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Steve Says . . .

. . . that **I so appreciate everyone who helped with the recent funeral dinners that we have hosted.** I can't describe what a valuable ministry it is to give the grieving family a space and a meal to process what they have just gone through. It also allows everyone to be together before they separate and return to their own lives and homes. **We need more people who are able to volunteer on these occasions.** If you are interested, please talk to Miriam Brokaw or me.

. . . that **I am encouraged by your response to our 40-Day Spiritual Adventure: The Long Walk.** I encourage you to use this time to develop new patterns in your spiritual life and to allow God to help you develop a more outward orientation for your faith.

. . . that **I wanted you to be aware of how much we are using our building to help the community.** A variety of sports team are using the gym this winter for practices. Among these are the track team, the soccer team, and various Basketball groups including the Unstoppables. We continue to view our building as a community resource and are grateful for the opportunity to bless others through it.

. . . that **the Navigation team is looking at the possibility of upgrading our fluorescent lighting (which is all over the building) to newer LED bulbs.** There are two things motivating this idea. The first one is the desire to reduce utility costs for the building. The second is that there are some rebates available to help reduce the upfront costs.

. . . that **the search for an associate minister is moving forward. We have a candidate that seems a good possibility based on our first look.** We are moving forward in the process with him and ask that you please be in prayer for our discernment in this process.

February Events

- **Feb 5**
Comfort & Joy Sewing
9:00am
- **Feb 6, 13, 20, 27**
Community Basketball
5:30pm
- **Feb 9, 16, 23**
Sonshine Singers Practice
4:00pm
- **Feb 16**
Image Concert
6:00pm
- **Feb 19**
Senior Moments
12:00pm

Hello, my name is Scott Cromer. My wife is Deborah Sue. We have been married 42 ½ years and have three children, Nathan, Chris and LeeAnne, and nine grandchildren. They are Meadow, Callie, Jon, Tristan, Marlee, Anna, Ellie, Avery and Samuel. We have one dog named Jitterbug.

I was baptized in 1970 by Paul Hatfield in youth group. In order for me to date Debbie, her dad said I had to go to church with them. I have spent much of my earlier Christian life studying and learning, and now I try to spend more time doing.

I love to meet one on one with people. We try to talk about topics that are common to everyone in life and how to make decisions that honor God. I believe we should each invest in others. Life to Life and spiritual conversations.

I am an elder here at New Life Church of Christ and I teach Sunday School part time. I am also active in our missions and do several mission trips to Honduras, and also this year, to Diamond Willow.

I am Deb Cromer. Wife of Scott and mother to our three children and grandmother of our nine grandchildren.

I have been very blessed to be raised in a Christian family. I have had many wonderful teachers and mentors in my journey that have shown me how to love God and love the people in his church.

I hope I am showing by example how to live the way Jesus teaches us through the Bible. Also, I hope I am showing people how to love each other in the church, as well as love their neighbors and friends in other parts of the world.

My involvement in the church is helping plan and prepare meals for our children and youth on Sunday nights. We also have an active Discipleship group that meets in our home every week.

I have also gone on mission trips to Honduras.

Meet the Cromers



Last month, I was given the **opportunity to attend CPC20 in Orlando Florida**. CPC20 is a children's pastors conference that was full of worship, encouragement, prayer, teaching, and Jesus!! I was able to take my mother and shared the experience with Aimee Ford who invited me to this event.

I grew personally and left totally **on fire for Christ**. I heard stories of successes and failures, and how God uses both for His glory! I grasped a whole new understanding of how important kiddos are to the church, not just to the future but right now! I was forced out of comfort zones and I truly believe the Holy Spirit was able to work on my heart more effectively when I was in those situations. **Deeper. Deeper is how I would best explain these truths I've always known but felt leaving this conference.**

A few things you will notice as a direct result of my being able to attend this conference: **the volunteers we have here at New Life are so vitally important to this team!** I want you to meet them all. **There will be a new bulletin board with pictures of all who have a hand in this ministry as well as a team member of the month program, all of which will be starting soon.** They will also be **wearing name badges each Sunday, so if you see someone wearing one, maybe just give them a simple thank you and some encouragement.** I was also able to get some new resources for the toddler room, so I am looking forward to the kiddos being able to use them.

Also, I want to emphasize safety again. **I would really like all parents to make sure they are checking their kids in and picking their kids up. Remember, only kids and team members are to be back in the kid's wing.**

There was so much gained at this conference and I so look forward to trying some new things in 2020 here at New Life. Please continue to pray for this ministry, the kids, the team members, and all the families involved.

Blessings, Jason

February Birthdays

- 2 – Brody Dawson
- 6 – Caleb Kindt
- 7 – Tom Roseberry
- 9 – Grace Rogers
- 11 – Matt Bower, Megan (Frontz) Geeseman, Brad Brown
- 13 – Jack Brokaw
- 14 – Lisa Awwiller, Steve Kistler,
- 15 – Myla Dawson
- 17 – Evelyn Roseberry
- 19 – Pat Snyder, Deb Solis
- 20 – Sadie Slone
- 22 – Parker Hawkins
- 25 – Todd Awwiller, Sarah Johnson
- 27 – Jonah Sharp
- 28 – Garnet Cover

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MARCH

March 22
Mission Trip Fundraiser Spaghetti Lunch
11:30a-1:30p