



SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

"A New Way to Think of Resolutions in 2025"
Colossians 3:1-14



NEW LIFE
CHURCH

Where Jesus & His Word are Exalted!

New Life Church Welcomes Our Guests Today!

New Life Church is a friendly community Where Jesus and His Word are Exalted! It is a real blessing to have you visiting with us today. We love welcoming and connecting with people in our community.

If you and/or your family are first-time guests at New Life Church, please complete the attached Connect Card. Each first-time guest family that completes and submits the Connect Card will receive a Gift Bag from our NLC Family.

Visit the Welcome Table following the worship service to submit your Connect Card and receive your Gift Bag. Members of the Welcome Team will be available to answer any questions you may have about New Life Church.

*Our NLC family looks forward to meeting you
and getting to know you!*



CONNECT CARD

Welcome to New Life Church! We love welcoming and connecting with people from our community. If you are visiting with us today, please complete the top portion of this card so we can connect with you. If you are a First-Time Guest, following the worship service bring your completed Connect Card to the Welcome Table to receive a Gift Bag for your family. Thank You!

How did you hear about New Life Church?

Friend/Family Friend/Family Name: _____

Website Advertisement Other: _____

Please circle: First-Time Guest Returning Guest New Resident Would Like To Be Contacted Member Regular Attender

Contact Information

(Please Print - Thank You!)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Family Information

(Please Print - Thank You!)

Age Group (please circle): 13-18 19-25 26-35 36-45 46-55 56-65 65+

Category (please circle): Married Single Engaged Divorced Widowed Youth

Children (names & ages): _____

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I have a **PRAISE** that I would like to share with the (circle all that apply): Congregation Pastor Staff

I have a **PRAYER REQUEST** that I would like to share with the (circle all that apply): Congregation Pastor Staff

I Would Like The Pastor To Contact Me

PASTORAL SEARCH TEAM UPDATE

The pastoral search team had a zoom meeting with the NL Moore and Associates search firm. We have signed a contract with the firm and will continue NLC's search for a lead pastor with the prayerful wisdom and guidance of the NL Moore team. Consultants from NL Moore will be worshipping here at New Life Church the weekend of

January 10th-13th.

Your input and collaboration is important to this process. We strongly encourage you to sign up to be a part of one of the focus group conversations on Sunday, Jan. 13th. Focus groups are intended for our ENTIRE adult church family, members and attenders alike. These groups will be about an hour in duration. A sign up link is available via this email. You can also sign up using the QR code or the sign up sheet at the welcome table. This will be a time for you to get more information about the search process and NL Moore firm as well as an opportunity for you to ask and answer questions. Light refreshments will be provided at both sessions. Childcare and a simple lunch for kids will be provided at the 12:00 time slot.

BRIEF ITINERARY FOR NL MOORE CONSULTANTS

Saturday Jan. 11:

Meet with Elders

Meet with Pastoral Search Team

Meet with Focus Group including Deacons and Volunteer Leaders

Staff Interviews

Dinner with Pastor Ronnie and Beverly

Sunday Jan. 12:

9:00 Focus Group with Congregation

Worship with New Life Congregation

12:00 Focus Group with Congregation

Staff Interviews

Scan Me →
to register for
a Focus Group



CONTACT

We covet our church family's thoughts, desires and prayers. Should you have any inquires or special prayer requests for the team please email us at our shared address, listed below. An email is preferable to face to face discussions and questions to keep the entire team invloved.

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Praying For Our Pastor Search

Thank you for taking the time to use this prayer guide. We know this is a time of great importance in our church's history and praying is the most important thing all of us can do. We have been given the opportunity to seek God's face and ask for His wisdom in determining whom He is calling to be the next Pastor at New Life Church.

As we go through this process, we will be providing a monthly prayer guide. What is important is your time with the Lord. It does not matter what it looks like, when you do it, or where you meet with Him. It just matters that at some point everyday, you pray.

The goal of our times of prayer is to seek God's direction and wisdom in a unified effort. Each day, you will find a specific prayer request. Praying as a congregation will keep us focused and unified as we grow individually in our intimacy with Christ. As we pray for the church, the next pastor, and the Pastor Search Team, we also encourage you to ask God to clearly reveal His vision and next steps for your life and the ministry He wants to use you in. Through this, we hope you will be able to see what He sees, go where He is leading, and join Him where He is working.

Also, we encourage you to team up with your family, a small group, or a few friends to join you in this journey. It will be beautiful to experience these months of prayer with your brothers and sisters in Christ. It is our hope that those of you who have children will involve them in this prayer process as well. If our children can understand the power of prayer in their lives now, it will have a lasting effect on their lives as adults.

Thank you for praying as we seek wisdom and discernment of God's will. James 5:16 states, "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." With this in mind, we need to be right with God and come to Him with a clean conscience so that our prayers are not hindered. Begin your prayer time with praise, gratitude, and confession.

Buckle up! God, get us ready to do what only You can do.

