

Welcome to the Celebration!



New Life Christian Community

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." 2 Cor 5:17

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Ministry Highlight - Executive (Third) Pastor

Next weekend, Paul and Amy Linzmeier and their two children will be visiting our New Life fellowship. Paul is being put forth by the New Life Elder Board as the primary choice for the new pastoral position being implemented in 2018. Paul is a native to Wisconsin and graduated from UW River Falls in 2012. Currently, he and his family live in Louisville, Kentucky where Paul attends The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Soon, Paul will graduate with a Masters in Discipleship and Family Ministry. He's a humble servant who is excited about digging in with his brothers and sisters in Christ here in the pursuit of Jesus.

If you are a partner at New Life, you are cordially invited to a brunch this Saturday, February 10th, at 9 a.m. at the New Life building. There, you will have a wonderful opportunity to hear from Paul, meet him and his family and, as always, eat. We look forward to seeing you all there.

With all this talk of Paul and a new pastor, some might be wondering, "What's this new pastor going to do around here?" Believe it or not, there is a lot going on around New Life. The ministry never rests and the support of a third pastor, according to the prayerful leading of the Elder Board, is a needed help. Therefore, several months ago, New Life started searching for an Executive Pastor.

Wait...What is an Executive Pastor? Let me explain. First, do not think corporate executive. We're not hiring a mega boss to direct Pastors Tony and Chandler. In fact, this new pastor will be accountable to the Elder Board, just like Pastors Tony and Chandler. Instead, think steward. The Executive Pastor is a pastor who will come in and help steward all the resources, talents, ministries, volunteers, and efforts of the New Life body ensuring that all things are being done for the glory of God and centered on the gospel of Jesus Christ.

John Piper, in his online article titled, "Executive Pastor: Why and What?", has explained the Executive Pastor in this way: "The Executive Pastor differs from the Senior Pastor in that he gives more immediate oversight to organization: planning, directing and evaluating the ministries of the church. He is the human nerve-center for the creation, development, staffing, coordinating,

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Ministry Highlight Cont.

and direction of ministries in the church. He sees that these things get done, so that communication, harmony and faithfulness to the vision prevail..."

I think that quote is pretty helpful.

If Paul is called as our pastor, he will primarily be responsible for five ministries. First, he will oversee the general administration of the church. As Piper said, he will see that things get done with harmony and faithfulness to Christ. Second, Paul will be heavily involved in direct-contact shepherding. He will be shepherding people in one-on-one discipleship relationships and training other shepherds to do the same thing so that our church continues following Jesus' Great Commission in the making of disciples. Third, Paul will provide direct oversight for all Ministry Team Leaders. Fourth, Paul will facilitate weekly, pastoral (Tony, Chandler or Paul) visits with visitors and partners. Fifth, Paul will help uphold the overall vision of New Life – Only Jesus.

The Elder Board, including the pastoral staff, believe this addition will be for the edification of the body here at New Life. As the church in Dresser grows numerically and spiritually, the Executive Pastor will be a wonderful asset.

As we seek to help lead and meet the spiritual needs of this community, please join us in this step of faith. As we move forward we believe God will provide the needed financial and prayer support.

If you have any more questions, please talk with Pastors Tony or Chandler or speak with a member of the Elder Board (Zack Fugate, Paul Gilbertson, Dale Mattson, Greg Mattson, Rene Milner, or Jim Nelson). Their contact information can be found in the Newsletter.

Updating the New Life Directory

Be sure to get your picture taken and update your contact information this week or next. Our talented photographer, Jim Larsen is setup to take your picture in one of our classrooms by the kitchen.

Feb. Book Highlight

This month's highlight is highly acclaimed by many trusted theological scholars and authors - as well as our very own pastors! "In *Words of Life*, Timothy Ward examines why, in order to worship God faithfully, we need to pay close attention to the Bible; why, in order to be faithful disciples of Jesus – the Word-made-flesh – we need to base our lives on the words of the Bible; and why, in order to keep in step with the Holy Spirit, we need to trust and obey what the Bible says." Copies of *Words of Life* are available for purchase today in the Resource Center!

Partners' Brunch

Partners** join us on Saturday February 10 at the New Life building to visit with the Linzmeiers (check out the ministry highlight in this newsletter for more info about who the Linzmeiers are). We will meet at 9:00 am to visit with Paul and Amy. Around 10:00 we will be eating brunch. If you would like to bring a brunch item (please), sign up on the welcome table in the front lobby. If you are interested in becoming a partner - please make plans to meet with a pastor or an elder. We would be happy to discuss this process with you! It's painless and we would love partner with you.

this week [events]

- 2.4 Forge @ 6:30
- 2.7 Immerse @ 6:15
- 2.8 Men's Bible study @ 6:30 am
- 2.8 Women's Bible Study @ 9:30 am
- 2.8 GriefShare @6:30pm

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Feb. Memory Verse

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." - Proverbs 3:5-6

meal [teams]

- Feb. 11th Meal Team 6
- Feb. 18th Meal Team 7
- Feb. 25th Meal Team 1

Today's Passage

JUDGES

Our Desperate Need for the King

Pastor Tony will be teaching from the
Book of Judges.
Our passage for today is Judges 2:6-10.

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