

# WHY THE CHURCH?

**2018  
MINISTRY  
PLAN**



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station  
CHURCH

# HIGHLIGHTS

## FROM THIS YEAR



**35,000+ MEALS  
PACKED**



**1,973 GUESTS  
ATTENDED**



**91 BAPTISMS**



**1,000  
VOLUNTEERS FOR  
SERVE SUNDAY**



**\$986,312  
FUNDED TO  
MISSIONS**



**81 MARRIED  
COUPLES  
MENTORED**

### POWER OF 7 VISION

Our Power of 7 vision is to develop people to begin 7 new relationships to impact 70 neighborhoods, 7 cities, and 7 countries.



# WHY THE CHURCH?

Why do we choose to invest our time, our talents, and our finances in the Church? Why do we give our lives in partnership with the Church?

Because God loves the world and **He sent Jesus to redeem the world.** Jesus died for all of us and He asks us to believe and receive His free gift of eternal life.

## **Jesus sends the Church to share His hope.**

And then He told them, “Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere.” Mark 16:15 (NLT)

God has chosen the Church to deliver the Good News of Jesus to the entire world because Jesus changes everything. He did not choose to use angels, He chose to use us. Through relationships, we are able to connect people to Jesus to experience His greater life!

## **Through His Spirit we're better together.**

God is using you to INFLUENCE relationships, to IMPACT neighborhoods, to TRANSFORM cities, and to ENGAGE countries.

This is why you and I choose “the Church.” Thank you for your generous giving and your faithful service to Christ and His church.

Pastor Tom





# TO INFLUENCE **7 RELATIONSHIPS**

We operate on the principle that there is always room for one more person in our circle of friends. We are encouraged as we see you intentionally building 7 relationships to invite **people to connect with Jesus to experience His greater life.**

**Pray with your prayer partners for 7 relationships you can introduce to Christ.**

## JADA'S STORY

Who knew that a simple invite to church would change Jada's family? Her aunt invited her to come visit our Columbia Campus. Jada had been searching for a church home, and found it was hard to get connected as a single mom. Once she started coming to TSC, she was invited to a Connect Group. "I started forming connections. They took me under their wing and cared for me" says Jada. She learned how to read God's Word for herself and prayed with her friends for her dad's salvation. A few months later, her dad accepted Jesus on Father's Day. "What greater gift could you give than the gift of Jesus?" Watch her story at [TSClife.org/story](https://TSClife.org/story).



## SELLERS' FAMILY STORY

Wes and Samantha Sellers starting coming to TSC b.c. (before children) in 2004. "We knew there were many places to invest our time and resources, but we chose to make our core relationships through our church. As our family grew, TSC helped us teach our kids to love Christ and love people," says Wes. This year, their youngest son, Henry, made a personal decision to follow Jesus and Wes was able to baptize him.





# TO IMPACT 70 NEIGHBORHOODS

We are launching families into our communities to demonstrate the love of Christ. Thank you for being the Church to impact more than 70 neighborhoods this year.



## SERVE SUNDAY

TSC and four other churches worked and prayed over **32 different schools** in Williamson and Maury County. We landscaped, painted, cleaned, and pressure washed on a Sunday as a service of worship. Because we love Christ, who served us, we serve others.

Pray with your family for open doors to impact your neighbors for Christ.



# VBS

**Wow—740 volunteers** served **1,330 kids** on two campuses this year! 220 kids made a decision to take a next step in their relationship with Jesus. 30+ kids demonstrated their decision by being baptized.

We reached **148 people** who were not connecting to a local church.

