



**vintage** church

W E L C O M E   G U I D E

# WELCOME HOME

A LETTER FROM OUR SENIOR PASTOR

Welcome to Vintage Church. Thank you for giving us an opportunity to show you the warm hospitality that makes this church such a special place.

If this is your first visit to this church, or any church for that matter, we want you to feel welcomed and accepted. No matter what walk of life you are coming from, or the present circumstances you may be facing, you can know one thing for sure, God loves you more than you could possibly imagine.

The longer you hang out with us the more you will hear me say repeatedly that authentic community happens in circles not rows and it's important that you get

*“Authentic community happens in circles not rows.”*

connected to others. This Welcome Guide is an attempt to help you do just that.

If you have any other questions or would like to learn about making this your church home, please visit our guest services table or go to our website at [vintagechurch.cc](http://vintagechurch.cc).

Thanks so much for joining us today. We are thrilled to have you here with us and look forward to knowing you better!

*Reaching People & Building Lives,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Pastor Stephen Martin

EVERLASTING FATHER • MIGHTY GOD • PRINCE OF PEACE • WONDERFUL COUNSELOR • EVERLASTING FATHER • MIGHTY GOD • PRINCE OF PEACE • WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

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# OUR STORY

THE HISTORY OF VINTAGE CHURCH

Our story began in the Spring of 2012 as God began to call our senior pastor and his wife to plant a church in the Fort Hood area. Less than 12 months later, they would relocate their family to Harker Heights, deploy a strategic plan, raise funds and start building a launch team.

On January 19, 2014, with the help of his pastor and a spiritual family of churches, we launched our first public worship service in a Cinemark movie theater. Over 380 people attended that inaugural service.

What started as a vision in the hearts of our leaders grew from a humble 14 people meeting in a living room to a congregation that over 1,400 people call home.

Vintage Church has a specific call to the military & the communities that serve them.

*“Our mission is Reaching People & Building Lives.”*

It is our dedication to the mission that motivates us to create environments where ordinary people can experience spiritual family and be equipped to love God and love their neighbors as themselves.

We are excited about what God continues to do in our church family and we are convinced that the best is yet to come.





# THE WEEKEND EXPERIENCE

*WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT*

## **What are messages like?**

Pastor Stephen communicates with a warm, humorous, and personal style. Each weekend you'll find his messages are Bible-based, offering practical life guidance rich in wisdom yet easy to understand.

## **What kind of music can I expect?**

We desire that you encounter God in an authentic way during our time together. Our worship is influenced by Hillsong, Chris Tomlin, Desperation Band, and Kari Jobe.

## **What is appropriate to wear in church?**

At Vintage, you'll see nearly every style of clothing, from casual to business professional.

## **What type of church is Vintage?**

Vintage Church is a Christian, non-denominational, Bible-centered, Spirit-filled church.

## **What do you have for middle & high school students?**

We encourage all students to attend

weekend services, become members, serve on Vintage Teams, participate in small groups, and everything else we encourage their parents to do. We offer student-only small groups where they can connect with other students their age.

## **Your Kids**

We offer classes for children 6 weeks to 5th grade during all of our weekend services. Visit the Vintage Kids Parent Concierge desk in the lobby to register your child before service.

## **What if my children need me while I'm in the service?**

Each week when your child checks in, you will receive a security tag. If your child needs you during the service, your child's code will appear on the message board above the center screen in the Adult Auditorium.

## **What if I still have questions?**

Call the church offices at 254-415-9491 or email us at [hello@vintagechurch.cc](mailto:hello@vintagechurch.cc)

# NEXT STEPS

*FIND YOUR PLACE & FULFILL YOUR PURPOSE*

Next Steps is a 5 week membership small group that will introduce you to our church's mission, vision & culture and also serves as our official growth track. It is the first and most vital step to grow and get more connected in our spiritual family.

**WEEK ONE** - The first week is taught by our Senior Pastor. It is a basic introduction to our church and what it means to be a member of the local church.

**WEEK TWO** - The second week will focus entirely on your personal relationship with Jesus and walk you through how you can grow in your faith.

