

*Sermon Series*  
**TIMOTHY!**



*Transformational  
Truth Through  
Tough Times*

# LIGHT IN THE NIGHT

OCT 31 6-8pm

## RAIN OR SHINE

**BOUNCE HOUSE** (Weather Permitting)  
**ROCK-IT PIZZA FOOD TRUCK** (Self Pay)  
**POPCORN AND APPLE CIDER** (Free)  
**CANDY STATIONS** (Free)  
**GAMES** (Indoor & Outdoor [Weather Permitting])  
**CRAFTS**  
**FACE PAINTING**  
**PUMPKIN DECORATING**  
**HAY BALE MAZE** (Weather Permitting)  
**COSTUMES ARE ENCOURAGED** (No scary please)  
**AND MUCH MORE!**



## **IMPORTANT UPDATES FOR “LIGHT IN THE NIGHT”**

There are now several other fun and tasty things added to the event:

Pumpkin Gospel Story  
Police Car  
Fire Truck  
Mr. Frosty Ice Cream Truck  
Free Hot Chocolate and Coffee

### **SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT THE FOOD TRUCKS**

**Rock-It Pizza and Mr. Frosty are both self pay by attendees and payment is cash only.**

*Please patronize these businesses as they support NLC and “Light in the Night” by not charging NLC the normal fees for bringing their food trucks to our event.*

**Please be prepared with cash to purchase food items from these food trucks.**

# LIGHT IN THE NIGHT

**OCT 31 6-8pm**

**Light in the Night NEEDS YOU!**

**NLC needs you to serve for this Community-Wide Event.**

## **VOLUNTEERS**

Are needed for the Welcome Table, games, crafts, parking lot, face painting, bounce house, Pumpkin Gospel Story Time, hay bale maze, and clean up.

Scan the bar code below to volunteer for an area & time slot.



## **DONATIONS**

Of individually wrapped candies are needed for the candy stations.

Place donations in the collection container in The Gathering Place.

**Donations are also needed for a door prize drawing.**

These donations should be given to Amanda Geiman or Ginger Wallace



**"THANK YOU!" FOR LETTING YOUR LIGHT SHINE!**

**The Children In Our Local Community and NLC Need You!**

### **Volunteers are still needed for the following areas:**

Face Painting (7-8:15 pm time slot only)

Bounce House

Parking Lot (7-8:15 pm time slot only)

Hay Bale Maze

Games

Crafts

Clean Up (8-8:45 pm time slot only)

### **Candy Donations are still needed**

Wal-Mart has generously donated candy, but we are still in need of candy as we prepare for 200 children (along with parents and older siblings) to visit NLC for "Light in the Night".

### **Door Prize Donations are still needed**

Donations of school supplies, small toys, stuffed animals, etc. are needed for door prizes for the children.



## DONATIONS NEEDED

**AWANA CLUBBERS WILL BE PACKING  
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES  
ON WEDNESDAY, NOV 1ST**

NLC's Awana Clubbers have 100 shoeboxes to pack  
and your help is needed with donations of the following items:

### WOW! Items

Soccer ball with pump, Dolls, Stuffed animals, Shoes

### Toys

Toy cars, Jump ropes, Yo-yos, Toys that light up & make noise (please include extra batteries), Coloring books

### Personal Care Items


Combs, Hair brushes, Small blankets

### Accessories

Sunglasses, Jewelry, Watches, Flashlights (please include extra batteries)

**Place donations in the collection container in  
The Gathering Place by Sunday, Oct 29th**





WOMEN'S MINISTRY

# Celebration

Friday, November 3rd at 6:30 pm  
in The Gathering Place.

All NLC women are invited to attend.

*THIS CELEBRATION WILL BE CATERED.*  
**RSVP'S ARE REQUIRED BY OCTOBER 27TH.**

RSVP TO MANDY DAVIS BY  
TEXT: 570-885-2509  
EMAIL: MDAVIS@NLCFAMILY.ORG OR  
SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME TABLE.