Kirk Zuercher
Prayer Coordinator

January 2025

Search Team & Church Leadership

Pastoral Search Team Members: Jeff Lundeen, Kirk Zuercher, Pam Conrad, Dan Davis, Rachel Maurer, Sarah Samek, Phil Strayer

Jan 1 - Happy New Year! Pray that 2025 will be a year full of God's blessings for the search team, church leadership, Pastor Ronnie & Beverly, and our next pastor and his family.

Jan 2 - Pray for the search team as they continue to communicate with NL Moore & Associates to prepare for the weekend when our Lead Consultant will be at New Life (January 10-12).

Jan 3 - Pray that no personal agendas will surface but only the will of the Lord as the Pastoral Search Team seeks what He has next for New Life.

Jan 4 - Pray for the search team to have no timetable but God's. They must be determined to find God's perfect will in His perfect time.

Jan 5 - Pray for our church today as we gather together to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May we worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Jan 6 - Pray that the search team will seek God's will for the church above their own desires.

Jan 7 - Pray that the search team will work together in a way that demonstrates love and honors all of the members' input.

Pastor Ronnie & Beverly

Jan 8 - Pray for Pastor Ronnie as he continues to study and prepare his sermons from 1 and 2 Peter.

Jan 9 - Pray that Pastor Ronnie will be open to God's leading as he continues to lead us through this transition.

Jan 10 - Pray for Pastor Ronnie & Beverly to know how much they are loved by our church family. May we, as a church, always express that love to them.

Jan 11 - Pray for Pastor Ronnie & Beverly as they share dinner tonight with our NL Moore Consultants. May the communication between them be good and helpful.

Jan 12 - It's Sunday! Pray for Pastor Ronnie today as he brings the message that God has laid on his heart. May he preach God's Word with boldness and clarity.

Jan 13 - Pray that Pastor Ronnie & Beverly will patiently await God's timing and settle for nothing less than His perfect will as they look to the future.

Jan 14 - Pray for Pastor Ronnie & Beverly to have the peace that passes all understanding when it comes to opening up the next chapter of life for them and for New Life.

Church Family

Jan 15 - Pray for our church family as we take the time over the next couple of weeks to complete the questionnaire for NL Moore & Associates as they use it to assess the health of New Life.

Jan 16 - Pray that we will love each other as God has called us to. May others see Him through our love for one another.

Jan 17 - Pray that God will reveal to us if anyone has anything against us. If He does that, may we take the steps we need to take to seek forgiveness and a clean heart.

Jan 18 - Pray that we will be prepared to make the necessary changes to embrace a new day of ministry as God leads.

Jan 19 - It's Sunday! Pray that we will all have ears to hear and hearts to understand how God is speaking to us today. May we be obedient to Him as He calls us into a deeper relationship with Him.

Jan 20 - Pray that we will be reminded that every person at New Life matters and that the work of the church is the collective work involving each one of us. We all have a part that God has called us to.

Jan 21 - Pray that our church family will seek the Lord as we continue our desire to be a vibrant, growing community of seekers and believers Where Jesus and His Word Are Exalted.

Jan 22 - Pray for the team at NL Moore & Associates as they assess the health of New Life and prepare the documents to communicate that to our church leadership.

Jan 23 - Pray for our church leadership to receive this assessment with understanding and a desire to follow God as He leads us down this road.

Jan 24 - Pray that all of us would humbly set aside individual expectations for this process and the next pastor. May we be unified as we walk down this road together.

Future Pastor & His Family

Jan 25 - God knows who our next pastor is. Pray that he will have an open heart when God begins preparing him for the next step in his walk with God.

Jan 26 - It's Sunday! Pray that our next pastor will preach God's Word with boldness and clarity today where he is serving currently.

Jan 27 - Pray that God will bless the relationships our next pastor has with his family and his church family where he is currently serving.

Jan 28 - Pray that our next pastor will be a strong leader in his current place of service, in his transition, and in his new place of service here at New Life.

Jan 29 - Pray in advance for our next pastor and the time he will spend with NL Moore & Associates in the future.

Jan 30 - Pray that our next pastor and his family have absolute certainty in their sense of call to New Life when that time comes. He must know God's direction.

Jan 31 - Pray that when the time comes, our next pastor will have a passion to continue the work of the Lord here at New Life and that he will be excited about the opportunities here.

This Is Amazing Grace

Verse 1

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much
stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Verse 2

Who shakes the whole earth with holy
thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and
wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done
for me

Verse 3

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Verse 4

Who rules the nations with truth and
justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done
for me

Bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the
grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the
grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the
grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy worthy worthy

Chorus

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
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Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done
for me

How Great Is Our God

Verse 1

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Bridge X2

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

How Great Thou Art

Chorus X2

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art

Because He Lives

Chorus

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

Verse

God sent His Son they called Him Jesus
He came to love heal and forgive
He bled and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove
My Savior lives

Chorus

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

Verse

And then one day I'll cross that river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then as death gives way to vict'ry
I'll see the lights of glory
And I'll know He reigns

Chorus

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

Lord I Need You

Verse 1

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus 1

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Chorus 1

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Chorus 2

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!
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Personal Notes