—and he said, ‘You want to sell sugar water for the rest of your life, or do you want to come with me and change the world?’”

In his 10 years as Apple’s CEO, Sculley increased revenues from \$569 million to \$8.3 billion. On Thursday, August 2, 2018, Apple became the first trillion-dollar corporation; it is worth more than all but the 15 richest countries. Technologically, Apple has changed the world.

Our appeal to you is similar to what Jobs offered Sculley: please join our ministry team here at Stonebriar Community Church as we strive to *save* the world through God’s grace demonstrated through His Son, Jesus. Your investment will be significant and eternal. The stakes could not be higher.



We need your financial support. During His earthly ministry, Jesus and His disciples depended on the financial gifts of those who believed in their work. The group had a treasurer (John 13:29) and supporters (Luke 8:1–3). Christ’s ministry, which is now fulfilled through His church, **still needs financial supporters.** If you’re not in the habit of giving regularly, start with a small gift given consistently. Christ will be pleased, and Stonebriar will continue to be financially viable.

We need volunteers—not just for one-time events (Feed My Starving Children, Fall Festival, etc.), but workers who will commit to serve in ongoing ministries (children’s programs, choirs, local and global missions, etc.). When you serve, you’ll sense a new dimension of personal fulfillment, and your work will minister to others.

Our church has had a remarkable 21 year history, but it is prelude to what God wants to do in and among us in the future. Actively join us in the journey we will take in 2020.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:

FAMILY MINISTRIES

URGENT NEED IN ALL AGE GROUPS

Awana Bible Club Leaders
Nursery Caregivers
Small Group Leaders
Storytellers
Worship Leaders

CARE MINISTRIES

Hospice Volunteers
Prayer Team Members
SHIFT (Grief Care for Kids) Group Leaders
Visitation Ministry Volunteers
Special Needs Life Skills Class Helpers
Special Needs Sunday Classroom Helpers
Write-Way Prison Ministries Graders

HOSPITALITY TEAM

Greeters
Guides
Parking Team Members
Ushers
Visitor Follow-Up Callers

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Children's Choir Leaders
Choir Check-In Attendants
Sanctuary Choir Members

MISSIONAL LIVING & COMMUNITY CARE

C-Kids (South Dallas) Bible Club Helpers
Cornerstone Homeless Center Volunteers
International Friendship Club Volunteers
Kids' Beach Club (Little Elm) Helpers

AV & COMMUNICATIONS

Photography Volunteers
Projector Volunteers
Sunday or Weekday AV Team Members
Translators & Interpreters

CONNECTING & EQUIPPING MINISTRIES

Compass 1:1 Mentors (Ladies Only)
Home Fellowship Leaders
Midweek Dinner Servers

... and so much more!

If you would like to explore a few opportunities before deciding where to serve, join our Try It Out First program! Contact Kim for details (see below).

For details on these opportunities, visit stonebriar.org/serving. If you have questions or would like help deciding where to serve, contact Kim Coleman, ProjectServe ministry coordinator, at serving@stonebriar.org.

2020 UPCOMING EVENTS

The calendar dates are an overview of what will be offered this year. For a complete list, visit the calendar on our app or online at stonebriar.org/events. *Printed dates and times are subject to change.

MARCH

- 01** • MEMBERSHIP CLASS BEGINS
- 07**] • MISSION TRIP TO MISSOURI
- 15**]
- 09**] • FRISCO ISD SPRING BREAK
- 13**]
- 15** • GO AND BE SPRING KICKOFF
- 16**] • SERVING LUNCHES IN HILLTOWN
- 20**]
- 28** • AWANA BIBLE QUIZ

APRIL

- 04** • GO AND BE SPRING OUTREACH
- 05** • PALM SUNDAY
 - K/1ST GRADE SING IN WORSHIP SERVICES
- 10** • GOOD FRIDAY (OFFICES CLOSED)
 - GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
7 P.M. *(childcare for birth–pre-k and special needs)*
 - COMMUNION
- 12** • EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES
7:30, 9, & 10:45 A.M.
(childcare at 9 and 10:45, for birth–pre-k and special needs)
 - STONEBRIAR EN ESPAÑOL (S.E.E.)
WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 A.M.
- 14** • STORIES OF GRACE
 - GRIEFSHARE SUMMER SESSION BEGINS
- 19** • SPECIAL NEEDS SUNDAY
- 26** • VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY
 - AWANA AWARDS CELEBRATION
- 29** • SPRING MIDWEEK END DATE