JOIN OUR NLC FAMILY BY ATTENDING

# Exploring Membership

WITH PASTOR RONNIE ON  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH  
9 AM TO 12 NOON IN THE GATHERING PLACE



The class is designed for you to learn more about New Life Church, our beliefs and our culture to help you prayerfully consider membership.

Attending the class does not commit you to membership, although the class is a prerequisite for membership at NLC.

Light refreshments will be served prior to the start of the session and will be available during the session time.

*Childcare will not be available for this class.*

Please be sure to RSVP for the preparation of class materials and to plan for the refreshments. You may scan the QR Code below or contact Ginger Wallace at [gwallace@nlcfamily.org](mailto:gwallace@nlcfamily.org).



# Victory In Jesus

## Verse 1

I heard an old old story  
How a Savior came from glory  
How He gave His life on Calvary  
To save a wretch like me  
I heard about His groaning  
Of His precious blood's atoning  
Then I repented of my sins  
And won the victory

## Chorus

O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood

## Verse 2

I heard about His healing  
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing  
How He made the lame to walk again  
And caused the blind to see  
And then I cried dear Jesus  
Come and heal my broken spirit  
And somehow Jesus came and brought  
To me the victory

## Chorus

O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood

## Verse 3

I heard about a mansion  
He has built for me in glory  
And I heard about the streets of gold  
Beyond the crystal sea  
About the angels singing  
And the old redemption story  
And some sweet day I'll sing up there  
The song of victory

## Chorus

O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
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# This I Believe (The Creed)

## **Verse 1**

Our Father everlasting  
The all creating One  
God Almighty  
Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son  
Jesus our Saviour

## **Chorus 1**

I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

## **Verse 2**

Our judge and our defender  
Suffered and crucified  
Forgiveness is in You  
Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high

## **Chorus 1**

I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

## **Bridge X2**

I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

## **Chorus 2**

I believe in life eternal  
I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection  
When Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

## **Chorus 1**

I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

## **Ending**

For I believe in the Name of Jesus



# His Mercy Is More

## **Chorus**

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## **Verse 1**

What love could remember no wrongs we have  
done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## **Chorus**

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## **Verse 2**

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## **Chorus**

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## **Verse 3**

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## **Chorus X 2**

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

# Evidence

## Verse 1

All throughout my history  
Your faithfulness has walked beside me  
The winter storms made way for spring  
In every season from where I'm standing

## Chorus 1

I see the evidence of Your goodness  
All over my life  
All over my life  
I see Your promises in fulfillment  
All over my life  
All over my life (yeah)

## Verse 2

Help me remember when I'm weak  
Fear may come but fear will leave  
You lead my heart to victory  
You are my strength and You always will be

## Chorus 1

I see the evidence of Your goodness  
All over my life  
All over my life  
I see Your promises in fulfillment  
All over my life  
All over my life (yeah)

## Bridge X2

See the cross the empty grave  
The evidence is endless  
All my sin rolled away  
Because of You oh Jesus (oh)

## Chorus 1 X2

I see the evidence of Your goodness  
All over my life  
All over my life  
I see Your promises in fulfillment  
All over my life  
All over my life (yeah)

## Chorus 2

Why should I fear  
(Oh) The evidence is here

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## NLC's 2023 Verse

But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

*1 Peter 2:9, NKJV*

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

New Life Church

October 22, 2023

Timothy!

