



HAPPY 47TH  
*Anniversary*  
*NLC*

# *New Life Church's 47th Anniversary*

The first service was held on December 7, 1975  
in the old Fairview Township Building.

There were 21 in attendance for Sunday School  
and  
42 in attendance for the Morning Worship Service.

## *Current Charter Members*

Ronnie Riggins  
Beverly Riggins

Pam Ishler  
Woody Ishler

Ed Wertz  
Judy Wertz


## *Charter Members*

Edna Barnet  
Pam Beers  
Earl Benner  
Orpha Benner  
Pam Benner  
Clarice Bowers  
Oscar Bowers  
Lynn Cassel  
Sherry Conley  
Shirley Devor  
Tom Devor  
Lorna Ellenberger  
Robert Ellenberger  
Betty Ellinger  
Harry Ellinger  
Linda Fetters

Paul Gates  
Vonnie Gates  
Larry Gilmore  
Howard Harper  
Wilma Harper  
Dale Landis  
Marlene Landis  
Barb Lockard  
George Lockard  
Janet Lockard  
Alma McKinley  
Robert McKinley  
Edward Moyer  
Bob Navratil  
Sue Navratil

Barry Osler  
Edith Osler  
Harvey Prowell  
Margaret Prowell  
Charles Rodgers  
Esther Rodgers  
Clair Rossey  
Helen Rossey  
Donna Stahl  
Mel Stahl  
John Wagner  
Roberta Wagner  
Bill Winey  
Evelyn Winey

# Children's Christmas Program



**"No Time For Christmas"**

Sunday, December 18, 2022 during the worship service.

NLC's children, ages 3 years through 6th grade, will share special songs and present a Christmas play encouraging us all to take time to appreciate the real meaning of Christmas.

This service will not be live-streamed. To see the program, you must attend in-person.

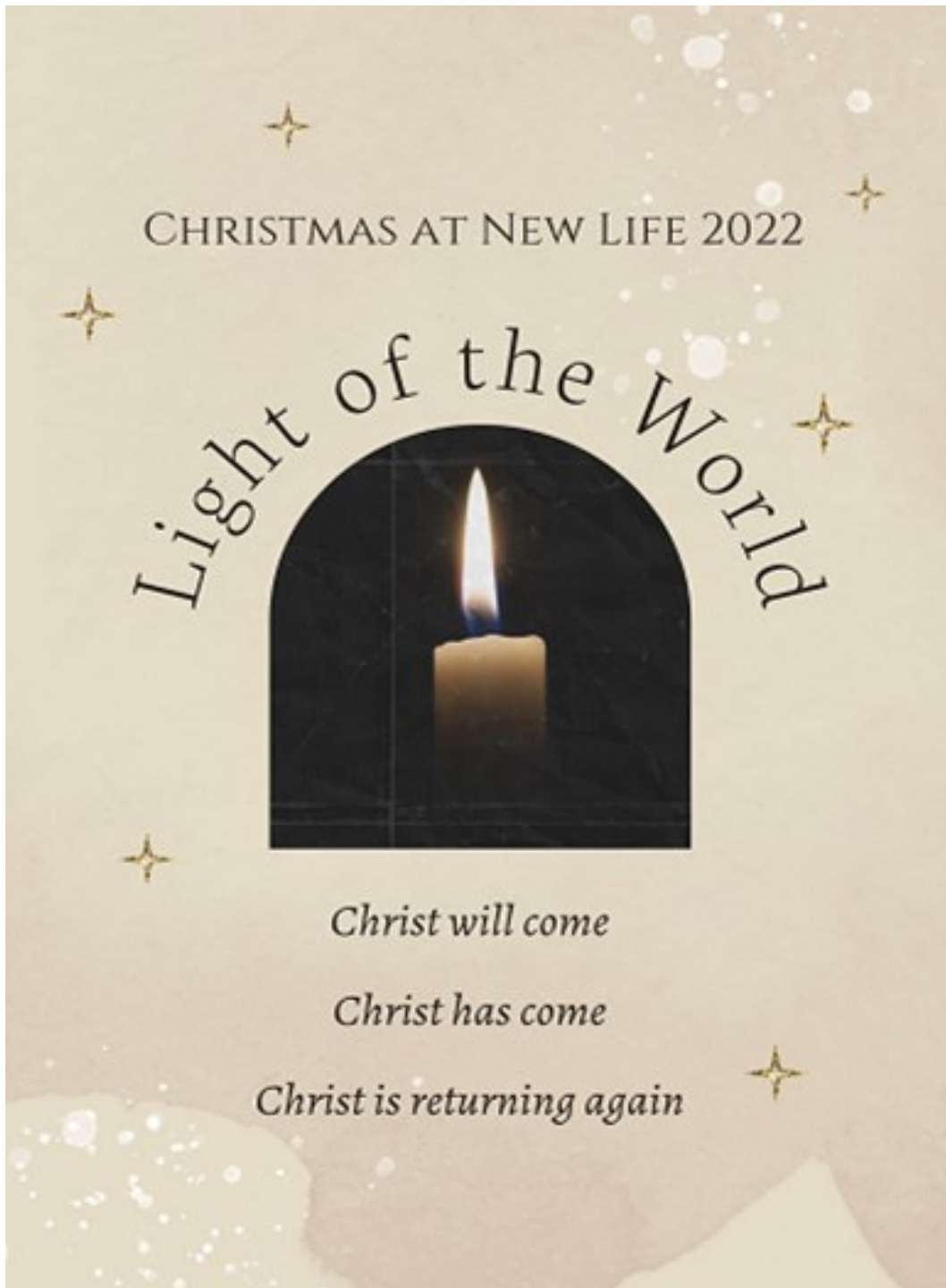
Following the worship service you are invited to attend a special "kid friendly" meal.

