



ONE LIFE

WHAT ARE YOU
LIVING FOR?



ONE LIFE BEGINS HERE

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**"WE DON'T LIVE FOR OURSELVES OR
DIE FOR OURSELVES. IF WE LIVE, IT'S
FOR THE LORD. CHRIST DIED AND ROSE
AGAIN FOR THIS VERY PURPOSE, TO BE
THE LORD OF THE LIVING AND
THE DEAD." - ROMANS 14:7-9**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTORS

**Each of us only gets ONE LIFE to live - so we
must make it count.**

From our beginning, we have been laser-focused on reaching people with the message and love of Jesus - knowing that one encounter with Him can change everything.

We believe that we should let the things that we are for define us more than the things we are against. This has been the Echo story: **thousands of people faithfully giving their time, talents, and treasures to change the world - one person at a time.**

We invite you to dive into a season of deepening our faith and focusing our energy even more into the areas that God is for - He is for the Church, for the next generation, for the one who is lost and broken, and He is for our future.

God has designed your ONE LIFE to echo. Let's make it count!

- Pastors Andy & Stacie

A SNAPSHOT OF OUR CHURCH HISTORY

13 YEARS OF IMPACTING LIVES



2008

4 families move across the country with a call from God to reach the Bay Area.

FEBRUARY 2009

Official launch of South Bay Church at Don Callejon School in Santa Clara.



MAY 2012

Renovated and moved into our first permanent campus in North San Jose. Together we gave over \$750,000 and served hundreds of hours to get the building ready.



OCTOBER 2015

Merged with Twin Oaks Church, which became South San Jose Campus (launched February 2016).

EASTER

Each year hosted hundreds of kids and families at "The Hunt".

FEBRUARY 2014

150 volunteers helped launch our second campus at the Sunnyvale Community Center.

2016

Raised \$1 million in 90 days through the NEXT Giving Initiative and moved the Sunnyvale Campus to a permanent facility.

MARCH 2020

As the Pandemic hit, we restructured the whole church to do ministry online.



2019

10-Year Anniversary with 3,600+ people.



APRIL 2020

Officially launched Online campus, saw 10,000+ viewers for Easter.

MARCH 2019

Launched our fourth campus in Fremont after merging with Mission Springs Community Church.



2018

Rebranded to Echo.Church after realizing the need of a name that matched the vision!

JULY 2020

Baptized 70 people in 6 weeks during the pandemic.

MAY 2021

Hosted first-ever Echo Leadership Conference with 300+ pastors, church planters, and leaders.

MARCH 2020

We launched EchoCompassion.com which served over 20,000 people in 2020.

JUNE 2020

1,100+ joined 200 online groups (most of any summer in our history!).

AUGUST 2020

Merged with Crossroads Church in Fremont.



BAY AREA IMPACT & UNITY

Our vision is to see the Bay Area transformed with the love and message of Jesus - but this can't be done alone.

That's why, since our launch, we've invested heavily into assessing, developing, resourcing, and uniting church planters with the goal of one day seeing **a life-giving church or campus within 10-15 minutes of every person living in the Bay Area.**

\$1,000,000

invested into church planting in the last 5 years

20 CHURCHES

we've helped start since our launch

500 PASTORS AND CHURCH LEADERS

annually trained and inspired through the Echo Leadership Conference and Exponential Conference

700 PEOPLE

invested in monthly through the new Echo Leadership Podcast

21 CHURCHES

in our Bay Area Church Planting Network now working together to start new churches

ECHO.CHURCH CAMPUSES



NORTH SAN JOSE

Our broadcast location, which has sent out hundreds to help start new campuses and churches over the years.



FREMONT

After merging with Crossroads Church, now positioned to reach thousands in the newly-built and renovated campus.



SUNNYVALE

In the heart of Silicon Valley and surrounded by Apple, Google, and many of the Bay Area's top companies.



SOUTH SAN JOSE

Our portable campus with perhaps the most committed and fervent team of volunteers serving weekly.



ONLINE

The campus with unlimited reach - now connecting with people all over the world and averaging thousands weekly.

