



Dear Village Family,

As we go further into 2019, I'm excited about so many of the deep and meaningful experiences we will share as we journey through the Bible. There will be many opportunities to learn about the Scriptures, grow through missions trips, and go deeper in our community experience. The 70th anniversary (which we are planning for in August), when we honor the heritage of Village as well as look to the future of this church's impact in the community, is an experience the staff team is particularly excited about bringing to life.

As someone who has contributed to the ministries at and through Village, we're excited for you to see some of the fruit of our ministry in this annual report. A few highlights:

- Did you know this Christmas Eve we had the highest attendance in three years? We are already excited for our community Christmas Eve services in 2019.
- Our Korean Fellowship also recently had the largest attendance of a regular Sunday meeting.
- The increased diversity in Village and a continued pursuit of a deeper theological expression of multiculturalism.
- The 5pm Sunday service, which is helping us make inroads to local colleges. A renewed focus on interns this summer will also help bring energy and life into our young adult ministries.

Add to those exciting new things like the new church app, the re-emergence of an orchestra, and a retooled Village University, and we can begin to imagine a few of the ways we'll be able to stay better connected with communications, participate in ministry, and be educated deeper into the core tenants of theology and faith.

The focus at Village remains the same as the purposes the New Testament teaches us regarding the local church; that we would welcome people in, help them grow spiritually, equip others for works of ministry and move beyond our borders to reach those in need of Christ, all while doing this as a part of our worship of Jesus Christ.

There's a well-known leadership maxim that says, "we overestimate what we can do in one year and we underestimate what we can do in 5 years." I'm excited about 2019, but we as a staff team are even more excited about what can happen in the next several years.

Warmly,
Pastor Ken