

Sermon Notes

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The View From My Window WITH PASTOR JOEL

Today we're 26 days into our 40 days of Fasting & Prayer. One thing I've learned about fasting is that the battleground isn't my stomach – *it's my mind*. My body responds well if my mind is right, but I struggle terribly if I allow the wrong thoughts to dominate my brain. It's funny how many people think it's their job to fill my head with lies.

You've noticed this if you've ever been on a diet: someone will do everything they can to get you to eat whatever it is they're eating. They'll tell you how delicious it is, they'll lie about it being good for you, they'll even compliment you on your progress & suggest you deserve a treat for having done so well! If all else fails they'll feign concern that you've lost too much weight & are in danger. And it's not only with food. This happens whenever you try to make any changes for the better.

Why are they so motivated? People doing what is right are very convicting to people who are not. We feel better about ourselves when everyone else is making the same mistakes we are. Don't be dissuaded from seeking God just because you often feel alone in your search or the enemy is trying to discourage you with lies. Press in, press on, & finish strong!

- Pastor Joel

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Welcome to New Life ...

We're glad you're here!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018
DAY 26 OF 40 DAYS OF FASTING

7:00am - Prayer Meeting
Open prayer for all in Room 10

8:00am - Service

9:00am - Self-Serve Café Open
Join us for coffee & treats off the main lobby!

9:15am - Sunday School
- Kids Clubhouse: Pre-K kids
- Room 3 & 4: Grades 1-8 kids
- Basement: Grades 9-12 teens
- Kids Church Rm: Youth Worship Team Practice
- Gym: Married Couples (*My Better Half* class)
- Sanctuary: Adults

10:15am - Service, Nursery (ages birth - 3),
& **Kids Church** (ages 3 - grade 6)
Family Room open: A live stream of the service & a play area for kids is available for families in Room 9.

4:30pm - Students' Night Out
Dinner & a concert at CLA. *Registration closed.*
Meet at the church at 4:30pm / Return by 11pm.

6:00pm - Evening Service

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TODAY'S MESSAGE:

Restless Thoughts

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Rev. Joel Everhart

THIS WEEK ...

TUES, JANUARY 30

6:30pm - Open Volleyball

WED, JANUARY 31

7pm - Adult Bible Study &
Ministry Coordinator Meeting
**No Kids/Youth Programs*

OPEN PRAYER TIMES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8-10am & 7-9pm

Wed: 8-10am & 6-7pm (service at 7pm)

Sat: 8-10am & 6:30-8:30pm

Moms A private room for nursing mothers is located off the Main Lobby in Room 2

Upcoming Events

- 1/31: Coordinator Meeting (7pm)
*No Kids or Youth Programs
- 2/4: Family Worship Sunday (No Kids Church)
- 2/4: Kids Breakaway Registration/Money Due
- 2/6, 13, 20, 27: Open Volleyball (6:30pm)
- 2/9: Worship Team Practice (7pm)
- 2/10: Men's Breakfast (8am)
- 2/10: *My Better Half* Dinner for Married Couples (Gym, 5pm)
- 2/11: Musical Evangelist Justin Kelly (6pm)
- 2/12: Board Meeting (6:30pm)
- 2/17: Youth Fine Arts Festival (Bethel AG)
- 2/18: Student Tubing Event at Ski Roundtop & Missionary Tony Sebastian (6pm)
- 2/25: Teen Challenge Choir (6pm)
- 3/6, 13, 20, 27: Open Volleyball (6:30pm)
- 3/9: Worship Team Practice (7pm)



Please send van/room reservation requests to calendar@nla.today

Please submit announcements to hello@nla.today one week in advance

New to New Life?

Thanks for being with us today! One of our greeters would be happy to show you around the church & answer any questions you may have about New Life. You can also find out more on our website at www.nla.today or by emailing our office at hello@nla.today.

Worship

What Will You Take Off Your Plate? From January 3 to February 12 our church will spend time fasting & focusing on prayer. We'd love for you to share what you're 'taking off your plate' during your fast to encourage others & to help you stay on track! Stop by our display in the main lobby to join the conversation.

Build

My Better Half Sunday School Class. The Hershes are teaching a 12-week Sunday School class called 'My Better Half' in the gym! This class is for all married couples - from newlyweds to seasoned spouses.

Monthly Men's Breakfast. The Men's Breakfast & fellowship takes place on the second Saturday of each month at 8am. The next one is set for February 10.

New Life Online. In 2017, our services were watched online 2,500 times by viewers in 45 countries! Our website was visited 71,600 times!