Nursery will be provided for infants through 2 years of age.

Everyone is invited to fellowship together for a "kid-friendly" meal after the children's Christmas Program. The children especially enjoy this meal whose menu is created just for them.

This is a blessed time to meet and fellowship with the children while complimenting and encouraging them for the wonderful program they participated in.

This time of food and fellowship is also a great way to meet the extended family members of the children in the program. Sharing a meal and good conversation with visitors can go a long way in making them feel welcome at our church. Both you and our visitors will be blessed as you fellowship over a meal and reflect on the "No Time For Christmas" program.



Christmas Eve

Candlelight Service

6:00 pm in the Gymnasium

Invite Cards are available on the Welcome Table

# Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Michael Bleecker

## Verse 1

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
In the dawning of the King  
He the theme of heaven's praises  
Robed in frail humanity  
In our longing in our darkness  
Now the light of life has come  
Look to Christ who condescended  
Took on flesh to ransom us

## Verse 2

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
He the perfect Son of Man  
In His living in His suff'ring  
Never trace nor stain of sin  
See the true and better Adam  
Come to save the hell-bound man  
Christ the great and sure fulfillment  
Of the law in Him we stand

## Verse 3

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
Christ the Lord upon the tree  
In the stead of ruined sinners  
Hangs the Lamb in victory  
See the price of our redemption  
See the Father's plan unfold  
Bringing many sons to glory  
Grace unmeasured love untold

## Verse 4

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
Slain by death the God of life  
But no grave could e'er restrain Him  
Praise the Lord He is alive  
What a foretaste of deliv'rance  
How unwavering our hope  
Christ in power resurrected  
As we will be when He comes

## Ending

What a foretaste of deliv'rance  
How unwavering our hope  
Christ in power resurrected  
As we will be when He comes

# He Shall Reign Forevermore

by Chris Tomlin and Matt Maher

## Verse 1

In the bleak mid-winter  
All creation groans  
For a world in darkness  
Frozen like a stone  
Light is breaking  
In a stable for a throne

## Chorus 1A

(And) He shall reign forevermore forevermore  
And He shall reign forevermore forevermore  
Unto us a Child is born  
The King of kings and Lord of lords  
And He shall reign forevermore forevermore

## Verse 2

If I were a wise man  
I would travel far  
If I were a shepherd  
I would do my part  
But poor as I am  
I will give to Him my heart

## Bridge

Here within a manger lies the One  
Who made the starry skies  
This baby born for sacrifice  
Christ the Messiah  
Into our hopes into our fears  
The Savior of the world appears  
The promise of eternal years  
Christ the Messiah

## Chorus 1B

And He shall reign forevermore forevermore  
And He shall reign forevermore forevermore

# God Of This City

by Richard Bleakley, Aaron Boyd, Boyd Aaron,  
Peter Comfort, Ian...

