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New Year - New  
Heart  
January 20th



The 5th annual ACMin **New Year - New Heart** Prayer Conference will teach us to *Run With Endurance!* Join us

### Dear ACMin Family & Friends,

We thank you for allowing us to serve you during the past year and wish you every good and perfect thing throughout 2018 and beyond!

With abundant blessings-  
The ACMin Leadership Team

### 2018 - Ushering in A New Era

As we ring in the New Year, our hearts turn to expectant hope because of the infinite possibilities that lie ahead. There's something about the word "new" that causes us to consider

that this year might be different in limitless good ways. After all, God has given us the ability to discern the times and the seasons (Mark 13:28).

What's especially significant about this New Year is the purposeful alignment with the number "8." In the Hebrew calendar, the year 5778 began on September 20, 2017. The number "7" represents completion. As 5777 came to a close, the Lord brought completion to lots of chapters and seasons in so many lives, and urged us to not be afraid to "turn the page" to the new chapter. (We can get very comfortable with where we are, even if it's not an ideal place—at least we know what we're dealing with.) After all, He is the one writing our stories, so why would we fear the unknown? With the Hebrew year 5778 in full swing, coupled with the ushering in of 2018, how great is our anticipation when we understand that "8" represents "new beginnings" or a "new era." Consider that God spoke eight times to create the world and everything in it before He commissioned man to rule over His creation. He chose the eighth day to mark the beginning of the new week. He saved eight people in the ark to usher in a fresh start for mankind. God commanded Moses to



as Paul Cooke, Debbie Huckaby, Marcia Wilbur and other gifted ACMin leaders will help us identify our race so that we may run it to reach the ultimate goal of Christ glorified in and through us! Click on the link below for all the details.

Bring a friend!

[New Year - New Heart Prayer Conference](#)

Saturday, January 20th, 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM.

**National Christian Foundation**



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circumcise newborn male children on the eighth day after their birth (Leviticus 12:3), a sign of His covenant with them. Jesus was circumcised at eight days old. Eight is the personal number of Jesus. Eight signifies resurrection and regeneration. And, Pentecost took place on the eighth day of the seventh week.

According to God's intention for this year of "eight," we delight in declaring that 2018 is a year full of the earthly manifestation of the Lord's many promises to us. We thank Him that He is always in the process of making everything new, including us (Revelation 21:5). During the recent past, He has been perfecting and refining our individual and corporate relationship with Him, bringing us into a greater one-ness with Him so that we can be trusted to carry the fullness of His Holy Presence. We have sought the power of His Holy Spirit to create in us clean hands and a pure heart. We have delighted to linger in the light of His perfect love. We have been brought into agreement with Him regarding our deepest hearts' desires (Psalm 37:4). In 2018, the Lord will take great delight in bringing those heart desires into reality in the earth, so that we might see a new and greater degree of manifestation of His Kingdom for our good and His eternal glory!

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen! (Ephesians 3:20-21)

**It's NOT too late!**



There is still time to enroll in a spring semester course! If your heart is to be challenged and grow in your faith, consider a course in

prayer, discipleship, spiritual gifts, or even beginning Hebrew! Anyone can audit ACMin courses. You need not be enrolled as a college student. But hurry! New classes begin this week! For available courses and to register, click here: [Spring 2018 Course Schedule](#).

Interested **Dual Enrollment** and **Degree students** should call our office at 706-769-1472, or contact Paul Cooke, ACMin's Director of Student Affairs, at [pcooke.acmin@gmail.com](mailto:pcooke.acmin@gmail.com) to inquire about enrolling to earn college credit.

**ACMin Impact**

**ACMin Impact: The Artifact Review Process**

At the close of each semester, the ACMin leadership staff reviews examples of student work in an extensive review of each course that was taught. We look for direct evidence to see how well the course



are also available. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for allowing the LORD to provide through you!

## 2-Way Prayer



### 2-Way Prayer

As part of its commitment to growing believers into a deeper faith, ACMin is excited to offer its first 7-week Life-IN-Christ seminar, **2-Way Prayer**, beginning Tuesday, January 9, 2018. Instructor, Cindy Mackey, will take you on a journey to reach a deeper more intimate relationship with Christ through prayer. To register, click on the link below!

[Life IN Christ](#)  
[Spring 2018 Schedule](#)

objectives, the ACMin Program Objectives and Educational Philosophy correspond to the actual outcomes of each course. This process allows us to identify the strengths and impact of each course and to be vigilant for possible areas of improvement. At ACMin we always aim high, because we want our courses to significantly impact each student's life. Based on the review of fall semester course artifacts, ACMin is meeting its course and program objectives with excellence!

## Full Scholarship Available for a Master's Student

Would you like to answer your ministry calling by earning a Master of Arts in Christian Ministry at no cost?!! ACMin is offering a full work-study scholarship opportunity for an individual interested in being part of the ACMin Leadership Team while they study as our **Event Coordinator**.



Earn a ministry degree and gain powerful leadership experience while you study! It's a win-win! Interested candidates should contact Dr. Marcia Wilbur for additional information: [mwilbur@acmin.org](mailto:mwilbur@acmin.org).

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