## **ANOTHER YEAR—ANOTHER CHANCE**

Everyone at one time or another has said, "Give me another chance."

It may have been in school, on the job, or in a relationship. We have all at one time or another wanted a second chance. A New Year has arrived and along with it you are going to get another chance at life.

Perhaps you did not fare so well in 2016. Maybe you made a mess of a relationship. Maybe you did not spend enough time with your family. Whatever your problem, opportunity is birthed out of them. The bigger the problem the bigger the opportunity. 2017 brings with it an opportunity to start over, to undo some things and to do some things. 2017 is an opportunity to make a fresh start.

The one ingredient that is absolutely necessary in making a fresh start is change. No one likes to change we must. Someone has said, "The New Year is like a new baby, many changes will be necessary, some of which will be neglected."

We are creatures of habit. Many times change is difficult even though we need to change. Many people are willing to change, not because they see the light, but because they feel the heat. Be open to change this new year. The process of change and growth has lasting value

It is never too late to change. God is giving you another opportunity in 2017. God delights in giving people second chances. All through the Bible there are examples of people to whom God gave a second chance. Moses, Jonah, Peter just to name a few. They made the best of their opportunities the second time around.

FallsCreek Community Church is filled with people who are making the best of the opportunities that God is giving them. No one is a "second class" person at FallsCreek. Everyone is accepted wherever they are on their spiritual journey. You can't make the journey on your own. You will need the help of others—and you will need to give help to others. Together we can grow spiritually.

John Maxwell said there are three words that determine your growth.

Choice – It allows you to **start** growing. Change – It allows you to **keep** growing. Climate – It allows you to **enjoy** growing.

Why don't you give us a chance in 2017? We will give you one!