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newLife THRIVE YOUTH CORNER

The 2023 Michigan cabin trip is in the books! It was quite interesting with having so many people there this time, but God made it work! We had to set up a tent for the first time to accommodate sleeping arrangements and the devil tried to ruin it. The very first night we had a tornado warning. Thank God, by midnight the skies were clearing and the radar was good. The boys went back to their tent and everything had remained dry. The next few days were packed with devotions, messages, water time, volleyball, campfires, and great food! God took care of everyone and we were blessed with an enjoyable time! This retreat is always focused on relaxing and fellowshiping with one

another rather than on outreach and activities like camps are ran. Thank you for supporting Thrive Youth!



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Thrive Youth Garage Sale August 3 - 5

It's time for the annual Thrive garage sale held during the world's longest yard sale on Route 127. We are looking for items in good condition. We cannot do this without your help! If you have old furniture, electronics, decor, kitchen appliances, etc., (please, no clothing or books!), contact Sabrina Downing to schedule a time for pickup or for more information.



Classes will be starting in September for those who want to further their education, or just learn more about how to be an overcomer in everyday life. Whether you're called to a pulpit or a profession, a congregation or a career, Destiny School of Ministry is here to equip you to make a difference. Our mission is to make followers of Jesus who, in turn, teach and train others. If you are interested in taking these classes, either for credit or simply auditing, contact Pastor Justin or Jerilyn Lowe for more information.



August 15, 5:00 pm

Band of Brothers Event

We have reserved an open air concourse suite at Parkview Field in Fort Wayne for a night of food, fun, and fellowship. The cost is \$30 per person which includes your ticket, traditional ballpark food, soft drinks, popcorn, and peanuts. There is a maximum reservation of 30 people, so please sign up soon on the sign up sheet in the foyer. Those 18 years old and older are invited to this event. We will be leaving from Celina Chief at 5:00 pm. Contact Jeff Monfort for more information.



New Life has purchased a block of tickets for the Mercer County Fair Christian Concert with TobyMac this year. Track tickets are \$40 and Grandstand tickets are \$30 per person. Call the church office to reserve your seat.

ISSUE 1

Pastor Jason

VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!!!

Vote YES, YES, YES on Issue 1 for Ohio!!!



Right now, it only takes just over 50% of the Ohio voters to change the Constitution of our state in an election. This is too fickle and should have changed a long time ago. Issue 1 would raise that threshold to 60% which is completely reasonable and right! It should NOT be easy to change the governing Constitution of any group or governing body with a simple majority.

The hypocrisy of the liberal-left machine is astounding! The Ohio Democratic Party has a 60% threshold to change their own governing bylaws. The liberal ACLU also has a 60% threshold. Yet they want to keep a simple majority for our state?! Unbelievable! In comparison, the Ohio Republican Party requires 2/3 (67%) to change theirs.

The Left wants to leverage this in November to pass the most pro-abortion laws in the nation! By raising the threshold to 60% it will make it very difficult for the pro-aborts to win in November.

So open the camera on your phone and hold it over the QR-code below to sign the pledge. Then get out and vote early in your voting location. Or make sure that you turn out on August 8 to vote at your polling location! We need 100% of you to get out to vote!



DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Discipleship 1, August 6, 5 - 7 pm

Discipleship 2: September 10, 8:00 - 9:15 am



THE FATHERLESS EPIDEMIC

Pastor Justin

Malachi 4:5-6 "Behold I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a curse." What we are witnessing right now on earth is a fatherless

dads present. The bottom line is this, when a father is absent, abusive, or just neglects to engage in the life of his children, there are tragic consequences. The role of the father can not be underestimated. Now more than ever, we need to start exercising faith in the promises of God, specifically in the area of Malachi 4:5-6, that God will

epidemic. More and more children are being raised without fathers. What happens to a society when the father is absent or abusive to their children?

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Roughly 63% of all youth suicide comes from a fatherless home. Our prison system is comprised of 85% of youth without a father in the home. The majority of all drag queens (men dressed as women) come from homes of abusive or absent dads. Young girls, on average, start puberty 1 to 2 years prior to when they should. Young boys' telomeres (an indicator of longevity of life) are, on average, 10%-12% shorter for those who don't have

return the hearts of fathers and children back to each other. Today, I want to encourage you to pursue a peaceful and righteous relationship with your parents if possible. I know we all face different circumstances, but the Word of God is clear. We are to honor our father and mother, regardless of their performance. Honoring your father and mother is the only one with a promise attached to the ten commandments. If you are a dad and you're reading this, please consider your ways. Are you the father that your children need you to be? If not, it's not too late; take action today!