

STATE OF THE CHURCH 2018

Ezekiel 47:1-12 The man brought me back to the entrance of the temple, and I saw water coming out from under the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east). The water was coming down from under the south side of the temple, south of the altar. ²He then brought me out through the north gate and led me around the outside to the outer gate facing east, and the water was flowing from the south side.

³As the man went eastward with a measuring line in his hand, he measured off a thousand cubits and then led me through water that was ankle-deep. ⁴He measured off another thousand cubits and led me through water that was knee-deep. He measured off another thousand and led me through water that was up to the waist. ⁵He measured off another thousand, but now it was a river that I could not cross, because the water had risen and was deep enough to swim in — a river that no one could cross. ⁶He asked me, “Son of man, do you see this?”

Then he led me back to the bank of the river. ⁷When I arrived there, I saw a great number of trees on each side of the river. ⁸He said to me, “This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, where it enters the Sea. When it empties into the Sea, the water there becomes fresh. ⁹Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so **where the river flows everything will live**. ¹⁰Fishermen will stand along the shore; from En Gedi to En Eglaim there will be places for spreading nets. The fish will be of many kinds — like the fish of the Great Sea. ¹¹But the swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they will be left for salt. ¹²Fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing.” NIV84

The Greatest Commandment

Mark 12:29-30 “The most important [commandment],” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’” NIV84

1 John 4:19 We love because he first loved us. NIV84

The Second Greatest Commandment

Mark 12:31 “The second [most important commandment] is this:

‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.” NIV84

Galatians 6:10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. NIV84

The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” NIV84

Financial Accountability

2 Corinthians 8:18-21 And we are sending along with him the brother who is praised by all the churches for his service to the gospel. ¹⁹ What is more, he was chosen by the churches to accompany us as we carry the offering, which we

administer in order to honor the Lord himself and to show our eagerness to help. ²⁰ We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. ²¹ For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men. NIV84

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016 Reimbursements	2,415.49
Meals - west	1,187.58
Meals - Air	1,123.00
Sunday school	1,044.01
Conference	858.96
Supplies	781.80
Refreshments	666.24
Outreach	549.96
Memory Madness	435.90
Sun Morning	422.58
Office toner & paper	366.04
Disc meals	285.62
Rio Web	236.35
Youth Conference	235.24
Pastors conference	220.31
Youth Outreach	214.08
BtoZ Publishing	188.82
Secret Church	181.96
Literature	176.94
Benevolence	163.33
Leadership	115.46
Women's Event	105.24
Iran Donation	98.25
Past conf meals	92.76
Building Repair	82.94
Student group	69.53
Office Postage	58.80
BtoZ web	39.90
Small Group	35.00
BtoZ Postage	26.48
Special events	18.25
Nursery	16.56
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