**WEEK THREE** - The third week, you will discover your individual personality and spiritual gift mix and learn how you can use them to help others.

**WEEK FOUR** - The fourth week focuses on servant leadership and will give you practical steps to use your gifts to build The Church.

**WEEK FIVE** - At the conclusion of each Next Steps small group, you will be invited to serve on a Vintage Team and/or host a small group.

Next Steps Small Groups launch each month. A complimentary meal & childcare is provided for every week. Each meeting will last approximately 70 minutes.

Register for upcoming Next Steps small groups at [next.vintagechurch.cc](https://next.vintagechurch.cc) today!





# WHAT WE BELIEVE

## THE ESSENTIALS

### **JESUS CHRIST**

We believe that Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary, lived a sinless life, died for our sins, was raised from the dead and is at the right hand of the Father as true God and true man. Matt 1:18-25 . Rom 9:5 . Heb 12:2

### **THE BIBLE**

We believe the entire Bible is the inspired, infallible, authoritative Word of God and should be the supreme and final authority in our lives and faith. 2 Tim 3:16-17 . 2 Pet 1:20-21

### **ONE GOD**

We believe in one God who exists and reveals Himself in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Deut 6:4 . 2 Cor 13:14

### **SALVATION**

We believe that all mankind was created in

the image of God, but fell from relationship with God by voluntary disobedience. Only through accepting Jesus Christ's substitutionary sacrifice of His shed blood for our sins, can we be forgiven and restored into fellowship with God. Gen 1:27 . Rom 3:23 Rom 5:1 . Rom 6:23 . Eph 1:7

### **ETERNITY**

We believe in the personal and imminent return of our Lord and the following bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, with everlasting joy for the saved and everlasting, conscious punishment of the lost. Acts 1:11 . 1 Thes 4:13-17 . 2 Cor 5:10 . Rev 20:4-6 . Rev 11-15

### **THE CHURCH**

We believe that The Church is comprised of all those who acknowledge Jesus as Lord and Savior and that scripture instructs believers to identify and regularly assemble

with other believers to devote themselves to worship, prayer, teaching of the Bible, fellowship, and works of service. Heb 10:24

### **THE HOLY SPIRIT**

We believe that at the point of salvation the Holy Spirit fills each believer to be a source of strength, assurance, and wisdom.

1 Cor 2:9-14 . 1 Cor 6:19-20 . Matt 3:11 . Acts 2:4 . Acts 38-39

### **THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

We believe that the Holy Spirit has supernatural abilities to distribute to Christians for the instruction and empowering of every believer, when operated in balance and order, will bring God glory. 1 Cor 12:1-12 . 1 Cor 14:40, John 16:13-14

### **WATER BAPTISM**

We believe that water baptism by immersion in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in the authority of Jesus' name, should be followed by all believers as a public profession of their faith in Christ. Matt 28:19 . Acts 2:38 . Acts 8:36-38

### **LORDS SUPPER**

We believe that the holy ordinance of Communion should be received by believers walking in fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ as a remembrance and celebration of what Christ accomplished for them on the cross. Luke 22:19-20 . 1 Cor 11:23-29

# SMALL GROUPS

*COMMUNITY HAPPENS IN CIRCLES NOT ROWS*

## **JOIN A SMALL GROUP**

Groups are a great way to make new friends and at the same time grow in your relationship with God. Our groups are as varied as we are; whatever the age, interest, or location, there is a group that is just right for you. New groups start and stop three times a year—Spring, Summer, and Fall semesters. It's never too late to join one of our groups!

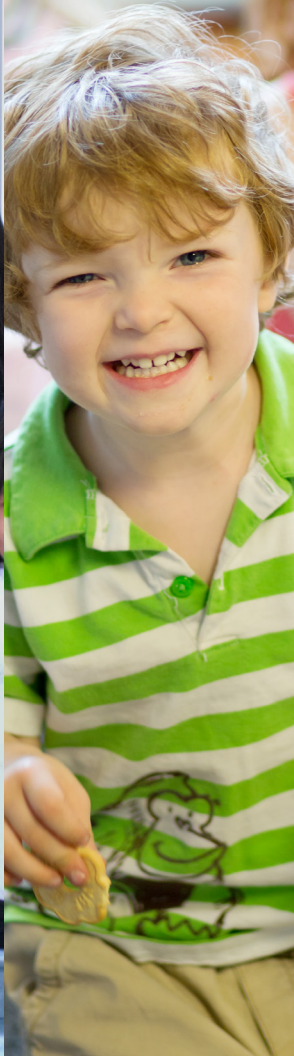
Browse current groups by visiting our website at [groups.vintagechurch.cc](http://groups.vintagechurch.cc)