## Verse 1

You're the God of this city  
You're the King of these people  
You're the Lord of this nation  
You are  
You're the light in this darkness  
You're the hope to the hopeless  
You're the peace to the restless  
You are

## Pre-Chorus

There is no one like our God  
There is no one like You God

## Chorus 1

Greater things have yet to come  
And greater things have still to be done  
In this city  
Greater things have yet to come  
And greater things have still to be done here

## Verse 2

You're the Lord of creation  
The Creator of all things  
You're the King above all kings  
You are  
You're the strength in the weakness  
You're the love to the broken  
You're the joy in the sadness  
You are

## Pre-Chorus

There is no one like our God  
There is no one like You God

## Chorus 2

Greater things have yet to come  
And greater things have still to be done  
In this city  
Where glory shines from hearts alive  
With praise for You and love for You  
In this city  
Great things have yet to come  
And greater things have still to be done  
In this city  
Greater things have yet to come  
And greater things have still to be done here

# Goodness Of God

by Ed Cash and Jenn Johnson

## Verse 1

I love You Lord  
Oh Your mercy never fails me  
All my days  
I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
I will sing of the goodness of God

## Chorus

All my life You have been faithful  
All my life You have been so so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God

## Verse 2

I love Your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night  
You are close like no other  
I've known You as a father  
I've known You as a friend  
I have lived in the goodness of God

## Bridge

Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
With my life laid down  
I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!  
New Life Church  
December 4, 2022

**GREATER IS HE!**

**The Holy Spirit and the Church**  
*(Here Comes the Bride!)*  
**Message 10**

You are of God, little children, and have overcome them,  
because HE WHO IS IN YOU IS GREATER than he who is in the world.

*1 John 4:4, NKJV*

Our goal is for all of us to experience, enjoy and express more of the Holy Spirit in and through our lives to impact our culture, community, city and world with the transforming power of the gospel of Jesus Christ!

**Ephesians 5:18-21; 32-33, NKJV**

<sup>18</sup> And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> submitting to one another in the fear of God.

<sup>32</sup> This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife *see* that she respects *her* husband.

**How does Jesus think and feel about His Church?**  
**How does Jesus talk about His Church?**  
*(His Bride!)*

♦ **He Chose His Church!** - Ephesians 1:3-6, NKJV

<sup>3</sup> Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, <sup>4</sup> just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, <sup>5</sup> having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.

♦ **He Cherishes His Church!** - Ephesians 5:23, 25, 28-31, NKJV

<sup>23</sup> For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

<sup>28</sup> So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord *does* the church. <sup>30</sup> For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. <sup>31</sup> "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."

♦ **He Cleanses His Church!** - Ephesians 5:26, NKJV

<sup>26</sup> that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

♦ **He Covenants With His Church!** - Ephesians 1:13-14; 3:20-21 and Revelation 21:1-5, NKJV

<sup>13</sup> In Him you also *trusted*, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, <sup>14</sup> who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.

<sup>20</sup> 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, <sup>21</sup> to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

**21** Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. <sup>2</sup> Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God. <sup>4</sup> And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." <sup>5</sup> Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."

'Every time we say - "I believe in the Holy Spirit" we mean that we believe that there is a living God able and willing to enter human personality and change it.' *J. B. Phillips*

**NLC's Verses for 2022:**

<sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." *Matthew 9:37-38, NIV*



# 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. You may place your card in the basket when exiting the worship service. Thank You!

## How did you hear about us?

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

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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

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