

JERRY WESTERFIELD

Pastor Jason

This year for Pastor Appreciation Sunday, (Oct. 11) we will have the honor of hearing from one of our former elders at NLCC...Jerry Westerfield. Pastor Jerry served as an elder here from about 1992 - 2000, before God called his family to sell everything and move to Brazil as missionaries for a couple of years. Pastor Jerry and Sarita have lived in Elizabethtown, KY for the past several years and serve at Bethesda Ministries church there.

On a personal note, Pastor Jerry invested a lot of time into my life in my late teens and early 20's and was very instrumental in my growth and spiritual maturity through discipleship, leadership training, and fathering. I wouldn't be where I am today without his oversight and investment of time and love.

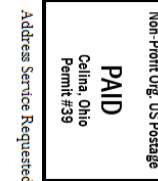
So you are in for a treat...not from a "guest speaker," as Pastor Jerry is certainly more than a guest...but from a very special and anointed man of God!



AUTUMN FESTIVAL

New Life's annual autumn festival is always one of the best days of the year. October 11, is our annual "dress down" Sunday and following the service we will be having our Autumn Festival lunch outside. You will want to make sure to bring a lawn chair and expect a good time. Please sign up on the sign up sheet located in the foyer to know what to bring. There will be inflatable bounce houses for the kids and usually some yard games are brought as well to play. Hot dogs, drinks, and tableware will be provided by the church. The fire will be going as well to roast your dogs over. We will also be having a guest speaker, Jerry Westerfield, bringing the Word to us so you definitely want to join us for this service!

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This annual event at the worship center follows our Sunday morning service. The church will provide the hotdogs, drinks, tableware and inflatable bouncy houses for the kids. Please sign up on the sign up sheet for what you will be bringing. If you're unable to sign up, please bring a finger food side or dessert. Be sure to bring your lawn chairs as we don't have much seating out by the campfire. Reminder, this is a "dress down" Sunday as well.



NLCC Family 5K Walk/Run
October 3, 8:00 AM

This 3.1 mile Walk/Run will be a fun time to fellowship and get some fresh air! Sign up on the sign up sheet in the foyer to register!



A Date with Destiny

Feeling stuck in life? This women's conference is about unpacking Biblical strategies to get you unstuck and unstoppable. It's for individuals who want to fine tune their kingdom assignment or the assignment of their children, business, or family. And anyone who knows their assignment and wants to strategize ways to get from where they are to where they need to be.

Youth Paintball
October 17
7:30am - 8pm
Cost: \$55-\$75

See your youth leaders for details!



Special Speaker
Jerry Westerfield
October 11
10:00 am

Come hear this anointed man of God at New Life!

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Tom Sanford

Let me introduce you to Morgan Bechtol. Morgan has been coming to New Life for around 2 years now, after being invited by Mary Monfort. She just had her 21 birthday recently and is always seen with a positive attitude. A member of the McDonald's family for over 5 years, she really enjoys the people there and the atmosphere she works in. She is definitely a people person and loves a good conversation and gatherings among friends. At church her favorite part is, you guessed it, the New Life to be a big family that has welcomed her in. The congregation here has made it seem like we have all known each other forever. Good job church! Having graduated from Celina High School, she loved art always. She enjoys drawing in her spare time a lot and in particular, drawing human faces. Also in high school, she was a member of choir, FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), and FTA (Future Teachers of America). Even though she has not gone to college for teaching, she still has it on her heart. She immediately wanted to pursue a career out of high school and has recently received a prophecy about being a youth leader. This is a perfect place to develop her teaching gift as well! She has attended some youth events already and really seemed to fit in well with the kids. Morgan really has a servants heart if you cannot tell already. She always wants to assist where she is needed. Currently she is serving in the children's church arena with the little ones. When you see her around make sure to stop and talk. You will most likely be more energized and positive after the conversation.



DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Discipleship 1: October 4, 5 - 7 pm
Discipleship 2: October 4, 11, 8 am



MATURE SONS

Pastor Justin

Jesus told Nicodemus that in order for him to enter the Kingdom of God, he must be born again. In **1 Peter 1:23**, Peter echoes these same words that we are to be born again of an incorruptible seed. In **John 3**, John describes to us that the seed of God is placed within us. That we literally have God's DNA in us, that we are one with Him. Paul tells us in **1 Cor. 6:17** that our spirit and His Spirit are made one together when we are born again! That we have the incorruptible seed placed on the inside of us! Now

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it's important to understand, that once we are born again, this gives us the right to become something! In **John 1:12-13**, John tells us that being born again enables us to become mature sons in Jesus Christ. Many Christians think that being born again is the end game. Yet, that's just the starting point. God is desiring for us to transition from being children in our faith, to being mature sons/daughters in the faith. You see, someone can serve the Lord all their life, but

if they don't submit to the dealings of the Lord, maturity will not take place. Paul tells us in **Galatians 4** that if we remain as children (Greek word nepios), then we will remain under tutors and managers to rule over us. But if we come to a place of maturity (Greek word huios), then the Father can place us as

sons in the family business. Just like in the life of Jesus. At the age of 12, Jesus was fully aware of the Father's business, yet he had not come to the place of full maturity. At the age of 30, Jesus transitioned into the Father's business. The father placed (adoption) Jesus into the business of the Kingdom. Jesus now became a full time partner with His Father because He came to a place of maturity. Paul tells us in **Romans 8:14** that all creation groans for the mature (huios) sons of God. It is at this point that we begin to look like, talk like, and act like our big Brother Jesus. We now begin to enter the provision of the Kingdom as mature sons and daughters of God!