



ACTIVE

But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. -Matthew 7:26

Imagine, if you will, a world where...

Active members of a military unit are on the battlefield sitting around while the fighting is going on. Explosions are rumbling the ground all around. Bullets are whizzing through the air. Plans have been carefully made and orders are in place. Guns are available which they are trained to use. The enemy is moving and actively positioning to fight. They are severely out numbered and overpowered, but they are fighting as though they can win.

There is a problem.

The soldiers refuse to enter the battlefield. They are in the barracks arguing about who is the bravest fighter. Voices are raised. Occasional shoving. Everyone thinks they're the greatest fighter ever. Stories about past victories fill the air. Great tales of grandeur following each other like a train passing on the tracks of time. Heroes of long ago.

But today, a statue would be more of a fighter. Trees and clouds bring more combat than these soldiers. If words were bullets, there'd be no one standing. But stories don't fight. Words and bragging are useless. What is needed in this battle is someone to step up and obey the orders of the leader. Someone to remind them they are "active" members of the military. There is someone to fight.

True on the physical battlefield. True on the spiritual. The Church needs people to remember what and why they vowed to be when they accepted Jesus. It's not "fire insurance" but a relationship bought by the Savior. It's not a call to the "lazy-boy of life" but to a war needing soldiers to fight.

I've always struggled with the term, "active member". Why is the word "active" needed? Doesn't being a member of the Body imply activity? If you're a member of a club, don't you do the activities? Church is not a place to watch a performance. It's a headquarters for the battlefield. A place where Hell, though fighting, CAN- NOT win. Why? Because greater is He that is in us (which makes us the Church) than he that is in the world.

So gear up, soldier! Grab a weapon, go to the battle knowing God has won!

From My Heart,

Billy

STUDENT IMPACT

KNOWN ● VALUED ● LOVED

FEBRUARY 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.



During Valentine's Day, we focus on love. We give gifts, write cards, and cherish loved ones, but this year we should focus on a different love. Instead of celebrating a worldly holiday about chocolates and flowers, let's take time to thank God for the love and mercy that he shows us all throughout the year. Also, we should all make an effort to reach out to both friends and foes and make sure that they know not only that you care for them, but that they have a Heavenly, almighty father who loves them indefinitely. While Valentine's Day is a sweet day to enjoy quality time with loved ones, we should strive to be selfless this Valentine's Day, and consider that the holiday would not even exist without God's great love for us.

Caleb Page

Super Bowl Party



Newcastle Christian Church

What are we teaching?

WED NIGHTS: "Influencer" this 4-week series, we'll learn from a few key influencers in the Bible about what real influencers are like.

SUN NIGHTS: Our small group series is called "OWN IT". We want to give our students the knowledge to move beyond, "I just believe" to "here is exactly what I believe"

Love and Appreciation Banquet

On Feb 12th we are having our annual love and appreciation banquet! you have an amazing chance to help volunteer for our church in child care or serving tables. Tips will be gathered and split among all of those who want to help. This can go to your summer trip or you can just make money!

Sponsor meeting
Sunday is Feb 23rd!



February Newsletter

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

Memorize it!

He did what was right in the Lord's eyes. 2 Kings 22:2

Memory Challenge ~

Write verse on paper, memorize it, say it to Ms. Courtney for a prize.

KFC Volunteer Schedule

Sunday School

3yo - 2nd grade > Courtney

3rd - 5th grade > Kacey

Group: Hands on Bible

Kids' Church

"Loving God, Loving our Neighbors"

by Deep Blue Kids - Cokesbury

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

1st Sunday > Cheri, Emily/Jimmy

2nd Sunday > Amanda, Open/Caleb

3rd Sunday > Amanda, Luke Nix/Jimmy

4th Sunday > Courtney, Open/Open

Wednesday Night

3yo - 5th grade age group together -

All meet in the KFC Room to Worship &

Pray together...Lesson > Creation

Sunday School (9:30am)

3 yo - 2nd grade meet in Room 102

3rd - 5th grade meet in Room 101

Wednesday (7:00pm)

3yo - 5th grade meet in KFC Room

Kid's Church (10:45am)

