

Colorado Family Church January 2019 Highlights

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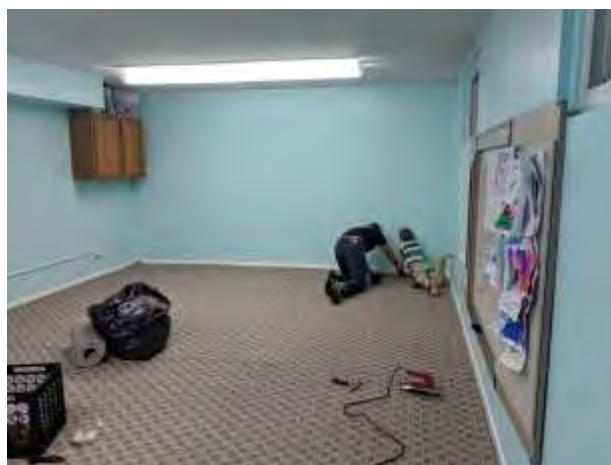


Dear families,

The first month of 2019 felt like it passed by so quickly. It was really an exciting month in so many ways, and we are excited to share about some of the things that happened.

January saw the beginning of some new and inspiring ministries in our church. For one, the Dollars and Sense ministry, headed by Dr. Hentrich and Jim Chimes, began as a way to openly share about all things financial. Also, a new parents sharing group started, headed by David and Kendra Stein, began as a way for young parents to study parenting practices and share with one another. Accompanying that ministry is a full-blown child care ministry involving child care for all age ranges, a hot breakfast for the children, and well-planned and age-appropriate activities.

In order to accomplish this, a substantial effort was needed to renovate the 5-8 year old Sunday School room to make it nice and multi-use. We cleaned out the room, repainted it, patched holes, put in new carpet, improved the lighting, bought new chairs, and much more. Many volunteers helped with this process, but we especially want to give a big thank you to Sjoerd and Namvan Vanderstok (and their families) for helping make this possible. [Here are some photos of the renovation process.](#)



Our Japanese members also organized two New Year celebrations earlier this month, one of which was a fun and karaoke night for college-age youth. There was great food and everyone had a quality experience and a lot of fun.



January was also the month we had our first membership class. This class goes in-depth into the purpose of our church, what we are trying to accomplish, why we do things the way we do (music, sermons, activities, etc.), and what it means to be a member of our church. At the end of the class, participants are asked to commit to a membership covenant, and we were so blessed to be able to welcome William Ortman as the first graduate and gave him an official welcome the following week. William is a wonderful addition to our community and we are grateful to have him. The next class will be February 24th.

We also helped sponsor two members of our community, Francois Heppell and Justine Daboni,

to attend the annual TribeNet conference in Las Vegas this month. They could hear testimonies of tribal messiahship and people reaching out to their neighbors and friends, as well as receive practical tools and training. We are grateful that they could attend and represent our community.



Dr. Hentrich also began an in-depth series of Saturday talks on the "Heart of the Principle." Attendees have really loved the presentations, as it focuses on what the essence of the Principle is.

On the 23rd, we participated in the latest in the Interreligious sharing series that has been organized by Gale and Antonio Alves. Representatives from our community and the LDS community came together for lunch and meaningful sharing that left both sides refreshed and informed.



[More photos...](#)

We also had a powerful sermon series this month called, "God's Calling For My Life." If you missed any of those, you can watch them on our YouTube channel or Facebook page. Also, due to our growth in church attendance, we have had to make some creative changes to the way we do our lunches and the food bank this month.

Lastly, you may have noticed that we have taken down the fence between our church and the alley. Since the fence was in danger of falling over on its own, we decided it would be best to just take it out and make plans for a new, much better fence. That will be coming a little later this year.