GROWTH & HEALTH

NUMBERS WORTH NOTING

1,411

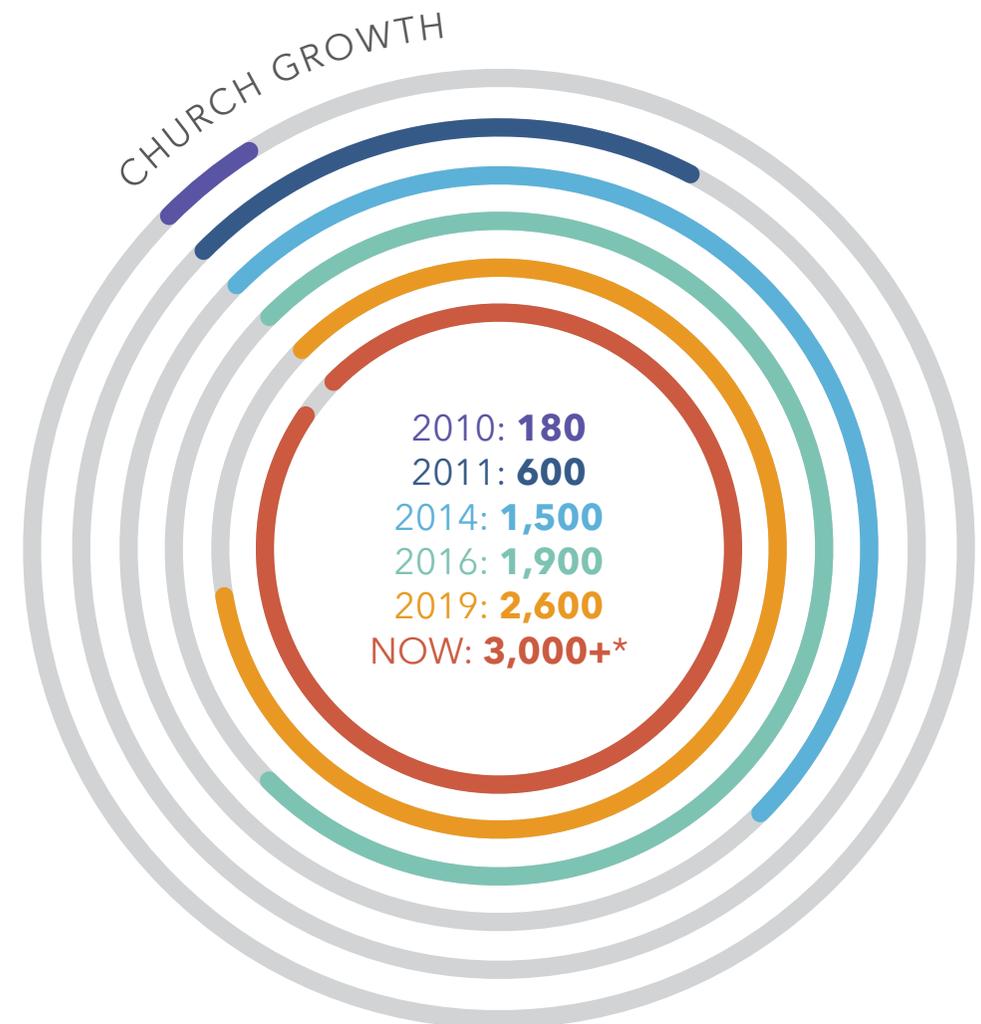
baptisms
since 2009

3,054

commitments
to follow Jesus

496

active
volunteers



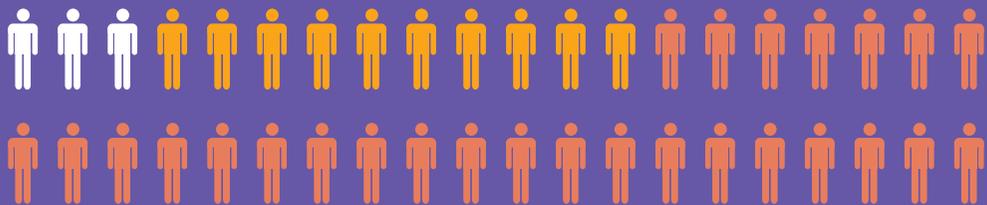
*1,700 in person + 1,300+ weekly online views



AN ARMY OF DREAM TEAMERS

Every week, hundreds of volunteers invest their time and energy into leading small groups, ministering to children and students, serving our city, and creating Sunday experiences that lead to transformation.

We call them the Dream Team - because they make the dream become reality.

