



**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

9am & 10:30am

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# Lifelines

News from New Life Christian Church

**OUR MISSION:**

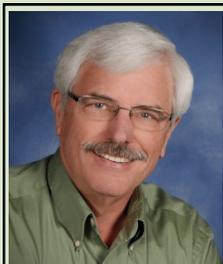
Connecting Seniors with Christ

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Matt Malott

We had a great start to 2021 with a great day of worship this past Sunday. There was a joyous spirit present with some seasonal people back. I think there is a spirit of optimism and anticipation in this place as we go into this new year expecting God to do great things.

One of my goals for the year is to continue to help New Life move toward what she was before all of the corona virus disruptions that we endured in 2020. As I have said, this is not something that will be achieved overnight. It is a process that will take time. But it is exciting to see bits and pieces being restored.

Sunday Gary Nellans told me that the monthly men’s breakfast was coming back. This has always been one of our more popular events, often with 30 or more men attending. The plan is for our men to gather in our Fellowship Center on the third Thursday of each month for a breakfast together and a devotional thought. The meeting for January will be the 19th at 8:00am. There will be a signup sheet in the fellowship events counter this Sunday.

Another event was announced Sunday: the ladies’ luncheon and auction benefiting Rapha International, a ministry rescuing children from sex trafficking around the world. If you want to learn about what they do, take a look at their web page, <https://rapha.org/>. This will be the fourth year for this event. I have given the bottom part of my column to my wife Connie so that she can give you the first information installment.

We also announced that the next meeting of “Next Steps” is being planned for Saturday, February 27. Next Steps is a meeting that provides information about New Life and its ministries and it is an opportunity for you to ask any question that might be on your mind. So, if you have not attended a Next Steps, I hope you will consider it. There will be more information later.

On January 17, Bill Warren, the director of FAME will be with us. FAME is a world-wide organization providing medical care to heal the body and the gospel to heal the soul. One of our projects from last year was raising funds for a medical clinic in Sandia, Mexico. Bill will be bringing an update on the construction progress.

## LADIES LUNCHEON AND RAPHA INTERNATIONAL AUCTION

Saturday, March 27, 2021 is the date that has been set for our fourth luncheon and auction to benefit Rapha International (formerly Rapha House). If this event is new to you, here is how it works. Items are donated and then auctioned off at the luncheon with all proceeds going to Rapha International. At this point we are asking you to do two things:

1. Circle the date on your calendar so you won’t schedule over it.
2. Begin thinking about what you could donate to make this auction successful for the Rapha children. (Here are some ideas: gift cards/certificates, gift baskets, handmade and crafted items, paintings, jewelry, etc. The items should be new or unused – no garage sale items!)

This event is always a great time of fun and fellowship that results in making a difference in the lives of the children of Rapha. Keep watching *Lifelines*, there will be more information later.



<b>Offering</b>	<b>January 3, 2021</b>	<b>Worship Attendance</b>	<i>New Life Christian Church</i>
Offering	\$ 18,836	First Service: 99	4701 E CR 462
January To Date	\$ 18,836	Second Service: 88	Wildwood, FL 34785
January Budget	\$ 71,500	Total: 187	352-261-5333
Building Fund	\$ 620	Streaming Views: 269	

Prayer Requests

**Buddy Acton**, recovering from pneumonia  
**Carol Bennett**, recovering at home  
**Fred Davis**, chemo regimen  
**Lu Ann Eckler**, mild stroke  
**Marilyn Freeman**, surgery recovery  
**Jennifer McElraff**, surgery recovery  
**Dorothy Poole**, surgery recovery  
**Carol Rodier**, surgery recovery  
**John Rodier**, recovering slowly  
**Alan Smith**, cancer treatments  
**Dick Volbruck**, surgery recovery  
**Jim Wiggins**, ongoing health issues

Long Term Care

**Michelle Brantley**, hospice care  
**Bob Galster**, ongoing health issues  
**Bob Graves**, home Hospice care  
**Kiley Daniels**, cancer



Pray for one another, that you may be healed.  
James 5:16



**February 27th**  
More information out next month.

January 19th at 8am. Bible study follows at 8:30.

Sign up in the foyer.



*Message from The Elders*

Happy New Year! We're excited to see where God is going to lead us in 2021. As Matt taught us Sunday, there is power in the future, and we need to orient our lives toward the future. We hope you will join us and be a part of this journey into the future of NLCC. We have a couple of ministry areas offering an opportunity for someone to use their gifts for His glory. We are currently searching for a webmaster to manage New Life's webpage and our internet presence. If you have experience in this area and would like more information, please contact the church office. We're also looking for musicians for our praise band and we always welcome more singers in the choir! If you have an interest in these, please see David Wheeler, Lyle Pettigrew or Cheryl De Jonge. Remember, we are here for you.

*David Wheeler & Ron Davis*



Marlene Nellans heads up the team.



Fred & Molly Plantz

*Thank You*

*I am so thankful to everyone who helped take down and put away the Christmas decorations. We completed this task in record time because of you.  
A grateful, Marlene Nellans*



David Wheeler & David Perine



Patti McLain, Joan Maxwell, Joan's neighbor, Annabelle.



Connie Malott



Linda Gray



Mary Ann Jones, Pam Perine, Nancye & Sam Etter, all digging into the fudge and homemade candy that Pam brought.



Molly Plantz & Connie Malott



Pam Perine & Nancy Etter



Marilyn Koogle is a little camera shy.

Fourteen volunteers came to assist in the tear down of the decorations. Thank you all!



Fred Plantz & Nancy Etter



The group just couldn't quite let go of the holiday spirit.



Gary Nellans, Sam Etter, Bob Koogle



Connie REALLY gets into her work!



All boxed up and ready for storage.



Loading the trailer



David Wheeler, bringing all the decorations back to the storage shed until next year.