

PASTOR RONNIE'S FINAL WORDS

LET THERE BE GLORY IN THE CHURCH!

EPHESIANS 3:14-21

MESSAGE 4

August 24, 2025



**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

August 2025 - A Month of Praise

Let's all join together this month in praising and thanking our God:

Aug 1 - For the way He led our church family to unanimously affirm the calling of Pastor Chris Cortes as our next Lead Pastor.

Aug 2 - For the way He used the pastor search team and for the oneness and unity they felt each step of the way.

Aug 3 - It's Sunday! Let's come together today to worship and praise our God and Savior, Jesus Christ. May His name be exalted today above every other name.

Aug 4 - For the way Pastor Ronnie and Beverly have led us through this transition. Their faithfulness is evident to all.

Aug 5 - For the calling that He has placed on the lives of Pastor Chris and Jess Cortes as the next Lead Pastor of New Life.

Aug 6 - For the way He led us through this process and for using NL Moore to bring Pastor Chris and Jess Cortes to us.

Aug 7 - For the children's workers that Grace Baptist sent over on Sunday, July 27th, so that all of our church family could be in the service to hear Pastor Chris preach.

Aug 8 - For the way He has been leading us through the hallway of this transition and for the unity we have as a church family.

Aug 9 - For the confidence that we all have that there is still a lot that God wants to do through New Life Church as we enter into a new chapter soon. May we all be open to seeking Him with all of our heart.

Aug 10 - It's Sunday! Let's praise God for the faithful teaching of His Word that we have had for so many years and that we know will continue for many years into the future.

Aug 11 - For the humility that Pastor Ronnie and Beverly have exhibited as we all know that this is God's church and not our own.

Aug 12 - For the beautiful children that Pastor Chris and Jess have. May their family experience God's peace and strength as they follow Him in obedience.

Aug 13 - For the trust that we all have in church leadership. May our leaders always seek after God and be willing to be obedient no matter how He leads.

Aug 14 - For all of our volunteers who so faithfully serve in Children's and Youth Ministry. May God continue to use them to proclaim His Word to the younger generations.

Aug 15 - For a church family that seeks God and loves Him and each other. May we grow in our desire to share the Gospel to the lost and our love for them.

Aug 16 - For faithful giving from our church family that allows us to do the work God has called us to do. May we be good stewards of what God entrusts to us.

Aug 17 - It's Sunday! Let's thank God for everyone serving in ministry today, including Children's ministry, the safety team, greeters, the worship team, the audio/visual team, youth leaders, and anyone else who is serving behind the scenes.

Aug 18 - For the great example that Pastor Ronnie and Beverly have lived out before us of what a godly marriage looks like.

Aug 19 - For the spiritual gifts that God has given to Pastor Chris and Jess as they finish up their work at LCBC and begin serving at New Life in a few weeks.

Aug 20 - For all of our missionaries who are serving around the world. May God continue to give them everything they need to carry on His work in reaching the lost for Him.

Aug 21 - For the various ministries of our church. May God continue to use these ministries to further His kingdom and draw more and more people to Him.

Aug 22 - For the vision that God has for New Life Church as we look to the future. May we continue to exalt Jesus and His Word in everything we do as a church.

Aug 23 - For the spiritual gifts He gives to each of us as we strive to do our part. May we understand what our role is as we are all part of His body, the church.

Aug 24 - It's Sunday! Let's praise God today from Whom all blessings flow. May He continue to speak through Pastor Ronnie as he delivers his next to last sermon today as Pastor of New Life Church.

Aug 25 - For the leadership abilities Pastor Chris has developed in his previous ministry opportunities. May he lead well as he takes on this new role in the coming weeks.

Aug 26 - For Pastor Ronnie & Beverly's family and the love they have for each other. We praise God for the impact New Life Church had on so many of them.

Aug 27 - For the elders and deacons as they serve God and His church. May they serve faithfully in each of their rolls.

Aug 28 - For the peace and strength that only God can give as He has led us through this transition. He granted peace to the search team, church leadership, Pastor Ronnie & Beverly, the church family, and to Pastor Chris and Jess Cortes.

Aug 29 - For the King of all kings and Lord of all lords who gave Himself for us that we all might have eternal life. He is worthy of all our praise and so much more.

