



Who Is My Neighbor?

“And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”

-Matthew 22:39

One day when I was home from college, my dad drove me around Brock Park. It was his old neighborhood where he grew up. His house was just a block off the gathering place for, what seemed, every kid in town. He was driving block after block pointing at old houses telling me who lived where. He knew all his friends, with a few enemies thrown in, and their houses.

I was so impressed. He knew probably forty houses for blocks and I didn't even know most of my neighbors. We didn't go play baseball and football at the park. We didn't get chased out after dark. We didn't sit outside drinking Pepsis until midnight. In fact, I had to be in when the street-lights came on. Sure, there were some friends in my edition, but not like my dad's. It was just a “WOW” moment listening to him recollect them with nostalgia.

One story, in particular, really stuck out to me. I was raised with the saying, “TV destroyed our communities.” It always made sense. When people watch tv, they go into their living rooms with their families. Separated. It makes sense. But not when you hear my dad's story of their first tv.

My dad told me that they had the first one on the block. That's sounds so strange to me. One tv on a street?! And “new technology”? But they did. I can only imagine what the neighbors thought. “Well, aren't they uppity?!” But here's where the story blew me away. Every evening, they would pull it out on the porch. They used those extension cords that were brown and sparked all the time, but out would come this thirteen-inch screen and people would bring their lawn chairs and sit and watch a little screen with their neighbors for hours. Isn't that amazing?!

Maybe it wasn't the tv that destroyed neighborhoods. Maybe it was just us. We stopped considering what our neighbors meant to us and what we meant to them. Maybe it became easier to run up to Walmart for a cup of sugar or milk. Maybe life became more about what I want and not what would make our community better. And slowly we forgot we had people that mean so much to us called “neighbors.”

Maybe it's time to go introduce yourself and do what Jesus said. “Love your neighbor as yourself.” We need community, which means we need...neighbors. Our country is a collection of communities of neighbors. Maybe it's not the tv. Maybe it's us. You. Me.

From My Heart,

Billy

STUDENT IMPACT

KNOWN • VALUED • LOVED

SEPTEMBER 2020

If you play a sport, sing, play in band, are king of your chess club, or if you are involved in anything, GET ME YOUR SCHEDULE!! I would love to see you compete or perform.



"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
5 Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.
6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they will be filled.
7 Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
8 Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.
9 Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because
of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Sunday september 6th we are going to be looking at
this kingdom i pray it will be a reminder to you over
the rest of this month.

Caleb Page

**Every Wednesday Check
our youtube page for an
awesome teaching time**

NCC Student Impact Youth Ministry



SUNDAY

What are we teaching?

WED NIGHTS: Wednesdays nights check out a new teaching
video every wednesday on our youtube channel NCC Student
Impact Youth Ministry

SUN NIGHTS: We are having sunday nights again! 6-8pm you
have got to be here!!

Sponsor meeting in the youth room
Septmeber 27th





September Newsletter

Our mission is to help children come to **KNOW** Jesus Christ, **GROW** to be like Him, and **GO** serve Him.

DISCIPLESHIP AT HOME

4 ways to pray with your family when you don't know what to pray for or about.

Children's Church at Home & Wednesday Night lessons are being added to our church website each week and can be shared with everyone. I will send out email reminders.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

3yo ~ 5th grade meets in the KFC Room, Door will open at 10:15 am for check in. Church will start at 10:30 am until further notice.

KFC Volunteer Schedule

*Loving God, Loving our Neighbors"

by Deep Blue Kids - Cokesbury

Week > 3yo-2nd grade/3rd-5th grade

1st Sunday> Cheri, Emily/Canceled

2nd Sunday> Courtney, Open/Canceled

3rd Sunday> Amanda & Luke Nix/Canceled

4th Sunday> Courtney, Open/Canceled

5th Sunday> Courtney, Open/Canceled

LOOKING FOR NEW LEADERS & HELPERS

Say YES to Children's Ministry means saying 'Yes' to;

hugs GAMES questions imaginations
FUN! listening giggles

- Praying Scripture > gather your family around and open your Bibles to Philippians. Each person pick TWO verses. Assign the verses to a family member and pray all week for them. For an example Philippians 1:9 says, "I pray that your love will overflow more and more and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding." My prayer to the KFC Families; Dear Heavenly Father, I pray for all the KFC families that they will grow in Your Word and they will love You so much that they would want to share Your love with others. Lord, thank you for loving us and please bless each family. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.
- Praying Blessing > The Bible is full of blessings where someone is asking for God to favor someone else. Google search "Blessings in Scripture" (suggestion, christianity.com). Read through them and pick one blessing for a family member. Say that blessing in prayer for them all week long.
- Praying Remembrance > Paul in the Bible tells us to pray for our brothers and sisters around the world. As a family, look up www.operationworld.org. There you will find opportunities to pray for people in the world.
- Praying Power > Jesus says in Matthew 17:20, "He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." As a family, read the story about Elijah in 1 Kings 18:1-15. Is there anyone you may know that needs God's courage to help them? Discuss who that may be and pray for them all week.

Praying is so much more than talking to God. It's a communion with one another as a family, growing in your faith and putting Jesus in your hearts.

I am praying for you this month that your families will grow deeper in God's Word and in prayer.

News & Upcoming Events

Sunday School and Wednesday Nights

CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Courtney Loveless
Children's Ministry/Preschool Director

We have openings!
Please share...



