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NEW LIFE
CHURCH



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MISSION & VALUES



MISSION

Our mission is to awaken the spiritually disengaged to a vibrant life journey with Jesus Christ and others.

VALUES

We engage in worship and teaching that is **relevant** and results in life change.

We value **excellence** that honors God and inspires people.

We invest in **kids and students** because they matter to God.

We develop genuine and authentic **relationships** that connect people to Jesus and encourage spiritual growth.



LEADERSHIP TEAMS

BOARD MEMBERS



BRIAN BERKEY



ASHLEY BROWN



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secretary



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family life pastor



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MINISTRY OVERVIEW



First Time Guests



Life Events



13 Baptisms/1 Dedication

Total Members



Average Sunday Attendance



129 Average Weekly Views on YouTube

Christmas Eve Attendance



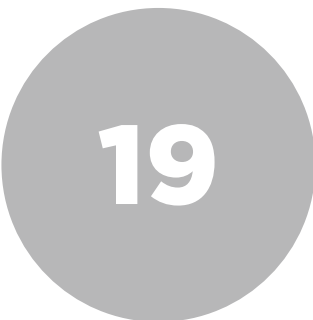
83 Views on YouTube (over the course of a week)

Easter Weekend Attendance



325 Views on YouTube (over the course of a week)

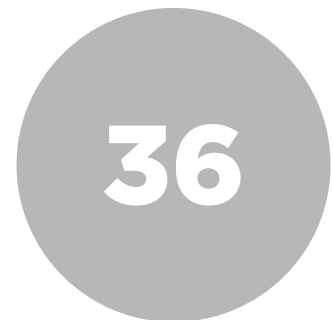
Average Midweek Kids Attendance



Average Sunday Kids Attendance



Average Student Life Attendance



MINISTRY REPORTS



“Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” Acts 2:46-47

I love that verse, especially how it applies to New Life Church this past year. New families are finding their way to our church, the number of people serving continues to grow, we are providing more opportunities for fellowship, and kids and adults alike are choosing to follow Jesus Christ. It is a wonderful time to be a part of New Life Church!

One of the biggest events we had last year was the return of Day Camp. Our camp attendance far exceeded our expectations, and we are anticipating an even higher number of kids this year. We also added several kids outreach events last year, the largest one being Superhero Sunday, which included our first ever Trunk or Treat. We will continue to look for opportunities to reach the families in our community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

In addition, we have seen continued growth in our Sunday morning kids services. Every week, kids participate in an interactive Bible story where they are given a chance to respond to the message. We also brought back Wednesday night church for kids. Kids are demonstrating their faith in real and substantial ways such as memorizing Bible verses, continuing their studies at home with their parents, and inviting their friends to church. We’ve even seen them memorize and perform a worship song on the main stage! All of this is possible because of our amazing kids volunteer team. We are blessed to have many new and veteran team members serving in all areas of kids ministry. We are truly thankful for their service.

We are also seeing constant growth in our adult ministries. Men’s Ministry and the Evergreens continue to meet regularly, and we brought back a women’s Bible study small group last fall. We started an all church study group on Facebook. Our worship and tech ministry teams have seen an influx of new volunteers, and we are continually improving the quality of our livestream service. New Life has begun hosting quarterly social events after church to great success.

We are thankful for everyone that serves at New Life Church. As we continue to grow, we have an increased need for more people to serve. It is our hope that everybody that calls New Life their home would be serving here. Please continue to pray for the right ministry opportunity for you. Always remember that you are loved by God and by your church family.

Respectfully,
Kris Heimer
Family Life Pastor

MINISTRY REPORTS



Student Life Ministries has been devoted to discipling our youth towards a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Our Adult and Student Leaders have led the way with facilitating Bible studies at school, on the weekends, and encouraging each other throughout the week. The amount of students that have started to lead their peers toward Jesus has grown exponentially. We have started having up to 20 students coming an hour before service to pray and seek God's presence as they long for the power of God to transform their peers. We have been dedicated to creating an environment where students feel comfortable and challenged to take steps towards the convictions of the Holy Spirit. We are seeing God transform the hearts of students at New Life Church!

In October of 2022, we had 11 members of Student Life get baptized as they publicly surrendered their life to Jesus. As we approach our Spring baptism, we are anticipating another handful of students being obedient to Jesus' example and call to be baptized. We also had 43 students attend a weekend retreat at Dickson Valley in the Fall of 2022. We spent two days worshiping, growing, and laughing together as we pursued God's presence. I witnessed students disconnecting from their devices and longing for true intimacy with their Creator and peers. Students were reading their Bibles late into the night, sitting around the fire and having conversations about growth and hardships, and praying over each other for freedom and transformation.

God is moving in the students of New Life Church. As a leader, I am encouraged and inspired by the youth of Student Life Ministries!

Respectfully,

Ryan Chatman

Student Ministries Director



ROB ALLEN & TIFFANY BERKEY
missions committee

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In the 4th quarter of 2020, then Lead Pastor, Jon Lawson, started a New Life Church Missions Committee with Tiffany Berkey, Rob Allen, and Joe Pletka. We met several times over the next year to brainstorm our mission focus, review our current missionary partners, and discuss our vision for the future of NLC missions. We agreed on the theme of “Reaching Future Generations” as the focus of our missions plan.

We selected Katie Benson, Jamie & Tasha Kemp, One Hope, and One Child as our strategic missions partners. These four partners run ministries that specifically align with our theme and exemplify the values of New Life Church. They receive a higher level of financial support than our other 20 missionaries that we support monthly, with the goal of building more personal relationships between them and New Life Church. We highlight them quarterly through videos and in-person when possible.

Currently our active committee consists of Tiffany and Rob. We welcome new members that have a heart for missions and a willingness to communicate and plan together electronically and in-person. Moving forward, we will continue to promote our missions partners in the Sunday service, through the missions brochures at the Information Center, and on the New Life Lobby Facebook group with consistent posts. We will host an annual Missions Sunday and continue to coordinate special giving events like the Kendall County Food Pantry Thanksgiving Food Drive and the Share Your Blessings December event that collects Christmas gifts for those in need in Kendall County.

Our 2022 Missions Sunday featured presentations from Chuck & Wilma Lormis, Hesus House, and Adult & Teen Challenge Illinois. We were excited to be part of raising missions awareness and giving our congregation the opportunity to interact with some of our missions partners. We are so thankful for the generous missions giving over the last three years that allows New Life to partner with 24 different individuals, families, and organizations. These people are preaching the Gospel and being the hands and feet of Jesus to meet people’s spiritual, physical, and mental/emotional needs here in Illinois and around the globe. We encourage you to continue to be faithful in your giving and in supporting our partners with your prayers. May God continue to guide and bless our missions partnerships at New Life Church.

Respectfully,
Rob Allen & Tiffany Berkey
Missions Committee



FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME

\$637,464	TITHES & OFFERINGS
\$ 39,990	MISSIONS
\$ 20,513	OTHER INCOME
\$697,967	TOTAL INCOME

EXPENSES

\$356,307	FACILITIES	56%
\$152,821	PERSONNEL	24%
\$ 49,876	DEPARTMENTAL MINISTRIES	8%
\$ 45,433	MISSIONS	7%
\$ 33,203	OPERATIONS	5%
\$637,640	TOTAL EXPENSES	100%

MISSIONS GIVING

\$ 76,105	TOTAL MISSIONS GIVING
	<i>\$27,135 - ONE CHILD MATTERS</i>
	<i>\$ 8,980 - AG GIVING</i>

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