



# Newcastle CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Newsletter - APR 2026



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

## EASTER EVENTS

**CRUSHED**  
A BLOODY CROSS

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**  
FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026

Service begins at 6:00 p.m.

**CONQUERED**  
AN EMPTY TOMB

**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026

Service begins at 10:30 a.m.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY**

Topic: Women in the Background: The Supporting Cast

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am through April 21<sup>st</sup>  
(Sign up in Info Alcove to bring snacks)

## MEN'S MINISTRY

**FIREPIT MEN'S GROUP**

**SAT, April 25<sup>th</sup> 7 PM**

Men of all ages are invited to come sit by the fire and discuss Biblical applications to life with your Christian brothers. Signup sheet in the Alcove. Talk with Billy for more info.

## RECEPTION

A reception honoring Evan and Bailey (Angus) Loveless, who were married Feb 9th, is being held at NCC on Tuesday April 14th from 6-8 PM. Please RSVP to Debbie DeWeese (405-249-7815) by April 7th.

2026 WOMEN'S EVENT

**Amazing FAITH**

AMY STORMS  
SPEAKER

APRIL 24-25, 2026 • OCC.EDU/WE

Ozark Women's Conference, April 24-25

\$60 per person

Please sign up in the info alcove! You don't want to miss this conference!!



# I Am New

**Revelation 21:5 - He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!"**

Ah, spring!

Nature's hibernation has come to an end. What wilted and dried up is gone. It is now feeding the youth of earth. The hard soil is opening with just the tips of new life. The icy dew (what little we had) has become rich moisture that is calling out to the depths that it is time to "push through" and reach for the sun. To grow and extend into the vast, ever reaching warmth of the sun.

The old is gone, the new has come.

I love when nature proves that God has the best illustrations. Old gone. New come. That is the story of the Bible. From Genesis to Revelation, God is creating life out of death. He is moving from stale to refreshing. He is in the business of making "new creation[s]". It is obvious in nature. It is obvious in us.

I've always disliked winter. I used to call it the season where everything dies. I am a spring-summer guy. Bring on the shorts and flip-flops. Where are my sunglasses? Get the pool ready. Life has returned. Let's go camping. Or have a barbeque. Time to get outside.

You can't do those things in winter. Winter is where you stay inside, light the fireplace and drink hot chocolate. You stare out the window at the hard, cold earth that is devoid of "life". No flowers. No leaves. No color but the yellow of dead grass.

But then it happens. The Maker speaks and small bumps appear on empty limbs. Small "freckles" of grass smile as they push through the earth. The sky lights up, rains down, and through "baptism" life returns. The flowers. The trees. The birds and squirrels. Life is a new creation. You find it hard to even remember the barrenness of just a few months ago because spring causes an inward revival, and joy is had by all.

That is what Jesus wants to do in you. Maybe you're still in the "winter" of your life wondering when God will awaken you. To you I want to say this one thing. Remember, the flower is only obeying God. When He calls, they respond. When He waters, they drink. And they are always reaching to grasp Him even though He isn't far off.

In fact, if you will listen, you will hear God calling. Go to Him. He is making you new.

From My Heart,

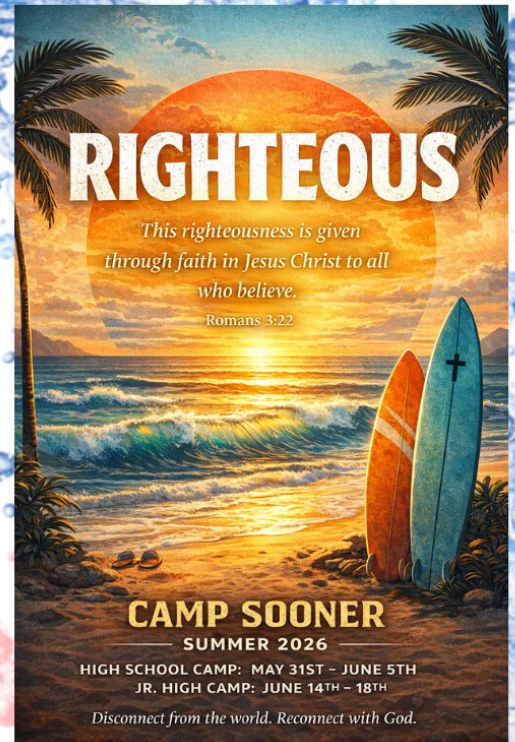
*Billy*

# Insight Student Ministry

## April 2026



We will be watching  
Passion of the Christ  
on April 1<sup>st</sup>, during the  
Wednesday night service.  
But the movie will start at  
6pm.



## RIGHTEOUS

*This righteousness is given  
through faith in Jesus Christ to all  
who believe.  
Romans 3:22*

### CAMP SOONER

SUMMER 2026

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP: MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> - JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>  
JR. HIGH CAMP: JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup> - 18<sup>TH</sup>

*Disconnect from the world. Reconnect with God.*

The last week of Jesus' life starts off with a bang! As he enters Jerusalem there is excitement, enthusiasm, parade and celebration for the coming of the "Son of David". The city is ready to crown him king of Israel and the disciples are soaking it all up. The imagery is clear, the donkey portraying a peaceful entry and the palm leaves welcoming a king.