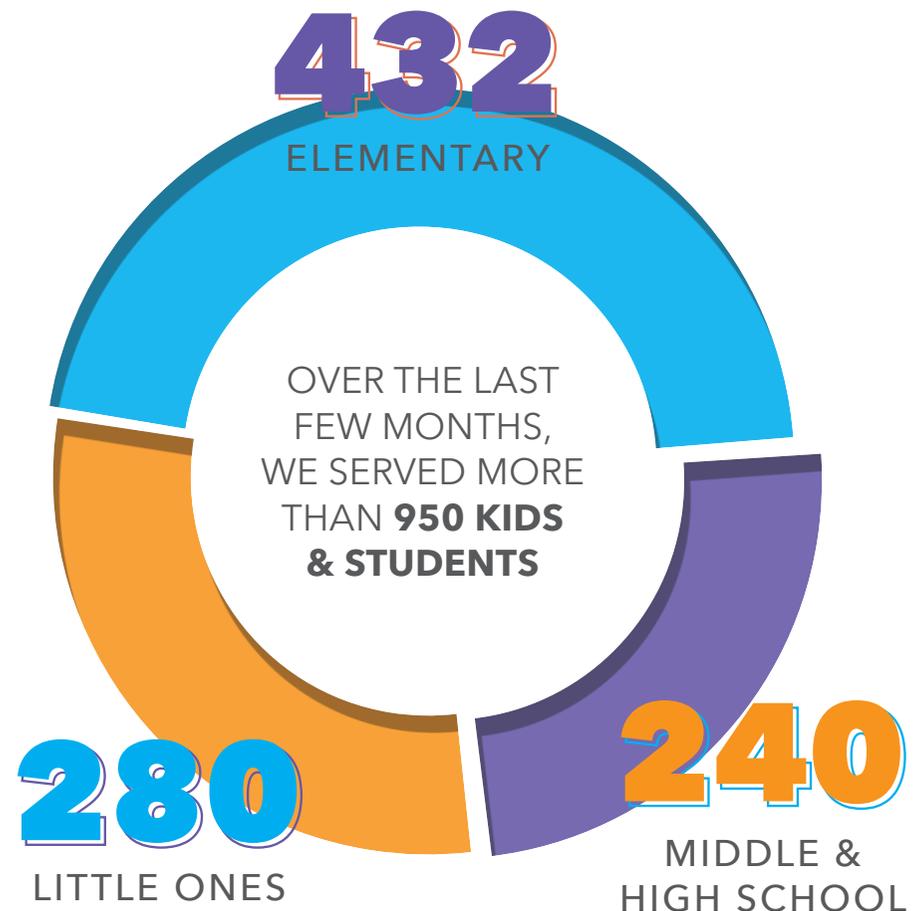


■ 46 Staff members ■ 191 Active group leaders ■ 496 Active volunteers

KIDS & STUDENTS

REACHING THE NEXT GENERATION

Since our launch, children and students have been one of the top priorities of Echo.Church. Whether it's holding and cuddling newborns, or keeping pace with teens at summer camp, we are committed to do what it takes to have a voice in the lives of the next generation.



OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIPS

IMPACTING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE WORLD

Hundreds of thousands of dollars invested for eternal impact

2016



2017



2018



2019



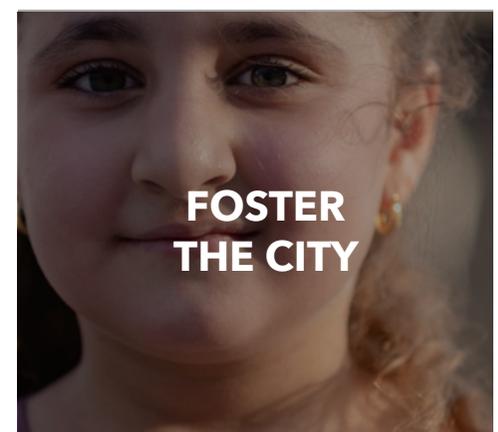
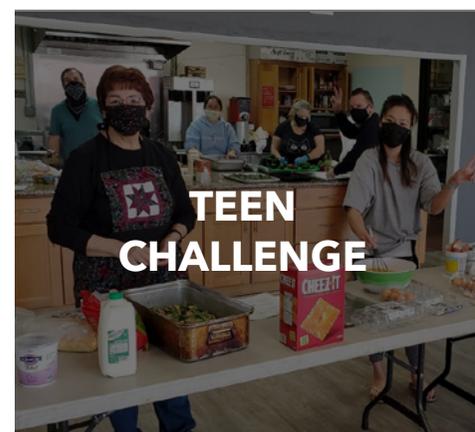
2020



2021



We echo our impact by serving locally, partnering internationally, and investing into church planting.





“WE WERE SOMEBODY’S ONE”

- CHRISTY FREIHEIT

I will never forget the time my husband got a job offer that would uproot us from our home state to the Bay Area. We felt stable and secure where we were and had no reason to move - except for a tug at our hearts and a passion to grow.

Moving would mean rebuilding our lives all over again. We were also deeply planted at our church. We loved our journey there - though for some reason, even after all those momentous years, we still felt like we didn't quite fit.

So the single most determining factor for us moving to the Bay Area was whether we could find a church family.

We went and visited a list of referred Bay Area churches from friends, but none of them felt right. Then our daughter did an online search and came across South Bay Church, soon to be renamed Echo.Church. We had nothing to lose, and we were trying to be good parents and not shoot her suggestion down, so we went to check it out.