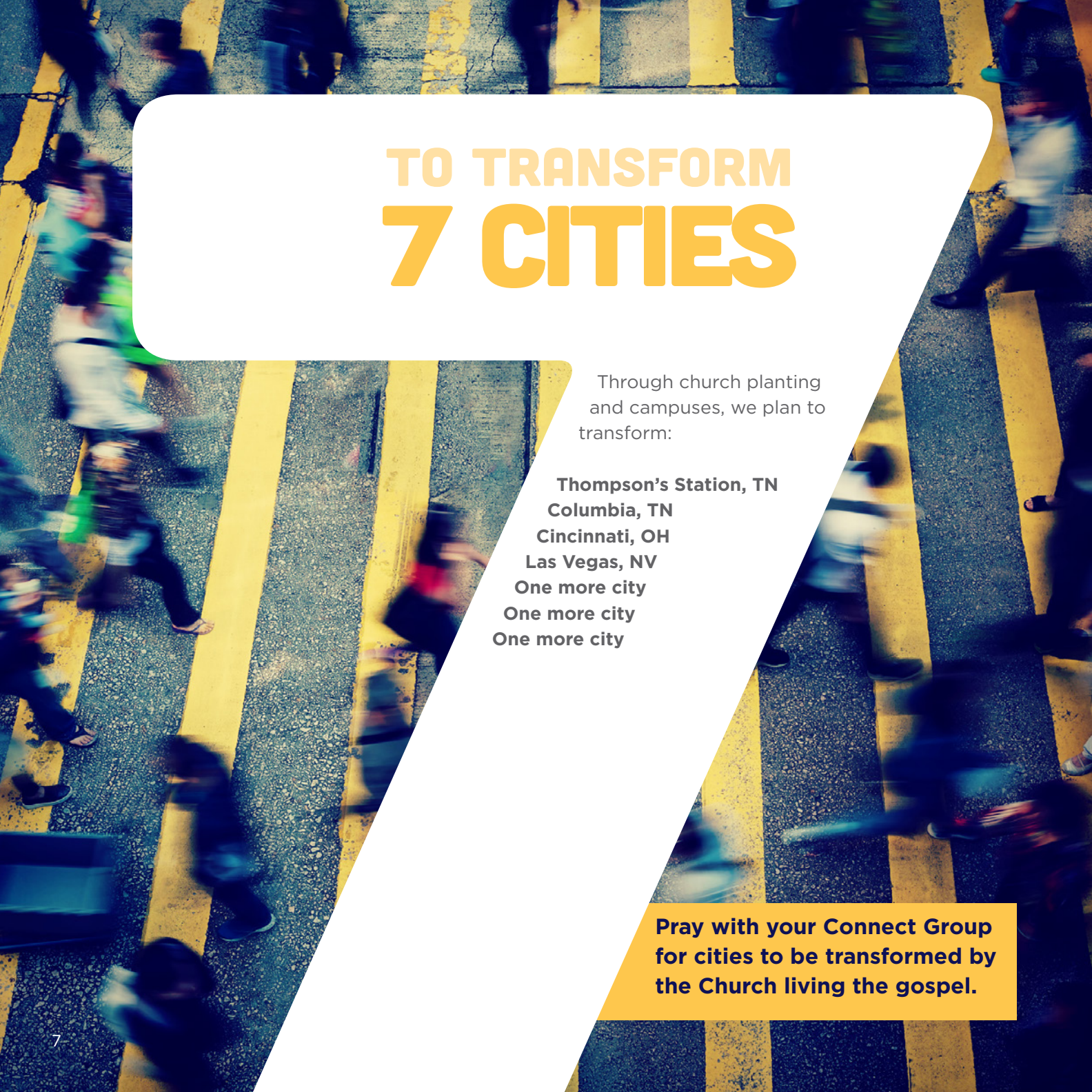


## BERRY FARMS

TSC member Rebecca Snipes embraced the opportunity for our church to host a kids' booth at the Farmer's Market in Berry Farms. TSC staff and volunteers created a fun booth once a month as a way to interact with our neighbors and invite them to TSC.







# TO TRANSFORM 7 CITIES

Through church planting  
and campuses, we plan to  
transform:

**Thompson's Station, TN**  
**Columbia, TN**  
**Cincinnati, OH**  
**Las Vegas, NV**  
**One more city**  
**One more city**  
**One more city**

**Pray with your Connect Group  
for cities to be transformed by  
the Church living the gospel.**





## LAS VEGAS, NV

### THE WELL CHURCH PLANT

**150 people** attended the one-year anniversary service

**12 baptisms** on September 12

Stats have shown that it takes five years for a church plant in Las Vegas to reach 40 people. God is clearly moving through The Well Church to reach this community!



## CINCINNATI, OH

### GRACE POINT FELLOWSHIP CHURCH PLANT

**128 people** attended the two-year anniversary service

**29 baptisms** this year

Grace Point Fellowship is now under contract to purchase an old Grainger warehouse between the Franklin and Springboro areas to serve as their permanent building.