Open Enrollment for the 2020-2021 School Year
18 mos. through 5 yr. old/PreK

Visit our church website, www.nccok.com
for more information and to print enrollment forms.

First Day of School - Tuesday, Sept. 1st



A note of explanation about the September calendars. The legend denotes the days that we have the home-school groups and the preschool here at the church. The building is pretty much in full use all day those days, and would not be available for other activities.

FC = FICHE Home school group

PS = Preschool

CC = Classical Conversations Home School group

Please check with the office if you want to schedule something, and we'll see what might work.



Newcastle CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Newsletter September 2020

Prayer Requests

**Call or email the church office,
387-4100, ncc@nccok.com.**

Prayer Requests will be taken during the week, shared on Sunday mornings, and then added to the prayer list. Since we won't be meeting on Wednesday nights until further notice, you can still and always call or email the church with your prayer requests and updates during the week. These will be added to the list and emailed out a couple times a week. And also, we'll continue to send out urgent prayer needs as we find out about them.



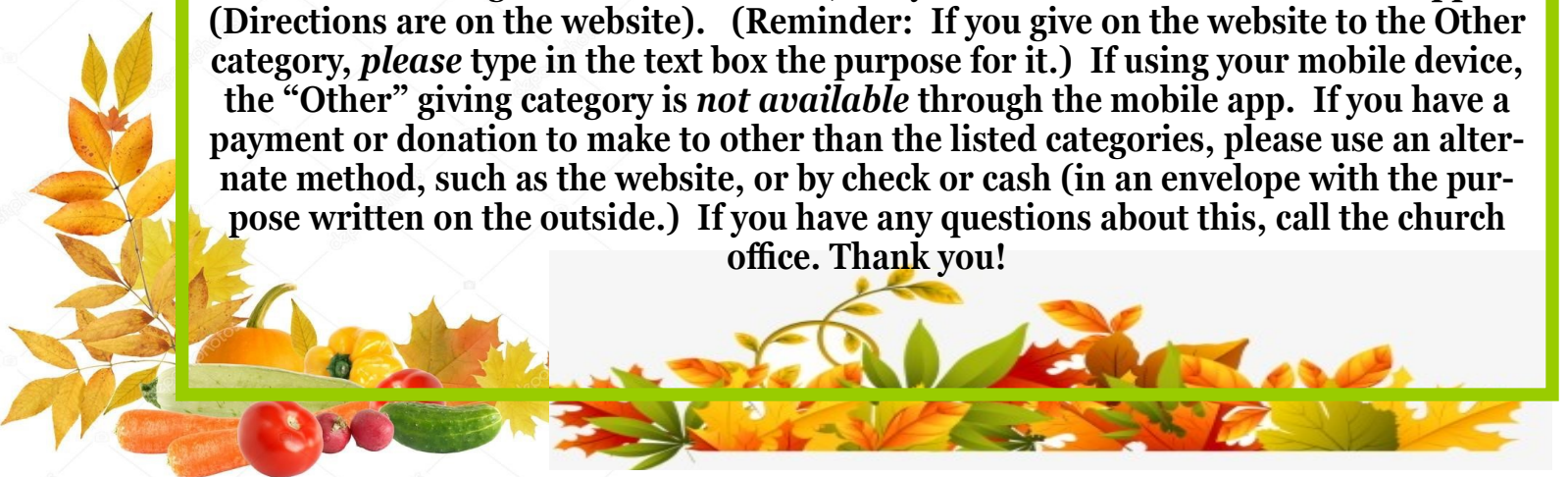
September 11th
9:00-10:30 AM

Wednesday Night

Every Wednesday night, Billy brings a video presentation of a lesson, with a downloadable worksheet (accessible through the website). This will continue until we start up the meals and Bible studies again in the fall.

Offering

For the time-being, the offering plate will not be passed during service. There is a giving box in the foyer for your checks or cash (in an envelope please). Giving is also available through the church website, or by mobile device on the GivePlus app. (Directions are on the website). (Reminder: If you give on the website to the Other category, *please* type in the text box the purpose for it.) If using your mobile device, the "Other" giving category is *not available* through the mobile app. If you have a payment or donation to make to other than the listed categories, please use an alternate method, such as the website, or by check or cash (in an envelope with the purpose written on the outside.) If you have any questions about this, call the church office. Thank you!





September Nursery Workers

**6th—Amanda Nix
13th—Michelle Collier
20th—Kristi Harris
27th—Emily Littlejohn**

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Elders

Rick DeWeese—Gary Pitzer

Deacons

Travis Cotten—Garland Hawkins

**Sunday School Sunday not at present
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Youth Group 6:00 pm**

Wednesday

Bible Study (access on website)

Important Dates in September

(Note the Preschool and Home School dates on the calendar)

**Sept. 2—Red Hats 11:30-1:30
Sept. 3—FICHE Fellowship Hall—evening
Sept. 7—Labor Day—Office Closed
Sept. 11—Pantry 9:00-10:30
Sept. 18—Football meal for NHS vs Blanchard**

September 2020 - Communion & Offering Thoughts

	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunday
COMMUNION					
THOUGHT	Ed Harris	Gary Pitzer	David Rodgers	Caleb Page	N/A
PRAYER TIME	Caleb Page	Garland Hawkins	Mike Aston	Rick DeWeese	N/A



The September 2020 calendar is being sent by separate email so that it is easier to read in landscape mode. It's also easier to print it out and put it up on your fridge for handy reference.