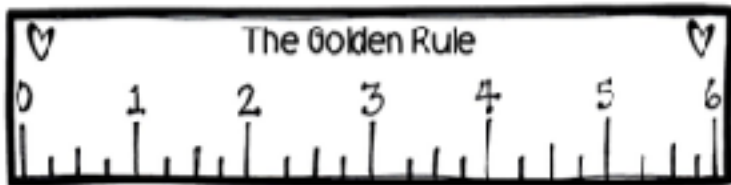


_____ 's Golden Rule



newLife THRIVE YOUTH CORNER

Thinking about the future can be a big and exciting thing with so many possibilities. More times than not, we start making plans we don't realize could be going against what God has planned for us. In the moment, we may not truly understand that we put Him on the sideline of our life. Over the next 3 months, we will have various lessons on the future and how to walk in the plans God has for us even when they seem unseen to us. Living in that unseen plan is having FAITH. Proverbs 16:1-3 says, 1). "To humans belong the plans of the heart, but from the LORD comes the proper answer of the tongue. 2). All a person's ways seem pure to them, but motives are weighed by the LORD. 3). Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and He will establish your plans."

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SPECIAL GUEST
Chuck Porta
 Friday, April 19,
 7:00 pm
 Sunday, April 21,
 10:00 am

Chuck brings a powerful prophetic message calling God's people to a deeper level of intimacy with the Lord. He also has a passion to see the move of God come to the body of Christ, releasing them into fruitful lives for the Kingdom of God. Be sure to invite a friend. You won't want to miss these services!



May 5, 7-9 pm
Mercer County Fairgrounds
1001 W. Market Street

This gathering is an ADULT/PARENT ONLY event (NO children will be permitted in this meeting). Scott Frank will be giving a relevant presentation on the inherent dangers of our digital world. He will provide techniques, strategies, and tools to help parents empower their children to make safe and healthy choices online. This is a FREE, impactful, and compelling community event.



NLCC GAME NIGHT
April 26, 6:00 pm

Plan to bring your favorite game and a snack to share. This fun event will be held at the Youth Center.

Chris Romano



April 24
7:00 pm

The President of VBCS will be ministering on this Wednesday night and updating us on what God is doing through Vision Bible College and Seminary. Be sure to join us for this inspiring evening.



May 5 10:00 am

Scott Frank, internet safety expert and empowerment speaker, will be sharing the dangers of the internet and social media in our technological world. Scott also will provide a wealth of information, techniques, and tools to help parents ensure their children are making good digital decisions. Parents and teens alike will not want to miss this presentation during our Sunday service.



DIGITAL EMPOWERMENT PROJECT

Pastor Justin

Have you ever considered the potential risks lurking on the internet? Whether it's identity theft, cyberbullying, or viruses, the online world can be tricky to navigate. It's essential to stay informed and take precautions to protect yourself and your personal information.

Rest assured that you are in good hands with our online expert, who has spent decades protecting individuals just like you. You can trust his expertise to keep you safe and secure in your online activities. **Scott Frank** will speak at **New Life** during our morning service and to our **community** later that evening. The evening meeting will be held at the **fairgrounds**, starting at 7 p.m. **No children are permitted to attend this event.**

I know several people who have been scammed or deceived into thinking they were talking to someone they know online, only to find out later that it was someone else entirely! If you think you are immune to the dangers of the online world, you are gravely mistaken. What you don't know WILL hurt you. Unless, of course, you don't get on the internet or have a phone. If that is you, then you are good not to attend any events. But for the rest of us, show up. Having experts like this is a rare opportunity to teach us how to understand the online world's risks better. We would all agree that the online world is **ONLY** increasing and not decreasing. So, it is time to get informed and learn the strategies needed to keep ourselves and our families safe.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

- Discipleship 1: April 21, 5:00 - 7:00 pm**
- Discipleship 2: April 21, 28, 8:00 - 9:15 am**
- Discipleship 3: April 21, 28, 8:00 - 9:15 am**



DISCERNING THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Levi Dahlke

On April 8th, the entire region of Midwest Ohio was silent as we were able to witness a total solar eclipse. The next time we will see another total solar eclipse in our area will be September of 2099. I'm sure all who saw this were in awe, but we as believers need to know that these signs in the heavens are more



than just a neat spectacle to look at, but understand that God speaks through signs. Many believe that looking for signs in the heavens is unbiblical for believers living under the new covenant, but we need to know what the scripture says about looking for signs. During the 4th day of creation, the Lord made the sun, moon, and stars to "be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years" (Gen 1:14). We also see the disciples ask Jesus in the Olivet discourse for signs

for the destruction of the temple, His coming, and the end of the age (Luke 21:5-8). Often Matt. 12:39 is used as a reason we shouldn't

look for signs, but we must put this into context of what was being discussed. The Pharisees were asking Jesus for a sign that He was the Messiah, but Jesus had already done countless signs, wonders, and miracles. This was never meant to be a scripture telling us to never look for signs, otherwise the scriptures would be contradictory.

To clarify, signs in the heavens are not for determining our emotions or personalities, but we are called to "discern the signs of the times" (Matt. 16:3). Though we didn't see any natural catastrophic event happen during the eclipse, we need to remember that there are spiritual forces at work and God will communicate to His people through signs and prophetic events. For more information about signs of the end times, we encourage everyone to read Pastor Gary's books on eschatology.