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COLUMBIA

## **COLUMBIA, TN**

### **TSC CAMPUS**

Our campus in Columbia currently meets in Riverside Elementary.

**392 people attended** the three-year anniversary service  
**77,675 meals served** through partnership with One Generation Away  
**50+ kids attended** the first VBS in the Park event  
**46 total baptisms** this year  
**23 river baptisms**  
**549 people attended** Easter Weekend

**Pray with us for a facility where the church will minister to Columbia, TN.**



# PRAYING FOR A BUILDING







# TO ENGAGE 7 COUNTRIES

We send our families to partner with the Church in other countries to enable them to be the light of Christ in their community.

We currently partner (shared long-term plan) in four countries and are exploring partnerships with the local church in six other countries. Here are the countries in these two groups:

## **Partner Countries:**

Nicaragua  
Guatemala  
East Asia  
Uruguay

## **Exploring Countries:**

Kosovo/Albania  
Mexico (Mazatlán)  
Haiti  
India  
Senegal  
Rwanda

**Pray with our church for the Kingdom of God to advance in these countries.**



## NICARAGUA

### BRENT JONES

has led 15 teams over 12 years in partnership with Chosen Children Ministries to build facilities for churches to gather and minister to their barrios (neighborhoods). "I go because I know that supporting the Church in Nicaragua is going to have a lasting impact for their country. I take men with me, because I know how the trip will change their lives," says Brent.

In a place this poor where everyone is struggling, the church is caring for "the least of these." On the night we dedicated the church, one gentleman's two friends carried him to service in a plastic lawn chair and set him in front. He is surviving only because the church cares for him.



### JON AND JACKSON DODD

"As a dad, I wanted my son to be affected. I didn't want Jackson to just see a third world country. I wanted him to hurt for what hurts God." John Dodd

"As soon as you step off the plane, it just hits you, 'Wow! This is rough.' You feel heavy. The kids will be shy, but then as soon as someone makes contact, they all come over." Jackson Dodd



# WHERE WILL YOU BE SENT?

## 2018 TSC Mission Trips

### NORTH AMERICA

#### Big Creek, KY – Spring

**Project:** Ministry to the Poor

**Team Leader:** Position Open

**Contact:** Pastor Duane Murray  
dmurray@tsclife.org

#### Cincinnati, OH – Anytime

**Project:** VBS/Community Outreach

**Team Leader:** Position Open

**Contact:** Pastor Reagan Wagoner  
reagan@iamgracepoint.com

#### Cincinnati, OH – Anytime

**Project:** VBS/community Outreach/  
Evangelism

**Team Leader:** Pam Eicher  
jpeicher5@bellsouth.net

#### Columbia Campus – Anytime

**Project:** Community Impact

**Team Leader:** Position Open

**Contact:** Pastor Eric Nichols  
enichols@tsclife.org

#### Las Vegas, NV – October

(Fall Break)

