



new life news

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW LIFE CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Steve Says . . .

. . . that I want to **thank you for your thoughtful input** with regard to the traits and character we are looking for in an Associate minister. The elders took the returned surveys and met on Fri, October 25th to review your input along with the list they had already created. This “profile” will be used as an internal document (that means not given out to applicants) as the basis used to create the interview questions.

The official job description looks like this:

New Life Church of Christ is searching for a full-time associate minister with responsibilities in the areas of discipleship, supporting youth (teen) programming, and developing community involvement. DISCIPLESHIP-This person will work with our small group and Sunday school programs to train our members how to build up one another and disciple others. YOUTH PROGRAMMING-This person will work with our sponsors to oversee the teen programming at New Life. This can be hands on or through volunteers. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT-We are looking for ways to reach out into our community with Mercy, Compassion, & Blessing and this position will help us to develop ways to do this.

We are posting this description to job boards at the Bible Colleges and passing it on by word of mouth and networking wherever possible. If you become aware of someone, please pass this on to them and have them contact me by email at: sdkistler4@aol.com. You can also talk to me or one of the elders directly.

Please be in regular prayer for our search!

Church Events

November 3

Daylight Saving Time

November 6

Comfort & Joy Sewing

9:00a

November 20

Comfort & Joy Sewing

5:30p

November 24

All Church Thanksgiving

Dinner & Talent Show

5:30p

Greetings in the name of the Almighty God! This month has a very important holiday. Yes, Thanksgiving is a very important holiday to be sure. But I am talking about something else. **November 11th, is Veterans' Day in our country.** During this time, we remember those who have accepted the difficult duty of sacrificing their all in order to protect our precious freedoms. Even now, future veterans fight for the nation we love. **We must be sure to remember those who have died in carrying out that commitment, as well as those who continue to work for the cause of freedom.** "Remember." What an awesome task! Why do you think our government has commissioned this day as one of remembrance? Why do you think Canadians, at the same time honor, "Remembrance Day?" We need special occasions because we simply fail to remember; shame on us!

The Lord realized this fact, as well. He knew that we are forgetful people. There are many places in the Word of God that provoke us to remember. The reason God set up certain days and festivals was for the people to remember what God had done. Even the purpose of the Passover was to remind the Hebrew people of their deliverance from Egyptian slavery, which occurred many years prior. God knew of our tendency to forget and our need to remember. **That is one major reason why we have the Lord's Supper.** When Paul is telling the Corinthian Christians about The Lord's Supper he tells them.

On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." (1 Corinthians 11:23b-25 CSB).

As we think about Communion, we must REMEMBER that Jesus told us to REMEMBER! How awful it would be to forget all that Jesus did for us! What are we saying about ourselves if we, who have been saved by Him, forget that he came from the realms of glory to be born, to live a human life, to have a ministry of love and compassion, to die for the sins of the world, and to conquer the grave three days later? What are we saying about ourselves, indeed? He knew we have a forgetful nature, so He told us to "do this in remembrance of me." Some say that partaking of the Lord's Supper weekly causes it to become less special, ordinary, and routine. That is not the fault of the Lord or the church, but we who eat and drink in an unworthy manner (read 1 Corinthians 11:27). **I don't know about you, but I want to remember Jesus' sacrifice all the time, not just on Sunday, quarterly, or yearly; but always!** He is the Savior of the world, we must remember!

Veteran's Day is, by design, special because its purpose is to be a day of remembrance. As American Christians, we must take the responsibility and the opportunity to remember not only the sacrifice in gaining our nation's freedom, but also our freedom through Christ, making this day even more special!

For those who have served for our nation, we thank you! We honor and celebrate all that you have done. May God continue to bless you! Also I pray that God will continue to bless this congregation as we wholeheartedly strive to serve Him!

~Chris



I'm super excited that on November 23rd, in the kid's wing at 9 a.m., I'm having what's called a **Children's ministry huddle**. This will be an event that if you're already serving in Children's ministry, you are HIGHLY encouraged to attend but **all are invited who might have any interest in serving in this amazing ministry**.

There will be a lot of training as **we spend the morning going through a course** that challenges us to look at ourselves and our relationship with Christ. The following excerpt briefly explains the course:

Lessons of God are often caught, not necessarily taught. What are your kids "catching" from you? In this 5-part course, Children's Pastor Josh Denhart challenges children's ministry workers to pursue spiritual maturity and faithfully imitate Christ to the kids they serve.

After we finish the course, we will brainstorm to discuss what works, what doesn't, and fellowship. The day will be finished off with **FOOD!**

I have high anticipation for this day and I hope and pray you can come. I can't wait to continue our partnership in spreading the gospel to our little ones. **A heads up that you can attend is appreciated but not required.**

Blessings,

Jason

November Birthdays

- 1 – Joshua Hart
- 2 – John Ward
- 3 – Susan Arnold, Miriam Brokaw,
- 5 – Maxine Hardin, Addie Ford,
Larry Thompson
- 7 – Aly Noe
- 10 – Jackaye Tokar
- 12 – Renetta Shaffer
- 13 – Matt South
- 17 – Lori Shaffer
- 19 – Paul Shaffer
- 21 – Yvonne Beveridge
- 23 – Stacy Ward
- 24 – Sue Beal, Angela Jones
- 25 – Jennifer Hamilton
- 27 – Melissa Brokaw
- 29 – Missy Smith

