

Sermon Notes

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**The View
From My Window**
WITH PASTOR JOEL

One thing I learned through our time of fasting & prayer is that I'm always hungry. It doesn't matter if I'm fasting or eating, I'm always hungry. It was actually easier to control my cravings whenever I was fasting! Give my flesh a little & it always wanted more. My flesh cannot be tamed, it will never be my friend, it will never tell me the truth. The best I can do is control its desires, which is a daily fight.

To learn obedience is to continually apply to our human nature in order to constrain it to walk along righteous paths. Otherwise, it will rush off into folly every chance it gets. If it can't run off, it is ever whining, scheming, & collecting lies in an attempt to inch us off the straight & narrow.

Getting your flesh to heaven is like trying to take a dangerous criminal somewhere: you have to stay alert or you will die in the process. Did you know Jesus "learned" obedience? That's why He can teach us how to successfully control all of our desires.

- Pastor Joel

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Welcome to New Life ...

We're glad you're here!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018

7:00am - Prayer Meeting

Open prayer for all in Room 10

8:00am - Service

8:30am-12pm - Blood Drive

Register in the gym lobby to donate blood. Bloodmobile is located in the parking lot.

9:00am - Self-Serve Café Open

Join us for coffee & treats off the main lobby!

9:15am - Sunday School

- Kids Clubhouse: Pre-K kids
- Room 3 & 4: Grades 1-8 kids
- Basement: Grades 9-12 teens
- Kids Church Rm: Youth Worship Team Practice
- Gym: Married Couples (*My Better Half* class)
- Sanctuary: Adults

10:15am - Service, Nursery (ages birth - 3), & Kids Church (ages 3 - grade 6)

6pm - Teen Challenge Choir

Joel Everhart
SENIOR PASTOR

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Moms A private room for nursing mothers is located off the Main Lobby in Room 2

THIS WEEK ...

TUES, FEBRUARY 27

6:30pm - Open Volleyball (gym)

WED, FEBRUARY 28

7pm - Adult Bible Study, Royal Rangers, Girls Club, & Rainbows

FEBRUARY 23-25

Kids Breakaway (Carlisle, PA)

Upcoming Events

- 3/6, 13, 20, 27: Open Volleyball (6:30pm)
- 3/9: Worship Team Practice (7pm)
& Students to see *The Giver* (7pm)
- 3/10: Men's Breakfast (8am)
- 3/11: Easter egg stuffing in the gym (12pm)
- 3/12: Board Meeting (6:30pm)
- 3/13: The Gathering Women's Bible Study (9am)
- 3/18: Easter Berlin Volunteer Mtg (9:15am),
& Easter egg stuffing in the gym (12pm)
& Annual Business Meeting (6pm)
- 3/24: Easter Berlin Egg Hunt (11am)
& My Better Half SS Class Dinner (5pm)
- 3/29-31: Youth Convention (Hershey, PA)
- 4/1: Easter Sunday
- 4/8: Outreach to Harmony Personal Care Home
- 4/9: Board Meeting (6:30pm)
- 4/10: The Gathering Women's Bible Study (9am)



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New to New Life?

Thanks for being with us today! One of our greeters would be happy to show you around the church & answer any questions you may have about New Life. You can also find out more on our website at www.nla.today or by emailing our office at hello@nla.today.

Here at New Life, we strive to be a spirit-empowered family of believers who **worship** the Lord, work together to **build** a body of believers, **reach** the lost, & **minister** to a hurting world. We **Expect Jesus** to meet us here & to use us beyond these walls.

Worship

Kids Can Serve Too! The first Sunday of each month is a Family Worship Service, which means kids are in the sanctuary with the adults. We'd love for your kids to serve as greeters & ushers on Family Worship Sunday! If your child would like to serve in these positions, see Dana Catania, Linda Shinnors (greeting), or Dave Mickley (ushering).

4 Ways to Give. There are several ways you can give to New Life: (1) **cash** or **check** dropped into the offering, (2) via **credit card** online at www.nla.today/give, (3) by purchasing **gift cards** to Giant or Weis through our Business Office (New Life receives 5% of the proceeds), & (4) by shopping online via **Amazon Smile** using our link: [smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2500675](https://www.amazon.com/ch/23-2500675)

Build

Annual Business Meeting. All members should attend our Annual Business Meeting on Sunday, March 18 at 6pm. Our membership will vote for several Board member positions & learn about the business side of things at New Life.

