



Newcastle CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Newsletter - JULY 2024



Our Vision Statement: NEWCASTLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH STRIVES TO BE A COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS EAGER TO TELL PEOPLE ABOUT JESUS.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



THURSDAY, JULY 25TH @ Noon

We are sponsoring BINGO at the Newcastle Senior Center on Hwy 130. In preparation for that we are collecting Bingo-y type gifts. Dollar Store and Clearance Aisle items as you come across them, bring them to the office. We'll also need some volunteers to work the event.

NCC PRESCHOOL

ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN

Now Accepting students 18mo to Pre-K

2024-2025 School Year

Talk to Courtney

Enrollment is now open. If you know of anyone that would want their pre-schooler to attend, get a reservation in soon! Forms and information are available online at nccok.com

CIY YOUTH TRIP



JULY 8-12, LINCOLN NB

Pray for our kids and sponsors for travel safety and for great spiritual growth and bonding.



MEET THE COMMUNITY

Saturday, August 10, 9-noon

Here at NCC. Mark your calendars to come meet Community businesses and services in Newcastle!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

crafting fellowship

let's play samba!

saturday, july 20th
10AM TO 2PM

Join us for a fun day of Samba! Sign up to bring a lunch item to share.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

TACO SALAD BENEFIT LUNCHEON

Sunday, August 11, 2024
Immediately Following Worship Service

NO CHARGE! Just asking for generous donations! **DESSERTS** will be sold by the pound, and may be shared with those at your table and/or taken home. (SIGN-UP IN THE ALCOVE to donate desserts!)





I'M TIRED

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. -Isaiah 40:29-31

I'm tired.

Not necessarily physically tired, though a nap does sound kind of nice. I am not struggling to keep my eyes open or my body upright. My mind is sharp. I'm tuned in to what is going on around me.

But I'm tired.

I'm exhausted spiritually. Have you ever been in that place? If not, let me explain. It's more of a feeling of wanting to somehow quit. Not my job or anything, but my effort to please God. That looks awful now that I read it, but it's true. I am tired of trying to please God on my own. Read. Pray. Attend. Listen. Repeat.

Many people are afraid to admit this. As though it is some kind of sinful state. They think that feeling like this is a loss of faith or identity with God. Some will even connect it with burnout or sin. I'm not sure about all that and have my doubts that it is in some way evil. But it is real. Very real. And many Christians experience it from time to time. If you are spiritually tired, know that you are not unbelieving, nor sinful, nor lacking faith.

It's not where you are right now that affects your eternity, it's what you do in it, that shapes the way forward. You see, many make the mistake of trying to "fix" themselves in this place. They will do more. More reading (which isn't wrong, per se) and check more Christian websites with their motivational speakers (I'm guilty too) and more and more. They will keep piling on because they think it will get them out of this tired place. But it will just make you more exhausted.

So what do I do?

Keep your hope. Read and reread the verses above. Rest in the hope that Jesus is Who He says He is and is doing in, and through, you what He has created you to be. Know that this is a season of life. A season that hasn't surprised God nor caught Him off-guard. Know you're not alone nor the only Christian to feel this way. Remain confident in our hope and confident in Him Who we don't see yet (Heb. 11:1). God's got this. He always has. He is building in you what He wants for you.

So rejoice in the unwavering hope in Jesus. Satan can try to take our hope. But remind him, he can't take our eternity. Then mount up on wings like eagles...AND SOAR.

From My Heart,

Billy



July 2024

Worship Night!

July 31st

Leave the Church at 5pm return around 9pm
Where? Cherokee Hills Christian Church in
OKC.

Food, Games, Worship and a Message.

Looks to be a great time.

Sign up in the Youth room by July 21st or let
david know!



Summer camps are over. We have endured early mornings, long days and late nights. We have had heavy discussions, painful realizations, and promising breakthroughs. We've dealt with the heat, the storms and other setbacks. Through it all Jesus was preached, students were shown love, and God received glory and honor.

So, what did we talk and learn about? We explored how we could make our spiritual walk more mature by focusing more on Jesus. Our Theme was "Elevate". We challenged students to seek to elevate a few aspects of their faith. During classes we helped them to understand the "omni" attributes of God. God is Omniscience, Omnipotent, Omnipresent, and Omnibenevolent. We felt like helping students understand God better would elevate their faith by giving them the understanding that we serve a God who knows everything, can do anything, be every where and love always. To serve a God like this ought to give us an incredible amount of confidence knowing that with his leading he purpose will always come to be and we get to be a vessel to complete his will.

During our small group time we challenged students to discuss their importance within the church they attend. We asked them what their gifts were, what kind of passions they had concerning the local body. We also discussed whether or not they felt like they belonged to the church. Interesting discussions followed.

Lastley during our worship service we were challenged to align our lives to the challenges found in Colossians 3. We were challenged to put away the old self and put on our new self. We were encouraged to set our minds on things above and not on earthly things.