To our great surprise, we instantly noticed that the culture was different, diverse, and inviting. We found ourselves fitting in. We had found our Church Home.

It was then that we took the plunge and moved to the Bay. But the transition was rough. We struggled with Bay Area expectations and work culture. Our home was burglarized twice. Our physically active daughter received multiple concussions that left her with a traumatic brain injury. There were many times we wanted to throw in the towel on our marriage.

Adding one more thing to our hectic schedules, like going to church or joining an Echo Group, was not something we really wanted to do. But we stayed in the trenches, hung in there, and stayed connected as much as we could.

We will never forget our first small group, our South Bay Squad, spearheaded by David and Vivian Dorflinger. It was in that group where we found a community of brothers and sisters in Christ. We found family. They gave us hope and a truthful perspective in our chaotic lives. We were so grateful to be able to lean on our “SB Squad.”

Through the past decade, our church family has grown, and our sense of belonging has deepened. We traveled internationally together, celebrated life moments together, and supported each other through all of life's ups and downs.

It is through Echo.Church and the relationships formed here that our love for God and passion to be Kingdom Builders has exponentially grown. We are passionate and committed to investing in a limitless church, where there are no boundaries keeping others connected with God and community.

Knowing the heart and values behind Echo.Church, we know that they have been praying for our family and others like us, to be part of their mission to urgently lead people to say YES to Jesus and passionately follow Him.

We know it wasn't luck that brought our teenage daughter found the church we were going to call home. We know that someone was praying for us. We know that God was answering their prayers, and also ours.

We are grateful to know we were somebody's ONE.

THE ONE LIFE INITIATIVE

THE RIPPLE EFFECT

Just as water droplets create a movement of outward ripples, our One Life can have a significant impact on thousands of lives and communities - across the Bay Area and around the world.

We invite you into this 2-year journey of stretching our faith and investing boldly into building the Kingdom of God.

PRIMARY GOAL

100% ENGAGEMENT

We want to see every single person in the Echo community taking next steps in their spiritual journey and growing in generosity.

This means growing together to leverage our One Life for God's glory and for the good of others.

SECONDARY GOAL

KINGDOM ADVANCEMENT

\$25 Million





FOR THE CHURCH

\$16 MILLION

for the ongoing ministry and operations of Echo.Church (our annual two-year operating budget)

The local church is God's chosen vehicle for bringing transformation to the world. Together, we will continue to fund the programs, ministries, spaces, and people needed to effectively fulfill our mission of urgently leading people to say YES to Jesus and passionately follow Him!



FOR THE ONE

\$3 MILLION

for fueling all our Echo Compassion efforts designed to serve the less fortunate and reach those far from God locally, regionally, and globally

Aside from starting more churches, and expanding our international partnerships, we plan on launching a local Compassion Center out of our North San Jose Campus - a center for community where the needs of people in our city are met.

From mentoring and tutoring, to homeless and legal assistance, the Compassion Center will strive to offer a spectrum of programs dedicated to serving the needs of the community through a holistic approach.





FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

\$3 MILLION

for improvements that help us better reach and develop the next generation of kids and students

We will invest into improving the spaces and strategies that help us better connect and reach the next generation (kids and students).

From larger kids rooms, to upgraded experiences for students, to more effective camps and retreats, we will continue to focus our energy into developing the next generation to know and serve God.



FOR THE FUTURE

\$3 MILLION

for expanding and improving our campuses in order to better reach those who are far from God

As we strive to transform the Bay Area together, we want to be well-positioned to respond to any open door God gives us to expand our reach.

This includes moving portable campuses to more permanent locations, as well as expanding and improving current campuses to be able to minister to more people.



- Echo.Church Campus
- Future Echo Campus
- Echo.Church Plant



WHAT'S NEXT?



PRAY PERSISTENTLY

Pray that God will work in the hearts of His people at Echo.Church, and that we will listen with the intent to obey.



COMMIT FULLY

Help reach our goal of 100% engagement by putting in your YES and encouraging others to do the same.



CELEBRATE LOUDLY

God is going to do amazing things in your life during this season. Share His handiwork enthusiastically with those around you!



GIVE GENEROUSLY

Live and give in a way that stretches you to take your faith to a whole new level of generosity.

YOUR GIVING JOURNEY

GROWING IN GENEROSITY



INITIAL GIVER (2 Corinthians 8:7-15)

An Initial Giver is someone who **decides to give for the first time, out of a response to God's Word about giving.** This is someone who decides to give something and trust God and the leaders of the Church with this gift.



CONSISTENT GIVER (2 Corinthians 9:6-8)

A Consistent Giver is someone who **decides to give something and give it consistently to exercise the discipline of giving regularly.** Often, someone who decides to make their gift an online recurring gift will be someone who is learning the behavior of consistency. Non-online givers can be consistent givers as well, of course - it just requires more discipline.