While this is a monumental moment, just prior to entering the city Jesus take a moment. In this moment we see something powerful. Often times when moments like these arise in the Gospels people don't seem to notice. When Jesus sees Jerusalem, his heart is so full of compassion and love that he has to take a moment. Jesus knowing what will take place at the end of the week and also knowing what will happen within the next 40 years has to take a minute to weep for the city. Jesus' weeping is equivalent to Mary weeping at the death of her brother Lazarus. This is not a silent moment; Jesus is deeply pained. His pain is founded in the lostness of the sheep of Israel as they will deny him at the end of the week. This pain is compounded by his knowledge of the future fall of Jerusalem in 70AD, not only will the city be destroyed, but many people in the city will not have a trusting relationship with Jesus therefore sending them to an eternity apart from God. This picture of Jesus shows he is a man who cares for people. Jesus cares for the people of Jerusalem despite the fact that within a matter of days the people will choose to humiliate and crucify him.

If you ever feel like Jesus doesn't care about you in your situation, please reconsider, Jesus took a moment to weep over the hurt and pain of a city and a nation. Jesus does see you in your hurt and brokenness. His desire is for you to have a trusting relationship with Him. He has given his life for the sake of all mankind. Jesus loves you.

Studying with you, David

APRIL 2026

# CASTLE KIDS

WHERE CHILDREN  
LEARN TO SHINE  
THEIR LIGHT TO  
MAKE HEAVEN  
CROWDED

Every week in Castle Kids church service, your students participate in a full church service.

Including worship, a lesson at their level, communion and offering.

Last year, together with the help of the church, we were able to buy 190 Bibles for new believers who wouldn't otherwise have access to those. The students were so excited they decided to do the same this year.

Each student will be sent home a prayer list so they can pray for the areas Bibles are delivered.

Our goal with this, is that your students see the need for Jesus around the world, and develop a desire to see God's word spread!

visit [reachavillage.org](http://reachavillage.org) or talk to MaLinda for more information!



REACHAVILLAGE

## Thank you

Thank you to everyone who donated and volunteered for the multiple events we had in March. God was present and you were a blessing!

Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus!

## Upcoming Events

- April 3<sup>rd</sup> Good Friday Service at 6 pm
- April 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Service 10:30 am
- April 9<sup>th</sup> Praying Sisterhood 10 am
- April 10-11<sup>th</sup> Spring Camp for 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students and an adult
- April 29<sup>th</sup> Make May baskets 6:15 pm

## KIDS SPRING Camp



**APRIL 10-11**

Grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> + Parents

Join us for a weekend of camp activities and diving into God's word together.

Each family of children must have one adult attend the whole weekend with them.



Camp Sooner



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Summer Camp registration is open!

Sign up now to ensure early bird prices and a tshirt!

Check out [www.campsooner.com](http://www.campsooner.com) for dates and prices



# Newcastle CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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### Church Office:

Phone: 405-387-4100

Website: [nccok.com](http://nccok.com)

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### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm

### Staff

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### Elders

Rick DeWeese

Michael Halcomb

Garland Hawkins

### Deacons

Alan Allison

Robert Elliott

Cody Lee

### SERVICE TIMES

#### Sunday

Sunday School 9:30-10:15am

Worship Service 10:30 am

#### Wednesday

Dinner @ 5:30

Bible Studies 6:30 pm

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Call or email the church office, 405-387-4100, [ncc@nccok.com](mailto:ncc@nccok.com).

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

### Important Dates in APRIL

- 1— Wed. night dinner 5:30 & Bible Study 6:30
- 3—Good Friday Family Service 6:00 pm
- 5—Easter Sunday 10 am (No Sun. School)
- 7— Ladies Bible Study 10am
- 8— Wed. night dinner 5:30 & Bible Study 6:30
- 9—Praying Sisterhood 10 am
- 10—Food Pantry 9-10:30 am
- 14— Ladies Bible Study 10am
- 14—Reception for Evan & Bailey 6-8pm
- 15— Wed. night dinner 5:30 & Bible Study 6:30
- 18—Ladies Craft Day 10 am-1 pm
- 20—Camp Golf fundraiser
- 21— Last Ladies Bible Study 10am
- 21—Church dinner out @ Koto Steakhouse
- 22— Wed. night dinner 5:30 & Bible Study 6:30
- 24-25—Ladies Ozark Conference
- 25—Men's Fireside study



- 4/5—Billy & Michelle
- 4/12—Ellen S
- 4/19—Cody Lee
- 4/26—Billy & Michelle

### FAMILY SUNDAY



April 26 - Bring the Kids in to Worship

### FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:30 pm

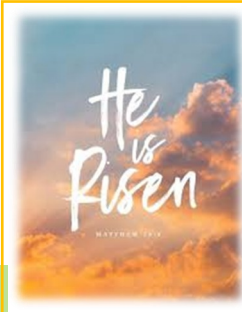
ALL CHURCH invited to Koto Japanese Steakhouse (Norman). Sign up in Alcove



Van leaves the parking lot at 5pm

### APR 2026 - Communion Thought

4/5	4/12	4/19	4/26	5th
Ed Harris	Neil Newcomb	Gary Pitzer	David Rodgers	N/A



### 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](http://www.nccok.com) on any of your devices. If you need help, just call the church office.

### PRAYER



Praying Sisterhood Club—Thursday, April 9, 10 am

This is an opportunity for our praying women to get together and pray for our families, those younger than us that we love and are invested in.

The Extra Mile

Last Sunday of the month—watch for info