

given before. It requires that we show up each Sunday to worship and pray with our spiritual family. It requires that we give of our time and talent to volunteer where needed. It requires that we continuously support our spiritual home with our treasure. And it requires that we show up in these supportive ways in spite of the fact that things are different.

Why is this so important? Because finding our *right physical home* is a monumental undertaking that requires the presence of a collective consciousness coming together, as often as possible, to hold the *vision* of finding the *right physical home*. And we are holding that vision every Sunday we come together to worship. In Matthew 18:19-20, Jesus is quoted as saying, "Again, I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything ... it will be done for you by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them." Well, just think if 160 of us were coming together every Sunday, with our minds, hearts, and souls holding the vision of our *right physical home*, how much more we would convince the *Mind that is God* to move the universe in concert to bring our physical home to us.

One hundred and sixty (160) folks on a Sunday may sound like a lot, but it really isn't. It's just a matter of all of us committing to *being at Unity Center of Light on Sunday*, ready to give of our time, talent, and treasure. If we would all make the commitment to *being here on Sunday*, we would assuredly make our goal of being in our right physical home.

The *courage to imagine* is about always asking yourself the question, in each aspect of your life, *what is mine to do?* For most of us, Unity Center of Light is a very important part of our life. It is the catalyst for our spiritual growth and self-discovery. It is our spiritual family . . . our spiritual life . . . our spiritual home. And yes, there are other spiritual places we could go to worship, just like there are other places we could move to and live. But, for many of us we love where we live and would not move, because our home is where our heart is. And, so it is with Unity Center of Light. It is where our heart is. It is where our soul is. It is where we are discovering who we truly are.

So, as the opening paragraph from Unity Worldwide Ministries expressed, "*Born in the image and likeness of God, we too are creators.*" We co-create our world by taking advantage of the growth opportunities life presents us.

Regardless of whether or not we have yet found a place, the fact still remains that we have some collective *work-in-consciousness* to do. And the way for us to *know* that we are *working-together-in-consciousness* is for us to *come-together* and inspire each other by the sheer number of us who are working diligently to *hold-the-vision*.

So, I invite you to accept this invitation to have *the Courage to Imagine* by continuing your commitment to your spiritual home as we go through this very exciting (and possibly challenging) process of discovering that perfect physical place to house our vision. 2018 is going to be a very exciting year.

THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE 2018

Please keep this page as a reminder of your commitment to your spiritual growth.

THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE Through Prayer and Meditation

I commit to the practice of becoming still for _____ (amount of time) each day. During this time each day I will practice being in the silence, experiencing the power and presence of God being active in every area of my life.

THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE Through Spiritual Celebration

I commit to keeping the Sabbath sacred and holy by coming to church _____ Sundays each month to celebrate with others who, like myself, are on a spiritual journey.

THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE Through Study

To increase my understanding of how to live my life according to the Truth principles I am studying, I commit to attending _____ class sessions per month.

THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE Through Practicing Loving Kindness

I commit to practicing loving kindness in my relationships with the following people:

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THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE

Through Service

I commit to give my time, energy, and talent in service to God's work that is being done through my spiritual home by serving in the following ministries:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Setting Up Sanctuary* | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning Up Sanctuary* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Setting Up Coffee* | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning Up Kitchen* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greeting* | <input type="checkbox"/> Ushering* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Working Sound System | <input type="checkbox"/> Selling Books* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bringing Refreshments* | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Care Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Working In Youth Ministry* | <input type="checkbox"/> CDs - Sundays |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office Help | <input type="checkbox"/> Flower Team - Sundays |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lending Library | <input type="checkbox"/> E-Church/Outreach Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Team |

The commitments marked with an "" are for one Sunday a month.

You will be contacted about service commitments.

THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE Through Tithing

I am already a committed tither and will continue to tith:

\$ _____ weekly, \$ _____ biweekly, or \$ _____ monthly.
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I commit to becoming a tither by determining the amount of my income I can give freely and regularly. The amount I commit is:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ weekly; \$ \_\_\_\_\_ biweekly; or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ monthly.

### THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE Through Supporting the UCL Building Fund

In addition to my tithe, I commit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ monthly to support the Building Fund.

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**Please keep this copy for your records.**



The theme for the year 2018, set by Unity World Headquarters at Unity Village is, **THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE**. Every year Unity sets a theme for the whole Unity movement as a focal point for creating a collective consciousness working together in dreaming big, living fully and making it our best year yet.

From the Courage to Imagine 2018 Calendar, "Born in the image and likeness of God, we too are creators. We create through the faculty of imagination – our innate spiritual ability to dream, envision, and fashion in mind what we wish to see in reality. However, we can under use this capacity in daily life. We give up on our dreams. We settle for what is instead of what could be. Creatively using our imagination requires the courage to stretch ourselves in new and challenging ways. It means being brave enough to step out in new directions, and bold enough to call forth our untapped abilities."

Every month we have a monthly focus such as peace, love, guidance, blessed, creative, prosperous and grateful.

The Universe is calling you and Unity Center of Light as a spiritual community! What dream will you dream for the coming year? How big are we willing to imagine? 2018 stretches before us with infinite possibilities... to dream big, live fully, and make it our best year ever." Are you ready to join us?

We, in the Unity Center of Light community have been given a great opportunity for spiritual growth. We have been shaken from the comfort of our previous physical home and now find ourselves actively involved in searching for our "right physical home." So, for those of us who have been calling Unity Center of Light our spiritual home we each find ourselves asking, "Do I have the courage to imagine our "right physical home" and then take the steps that are given to me as we move forward in this search?

Right now we are in a different room for Sunday Worship. We are sitting in different chairs. We do not have all of the wonderful decor created by those members who worked hard to create an inspired place for worship. The physical place is different, but the "heart and soul" of our spiritual community are the same. Well . . . actually they are not the same, because as we rise to embrace the challenging journey of finding our "right physical home," this journey requires of us more heart and more soul. It requires a commitment of time, talent, and treasure greater than we have

## THE COURAGE TO IMAGINE 2018

Please turn this page into the church office to inform us of your commitment.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone - Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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| _____ Choir                      | _____ Special Events         |
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| _____ _____                      | _____ _____                  |

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