INTENTIONAL GIVER (Luke 14:28-35)

An Intentional Giver is someone who **begins to think about their giving in relation to other things on which they spend their money.** For example, this type of giver begins asking the question, "Why am I giving more to Amazon than I am giving to God? Should I be giving to God more than I give for my car payment each month?"

This giver starts to make their giving an intentional choice that reflects how they prioritize and spend their money. This may be the point of intentionality when someone begins to tithe, reflecting intentionally about a certain amount or percentage they want to give to God.



SURRENDERED GIVER (Colossians 1:15-18, 22-23)

A Surrendered Giver is someone who **recognizes the cost Christ paid on the cross for us and is surrendered to honoring God with 100% of their resources as a result.** A Surrendered Giver gives in a way that changes them. Their giving governs their spending/saving rather than their spending/saving governing their giving.

A Surrendered Giver isn't as concerned with what they ARE giving, but more concerned with what they're NOT giving and why. They seek to honor God with 100% of what He has given them, whether direct monetary giving or a God-honoring use of an existing resource, like a home or a vehicle.



ETERNAL GIVER (1 Timothy 6:6-19)

An Eternal Giver is **someone who thinks about the long-term effects of generosity,** rather than month-to-month generosity or even year-to-year. An Eternal Giver makes decisions in the short term, which have longer term effects as it relates to their generosity capacity. They think of what home they buy, what car they purchase, how much savings they choose to keep, all in relation to their generosity capacity.

An Eternal Giver is driven by the things of eternity, putting their hope in God and not in the things of this earth.

ONE FUND

ROLLING OUR GIVING INTO ONE

It's possible that you've been a part of church campaigns in the past, where you were asked to give a second gift "above and beyond" your regular giving. In fact, we did that as part of our NEXT initiative a few years ago and our most recent Faith[full] Offering at the end of 2020. These initiatives allowed us to do great things, like build new facilities to make room for everyone, serve underserved communities, and more!

This season we're taking a slightly different approach. In order to honor people's regular giving, as well as their expanded giving, everything given in the next two years will go toward the One Life initiatives. Together, we will fuel the things God is FOR. He is for the local church, or the one, for the next generation, and for the future.

We've included a sample commitment card so you can see how a "one fund initiative" works. **Please take the time to pray, then seek God as you fill this out.** You will get an opportunity to turn in a commitment card on Advance Commitment Night on **November 4, 2021**, or Commitment Sunday on **November 14, 2021**.

COMMITMENT CARD

ONE LIFE COMMITMENT

\$ What I/we would **normally give in a year** (regular giving, special projects, missions, etc.)

+\$ My/our **expanded annual generosity** as a part of the **ONE LIFE** Initiative

= \$ x2 years

Gifts from my/our stored resources (savings, retirement funds, stocks, property, possessions, etc.)

\$

+\$

=

MY/OUR TOTAL 2-YEAR COMMITMENT

\$ (December 2021 - December 2023)

Name

Email

Phone number

Campus

"My life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus—the work of telling others the Good News about the wonderful grace of God." (Acts 20:24)

GIVING CHART

TWO-YEAR CHART

As you pray and discern how God would ask you to give during this time, use this gift chart as a discipleship tool. Let it be something that inspires and challenges you towards greater generosity for God's Kingdom as we live fully-surrendered lives.

GIFTS NEEDED	TWO-YEAR GIFT LEVEL	ANNUAL GIFT	MONTHLY GIFT	GIFT LEVEL TOTAL
1	\$2,500,000	\$1,250,000	\$104,167	\$2,500,000
1	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	\$62,500	\$1,500,000
2	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$41,667	\$2,000,000
3	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$1,500,000
4	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$10,417	\$1,000,000
5	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$6,250	\$750,000
7	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$700,000
10	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$750,000
18	\$65,000	\$32,500	\$2,708	\$1,170,000
35	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$1,750,000
50	\$35,000	\$17,500	\$1,458	\$1,750,000
80	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$1,042	\$2,000,000
105	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$625	\$1,575,000
150	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$1,500,000
200	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$313	\$1,500,000
350	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$208	\$1,750,000
MANY	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$104	\$1,305,000
TOTAL GIFTS GOAL				\$25,000,000





Serena's mom, Helen, being baptized at the Fremont campus

"THE CHURCH I PRAYED FOR"

- SERENA LUI

My family did not grow up in faith. In fact, I used to argue with my parents every Friday to attend my friend's church youth night. While my family is marked by a lot of love and effort, there is also dysfunction and miscommunication. When I finally got saved in college, I felt the burden on my heart to share the Good News with my family.

