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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

Missions

In the past months, the members of the missions team have been contemplating who the Lord is.

Is He worthy to be praised and proclaimed? Who is best to do this? These questions sparked a curiosity in our conscience that led to sharing a book by reformed pastor Tom Wells, titled "A Vision for Missions." This is a timeless book written in 1985 about the character of God and the motives for missionary work. Do you know the magnificent saving power of Jesus Christ? Then God in Christ is worthy to be proclaimed by you for who He is.

John 3:16-18 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God."

1 John 4:11 "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."

What greater love can we have than to lay down our lives sharing the love of God with others. Our view of God and our attitude toward missions must be God centered. "The man who knows God best is the man who best knows Jesus Christ" and is the man best equipped to tell those God puts in his path about the Glory of our great God. For the sake of our souls and those of the lost, and to the glory of God we must seek to grow in our knowledge and love of God in Christ Jesus that we might be fully equipped for every good work. "The heart of God towards the poor distressed sinner is fully unveiled at the cross. For us to be God centered means to have this same compassionate heart." This heart then compels us to have concerns for the needs of men. The greatest of these needs being the very Glory of God Himself.

Presenting examples, the book dives deep into the lives of great men of faith like David Brainerd, William Carey, and Henry Martyn. The chief end of their service was to glorify God and enjoy Him forever in Christ. He alone is our reason and purpose. This is an immutable truth. Christ is our motivation. Christ is the power

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in us to reach out to lost men and women with the good news of God's glory as seen in the face of Jesus Christ.

Missions is THE MISSION of the body therefore we must be concerned with the God of Missions. The Vision for missions is a vision of God and His Glory, in and through Jesus Christ.

Whether you are contemplating going on a short-term mission, relocating to a permanent new home in a foreign country, or trying to carry the Glory of God to your very own family and friends, this book is a must read for you. Pick up your copy in the resource center.

Disclaimer: The missions team is not responsible for the results of reading this book. There may be untold effects on your vision leading to actions beyond your control, up to and including forsaking this world and following Him alone to the glory of God alone.

Announcements.

Over 60?: Please come and enjoy some fellowship and a potluck meal at the Swisher's home on Saturday, March 9th, IF you are over 60! 1934 75th Ave. (County Rd Y) Dresser. We'll plan on eating around 5:30. We will provide hamburgers. Questions - 763-458-1261

Book Study: You are invited to join us for a 2-part book discussion of Andrew Naselli and J. D. Crowley's book "Conscience: What it is, How to Train it, and Loving Those Who Differ". We will meet Tuesday, March 5, to discuss chapters 1-4 and Tuesday, March 19, chapters 5-7. Both meetings will take place at Julie's house, 2212 73rd Ave, Osceola, at 6:30 pm. If you have any questions, please reach out to Julie 715-417-1981 or Megan 715-553-8369

Men's Retreat: Brochures and registration for the 2024 St. Croix Valley Men's Retreat are now available. Coming up April 12-13 men, young and old, from all over the valley will gather at Oak Forest Retreat Center in Frederic for a rich time in receiving the preaching of the Word, engaging the text in group discussions, and enjoying fellowship with one another in Christ. If you have any questions about the retreat or registration just talk to Pastor Paul.

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This Week's Schedule of Events

Mon	Prayer Night/Barton's- 6:30 pm
Tues	Men's Bible Study- 6:30 am
Wed	Every Man's Battle- 6:00 am
Wed	Immerse- 6:15 pm
Thurs	Men's Bible Study- 6:30 am
Thurs	Ladies Bible Study- 10:30 am
Thurs	Ladies Bible Study- Noon
Thurs	Ladies Study- 6:30 pm
Thurs	GriefShare- 6:30 pm (Adults & Youth meet separately)

Meal Teams

3/10 Meal Team 8

3/17 Meal Team 1

Contact *Barbara Judkins* if interested in joining a meal team.

Fellowship Tip for March

Share a favorite memory verse with someone today. If you don't have one, begin to memorize God's Word and practice reciting it to others.

March Memory Verse

Ecclesiastes 12:11

"The words of the wise are like goads, and like nails firmly fixed are the collected sayings; they are given by one Shepherd."

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Women's Thursday Evening Bible Study:

Our next Women's 6:30pm Thursday Bible Study is starting soon; March 21 to June 6. We will be studying Behold your God: The Weight of Majesty by John Snyder. Workbook is price has dropped and is now \$12. The Sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Contact Colleen Firkus 612-889-7581 with questions. A 1st week sample is available for review.

Good Friday Service: We will be taking special time to focus on the Cross during our Good Friday Service coming up March 29th @ 6:30pm. Not that we don't usually focus on the cross but this is a solemn service where, in humility, we remember that it was our sins that our Savior went to the Cross to pay for. We will end this service taking the bread and the cup. As a part of reflection, we encourage each person to fast in some form and be in prayer beginning this evening anticipating Easter morning and His triumph over sin and death. Our Easter service, March 31st, will begin at 8:00am breaking our fast and again partaking of the bread and the cup in celebration which then will lead into an Easter Brunch meal. Our regular service begins as usual 9:30am.

Easter Breakfast: Our Easter Morning Breakfast will be a potluck meal. YUM! Please consider bringing a dish to pass if you are able. Look for a sign-up sheet on the welcome table for some coordination in having all food groups present (although some wouldn't mind an abundance of cinnamon rolls and bacon) In addition since this meal takes place right before the 9:30am service any extra help in clean-up is much appreciated.

Second Saturday is already upon us! Once again, families from New Life will meet at the Planned Parenthood on Vandalia in Saint Paul between approximately 8:00 and 11, next Saturday - March 9. Please call or text Michael Melling ((612) 987-1960) if you have questions or need to coordinate rides!

Today's Passage



Jesus

According to Samuel

Pastor Tony will be teaching from
the book of Samuel.

Our passage for today is 1 Samuel 19:11-17.

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