She Is Fearless. All women are invited to the Women of Purpose *Fearless Spring Tour* at Christian Life Assembly in Camp Hill on **Sat, April 21** from **8:30am-3pm**. Cost is \$25 per person (\$15 for seniors/students/single moms) plus \$5 for lunch. Sign up in the main lobby. Money is due to Gloria Linburg by **Easter Sunday, April 1**.

My Better Half Sunday School Class. The Hershes are teaching a Sunday School class called 'My Better Half' in the gym at 9:15am! This class is for all married couples!

Family Ministries

Parents of Kids & Youth! All kids & youth involved in *any of our programs* at New Life must have a release form completed detailing health concerns, emergency contacts, & photo permissions. Forms are available at the Kids Church check-in. This form helps our volunteers & staff prepare & respond quickly in the event of an emergency.

VBS: Save the Date! This year's VBS will be different from past years! Instead of a week-long outreach, we are hosting a **one-day** outdoor & hiking-themed VBS on **Saturday, August 4!** More details coming soon!

Kids Easter Program. All kids age 3 to grade 6 are invited to participate in the 2018 Easter program! Practices will be held during **Sunday School** in the Kids Clubhouse during the month of March! Kids will perform the program on Easter Sunday during the 10:15am service. See Dana Catania for more info.

Volunteer Positions

You tell us your availability & we'll work with your schedule!

- Nursery Helper**
for Babies Age 0-3
Sun at 6pm & Wed at 7pm
See *Dara Womer*
- Sunday School Teacher**
for Kids Pre-K - Grade 8
Sundays at 9:15am
See *Ariel Strine*
- Rainbows Teacher or Helper**
for Kids Age 3-6
Wednesdays at 7pm
See *Mandi Geiman*
- Prims Girls Club Teacher or Helper**
for Girls Age 7-Grade 6
Wednesdays at 7pm
See *Mandi Geiman*

Students To See *The Giver*. All students are invited to see *The Giver* at Dreamrights Theater in York on Friday, March 9 at 7pm at to support our own Lilly Einsig, who plays a leading role! RSVP in the New Life Students Facebook group by Feb 28. Cost is \$15/person. Submit money to Andrea Everhart or Ariel Strine.

Youth Convention Is Next Month! All teens are invited to Youth Convention in Hershey, March 29-31. Cost is \$100/teen. Grab forms from the Student bulletin board. Chuck & Michelle Benton are chaperoning! Money & registration is due to Andrea Everhart by **March 11!**

Reach & Minister


Give Blood, Save A Life. The Central PA Blood Bank will be stationed in the parking lot **this morning** from 8:30am-12pm ... consider giving blood! Registration takes place in the gym lobby. *Note: You must eat within four hours prior to giving blood & have a form of ID with you.*

Mission Trip Fundraiser. Daniel Tay is raising funds to lead a sports-focused mission trip with *Push the Rock* to Brazil. You can help by praying for Daniel, purchasing candy, or making a monetary donation. Check out the mission display in the main lobby for more info about Daniel's mission trip.

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Adventure-minded People Wanted! The adventure is reaching out with the gospel. Last year, the Adventurers reached out to our local community through the reenactment of Jesus carrying His cross & a ministry tent at Morning Star Marketplace. If you're interested in joining the Adventurers, see Stan Jett for more info..

Fundraiser for Baby Malaya. Stephen's Legacy is planning a fundraiser for baby Malaya, a 10-month old girl who has already spent over 3 months of her life in the hospital due to major long-term health crises after losing her heartbeat for six minutes during birth. If you want to help Stephen's Legacy raise funds for this child, please see Angie Kline for more info.



Candy & Plastic Eggs Wanted! Our community egg hunt, **Easter Berlin**, is on **Saturday, March 24** at **11am** at the East Berlin Community Park! We need donations of plastic eggs & individually wrapped **candy**, and **volunteers** to help stuff eggs on March 11 & 18! Candy & egg donations may be dropped off in the main lobby - *thank you!*

Ruth's Harvest Food Drive. We're accepting single serving size packages of shelf-safe milk, cereal, & ravioli for Ruth's Harvest, a food program that provides a weekend's worth of food to 105 families in need in the Bermudian Springs School District. Please drop off donations in the main lobby.

Love on Nursing Home Residents. We'll be serving home-cooked meals & playing games with the residents of Harmony Personal Care Home in Hanover on **Sunday, April 8**.