Being the first believer in my family meant learning to stand firm in my beliefs. When tithing, my parents tried to convince me to keep my money. When I insisted on serving Sunday mornings, they did not understand. Initially, I was resentful that they questioned my decisions.

However, as I grew closer to God, He refined my heart. I began to see my family through Jesus' eyes. They had not experienced the love of Christ, the joy of salvation, or the community that prayed

for me in every season, as I had. I realized how selfish I had been with my faith and started to pray fervently for my parents to be saved. I prayed for a church that would welcome my Boomer parents with open arms. Despite their accents, age, or misconceptions of the Gospel, I prayed for a church that would love them wholeheartedly.

Enter Echo.Church - a multicultural church with people from all walks of life. I met pastors with compelling life experiences, but most importantly, hearts filled with a passion for people to know Christ.

With every conversation, I felt the heartbeat of Echo: We pray for "the one". My parents were my "one", and I prayed expectantly knowing the Holy Spirit would forever change their lives.

In God's sovereignty, during the pandemic, my parents began listening to every sermon online. They were seeking! I have since witnessed my mom being an ambassador for Christ. She has a fire in her belly, a desire to experience the Lord's love. I have listened to her boldly proclaim the Gospel to her sisters and gently explain Christ's heart to my dad.

The Holy Spirit moved quickly. On Christmas Day of 2020, my mom gave her life to Christ. On Mother's Day, I gave my mom her first Bible. On Father's Day of 2021, Pastor Paul at the Fremont/Crossroads campus baptized her. A few weeks after, Pastor Paul's son's girlfriend was so moved by my mom's story that she got baptized herself!

I am still praying for my dad. I'm confident Echo.Church is where he will be saved because it is the church I have been praying for - a church that rejoices with those who rejoice, and weeps with those who weep.

My family's story is still being written, but we have a church family walking alongside us now. And I wouldn't trade them for anything.

WEEK 1

TALK IT OVER

GROUP GUIDE



Access the digital version
at echo.church/talkitover

WHAT AM I LIVING FOR?

BIG IDEA

Jesus is inviting us into a meaningful and abundant life that is lived in light of eternity. When we understand the temporary nature of this life, our priorities begin to shift, and we start living for what matters most.

READ

Matthew 6:19-21, 1 Timothy 4:6-8, Acts 20:35

REFLECT

1. Describe a time in your life when someone or something felt important in the moment, but later felt insignificant. (i.e. school, decisions, relationships, possessions).

2. What are some of the consequences of living with an earthly perspective as opposed to an eternal perspective?

3. How should my understanding of eternity drive the investment of my life?

4. How does a proper view of eternity change the way we spend and save money?

5. What do you think it means for a life to be poured out as an offering to God?

6. In what ways have you experienced God's blessing through giving?

7. If you were to ask a good friend or family member to describe your life, what would they say you are living for?

CONCLUSION

When we live with an eternal perspective, the investment of our life will follow. The greatest fulfillment comes when we invest our time, talent and treasures into God's eternal Kingdom.

Every one of us can get our priorities out of order. Now is the time to re-evaluate our lives and ask the question: **What am I living for?**

WEEK 2 TALK IT OVER GROUP GUIDE



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WHERE AM I PLACING MY TRUST?

BIG IDEA

Jesus invites us to place our trust in Him. He is capable of caring for every need we have. We cannot place our ultimate trust in Him and also in the things of this world.

READ

Matthew 19:16-22, Luke 5:1-11, 1 Timothy 6:17

REFLECT

1. Why do you think this is the only time in the gospels that Jesus asked someone to sell everything and give it to the poor? Why do you think He asked this young man to take this step?

2. What is the difference between having things and things having you?

3. Why do you think Peter walked away from the biggest catch of his life in order to follow Jesus?

4. When God is who we trust most, how does this change the way we live?

5. Why is it difficult to put your hope in wealth and God at the same time?

6. By global standards most people in the USA are rich. What does it look like for you to live a righteous life while being rich?

7. In what ways is Jesus inviting you to trust Him at a deeper level?

CONCLUSION

God is making an invitation to trust Him at greater levels. There is true joy and freedom when we trust God more than anyone or anything.

Asking these questions may be difficult and challenging, but if we respond to the Voice of God, it could make all the difference.

WEEK 3 TALK IT OVER GROUP GUIDE



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WHAT IS MY ROLE?

BIG IDEA

Each of us has a role, and each role we hold is significant. Start with what is in your hands now, and let God multiply it over time. God can use what you have to make a big difference, if it is given back to Him. It only multiplies if it is in His hands.

READ

John 6:1-13, Luke 16:10-12

REFLECT

1. Why do you think Jesus asks the disciples to solve the food problem in John 6?

2. What do you think we learn from our limitations?

3. Why is the young boy's role so important in the miracle?

4. What happens when we hold on to what is in our hands?

5. What happens when we place what is in our hands in Jesus' hands?

6. Why do you think Jesus points out the importance of faithfulness with little things, financial things, and others' things in Luke 16?

