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Move Up, Move Out, Move Down, Move In

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## A Letter From Pastor Ken

In 2017, our emphasis was for each individual and our church to MOVE! Martin Luther King, Jr., once said, *"If you can't fly, run. If you can't run, walk. If you can't walk, crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward."* This past year we did "move forward" and God did some amazing things...

**MOVE Up:** *In order to move up, we have to grow up.* That happens when we develop the individual disciplines that facilitate personal spiritual growth. Disciplines of reading the Scriptures, prayer, and connecting with a Life Group. Many took first-time steps to advance their relationship with Jesus through *daily time* with him and *weekly time* with others in a group.

**MOVE Out:** *In order to move out, we have to go out.* In the last 12 months, hundreds have been a part of making a difference *across the street and around the world.* Our July **Takin' It To the Schools** saw **300+** involved in **five Roanoke Valley Schools** for a workday. Teams went to prisons, **Baltimore, West Virginia, Nepal, India, Guatemala, Zambia, Kyrgyzstan, and Lebanon.**

**MOVE Down:** *A move from self-serving to self-sacrificing.* Last summer, we looked at the Gospel of Mark and observed how Jesus lived. We live in a culture that is consumed with our plans and agenda. Jesus was and is a contrast to culture. His whole life revolved around the mission. "...the Son of Man came **not to be served but to serve,** and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45) As we look to Jesus and study His life, it impacts both our attitudes and actions.

**MOVE In:** *A move to new spaces for new faces.* Each of our three campuses had changes in our facilities that allow for greater impact in our community. **North Campus** moved forward with remodeling existing space so that a booming children's ministry could expand. **Southwest Campus** moved from Cave Spring Middle School to Faith Christian School for more conducive worship services and children's ministries. **Salem Campus** moved into a new building for growing children and student ministries.

As you look through the 2017 Annual Report, take a few moments to reflect on all that God has done over the last year. We have a lot to be thankful for. Celebrate what God has done as we follow Jesus and point others to Him.

What's on the horizon for FCC? For decades churches have been known for what they are against. Certainly, we are against things like sin and social injustice. But often people hear only what we're against. What if they knew what we are FOR? Beginning this year, we want people to know that we are **FOR THE ROANOKE VALLEY!**

Looking forward to the future!  
Pastor Ken



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Life is always on the move. You move into a new home, move into a new job, move into a new relationship. Sometimes we need to move past a hurt, move away from an addiction, move beyond the dysfunction.

JUST

MOVE

## MOVE Up

*"...we grow up in every way...into Christ." Ephesians 4:15*

We MOVE UP when personally pursuing a relationship with Jesus and people.

## MOVE Out

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." Matthew 28:19*

We MOVE OUT by engaging in ministries in the Roanoke Valley and around the world.

## MOVE Down

*"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve..." Mark 10:45*

We MOVE DOWN when volunteering and being contributors rather than consumers.

## MOVE In

*"Now the sons of the prophets said to Elisha, 'See, the place where we dwell under your charge is too small for us.'" 2 Kings 6:1*

To make room for new faces, we were able to MOVE IN to new spaces at each campus in 2017.

# BAPTISMS

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## Matt Churchill

*"I lived a life focused on my own ambitions. Although I believed in God, I only wanted Him to get me out of trouble or give me what I wanted. My pleasure and my happiness were my idols. After I failed as a husband, father, and friend, I realized that I did not live a life submitted to Christ. I could never be who I wanted to be without Christ's strength and the Holy Spirit so I submitted my life to Christ. I now seek Christ's will for my life. Although I am still subject to the ambitions and self-centeredness of my old life, I submit all that I am and all that I have to Christ and believe His promise of a better hope through Him."*

## WEEKLY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

1,516



## Tom Brannen, Kairos Prison

*"It was one of the most powerful weekends of the 15 that I've been on! One inmate had been incarcerated for a long time and a practicing Muslim for 10 years. He accepted the Lord Saturday morning. After telling us that he had been born again, he shared, "I'd read in the Bible about the miracles Jesus performed; about the blind receiving their sight, the lame walking, and the dead coming back to life. I had always wondered what something like that must feel like for those people. Now I know!"*

GIVEN  
TO  
MISSIONS



316,444.70

LG 53  
Life Groups

ANNUAL GIVING  
2,811,543



VOLUNTEERS  
600



With these new spaces, FCC is continuing to lead more people in the Roanoke Valley to His Kingdom. We praise God for His work through you and in our church.