**Project:** Church Planting/Evangelism

**Team Leader:** Rob Ellis  
rob.ellis@centerpointenergy.com

#### Disaster Relief – Anytime

**Project:** Disaster Relief

**Team Leader:** Position Open

**Contact:** Pastor Duane Murray  
dmurray@tsclife.org

### CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA

#### Guatemala – June

**Project:** Evangelism/Community  
Development

**Team Leader:** Crystal Waller  
crystalwaller@bellsouth.net

#### Haiti – TBD

**Project:** Medical/Evangelism

**Team Leader:** Sonja Morgan &  
Samantha Sellers  
pjhsponos@yahoo.com

#### Mazatlán – February

**Project:** Community Outreach/  
Evangelism

**Team Leader:** Larry Mims  
lrmims16@gmail.com

#### Nicaragua – February 17

**Project:** Build a Church

**Team Leader:** Brent Jones  
brent@allstateplastering.com

#### Uruguay – Mar 23 – Apr 1

**Project:** VBS/Camp/Light  
Construction

**Team Leader:** Ashley Vantrease  
avantrease@tsclife.org

### EUROPE/ASIA

#### East Asia – Spring

**Project:** Evangelism/Community  
Support for Long Term Missionaries

**Team Leader:** Pastor Duane Murray  
dmurray@tsclife.org

#### East Asia – October

**Project:** Evangelism/Community  
Support for Long Term Missionaries

**Team Leader:** Kortni Lasater  
klasater@tsclife.org

#### India – TBD

**Project:** Evangelism/Discipleship

**Team Leader:** Larry Mims  
lrmims16@gmail.com

#### Albania – July 16-25

**Project:** Evangelism/Leadership  
Camp/Orphanage

**Team Leader:** Pastor Eric Nichols  
enichols@tsclife.org

#### Albania-Kosovo – July 23-31

**Project:** Evangelism/Leadership  
Camp/Orphanage

**Team Leader:** Pastor Eric Nichols  
enichols@tsclife.org

### AFRICA

#### Rwanda – February

**Project:** Vision Trip

**Team Leader:** Pastor Duane Murray  
dmurray@tsclife.org

#### Ethiopia – Mar 30 – Apr 7

**Project:** Vision Trip

**Team Leader:** Carrie Congdon  
carriegracedvm@aol.com

**Dates are subject to  
change. Visit  
[TSClife.org/missions](http://TSClife.org/missions)  
for details.**

**Ask God to burden you for a  
specific place and give you the  
courage to plan to go.**





## GUATEMALA

We are grateful for eight years of partnership with Shalom Baptist Church. This year we were part of the grand opening of the new church facility in Los Conchos, which also serves as a community center. Our TSC team coordinated with eight other churches from Middle TN this year. Providing VBS, food distribution and prayer ministry, our team saw many connect with Jesus to experience His greater life. Among the greater things we saw were the miracles of sickness overcome by God, in response to His people praying.



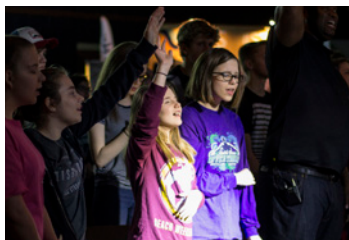
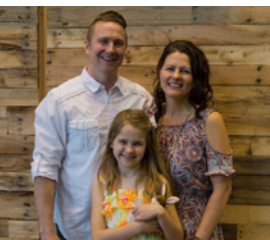
## GELEN (HELEN)

Three years ago she had several brain aneurysms and the doctor said she would not live. If she did, she would not be able to speak or walk. "What is impossible with man is possible with God" Luke 18:27. Not only can Gelen walk and talk, but she has also graduated law school with the help of Compassion International.



## DEREK

This is the little boy for whom we built a home two years ago, so that he could recover from his chemotherapy. He has cancer in his right eye. But praise God he is in remission and doing wonderfully!







## THANKFUL FOR ...

- In March, you answered the call to sponsor 35 students at Grace Community School in Haiti. Our church response exceeded the request and the school was able to add 19 students, setting a new enrollment record.
- \$43,000 given to renovate our new Hope 1:17 Safe Room on the TS Campus for children transitioning into foster care.
- \$27,300 given to our Las Vegas church plant – The Well Church
- \$14,800 given to our Cincinnati church plant – Grace Point Fellowship
- Amazing volunteers who lead and serve each week
- Best summer ever with Beach Week, Mountain Week, Cross Camp and VBS
- New TSC Pastors and staff
- Prayer retreats for staff and leaders
- New TSC office space



# 2018 MINISTRY PLAN

\$4,176,869

We will prioritize the financial gifts into three strategic initiatives:



\* Related expenses including personnel and debt

Missions Funded Above the Tithe	\$198,950
Local Missions	\$30,000
Missionary Support	\$35,200
Hands & Feet	\$59,000
Mission Teams	\$42,500
Ends of the Earth	\$32,250

Our strategy to develop our families will be to **GATHER** to worship Christ, **GROW** to know Christ, and **GO** to serve Christ.

## GATHER

God made us to worship Him. As we worship Him, He reveals to us His glory and His purpose. At TSC, we worship Him with music, hearing His Word, prayer, giving, baptism, and communion.

## GROW

God expects His followers to grow up into the image of Christ. Our strategy to develop each other includes learning to obey His Word (loving God) and serving each other and our neighbors (loving our neighbors). We will be hearers and doers of His Word, James 1:22.

## GO

God calls us to go into all the world. Our strategy for reaching the nations includes sharing the Good News of Christ with our neighbors in Middle Tennessee, in target cities

For greater details visit [TSCLife.org/vision](https://tsclife.org/vision)  
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