Aug 30 - For the opportunity we have today to celebrate what God accomplished through the ministry of Pastor Ronnie & Beverly for the past 50 years. It is so evident how God called and provided all along the way.

Aug 31 - It's Sunday! Let's come together in celebration and praise as Pastor Ronnie delivers his final message as Pastor of New Life Church. May we have ears to hear what God is speaking to us and may we have hearts that will obey as God leads.

Promotion Sunday

AUGUST 24, 2025



Congratulations!
To the following students
who are moving from
Children's Ministry
to Youth Group.

Each student was asked the four questions below. You can read their responses next to their photo.

1. What school do you attend?
2. What is your favorite memory about Children's Ministry?
3. What are you looking forward to about Youth Group?
4. What are your hobbies / what do you like to do for fun?

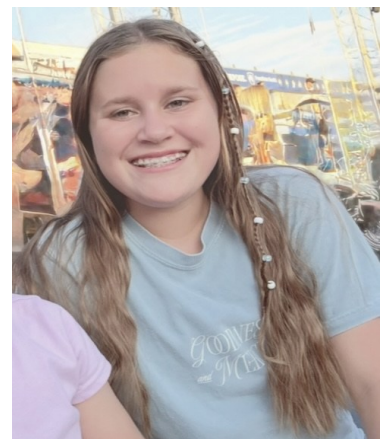


Christina Coleman:

1. Mountain View Middle School
2. I liked hanging out with my friends and enjoyed the games at AWANA.
3. Hanging out with my friends and the fun activities. I also am looking forward to helping out in the children's ministry.
4. I like to draw, listen to music, scroll through Pinterest, and I have recently taken on a new hobby of ice skating!

Adelyn Helmick:

1. West Shore Christian Academy
2. Getting my Timothy Award for completing all my AWANA books.
3. I'm looking forward to being able to help with the children's activities now as a youth attendee.
4. Playing travel soccer, spending time outside, and helping Miss Amanda set up her children's events.





Rowan Kauffman:

1. Crossroads Middle School
2. Learning about God / Jesus.
3. Looking forward to learning more about God and making friends.
4. Going to Church every Sunday and playing with my friends at church.

Troy Lambie:

1. Crossroads Middle School
2. Vacation Bible School
3. I'm not sure yet.
4. Electronics, Legos, Scouts, guitar, soccer, I love to learn about cars and random facts, and hanging out with friends.



Graham Lieb:

1. Homeschool
2. The Manatee song from Jungle Journey VBS.
3. Friends and having fun.
4. Drawing, reading and video games.

Charlie Stoner:

1. West Shore Christian Academy
2. I liked doing the activities during class. They help to make learning about the Bible fun!
3. I am looking forward to becoming closer to God.
4. I like to run and play soccer. I love hanging out with my friends and being in the sun!



BECAUSE KIDS MATTER TO GOD

Awana is an exciting opportunity that reaches kids for Christ through fun, Scripture-rich experiences that teach them to know, love, and serve Him.

**REGISTER BEGINNING
AUGUST 1ST!**



**SCAN THE QR
CODE TO REGISTER**

BACK TO AWANA CLUBS

September 10th: Parents should stay for an informational meeting and kick off night fun!

September 17th: First regular Awana club night



2 THRU 3 YEARS OLD

**WEDNESDAYS, STARTING
SEPTEMBER 10TH
AT 6:30-8PM**

Awana Ministry Director:
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Two years away from starting Kindergarten



K THRU 2ND GRADE



3RD THRU 6TH GRADES

Registration fee of \$20*per clubber up to a maximum of \$60 for families with 3 or more children.

*This covers uniform, handbook, and all awards to be earned.

If you would like more information, please contact the Awana Ministry Director.