These students did amazing during these weeks of camp. Some claim it was one of the best season of camp we've had.

God is moving in powerful ways through the students in our area. Are we ready to embrace the change that God will make through them?

Hope your summer is going well, David



July 2024 Newsletter

Children's Ministry/Preschool Director

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

“Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.” Deuteronomy 6:5

Children's Church

4yo ~ 5th grade meets in Room 101, Door will open at 10:20 am for check in. Church will start at 10:30 am.

Our time together in Children's Church - we Worship with songs, we have a time of prayer, communion time, we take up an offering to help support a mission (our focus has been praying for those that need to hear the Good News) and we have a lesson experience which may include a game and a craft. Take - n- Talk's will be sent home each week with our Scripture reading from our lesson, it will have a verse to memorize and a 'family time' suggestion.

Sunday School → 9:30 am, Room 105, 4yo ~ 5th grade. Teacher: Courtney

Sunday School is an opportunity for children to learn more about Jesus through memory verses and lesson activities.

Wednesday Nights

No Fellowship Meal during the Summer. Bible Study, 6:30pm Teacher: Courtney Room 101, 4yo ~ 5th grade

Wednesday's is an opportunity for children to dig deeper into God's Word. Learning how important it is for us to have a relationship with Jesus.

Nursery



Our nursery is more than a room. We aim to teach your littles to love Jesus through songs, bible stories and play.

Castle KIDS Volunteer Schedule for Children's Church

- 1st Sunday > Cheri/Emily
- 2nd Sunday > Courtney
- 3rd Sunday > Open
- 4th Sunday > Open

Castle LITTLES Volunteer Schedule for Nursery - 10:15am

- 1st Sunday > Michelle C./Axie
- 2nd Sunday > Ginger/Taylor
- 3rd Sunday > Shirley C./Open
- 4th Sunday > Emily L./Open

Wednesday Nights 6:25pm - Open

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Lesson Title

- 7/7 - Lesson 1 > Wisdom - I can learn from God's Word, King Solomon & Proverbs
- 7/14 - Lesson 2 > Wisdom - I can learn from God's Word, King Solomon & Proverbs
- 7/21 - Lesson 3 > Wisdom - The Bible is for everyone, Jesus is tempted
- 7/28 - Lesson 4 > Wisdom - The Bible is for everyone, Jesus is tempted

FAMILY RESOURCE:

Family Conversation Starters - <https://d6family.com/splink/>

Download the D6 app., parenting at your fingertips.



Summertime activity with your family...

Just a Little?

Items Needed: Ingredients for recipe of your choice, rocks

Show how sin affects the whole body of Christ followers by making a dessert (or any type of food) together. Assign each child an ingredient to add. As they add the ingredients one at a time, talk about how good it will taste. When all the ingredients have been added, pick up a handful of rocks and pretend you are going to add them. Give in to the pleas not to ruin the dessert and leave them out.

Talk about it:

Why didn't you want me to add those rocks? Just as a few rocks would have ruined our dessert, it is the same with sin. A little sin will hurt all of us. We must follow God's way, and He wants us to live pure lives. Who wants us to believe his lies? Yes, Satan wants us to believe his lies. We must follow God's commands to walk in purity in our thoughts, words, and actions.

Enjoy your special treat!



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Sunday
Sunday School 9:30-10:15am
Worship Service 10:30 am
Youth Group 5:30 pm

Wednesday
Dinner @ 5:30 (suspended for summer)
Bible Studies 6:30 pm

PRAYER REQUESTS

Call or email the church office, 405-387-4100, ncc@nccok.com.

Submit prayer requests to the church office anytime. They will be added to the weekly list, emailed out each week, or emailed immediately if its urgent.

Important Dates in July

- 3—Wednesday night Bible Studies 6:30 pm
- 4—Independence Day—office closed
- 12—Food pantry—9-10:30
- 17—Wednesday night Bible Studies 6:30 pm
- 20—Women's Craft Day—luncheon -10-2
- 24—Wednesday night Bible Studies 6:30 pm
- 25—Senior Center Bingo
- 25—Red Hats Game Day
- 31—Wednesday night Bible Studies 6:30 pm

FOOD PANTRY



The more food we donate, the less has to be purchased by the ministry. (And, as always, monetary donations are helpful, too!) **THANK YOU!!**



- 7/7—Billy & Michelle
- 7/14—Ellen
- 7/21—Cody & Jill
- 7/28—Alan & Sharron

July 2024 - Communion Thought

7/7	7/14	7/21	7/28	N/A
Rick DeWeese	Neil Newcomb	Gary Pitzer	David Martinez	



We are asking generous donations to help with the costs related to the unexpected replacement of 3 stolen A/C units. THANK YOU!!

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates are passed each Sunday, or you may use the giving box in the foyer for your checks or cash (in an envelope please). Giving is also available through the church website at www.nccok.com on any of your devices. If you need help, just call the church office.



Last Sunday of the month—watch for info