## NEW SPACES

The Annex has opened at our **Salem Campus**! After completing the two year capital campaign, "Until The Whole World Hears", construction was finished on a 20,000 square foot multi-purpose building that accommodates Kids Life and Student Ministries. This new space allows the next generation more opportunities to worship God, learn from His Word, and build relationships with others their own age.

## NEW FACES



God has really been working in the lives of families at our **North Campus**! Because of your dedication to investing in and inviting family, friends, and co-workers to join us at Fellowship, our Kids Life Ministry grew by leaps and bounds! It increased so much, we restructured our Kids Life classrooms and explored creative ways to best utilize the space God has blessed us with.



Our **Southwest Campus** moved to Faith Christian School on Buck Mountain Road in March 2017! This relocation has allowed us to save a significant amount on rent while we continue to search for a permanent location. It has also given us access to additional meeting spaces throughout the week. This partnership with a like-minded organization helps us further the Kingdom in Southwest Roanoke.

# TOTAL NUMBER OF

## Holy Spirit

Seeing the power of God unleashed in your life.



You are one decision away from a totally different life.

## This Is US

A Family Series

### Mark

Jesus the Servant, Jesus the Savior

June 11 - Aug 27



Sept 10 - Oct 1



### How To Neighbor

As the world grows more connected, our neighbors are closer than ever. But how close are we to our neighbors? You might not share a fence, but you can still share their burdens and joys. Now's the time to show the world *How To Neighbor.*



Orphan Sunday  
May 7

April 23 - May 14

May 21



### The ROC

The Reach Out Celebration (ROC) is Fellowship Community Church's annual church-wide international celebration. We meet amazing heroes of the faith from around the world and discover how God intends to involve you and FCC in taking the Gospel from our neighbors to the nations.

### No Matter What

Do you ever face situations that seem too hard? At times, God's ways are hard to understand. We sometimes struggle with how to respond to God's call.



Unlimited Sunday  
Nov 19

Oct 8 - Nov 12

Dec 3 - Dec 24

Attendance  
2,481



Vintage Christmas  
Our Favorite Traditions



### The Gathering

The Gathering was a time to meet together for dinner and Bible studies led by FCC Pastors, Elders, and Leaders. Participants chose from different topics of study among the three campuses during this six-week Gathering time. With Student and Kids Life classes, the entire family could come and experience The Gathering.

### ROC Reach Out Celebration

At our annual international Reach Out Celebration (ROC), we met amazing heroes of the faith from around the world and discovered how we can be involved in taking the Gospel from our neighbors to the nations.

*"The Reach Out Celebration event has been a blessing and a source of encouragement to me personally and to the ministry of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. It was so encouraging meeting other missionaries and ministry partners and being able to share stories and pray for and with them. FCC truly exemplifies the body of Christ, with many members stepping out and up to serve in various roles. We added eight prayer partners and a solid list of volunteers to engage as character coaches and decision counselors. It is a true ministry partnership, where working together will make a greater impact for God's Kingdom and His ministry through FCA. It's the model of ministry that Jesus taught and Paul wrote about in 1 Corinthians 12:12-27. Thank you for allowing FCA to participate this year and experience the grace of God and the sense of family with the body!"* Mark Long, FCA Virginia Mountain Director



### VBS Gadgets and Gizmos

In July, children experienced exciting, age-appropriate Bible storytelling and praise and worship during our Gadgets and Gizmos themed Vacation Bible School.

As a second grade Life Group leader at VBS, Ashleigh loved her group so much, she decided to volunteer in Kids Life every week as a Life Group Leader. She now teaches several of those VBS kids weekly and continues to build relationships with each of them, spiritually impacting their lives.  
*"I just loved connecting with the kids and sharing Jesus with them. I think my group is special and picked just for me."* Ashleigh Ruiz, North Campus



### Takin' It To The Schools

On July 28, 2017, more than 600 volunteers of all ages gathered throughout the valley to serve our adopted schools: Burlington Elementary, Oak Grove Elementary, Fairview Elementary, G.W. Carver Elementary, and Glenvar Middle School. For four hours, volunteers worked hard cleaning classrooms and windows, shoveling mulch and gravel, cleaning out flower beds, mowing grass and trimming bushes, painting walls, assembling shelving, and stocking supply closets. Staff, students, and school leaders are transformed when we serve them with "no strings attached."