MAY

- 01** • CAREER TRANSITION WORKSHOP
- 03** • CHILDREN'S CHOIRS SPRING CONCERT
 - MEMBERSHIP CLASS BEGINS
- 10** • MOTHER'S DAY / CHILD DEDICATION
- 17** • SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY
 - GLORIA DEI CONCERT
- 25** • MEMORIAL DAY (OFFICES CLOSED)
- 28** • FRISCO ISD LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- 31** • PROMOTION SUNDAY
 - SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM KICKOFF
(weekly opportunities through August 7)

JUNE

- 03** • FAMILY EXPERIENCE
- 04** • KINDERGARTEN POPSICLES IN THE PARK
- 06** • STONEBRIAR GRAND PRIX CAR CLINIC
 - DSO ON THE GO
- 07** • COMMUNION
- 10** • SUMMER MIDWEEK
- 10**] • HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP
- 15**]
- 17** • SUMMER MIDWEEK
- 20** • GRAND PRIX
- 20**] • MISSION TRIP TO COLORADO
- 28**]
- 21** • FATHER'S DAY
- 23** • 3–4 GRADE ADVENTURE DAY
- 24** • SUMMER MIDWEEK
- 26**] • JUNIOR HIGH SUMMER CAMP
- 29**]
- 26**] • MISSION TRIP TO SPAIN
- JULY**]
- 13**]
- 28** • WIND SYMPHONY CONCERT

JULY

- 03** • JULY 4 WEEKEND (OFFICES CLOSED)
- 04**] • MISSION TRIP TO KENYA
- 15**]
- 08** • SUMMER MIDWEEK
- 10**] • MISSION TRIP TO POLAND
- 20**]
- 11**] • STUDENT MISSION TRIP TO HOUSTON
- 18**]
- 12**] • SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE
- 30**]
- 13**] • ELEMENTARY SUMMER CAMP
- 17**]
- 14** • STORIES OF GRACE
- 15** • SUMMER MIDWEEK
- 19** • BAPTISM
- 20**] • PRETEEN SUMMER CAMP
- 24**] • OPEN DOORS TEXAS CAMP
- 22** • SUMMER MIDWEEK
- 28** • 1-2 GRADE ADVENTURE DAY
- 29** • FAMILY EXPERIENCE
- 31**] • SCHOOL SUPPLY SORT AND PACK
- AUG 01**]

AUGUST

- 02** • COMMUNION
- 13** • FISD FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER

- 07** • LABOR DAY (OFFICES CLOSED)
- 09** • MIDWEEK KICKOFF
- 13** • MEMBERSHIP CLASS BEGINS
- 17**] • LEGACY GRANDPARENTING SUMMIT
- 18**] *(satellite campus for conference)*
- 20** • BAPTISM
- 25** • CAREER TRANSITION WORKSHOP

OCTOBER

- 04** • COMMUNION
- 09**] • MISSION TRIP TO IRELAND
- 19**]
- 13** • STORIES OF GRACE
- 16**] • MEN'S FALL RETREAT
- 18**]
- 25**] • A SEASON OF GIVING
- NOV 12**] *(Thanks for Giving and Operation Christmas Child collection)*
- 25** • MEMBERSHIP CLASS BEGINS
- 29** • GIFT FALL FESTIVAL *(for special needs families)*
- 30** • FALL FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER

- 01** • BAPTISM
- 11** • VETERANS DAY
- 13**] • THANKS FOR GIVING SORT AND PACK
- 14**]
- 15** • CHILD DEDICATION
- 18** • THANKSGIVING FAMILY EXPERIENCE
- 26**] • THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY (OFFICES CLOSED)
- 27**]
- 29**] • COMFORT AND JOY COLLECTION
- DEC 13**]

DECEMBER

- 01**] • ADVENT
- 25**]
- 05**] • SANCTUARY CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA
- 06**] CHRISTMAS CONCERTS
- 13** • CHILDREN'S CHOIRS CHRISTMAS CONCERT
- 24** • CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
- 27** • ONE CHURCH SERVICE

There are many ways to connect with others and serve throughout the year. Stay up-to-date with our regular communications (Sunday announcements, weekly e-mails, and social media posts) for what's next!

**AND NOW THESE THREE REMAIN:
FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE.
BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE.**

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