



# 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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## Pastoral Ponderings

### Would You Like a Little Salt with That?

*"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person."-Colossians 4:6*

Consider the author's words above. Now, allow yourself to consider a time when someone's words have encouraged you, discouraged you, provided you with comfort, or broke your heart. It is very rare that words have zero impact on the people to whom they are spoken. As a young boy, I can remember the first time one of my parents' friends corrected me for my misbehavior and how much fear it caused because it was so unexpected. The truth of the matter is that while we may not always remember what a person does or the exact specifics of the events, we can always remember the way a person made us feel. The power of words is long lasting. For example, Proverbs 15:4 states, "A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit." Proverbs 18:20-21 states, "From the fruit of a man's mouth his stomach is satisfied; he is satisfied by the yield of his lips. Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits." All in all, what we say and how we say it can ultimately lead to fostering or destroying relationships... but the kicker is this; the words we speak also either lead those around us to the feet of Jesus, or they lead them away.

*"The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things."-Proverbs 15:28*

When we are speaking to one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, it is critical that we consider the weight of our words. For example, I can remember a time when my family was living in Eau Claire and we were at church one Sunday morning. A new family was visiting the church and they had several small children with them. One of the regular attendees walked over to the couple during the service and stated, "Please find a way to control your children's volume level as it is very distracting to the rest of us." We never saw that family again. While it may seem harmless on the surface, imagine what it felt like to be that family. Were they met with the love and grace of Christ, or were they left to feel judged and unwelcome? Perhaps you can even think of a time when you have experienced something similar. In all

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## Pastoral Ponderings Cont.

seriousness, we can likely all think of a time when we have experienced something much worse, either as the recipient or the deliverer.

Brothers and sisters, let us pray that we would be a body of believers committed to seeking Jesus and allowing his Word to season our thoughts with grace, hope, and faith instead of self-righteous judgment. Let us be a body driven to ensure that, even in correction, the grace and love of Christ would abound. And finally, when we find ourselves in the midst of fellowship, may God move in such a way that our words would bring a little salt to the table.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Zack Fugate

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*welcome*

Welcome Pastor Bennett and his Family: New Life, the Anderson's are planning to arrive at their new home October 31<sup>st</sup> around 3:00 pm. We are so glad to have them here soon! Please make every effort to welcome them and bless them with moving help and/or meals as they arrive. Their address is 2382 Big Lake Ave. in St. Croix Falls.

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We'd like to collect some gift cards to favorite local establishments to give Holly and Bennett upon their arrival on October 31<sup>st</sup>. If you're up for joining in on this Welcome Gift, get the gift cards to Julie Minell at any time between now and then, with a personal note, if you'd like.

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Reminder Potluck next Sunday!!

If you able, please bring a dish to pass as we break bread together around a good meal.

*Potluck  
Sunday*

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**Fellowship  
Tip:**

Resolve to get together with someone this week and share your testimony

## Announcements & Upcoming Events

**Video Ministry:** This is an opportunity to serve those who are unable to join us in person to worship Jesus Christ and to study God's Word on Sunday morning. New Life video ministry is looking for camera operators. You can sit with one of the camera operators to see what is involved, talk to anyone on the team about the ministry, or contact Jim Mabee @ 651-470-4172. We'd love to have you on the team.

**Operation Christmas Child:** Thank you to the families who assisted with boxing the shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Your help was invaluable! We will be accepting WOW gifts til Nov. 3, as well as collecting privately sponsored boxes. Anyone can sponsor a box. If you do not wish to make your own box and want to sponsor one or more (70 more to be sponsored), contact Lorraine Milner or take an envelope off the entry table and insert your check to Samaritan Purse for the number of boxes donated (each box costs \$9.00 to ship), leave the envelope unsealed and drop in collection box at back of the worship area. This can be done online at their website so you can track your boxes. If doing online, bring your tracking slip to insert on the boxes donated. Please bring your boxes in by Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> with either paid tracking or check to cover shipping inside it. Thank you so much! PROV.14b "... blessed is he who is generous to the poor."

**Pray for Nation:** Next Sunday, November 4 at 6:00 pm we are gathering with churches in the valley at Hope Church (933 248<sup>th</sup> Street, Osceola) to pray for the nation. Let's gather together for a time of prayer. May God have His way in us. May His will be done on earth as it is done in heaven.

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### This Week's Schedule of Events:

10.31 Women's Bible Study @ 12:30 am

10.31 No Immerse this week

11.1 Men's Bible study @ 6:30 am

11.1 Women's Bible study @ 9:30 am

11.1 Grief Share @ 6:30 pm

11.1 No Ezekiel Study

(All meet at the building)

### Upcoming Potluck/Meal Teams:

Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> Potluck #1

Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> Meal Team 5

### October Memory Verse

"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." Hebrews 10:24-25

## 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 17:1-6.

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