3yo - 5th grade meet in KFC Room

3rd - 5th grade will split after Offering

News & Upcoming Events



A Grumpy Valentine



Mad Lib ~ insert where needed

I don't get what the (adjective) deal is... to me, Feb. 14 is just another day. I really don't understand why every (noun) in the world loves this day so much. First of all, there are all the (shape) decorations, and everything is covered in (color)! Then, you have to make valentines for all the (plural noun) and (plural noun) in your class. Even if you don't like them! Next, our teacher, (plural noun) makes us decorate a (noun) to put our valentine cards inside. Then, on the dreaded day, at (time), everyone passes out their valentines. I don't like to read the (adjective) messages, especially from the (plural noun)! The only good thing about Valentine's Day, is eating all the delicious (plural noun)!

SuperStart!

Still not too late to join us!
Feb. 7 - 8th for 3rd - 5th grade
\$65 to register.

Books of the Bible Challenge

Kids want more time, so we will continue until May! If kids need sheet or need new ones, I have them in the KFC Room =)

New Sign In/Out for Sunday's & Wednesday's started in January. Thank you for being patient with me in getting this started. The safety of your children is very important to our Ministry.



Courtney Loveless
Children's Ministry Director

ANNUAL MEETING



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sun. Feb. 2, Noon



Newcastle CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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BLOOD DRIVE



SAT. FEB. 22 8:30-12:30

Sign up in the foyer for a time to donate. We are in the "Do not donate" window if you want to donate for the NCC Blood Drive.

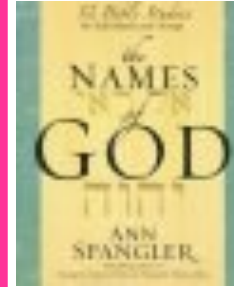
MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

8:00 am

Saturday, February
15th



LADIES BIBLE STUDY



THE NAMES OF GOD

Tuesdays, 10 am,
beginning Feb.
18th.

Sign up in the
foyer so that we may have a work-
book ready for you.

LOVE & APPRECIATION BANQUET

Wed. Feb. 12th 6:30 pm



**\$3 per person/\$10
maximum per family**

We'll have a great meal and a fun night of "mystery dinner theater." Come enjoy a dinner of ham, cheesy mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, and pie, while solving the mystery. Children will have their own activities and menu of hotdogs & cookies.

NCC 101

Continuing Feb. 9 & 23, and March 8 & 22, Billy is leading a class entitled "NCC 101: WHO WE ARE". This is a class about our church and how it works and who's who. The Elders would like for every member and regular visitor to go through one class, if at all possible. There are sign-up sheets in the foyer to select a class time that will work for you. Please sign up as soon as you can, class size is limited to 20. For more information, talk to Billy or one of the Elders.

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Youth Group has a Superbowl Party on Sunday, Feb. 2nd at 5:30. Other games and activities will also be available. Check with Caleb for more info.

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COMING IN MARCH: YOUTH SPAGHETTI FUNRAISER & DESSERT AUCTION, SUN. MARCH 8th

Coming up in April: RISE UP! Ladies Conference at Ozark Christian College. Sign-up in foyer to get pre-registration price cut by Feb. 29th. For more info, talk to Michelle or Ellen.

FEBRUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Annual Congregational Meeting Youth Superbowl Party	3	4 Gentle Yoga 6:30	5 Dinner 5:30 Bible Study 7pm	6	7 Superstart for 3rd-5th graders	8 15 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
9 NCC 101	10	11 12 Love & Appreciation Banquet 6:30 pm Murder Mystery Dinner	13	14 Pantry 9-10:30	15 Men's Bible Study 8:00am	
16	17	18 Ladies Bible Study 10:00am	19 Dinner 5:30 Bible Study 7pm	20 Red Hats game Day	21 Ducks Unlimited Dinner Here	22 Oklahoma Blood Institute Blood Drive
23 Youth Sponsor Meeting NCC 101	24	25 Ladies Bible Study 10:00am	26 Dinner 5:30 Bible Study 7pm	27	28	29

