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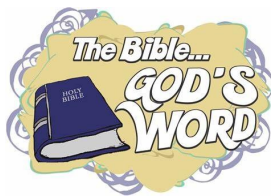
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BIBLE IN A YEAR

We welcome you to join us as we make our way through the Bible this year. You will need to read through Obadiah 1 by Sept. 30th.



Sun 9/3 ~ through Jeremiah 45

Sun 9/10 ~ through Ezekiel 12

Sun 9/17 ~ through Ezekiel 34

Sun 9/24 ~ through Daniel 7

Small Groups – Encouragement To Receive And To Give

Have you ever been involved in a run and you are getting closer to the end, but still have a little to go and want to give up? I will admit that I am not a runner, but if I was running, and no one was near to me, I would very highly likely start walking. It is not that I want to quit, but I just don't like to run. Perhaps some of you are like that too. It definitely makes a difference in our level of encouragement if there is someone there right next to us to encourage us. And even more encouragement if there are several people around you to encourage you on. Those people cheering you on goes a long way.

Likewise, in our walk with Jesus, sometimes we need people next to us cheering us on. And while our relationship with Jesus is really a personal one – between one person and Him – it also includes others as we are a part of the family of the God. We have brothers and sisters that are also there making this journey, hike, trek, progression with us. And while we may not always realize this, sometimes we really need to take advantage of our encouragers sitting right next to us in church, or in our close friendships.

Fortunately, for us at New Life, we are trying to make sure each of us as individuals have the opportunity to do that. Over these next months, from the week of September 10th through the week of December 3rd, we will be organizing at least 5 weekly small groups during that time. When a believer joins a small group, it is an opportunity to be encouraged by others. Not only with encouragement to continue on, but also by the comments, the prayers, and the gatherings. It is a

great place to realize that we are in our journey with Jesus together AND that we have other people close to us who are also on this journey as well.

The reason these small groups are starting up, is because we are going through a 13-week series on “**Living life as a disciple of Jesus at New Life**”. And even if someone does not go to New Life, they are very much still invited, as the weekly topics will focus on specific Christ-like characteristics. I hope you will consider joining one of the current five groups we have being organized. My hope is that each person who regularly attends New Life, will get a call or invitation to join a small group. And, if you are reading this, I hope you consider this your first invitation. And in case you are wondering, each group will likely meet at a different time, so there are different times and places to meet.

Lastly, each group will have a different leader too. And since I want you to prayerfully consider this opportunity, that will start the 2nd week of September, and end the 1st full week of December, I want you to know the leaders too. The current five people who will be leading a group are: **Dave Taylor, Pat Sardeson, Pam Mjelde, Tim Green, and pastor Jesse Stevens**. These are four current and possibly future elders, plus myself. For those of us who are married our spouses will be with us too. So, I hope you will consider being a part of group of people who will seek to move closer and closer to Jesus, while we encourage each other on. The Bible says this in Hebrews 10:25 ...

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Tom Kleist
- 3 Gene Karpinski
- 4 Lori Snider
- 4 Megan Horstman
- 5 Daniel Francis
- 6 Delorice Meador
- 7 Finnley Solchenberger
- 10 Missy Meise
- 11 Maylee Elliott
- 12 Ella Wegner
- 13 Joyce Cone
- 13 Steve Meyer
- 15 Lucas Koberstein
- 15 Shari Koepfel
- 17 Jean Rockweiler
- 21 Dave Wickus
- 21 Matilda Mjelde
- 21 Robin Lehman
- 22 Jaydin Weirsma
- 24 Nancy Cone
- 25 Keegan Hanke
- 26 Megan Dessauer
- 26 Madison Dessauer
- 28 Dan Fuller
- 28 Heidi Horstman
- 30 Ann Senseman
- 30 Franklin Van Houten



BOARD MEETING

**September 6th
At 6pm.**



- 1 Dave & Janice Shaw
- 4 Dave & Lorrie Wickus
- 10 David & Charlotte Taylor
- 14 Dale & Heidi Horstman
- 17 Jayme & Stephanie Johnson
- 17 John & JoEllen Westendorf

Wednesday night children and youth ministries



**Youth and children's ministry will
begin on Wednesday
September 13th @ 6pm**

**Wednesday night is for AGES 5-18.
(or 5 year olds through
High School Seniors.)**

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As we look forward to drawing closer to Jesus, and the time when we will finally see Him and meet Him, we need to think about how we can not only be encouraged by others with our walk in Him, but also how we can also encourage others on in their walk with Jesus. This is the value of meeting together – not just on Sunday mornings, but at one other time during the week with others believers – to be encouraged and to encourage others. This 1-hour meeting time, is a time where you can study together, grow together, ask questions, share prayer requests, laugh together, pray together, and do life together. I hope you will sincerely consider this request, as I am hoping we have complete involvement in these groups. Not because I want 100% attending, but rather, because I want 100% of us to be encouraged as we seek to cross the finish line of faith fully energized as we pursue Jesus.

By the way, please let me know if you have any questions about this opportunity. And also check out New Life's Facebook page – www.Facebook.com/newlifebaraboo to see the leaders and respond there to the person whose group you would like to be in. May God bless you as you attend.

By Sr. Pastor Jesse Stevens

Monthly Financial Report

July 2023

Actual Income	\$21,266
Actual Expense	\$17,781
Difference	\$3,485

Budgeted Giving	\$17,366
Budgeted Expense	\$16,291
Difference	\$1,075

Actual YTD

Actual Income	\$112,937
Actual Expense	\$119,039
Difference	-\$6,102

Budgeted Giving	\$121,552
Budgeted Expense	\$122,824
Difference	-\$1,272



**We are looking for
Children's Church
workers!! If you are
interested in teaching or
helping our youth please
contact a pastor, Traci
Crouse or the office.**