(Transformational Truth Through Tough Times)

1 Timothy 3

Church Leadership

Part 3

The qualifications for Deacons at New Life Church are as follows:

Qualification	References	Consensus Understanding
Above Reproach Blameless	1 Timothy 3:2 Titus 1:6-7	A man who desires the office of Deacon should be blameless, meaning he conducts himself in such a way as to give no opportunity for accusation of wrong. This can be seen in the way he handles doctrine, biblical instruction, his morals, and secular laws, except where a secular law comes into conflict with scripture.
The Husband of One Wife	1 Timothy 3:2 Titus 1:6	<p>NOTE: The 9-man Biblical Eldership Team took much time to ponder whether divorce was a disqualification based on the scripture "husband of one wife" or more accurately translated "one-woman man." After much thought and prayer, the Team decided divorce, in and of itself, is not a disqualifier.</p> <p>A man who desires the office of Deacon needs to be committed to being both faithful to his wife and the covenant of marriage both outwardly in his relationships with other women and inwardly in his character, conversations and conduct with his own wife.</p> <p>If there is a divorce and remarriage in the man's past after his salvation, the circumstances will be examined to determine if the man remained committed and faithful up until the divorce was finalized.</p>
Respectable	1 Timothy 3:2	A man who desires the office of Deacon should not appear or act in a way that embarrasses himself or others.

Well Thought of By Outsiders	1 Timothy 3:7	A man who desires the office of Deacon should have a good reputation amongst those who are outside the church family, so as not to subject himself and the church family to reproach and thereby undermine the ministry of Christ.
Not a Novice	1 Timothy 3:6	A man who desires the office of Deacon should not only confess that Christ is Lord, but also have a deep appreciation for Christ as the only source of any spiritual wisdom or spiritual gifts that he may possess. He will both display the character traits of a true believer and have proved, through a history of godly living, that the truth and reality of salvation has truly taken root in his heart and produced the fruit of a new life.
Not Be Arrogant	Titus 1:7	A man who desires the office of Deacon should strive to do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than himself.
Not a Drunkard	1 Timothy 3:3 Titus 1:7	<p>While scripture does not preclude Deacons from drinking alcohol, we recognize that we live a culture that is alcohol-centric. Additionally, our culture's relationship with alcohol is very different than it was in the time of Jesus and the early church. The scriptures are clear that being controlled by anything other than the Holy Spirit is sin, however, Paul focuses not on the act of drinking alcohol, but on the excessive use of alcohol.</p> <p>A man who desires the office of Deacon should be vigilant, sober minded, self-controlled, and on guard whenever he is around alcohol as an example for the flock. When in doubt, he should abstain from alcohol for the sake of others.</p>
Manage His Own Household Well	1 Timothy 3:4	<p>The home is a proving ground for ministry.</p> <p>A man who desires the office of Deacon should lead his family well, shepherding them in good order. He should be a loving and responsible spiritual leader in the home where his children are well-disciplined, and thereby be a great example to other men in the church.</p>
Children Are Believers Keeping His Children Submissive	Titus 1:6 1 Timothy 3:4-5	A man who desires the office of Deacon should have a peaceful, well-ordered home. His children, though not perfect, should be in clear submission to his authority, displaying obedience & reverence with a behavior and lifestyle that provide clear evidence of their father's wise, loving, and biblical stewardship over his family.

# THREE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES OF DEACONS

## ACTS 6:1-7, NKJV

**6** Now in those days, when *the number of* the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of *good* reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; <sup>4</sup> but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word." <sup>5</sup> And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, <sup>6</sup> whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them. <sup>7</sup> Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

### ◆ To Meet Needs According To The Word!

- ◇ A specific need necessitated these leading servants.
- ◇ What specific needs in our church are the deacons helping to meet?

### ◆ To Support The Ministry Of The Word!

- ◇ Deacons serve Elders so they can lead and feed.
- ◇ Deacons lead others so they can serve.

### ◆ They Unify The Body Around The Word!

- ◇ Practical needs in church need to be met, but deeper issues are at stake.
- ◇ Deacons labor loyally to promote unity and not disunity in the body.
- ◇ They are what we might call the shock absorbers in the church!

"The great leaders of men in all fields have not been the arrogant and the greedy, but the servants. The real servants are the true nobility. The greatest of all, the Son of God Himself, declared that He had come not to be served but to be a servant, and to give His life a ransom for many."

John E. Mitchell

# 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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