Reach & Minister

Open Prayer Times. The church will be open this week for prayer at the following times pending good weather:

- Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8-10am & 7-9pm
- Wed: 8-10am & 6-7pm (service at 7pm)
- Sat: 8-10am & 6:30-8:30pm

Clothing Drive with Shining Stars. We're partnering with Shining Stars -- a horse therapy ministry for adults & families with special needs -- to collect gently used clothing (no holes or stains!) now through Sunday, February 11. Our collection box is located in the back lobby. Shining Stars will host a "Clothing Give Away" at their arena on Saturday, February 17 from 9am-1pm at 3185 York Rd, Gettysburg.

Here at New Life, we strive to be a spirit-empowered family of believers who **worship** the Lord, work together to **build** a body of believers, **reach** the lost, & **minister** to a hurting world. We **Expect Jesus** to meet us here & to use us beyond these walls.

4 Ways to Give. There are several ways you can give to New Life: (1) **cash** or **check** dropped into the offering, (2) via **credit card** online at www.nla.today/give, (3) by purchasing **gift cards** to Giant or Weis through our Business Office (New Life receives 5% of the proceeds), & (4) by shopping online via **Amazon Smile** using our link: [smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2500675](https://www.amazon.com/ch/23-2500675)

No Programs Wednesday. All Ministry Coordinators are encouraged to attend the Coordinator Meeting on Wed, January 31 at 7pm in the Youth Room. There will be no kids or youth programs, but there will be childcare for kids of Coordinators who attend the meeting.

The Gathering Women's Bible Study. This small group women's Bible study's next meeting is March 13 at 9am in the Youth Room!

Water Baptism & Membership. Interested? Email our office at hello@nla.today to discuss next steps & register for our spring *New Members* class.

Ruth's Harvest Food Drive. We're accepting single serving size packages of shelf-safe milk, cereal, & ravioli for Ruth's Harvest, a program that provides a weekend's worth of meals to over 150 students & families in the Bermudian Springs School District who need food. Drop off donations in the main lobby by January 21.

Family Ministries

Kids' Breakaway! It's time to sign up for our District's Kids' Breakaway Weekend: Fri-Sun, February 23-25. Cost is \$60/child. Financial Aid is available! Please sign up your child & take a Camper Application located on the bulletin board by the Kids Church check-in desk. Registration & money is due to Dana Catania by next **Sunday, February 4!**

Youth Fine Arts! Lilly Einsig & Marshall Storm will be sharing 3-dimensional art at the Youth Fine Arts Festival at Bethel AG in Littlestown at 10am on February 17!

Ski Roundtop Tubing Event. All students (age 12-22) are invited to Ski Roundtop following church on Sunday, February 18. Cost is \$15/student (lunch & dinner provided). Meet back at the church for pizza & meet missionary Tony Sebastian at 5:30pm. Sign up & grab a permission form on the bulletin board by the Youth Room. Money is due to Andrea Everhart by **February 11!**

Student Bible Study at the Everharts'. All students are invited to Josh & Andrea Everhart's home for a monthly Bible Study - food provided. **Save the Date:** Sun, February 11 at 6pm.

No Kids/Youth Programs Wednesday. Kids & youth are encouraged to join their parents in the service in the sanctuary.

Reach & Minister

Stephen's Legacy. New Life's benevolence committee provides aid to several single parents, widows, elderly, & families in crisis. Stephen's Legacy has knowledgeable volunteers (including trained nurses) ready to help with health-related needs, home & car repairs, financial aid in hard times, & home-cooked meals. Stephen's Legacy partners with the Salvation Army to oversee the applications made in East Berlin for distributing aid for utilities & rent assistance. Members are ready to pray with anyone who has a need, so please ask! If you or someone you know needs aid, please contact one of our team members!

Volunteer Positions

You tell us your availability & we'll work with your schedule!

Nursery Helper
for Babies Age 0-3
Sun at 6pm & Wed at 7pm
See Dara Womer

Sunday School Teacher
for Kids Pre-K - Grade 8
Sundays at 9:15am
See Ariel Strine

Rainbows Teacher or Helper
for Kids Age 3-6
Wednesdays at 7pm
See Mandi Geiman

Prims Girls Club Teacher or Helper
for Girls Age 7-Grade 6
Wednesdays at 7pm
See Mandi Geiman

Kids Can Serve Too! On Family Worship Sunday (the first Sunday of the month), we'd like kids to feel welcomed & engaged in our Family Service by having them serve as greeters & ushers. If your child would like to serve in these positions, please see our Kids Church Coordinator Dana Catania.

STEPHEN'S LEGACY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Angie Kline	Ray Mummert
Dave Mickley	Mark Hinkle
Wayne Esbenschade	John Quinn
Carolyn Brown	Wendy Wagner

Love on Nursing Home Residents. Save the Date! Led by Stephen's Legacy, the church will be serving home-cooked meals & playing games with the residents of Harmony Personal Care Home in Hanover on **Sunday, April 8.**