## **HOST A SMALL GROUP**

We believe that everyone has areas of strength & gifting that could benefit others. The first step to becoming a small group leader is to complete the Next Steps Small Group and attend Groups Host Orientation.

Visit [groups.vintagechurch.cc](http://groups.vintagechurch.cc) to find out more about hosting a small group.





# SERVE OTHERS

WAYS FOR YOU TO SERVE AT VINTAGE

## OUTREACH & EVENTS

Throughout the year our church hosts several all-church events & outreaches aimed at serving our community in a variety of ways.

Visit [vintagechurch.cc/events](http://vintagechurch.cc/events) for more information about upcoming events.

## VINTAGE TEAMS

God created you with gifts that fill an important need in the local church and make an eternal difference in the lives of people. Some of the areas you could serve include: Guest Services, Vintage Kids, Worship & Production, Prayer & more. For a comprehensive list of teams and instructions on how to join, visit [teams.vintagechurch.cc](http://teams.vintagechurch.cc)

*“The best way to discover your spiritual gifts is to serve alongside those in the church.”*

# VISIT US ONLINE

VINTAGECHURCH.CC

The Vintage website is designed for you to get up-to-date, relevant information at the click of a mouse. Check it out and find answers to your questions, confirm service times and learn about events.

Make sure to check out our weekend messages and look for more details about the ministries, missions and serving opportunities. All of this is available for you at [vintagechurch.cc](http://vintagechurch.cc)

**Can't make it to a weekend service?** Watch the service online at [live.vintagechurch.cc](http://live.vintagechurch.cc) from the comfort of your home.

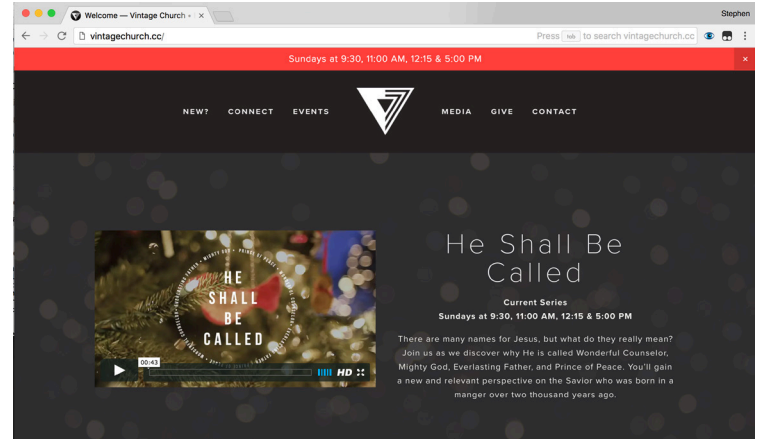
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# 2016

A YEAR IN REVIEW



## EASTER

5 services reaching 1613 people  
48 decisions to follow Jesus



## EGGSTRAVAGANZA

253 volunteers served over 2,916 hours  
Over 8,200 guests attended  
50,000+ eggs stuffed & hunted



## MISSIONS

213 children sponsored with Compassion International  
200 lbs of school supplies given to homeless KISD students.  
\$130,889 given total to missions & ministries



## WEEKEND SERVICES

27,895 adults attended 213 services  
1,253 decisions to follow Jesus  
116 people were water baptized



## SMALL GROUPS & TEAMS

37,866 hours spent in a small group  
Over 1511 people attended a small group  
52,976 volunteer hours completed by service teams  
6,311 people served in 213 services

## VINTAGE KIDS

15,950 kids attended 213 services  
6,472 diapers changed  
413 decisions to follow Jesus  
72 kids dedicated by their parents



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