

## GOD GOALS 2020

THE GOD GOALS ARE FOCUSED ON AREAS WHERE WE BELIEVE GOD IS LEADING BUT WILL BE DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE TO DO, WITHOUT GOD'S LEADING AND PROVIDING. AS YOU READ THESE, MY HOPE IS THAT YOU WILL READ THESE AND THINK SOMETHING LIKE THIS, "THERE IS NO WAY WE CAN DO THIS." IF YOU FEEL THIS WAY, THIS IS GOOD. MY PRAYER IS THAT WE WILL SEE GOD WORK IN WAYS IN OUR CHURCH THAT CANNOT BE EXPLAINED THROUGH OUR STRENGTH, TALENTS, AND/OR RESOURCES. THE ONLY WAY THESE MAY HAPPEN IS WITH GOD'S INITIATIVE, RESOURCING, AND SUSTAINING. WE WILL CONTINUALLY COME BEFORE GOD IN PRAYER AND SEEK HIS WILL. WE WILL BE OPEN TO HOWEVER GOD LEADS US AND WILL MAKE CHANGES AS HE DIRECTS.

1.) HAVE A CHURCH MISSION PARTNERSHIP IN CENTRAL AMERICA, SOUTH AMERICA, EUROPE, THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA, SOUTH ASIA, AND EAST ASIA THAT WILL INVOLVE SOME COMBINATION OF GIVING, GOING, AND PRAYING. EACH PARTNERSHIP WILL ALSO HAVE A UNIQUE FOCUS.

2.) BE A SPONSORING CHURCH FOR A CHURCH START IN NORTH AMERICA (UNITED STATES OR CANADA).

3.) BUILD PHASE ONE OF OUR RELOCATION WITHOUT DEBT.

4.) ADOPT THE LOCAL BISD SCHOOL WITH THE MOST CHALLENGES AND PARTNER WITH THEM (WHILE

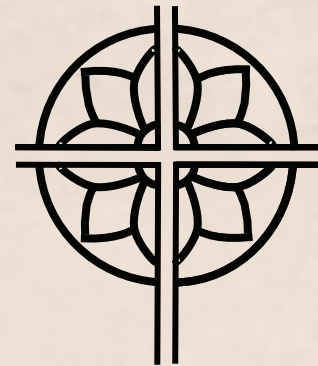
MAINTAINING BOUNDARIES) IN SUCH A WAY THAT WE BLESS TEACHERS AND STAFF AND PROVIDE MENTORS. WE WILL KNOW WE ARE MAKING AN IMPACT WHEN TEST SCORES GO UP AND ABSENTEEISM AND DISCIPLINE PROBLEMS GO DOWN.

5.) WE WILL SEE MORE LOST PEOPLE COMING TO FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST AND WILL AVERAGE AT LEAST ONE BAPTISM PER SUNDAY BY 2020.

6.) WE WILL CALL A FULL-TIME PASTOR OF RETIREES. HE WILL ASSIST IN PROVIDING PASTORAL CARE AND WILL WORK TO EQUIP RETIREES TO BE MISSIONARIES LOCALLY, IN NORTH AMERICA, AND INTERNATIONALLY. THE DREAM IS THAT ONE OF THE REASONS PEOPLE WILL WANT TO RETIRE TO BRENHAM IS SO THAT THEY CAN BE A PART OF WHAT GOD IS DOING IN AND THROUGH BRENHAM'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. THIS IS ALSO ABOUT A STRATEGIC FOCUS OF REACHING THE NUMEROUS RETIREES, MOSTLY BABY BOOMERS, WHO ARE RETIRING TO BRENHAM. I BELIEVE OUR CHURCH IS UNIQUELY PLACED AND RESOURCED TO BE A CHURCH THAT REACHES RETIREES.

7.) THERE WILL BE NO MISSING GENERATIONS IN OUR CHURCH, AND WE WILL BEGIN TO REFLECT MORE OF THE ETHNIC DIVERSITY OF BRENHAM. THIS MEANS THAT WE WILL BE A CHURCH FULL OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS, MIDDLE AGE ADULTS, AND SENIOR ADULTS. AS WE MOVE FORWARD, MY PRAYER IS THAT WE REACH ALL GENERATIONS AND NOT NEGLECT ANY OF THEM. I ALSO PRAY THAT WE WILL BEGIN TO REFLECT MORE OF THE ETHNIC DIVERSITY OF BRENHAM.

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**BRENHAM'S**  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

“OUR VISION IS TO BE A CHURCH  
OF ORDINARY PEOPLE  
USED BY GOD IN EXTRAORDINARY WAYS”