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# VISION FORWARD



## OUR 2020 VISION

Our 2020 Vision is ***“a united church, uniting people”***.

I believe Elim Grace is to become a place where God by His power, love, and grace unites people far from Himself and from each other.

In a time and a land of much disunity, anger, hostility, etc., I believe God will draw people from opposite sides to the middle—to the cross. There, at the cross and in Christ, marriages can be reconciled, families reunited, the lost found, the broken restored, and, in a political year, opponents and “enemies” can

come together in love. All things are possible in Christ, all that separates can be broken down.

Our 2020 Vision Verse is ***“Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!” (Psalm 133:1)***. The unity that God desires is the unity or union of God and man, revealed perfectly in the incarnation of Jesus Christ. This union is further manifested in the unity of the church by the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. We are those who participate in the fellowship of the Father, Spirit, and Son.

This unity of God, it overcomes, attracts, and is supernatural. It is good, it is pleasant, and it is God’s blessing on His people.

As we enter 2020, let’s begin to pray this verse and walk in this truth.

## OUR 2020 GOALS

**FIRST GOALS** (*Essential — if we do nothing else, we will do these*):

- Grow Celebrate Recovery out into the community
- Open The Desens House in 2020
- Launch church-wide stewardship campaign in large part through Financial Peace University

**SECOND GOALS** (*Anticipated — we believe we should be able to do these things*):

- Pay off current mortgage
- Plan towards 2021 building expansion
- Grow our marriages/relationships through Alpha Marriage and Marriage Together resources

**THIRD GOALS** (*Possible — we hope that we might be able to do these things*):

- Relaunch Alpha program for new disciples
- Make a big and immediate impact with Serve Oswego
- Expand Fall Fest to two locations

## KEY 2020 METRICS

- TOTAL GIVING: \$440,000
- TOTAL PEOPLE SERVED: 11,500  
(This doesn't include mid-week/monthly events such as Bible studies, men's/women's events, YMCA kids program, Alive at 25 driving course, Farnham staff meetings, voting, young mother's cafe, and more)
- TOTAL ELIM KIDS SERVED: 1,000
- TOTAL BENEVOLENCE GIVEN: \$6000
- TOTAL LOCAL MISSIONS: \$33,000
- TOTAL FOREIGN MISSIONS: \$24,000

## OUR NEW ELIM GRACE LEADERSHIP VALUES

Elim Grace leaders are those who:

- 1) **Worship Jesus freely** - they easily and freely enter into worship during our services, are not those who stand back and look around disinterested but lead the way.
- 2) **Fight For Unity** - they kill gossip, won't slander, speak the truth in love, keep each other accountable, are men and women of character, defend one another.
- 3) **Serve With A Smile** - they easily and freely serve, are easy to work with, are a delight and joy to be around, don't grumble and complain
- 4) **Look To Learn** - they are lifelong learners, creative, are part of the solution not the problem
- 5) **Move To Act** - not afraid to fail or to experiment, think inside the box (within the constraints of our time, knowledge, and resources), chase excellence not perfection
- 6) **Come First And Stay Last** - (not literal!) they are available, take initiative, shoulder responsibility, are quick to respond to needs, go the second mile
- 7) **See And Seek The Harvest** - see the vision and seek the harvest God has called us to, have a prophetic passion and insight, have a fire to reach the lost, they rally others to join them

## JANUARY PRAYER TARGETS

What are some signs of a healthy family? Laughter, conversation, and serving one another. We're a family, so for this new year let's pray for:

- 1) Laughter to be heard among us, from both the young and the old
- 2) Conversations to deepen among us, our hearts opening to one another
- 3) A willingness to serve one another, with joy and gratitude