LAUNCH SCRIPT

It is so good to be here today!

I know a lot of us started 2018 with New Year's Resolutions on our mind, and if you're anything like me, your resolution revolved around two things getting in better shape and becoming a better person...and if you are like me again, you already slipped in that resolution! Well, we as a church are launching an opportunity to both get in better shape and also change the lives of children all over the world!

On Saturday May 19th we will be joining churches all around the world by hosting World Vision's Global 6K for Water. On one day, over 50,000 people will be walking or running to bring life-changing clean water to children in the developing world and it's going to be amazing.

About 1,000 children die every day from not having access to clean water - that's more than AIDS and Malaria <u>combined</u>. On top of that, the average distance kids have to walk for water that slowly kills them is 6K, about 3.7 mi. It keeps them out of school and it makes them even more vulnerable to kidnapping and trafficking because most of the time, they walk alone.

This event changes all that! Every person who signs up for the Global 6K provides lasting clean water to a child in need and removes that barrier from their life, allowing them to pursue the fullness of life that God desires for them!

I know what you're thinking, "I love the cause but I'm not a runner, I'm out of shape, there's no way I can do this." Well I'm here to say not only can you do this, **BUT YOU HAVE TO DO THIS.**

It doesn't matter if you are in shape, you can run it; you can walk it, or even push a stroller. **ANYONE** CAN DO THIS!

In a minute, I want to show a quick video about how awesome this event will be, but right now what I want to challenge everyone to do is sign up tonight using the postcard you got on your way in, and also grab more postcards on your way out and personally invite 5 friends or family members who may be far from God to join us.

ALL OF YOU in here can walk 6K, in fact we could do the 6K in the clothes we're in now: all of you could do this.

MOST OF YOU can do this AND also invite a friend or family member to do it with you and bring clean water to more than one child.

SOME OF YOU can use this event as an outreach tool to invite someone who is far from God to come and walk with you. This is a transformational experience and it definitely brings us all closer to God especially in those moments you realize God is working through us to help these children on the other side of the world!