7. What would it look like for you to be more faithful with what God has given you?

CONCLUSION

When we are trustworthy with small things, God entrusts us with more. We all have a role to play. When we stop asking the question, "What's in someone else's hands?" and ask the question, "What's in my hands?" the game changes.

God has placed resources in your hands that He can take and multiply. The question is: **Will we place it in His hands?**

WEEK 4 TALK IT OVER GROUP GUIDE



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WHAT AM I BUILDING?

BIG IDEA

We all build our lives around our personal definition of success. When we prioritize worldly riches, we will build our lives around this goal. God, however, wants us to first prioritize our relationship with Him. When we do this, we will build our lives with Him as our secure foundation.

READ

Luke 12:16-21, Matthew 6:33

REFLECT

1. What do you think was the primary goal of the rich fool?

2. What does it mean to be rich toward God?

3. Why does priority matter to God?

4. Are you living in a way that is rich toward God?

5. What things in your life need to be a lower priority so that God can become the greatest priority?

6. What would it look like for you to place a greater priority on the Kingdom of God with your time, talent, and treasures?

CONCLUSION

God wants you to experience a life that is filled with true riches. When He is first place, the rest of our priorities fall into place. The best investment of our lives is in our relationship with God and in His Kingdom. He is inviting you to live a life where He is first place!

**WEEK 5
TALK IT OVER
GROUP GUIDE**



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WHERE HAS GOD PLACED ME?

BIG IDEA

God has placed you where He wants you. He has a specific purpose for you to fulfill in this generation. Your life and your resources are placed in your hands by God to make a difference here and now. One of the reasons God has blessed you so that you can be a blessing to others!

READ

Esther 4:12-17, 2 Corinthians 9:10-15

REFLECT

1. Why do you think Mordecai was so direct with Esther?

2. Why is it important for us to have a sense of urgency with how we invest our lives?

3. Esther makes a decision to take a risk for her people. What is the risk that God is asking you to take during this next season of life?

4. Why is it important to see our life and resources as seed?

5. Why is our "yes" to live generously today so important for tomorrow?

6. What would it look like for you to fully lean into God's purpose for your One Life?

7. What could happen if you began to truly embrace the fact that you have One Life to live and One Life in which to make an eternal impact? How does this reality change how you view the things God has given you?

CONCLUSION

We are called to live a life of eternal purpose. You are made by God for this time on Earth. You will need to take risks, give up your comfort, and trust God with your future. When you do this, there is no limit to what God can do through your **one life!**

EXERCISE & REFLECTION

TO DO AT HOME PRIOR TO COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Please use this section to pray & reflect on your One Life commitment before Commitment Sunday on **November 14, 2021**. We are praying that God would speak to you through these reflections on how your one life will have a ripple effect throughout eternity!

List out the financial commitments you currently have—those that go beyond a one-time payment but that do have a time duration to them. For example: a home mortgage, a lease agreement, a car loan, a cell phone contract, your child’s tuition for school, your own tuition for school, etc.

Now, write out the commitment you are considering making for the One Life Initiative. Where does it fall in the priority of these other commitments? Do you need to change or modify one or more of these other commitments in order to be able to fulfill your One Life commitment? What if you wanted to raise your One Life commitment? What would that require? Do you currently have a financial commitment(s) that appears to be prioritized above your ability to make a truly surrendered giving commitment to help move God’s mission forward?

If someone who didn’t know you looked at your financial commitments, what would they say you value?

Would that statement be true about you? Or is there something that needs to be modified?

If you keep this commitment over the next two years, what type of spiritual growth can you see happening in you?

How will you leverage this change to influence others to live their lives more closely with Jesus and express more love - such as your children, co-workers, friends, family, and others in your circles of influence?

Pray over your commitment as you prepare to submit your card on Commitment Sunday, November 14, 2021. Prayer is the most important thing in this whole process, and prayer is what gives us the heart of Jesus within us. **Let’s make our ONE LIFE count!**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: If we are part of the One Life Initiative, how does this change my tithe and any of my “above and beyond” giving?

A: During this two-year period, every contribution to God through One Life is a contribution to our generosity initiative. This means that everything from our general ministry budget (which is anything BUT general!) to our special community outreach events, our mission work locally and globally, our church planting efforts, and our campus expansion projects will all be fueled through the One Life initiative.

In other words, every single dollar given within the next two years will fuel this life-changing mission!

Q: What are you asking me to do?

A: **First and foremost, we are asking you to pray and seek God’s leading on what He is asking of you.** Prepare your heart to hear Him, and then listen to what He says.

