

EMPOWERED BY GOD  
TO REACH OTHERS  
FOR CHRIST

6,001

DECISIONS TO FOLLOW JESUS

God continues to work in big ways through our church. This past year, 6,001 individuals at Eagle Brook made the first-time decision to follow Jesus.

When we think of all the families, friendships, co-workers, and neighbors who will be impacted by each person's decision—not to mention the transformation of their own life—we are truly blown away. God is moving, and we're so humbled to be part of it.

22,211

↑  
0%

AVERAGE WEEKEND ATTENDANCE

### Campus Attendance

Anoka

3,803 ↑  
+13%

Blaine

2,608 ↓  
-32%

Lakeville

671

Lino Lakes

5,097 ↓  
-2%

Spring Lake Park

1,772 ↑  
+4%

Wayzata

1,084 ↑  
+3

White Bear Lake

2,692 ↑  
0%

Woodbury

4,990 ↓  
-4%

Online

13,331 ↑  
+18%

### Lakeville Campus

On April 14, 2019, we launched our eighth campus in Lakeville South High School. A campus in the south metro is a dream realized, and many Eagle Brook attendees made a move to be part of the new community. The campus has welcomed many new faces, has a significant Kids ministry, and over 100 people have already made the decision to follow Jesus. We continue to prayerfully seek an opportunity to build a permanent site in the south metro within the next three years.



2018/19

# Annual Report







# God will fight for us

I'm reading through Deuteronomy for my daily devotions and Moses is instructing Joshua to lead the Israelites into the promised land. They're standing beside the Jordan River and they can see the land they're supposed to possess, but enemy nations stand in their way and must be fought and defeated. Really? Just cross the river and defeat fortified nations with whatever rakes and hoes they carried with them for 40 years across the desert? But then Moses says to Joshua: "Do not be afraid of them; the Lord your God will fight for you."

In the margin of my Bible I wrote "God will fight for us." Our job is to trust and obey. Trust and obey. That's hard when we face "enemies" or barriers that seem insurmountable. Here's the thing: Our responsibility is to follow God into battle—the outcomes are up to him.

There have always been scary battles that we've had to fight through—lack of resources, staff shortages, internal conflict, zoning delays, affordable land and "When will you turn down the music???" We've heard it, fight it, agonize over it, never seem to resolve it. But that's life. And that's what I love about our church—we know there are battles to be fought every week, but as long as we trust God and obey him, he will always fight for us. The outcomes are up to him.

I love this church, love being the Sr. Pastor, and can't wait see where God leads us this year.

*Bob*  
Bob Merritt, Senior Pastor

## Empowered

On May 18/19, Bob and Jason shared the stage with an incredible vision of where God is leading our church. It begins with Acts 1:8, "...telling people about Jesus everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Our Jerusalem is the Twin Cities, and our Judea is Minnesota. Samaria is the Midwest. God is calling us to impact our region and our country with the hope and truth of Him. We're so excited to take the first step in this new vision when Eagle Brook Church - Rochester opens fall 2019.



9,126  
PEOPLE SERVING

## Eagle Brook Association

The mission of the EBA is to help other churches reach more people for Christ, locally and around the world. Our heart is to see communities transformed with the love of Christ through local churches. Every year, we gather church leaders together for training in how to create a healthy, impactful, outward-facing church. In 2018/19, the EBA has worked with 41 churches, trained over 300 pastors, and has seen 18,965 people decide to follow Jesus.



1,800  
PEOPLE BAPTIZED

## One by One

In November 2018, we launched the next phase of the One by One campaign, with a goal to raise \$25 million. It will allow us to remodel the White Bear Lake campus and establish a permanent campus in the West Metro.

Nearly 5,000 families have joined the effort! It is incredible what happens when people step out in faith and live generously. Every gift that's come in, no matter the size, will impact thousands. And with less than \$4 million left to reach our goal, we're eager to see how God closes the gap and continues impacting these communities.



8,153  
PEOPLE IN GROUPS

## Financial Update

Two years ago, we set a goal to see 10,000 people make a first-time decision to follow Jesus. At the time, this seemed like a huge goal and honestly, unachievable. Apparently, we had a lack of faith because two years later, we have surpassed that number by hundreds. Only God could amaze us in this way. In addition to people coming to faith, we continue to see God transforming the lives of people as they jump into community, serve him, and become more generous.

In addition to being grateful for the life change that He is up to, the financial position we are in as a church is an incredible blessing. Our general fund continues to be very strong, even while launching the two-year, One By One campaign to build a permanent campus in Wayzata and remodel the White Bear Lake campus. Our total contributions between the two funds this past year were a record high. The remodel of the Blaine campus finished under budget and is completely paid off, we launched our eighth campus in Lakeville South High School with cash, and we shared a large vision to reach the Midwest for Christ, starting with Rochester. God continues to work through this church in incredible ways.

*Tyler*  
Tyler Gregory, Executive Pastor

## Giving Comparison

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS **\$48,256,169**

GENERAL FUND **\$40,109,069**

CAMPAIGN FUND\* **\$8,147,100**

\*No active campaign. Contributions to the Online Church Fund.

## Expense Comparison

- 31% Human Resources
- 31% Campus Expansion & Capital
- 16% Ministry & Administration
- 11% Cash Reserves & Future Expansion
- 7% Debt Reduction
- 4% Facilities
- 1% Interest Expense