## Unlimited Golf Tournament

The golf tournament gives us the opportunity to make new friends, raise awareness for individuals with special needs, have a fun day of golf, and most importantly, provide the resources to minister to families with special needs, allowing them to worship and serve within the body of Christ!



*"We attend FCC because of Unlimited. We know in FCC's actions that they love and want the special needs community and have a heart for our struggles. We don't get invited to many events and we don't often get invited out, but every week, there is one place where we know we are wanted and that's Unlimited at FCC."*  
Mike Garrison

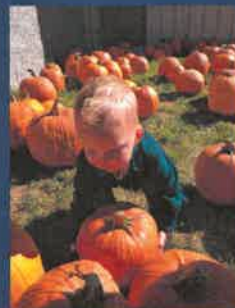


## Fall Fest

At the Fall Fest on October 1, 2017, you could pick the perfect pumpkin, pet an alpaca, hang onto a bucking bull, or eat the perfect bag of kettle corn. While everyone was enjoying the activities and the beautiful day, lives were being transformed at the Prayer Tent.



*"While at the 'Need Prayer?' tent, two young men came by requesting prayer for a friend who was in the hospital. They wanted prayer and something they could share with their friend about God. I walked them both through a Red Bag so they could share the contents with their friend and they both came to realize they were not Christ followers and surrendered their lives to him."*  
Missions Pastor, Bill Fuller



*"We ate lunch with a family who was invited by the people running the petting zoo. The family said they were interested in attending a worship service at FCC after enjoying the festivities and seeing several people they knew."* Student Pastor, Dan Gifford

## FamBlitz

The FamBlitz experience of extreme games and fun music was designed to encourage families to work together as a team. No Perfect Families were allowed. It was a night of family-friendly competition!



# DID YOU KNOW?

## 2017 FUN FACTS

**42,597**  
PARKING SPOTS USED  
ACROSS FCC CAMPUSES  
ON SUNDAYS



**23,592**  
DONUTS SERVED ON  
SUNDAY MORNINGS



**23,584**  
CUPS OF COFFEE SERVED  
ON SUNDAY MORNINGS



**3,258**  
FACEBOOK  
LIKES



**22**  
MINISTRY  
PARTNERS  
SERVED



**262**  
PEOPLE  
ATTENDED  
CAMPUS  
CLASSES



**86**  
FOSTER &  
ADOPTIVE  
FAMILIES  
MINISTERED  
TO BY  
EMPTY CHAIR



**186**  
YOUTH/CHILDREN  
ATTENDED  
CAMP



**14**  
MISSION  
TRIPS  
TAKEN



**416**  
POUNDS OF  
GOLDFISH EATEN IN  
KIDS LIFE MINISTRY



**85,886**  
SUNDAY PROGRAMS  
PRINTED



**18,900**  
FEET OF PAINTER'S TAPE  
USED IN KIDS LIFE





Fellowship Community Church is  
FOR The Roanoke Valley in four big ways!

#### We are FOR:

**FAMILIES** - We invest in families so that our faith can be passed to the next generation. We provide a fun and wholesome atmosphere where children, students, and adults can learn about Jesus and have the necessary resources to develop a vibrant spiritual life.

**SCHOOLS** - We partner together in making a difference in our schools in Botetourt, Roanoke City, Roanoke County, and Salem. We support them through Takin' It to the Schools workdays, mentoring, English As A Second Language (ESL) tutoring, and other means. We encourage administrators, teachers, and children with a "no-strings-attached" mentality.

**MEETING NEEDS** - We address the practical needs of people who are experiencing hunger, homelessness, human trafficking, disability, and foster care/adoption. Our basis for meeting social needs is to have the ability to address our greatest need, which is spiritual.

**COMMUNITY** - We believe that neighborhoods are a vital part of what contributes to the overall well-being of the Roanoke Valley. One reason for our multi-site strategy is that we engage neighbors with a greater opportunity to be a part of something within proximity of their home. Ultimately, our objective is to assist people in having community in the life of the church and with Jesus.



## 2018 SAVE THE DATE

### The Gathering

1/24/18 - 2/28/18

### Vacation Bible School

6/18/18 - 6/22/18

### Student Mission Trip

6/24/18 - 6/30/18

### Student Summer Camp

7/6/18 - 7/9/18

### Camp KidJam

7/16/18 - 7/19/18

### Takin' It To The Schools

7/28/18

### Worship Album Release

8/10/18

### Fall Festival

9/9/18

### Unlimited Golf Tournament

9/28/18

### Reach Out Celebration-ROC





11/2/18 - 11/4/18



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