

PLANTED ROOTS



**NEW LIFE
CHRISTIAN CHURCH**
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*Plant your roots in Christ and let Him be the foundation
for your Life. Colossians 2:7*

February 2014

New Life starts the New Year

The big event of January is always the Annual Congregational Meeting held after worship service on the 18th. During the meeting, we discussed some goals and prayer needs and approved the budget for the coming year. The minutes of the meeting and budget are included on next page.



The REACH ministry provided a light lunch so every-one could enjoy a bite to eat before we started the serious business of running the church.

Hot Chocolate Mixture

1 - 11 oz. jar coffee mate
2 cups - powder sugar
1 - 8 quart box dried milk
1 - 32 oz. can Nestlé's quick
Mix all ingredients. Use 1/4 cup of mixture and 1 cup hot water to prepare the hot chocolate.
Long shelf life.



Soup or Bowl Sunday on January 25. Alas, we didn't have the Packers to root along, but we did have a table full of wonderful soups. Mike and Nate won the first ever kids bowl contest.

LOOKING AHEAD

February 14th - Paul Roberts

Sweetheart breakfast. The new men's group, Iron Worker, will cook up breakfast for the ladies on Valentine's Day at 8:00 am.

Women's group - Susan Roberts

January 30th will be the start of Susan's new women's group studying the lives of women of the Bible. We plan to meet the last Friday of each month.

FOCUS ON PRAYER

At New Life, we know how important prayer is. It is the way we communicate with God; it's how we ask for his power in our lives and our church. Please join us on each Thursday night at 6:30 pm as we seek God together. We pray for our church, our member's needs, our country, and any other concerns that you might have.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

If you want to be involved in the maintenance of our property, please join this ministry. We have several projects planned for this coming year, and need your input. Cleaning the church is a weekly affair. We take a couple hours to clean, and then have a relaxing lunch together. And, we really need volunteers to clear and salt the sidewalks. Please help. Talk to Carole if you can help

KWIK TRIP SCRIP CARD PROJECT UPDATE

We have purchased over \$20000 in cards, which means that Kwik Trip has donated over \$2000 to our church. These cards are easy to use at the pump or in the store for food. Please support this effort

New Life Vision Statement

Our vision ... is to become a community of believers who **look like Christ**, seeking to **change lives** within the church, across the street and around the world.



New Life Christian Church

Sunday Services/ Activities

Adult Discipleship 9:00 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
▪Children ages 3 - 6
▪Children ages 6 - 10
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Focus on Prayer - Thursday evening 6:30

Youth Opportunities

Youth Group // Jr. & Sr. High Students
TBA Date and Time
Sunday School // Age 3 - Grade 6
Awana // Age 2 - Grade 6
Contact: Brian Anderson 608.469.1939
Meets weekly on Wednesday nights from
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING January 18, 2015

Pastor Paul called the meeting to order and gave a brief introduction of the agenda and points of discussion.

Dave Grindle presented the 2015 budget. The main point he made was that Pastor Paul was taking another 25% wage cut until the time when giving reaches a level that would allow us to pay him the amount allocated on the budget. Carol Melcher made the motion to approve the budget. Kevin Hauge seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

Pastor Paul moved on to the goals for 2015 outlined on the meeting handout. Extra time was taken for discussion about a possible mission trip this year. Lifeline Christian Missions organizes trips for a low cost. Several present indicated interest in taking a trip this year. Looking ahead, Cookson Hills and Haiti were brought up for future consideration.

Under Friendship Evangelism, we are asked to pray for 3 or more mature Christian families to join us this year, to help us accomplish our goals. We are also asked to pray for a person or family that is searching for Jesus.

Carole brought up the need to landscape our property. Pam suggested that we ask for donations at our fellowship dinners to go toward the projects.

We officially welcomed Jan Parmly back from Washington.

There was a prolonged time of joking that will remain off the record by request of all participants.

Dave Grindle closed the meeting with prayer.