YOUTH BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

GRADES 7 THROUGH 12

SEPTEMBER 10TH - 6:30 TO 8 PM

ENJOY BURGERS AND FRIES
MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES

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FOR THE '25-'26 YEAR





Pennsylvania March *for life*

Harrisburg, PA

September 22, 2025

marchforlife.org/Pennsylvania



The Lion And The Lamb

Verse 1

He's coming on the clouds
Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break
As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Chorus

Our God is the Lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion
and the Lamb
Every knee will bow before Him

Verse 2

So open up the gates
Make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

Chorus

Our God is the Lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion
and the Lamb
Every knee will bow before Him

Bridge X4

Who can stop the Lord Almighty
Who can stop the Lord (Almighty)

Chorus

Our God is the Lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the Lion
and the Lamb
Every knee will bow before Him

What A Beautiful Name

Verse 1

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Verse 2

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge 1

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

Bridge 2

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Ending

What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not Thy compassions they
fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

Verse 2

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to
guide
Strength for today and bright hope for
tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand
beside

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto 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

Chorus

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

Chorus X2

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

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

August 24, 2025

PASTOR RONNIE'S FINAL WORDS LET THERE BE GLORY IN THE CHURCH!

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, ¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, ¹⁷ that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— ¹⁹ to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, ²¹ to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Message 4

♦ Glory is showing up and showing off where God is taking the first step!



Now the LORD had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you." Genesis 12:1

The most dramatic changes in your life will come from God's initiative, not yours. The people God used mightily in Scripture were all ordinary people to whom He gave divine assignments that they never could have initiated. The Lord often took them by surprise for they were not seeking significant mandates from God. Even so, He saw their hearts, and He knew they were trustworthy.

The Lord spoke to Abram when He was beginning to build a nation dedicated to His purposes. Through this nation would come the Savior. God appeared to Moses at the very time He had purposed to deliver Israel out of slavery in Egypt. God found in Jesse's youngest son David a godly man who could lead His people. God surprised Mary when He told her she would be the mother of the Messiah. God's Son selected the twelve disciples, all ordinary, uneducated men, when He was ready to take the good news of His salvation to the world. Through the ages God has taken the initiative in the everyday lives of people to accomplish things through them that they never could have imagined.

The Lord may be initiating some new things in your life. When He tells you what His plans are, trust Him and walk closely with Him. Don't let the busyness of your present activity keep you from experiencing all that God has in store for you. You will see Him accomplish things through your life that you never dreamed were possible (Eph. 3:20).

- ◆ Glory is showing up and showing off where God is pouring out a double-portion of His Spirit and blessings!



And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?" Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." 2 Kings 2:9

There had never been a man like Elijah. Elijah had raised the dead, called down fire from heaven, and revealed God's plans for a devastating drought. The Israelites must have felt certain there would never be another prophet like Elijah, until Elisha came along. Moses was arguably the mightiest leader the Hebrews had ever followed, yet God prepared Joshua to accomplish what not even Moses had achieved. David's reign marked a high point for the nation of Israel, yet it was Solomon who carried out the task that was denied his father, by building the spectacular temple.

We can be tempted to put more trust in the leaders God gives us than in God Himself. History teaches that, as wonderful as these godly people are, God always has another Moses, Elijah, or David. Often the successor will come with a double portion of their predecessors' spirits.

God's purposes do not depend on us. He has limitless ways to accomplish His will. The same God who led Moses could also use Joshua. If no one were willing to serve Him, the Lord would accomplish His work by His own divine power. We are not irreplaceable to the Lord. He will achieve His purposes. The question is this: Will we be a part of God's activity, or will He find someone else? We deceive ourselves if we think we are indispensable to God. Service to the Lord is an honor God bestows on us, not a favor we do for God.

If you are mourning the loss of one of your leaders, do not despair. God has another leader, for He will see that His will is carried out. It may even be that He has been preparing you to be that leader.

- ◆ Glory is showing up and showing off where God is working in us with His mighty power!

Higher Ground

Verse 1

I'm pressing on the upward way
New heights I'm gaining ev'ry day
Still praying as I'm onward bound
Lord plant my feet on higher ground

Chorus

Lord lift me up and let me stand
By faith on heaven's tableland
A higher plane than I have found
Lord plant my feet on higher ground

Verse 2

My heart has no desire to stay
Where doubts arise and fears dismay
Tho' some may dwell where these abound
My pray'r my aim is higher ground

Verse 3

I want to live above the world
Tho' Satan's darts at me are hurled
For faith has caught the joyful sound
The song of saints on higher ground

Verse 4

I want to scale the utmost height
And catch a gleam of glory bright
But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found
Lord lead me on to higher ground