Engage in an Echo Group during this season, if you haven’t already. Spend time in personal reflection with God using the One Life Vision Booklet. Have great conversations with your spouse, your family, or others who are on this same journey as you.

Pray over what God would have you experience in this season. We are asking that you make a sacrificial commitment to gospel-centered generosity—whatever it is that God leads you to do. The most important thing is to follow His leading.

Finally, we ask that you prepare to be amazed. We serve an awesome God! He is moving in huge ways, and we anticipate an unprecedented impact from our collective One Life commitments—something that only God can do.

Please mark your calendar for our Advance Commitment Night, November 4th, 2021, as well as our Commitment Sunday on Sunday, November 14th, 2021, and prepare for an unforgettable worship experience with each one of these opportunities that will forever be remembered as a defining moment for our church and for our own faith.

Q: Are there additional ways besides cash that I can give more towards One Life?

A: Get creative in exploring ways you and your family can give towards the One Life Initiative! **You might have some stocks, property, or even some stored resources that God has blessed you with** and just might be calling you to give.

To give transfer stocks, bonds, mutual funds, or other non-cash gifts, please go to echo.church/giving or contact Vivian Dorflinger via email at vdorflinger@echo.church.

Q: How long is my commitment?

A: We are asking that everyone make a two-year commitment. The fulfillment period for your commitment will begin with our First Gift on Sunday, December 5, 2021 and will culminate on December 31, 2023.

Q: Does it matter which Echo campus I attend? Will my giving stay tied to my campus?

A: One Life is a one-fund initiative, meaning all of our giving is united, just like our mission for Jesus. However, we have campus-specific projects that will be designated as priorities for each campus. We all get the benefit of joint giving with the ability to fund projects at each campus that might not otherwise be possible. We call this the family win!

Q: What if I have never even given to Echo before?

A: One Life was crafted specifically with you in mind. One Life is a “one fund” generosity initiative, meaning that it is different from a traditional capital campaign where you are called to give an extra gift above and beyond your normal giving, thus creating two steps for people who aren’t yet giving. One Life is a call to sacrificial, gospel-centered generosity for absolutely everyone. If you have never given before, this is your chance to get in the game with a committed sacrifice. We really hope you will.

Q: What if I’m new around here?

A: If you’re new here, we firstly want to say a big welcome! One Life is all about the vision for our church and our personal discipleship in giving. We believe that the local church is one of the most compelling and powerful missions to give towards, and we would love for you to make Echo.Church

your home and join us in One Life. So if you're ready for it, this is the perfect time for you to put a stake in the ground and call this your church. We want you to join in with us on this adventure of living out the mission God has for us!

Q: What if I haven't been baptized yet?

A: People take different spiritual steps at different times. Some people begin praying before they begin attending church. Others begin going to an Echo Group before they begin talking to God in prayer. Giving is another spiritual step, and it comes at different times for different people. All we ask is that you ask God what His next right step is for you - and that you do that.

Regardless of your decision, one thing is for sure. Just like other spiritual disciplines, giving draws us closer to God. And God calls each and every one of us to live generously, with open hands. As He says to us through the Bible, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:19).

So whether or not you've been baptized, we encourage you to still join us in the One Life Initiative. We firmly believe it will draw you closer to God and hopefully to a place where you are ready to make the decision to become baptized.

Q: What if I have plans to potentially move away in the next 24 months?

A: First of all, we will miss you and hope you will still stay a part of our Echo.Church family through our online campus!

We invite you to continue supporting the mission and ministry of Echo and to commit fully for the two years and then modify later if needed.

We'd love for this to be something that keeps you tied into our family - because you are an important part of it!

Q: What if we don't raise the \$25 million total? How would you prioritize the projects?

A: Another question might be: "What if we raise MORE than \$25 million?!" In the event that either one of those things occurs, our leadership will assess our priorities and determine the best course forward. The current allocations of priorities stated in our secondary goal are all we hope to

accomplish if we reach our \$25 million goal. But in the event we either raise less or more than that, our leadership will assess our situation and communicate our priorities clearly in either direction.

For more specificity on this question for anyone with large concerns, please feel free to reach out to Vivian Dorflinger at vdorflinger@echo.church, and we'll be glad to do the best we can to communicate our thinking around current priorities, though they may be subject to change based on discernment and reality of current events.

Q: How can I give?

A: We have several options for giving. One is our giving envelopes provided each Sunday in all of our services. You can also give online at echo.church/give. There are more options to give (such as giving of your stocks or through your employer's matching fund). For more details, please visit echo.church/giving.

Q: I have more questions!

A: Great! Check out our One Life website at echo.church/onelife to learn more, and if you still have questions, feel free to email us at giving@echo.church.



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