

# *New Life in Christ Church*



*Missions Celebration  
March 2018*

# March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>9am Sunday School Pater van den Beukel: Jovito Evangelism 10am Worship CSB Flags/Communion Pastor Douw</p> <p>4:30pm Youth Leader's Mtg. -219</p> <p>6pm Evening Service -Sanc CHOICES Pregnancy Center</p> <p>7pm <b>Saint Nicholas</b> -S Pater van den Beukel</p> <p>7pm <b>Wise Men Youth</b> -217</p> <p>7 Prayer Time ( ) -142</p>	<p>8:30-3:15 Covenant School -203/252/207 138-143/Lb./Nur</p> <p>6pm NGS Class (see Rumsbaugh) -219 -Biblical Heterogeneities</p> <p>7pm Open Gym Basketball ●</p>	<p>8:30-3:15 CCS Women's Study -217</p> <p>9am <b>Children/Adult</b> Vocal/Bell Choirs</p> <p>4pm: Church 3-5; Joyful 2-4:30 Baptist/Agel Chimes 6:5-1p; Trinity Bells 4-5p 4:40p: Trinity Choir; 4:45p: Jody Bells 2-4:30 5:30p: Angel Choir; K-1p: Youth Choir; 7-12p: Drama 1/2, 2nd-6p</p> <p>6:15p: Ringers 2, 7-Adult; Sanc. Bells, 9-Adult</p> <p>7:15pm: Adult Choir; HISH Drama 9-12p</p> <p>8:30-3:15 Women's Study -217 (H. Othman) Rommans CCS -203/252/207</p>	<p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200] -Sanc. Home-ur.</p> <p>4pm <b>Pioneer Girls</b> -FSR 5:45p Care Group Dinner -FSR 7pm <b>CHRISTIAN SERVICE BRUNCH</b> -FSR 7:30 New Life Korean Service -203</p> <p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200]</p> <p>4p <b>Pioneer Girls</b> -FSR 5:45p Care Group Dinner -FSR 7pm <b>CHRISTIAN SERVICE BRUNCH</b> -FSR 7:30 New Life Korean Service -203</p> <p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200]</p> <p>4p <b>Pioneer Girls</b> -FSR 5:45p Care Group Dinner -FSR 7pm <b>CHRISTIAN SERVICE BRUNCH</b> -FSR 7:30 New Life Korean Service -203</p>	<p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200]</p> <p>7p Foundations Bible Study -Marse #1 7:30p <b>COLLEGE</b> Bible Study-Franklin St. 7pm FAYM Choral Concert -S 7p <b>Younglife</b> 'Capernaum' -100</p> <p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200] -Sanc. Home-ur.</p> <p>7p Foundations Bible Study -Marse #1 7:30p <b>COLLEGE</b> Bible Study-Franklin St. 7p <b>Younglife</b> 'Capernaum' -100</p> <p>9am Titus 2 (K. Meinick) -RRK 10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200]</p> <p>7p Foundations Bible Study -Marse #1 7:30p <b>COLLEGE</b> Bible Study-Franklin St. 7p <b>Younglife</b> 'Capernaum' -100</p> <p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200]</p> <p>7p Foundations Bible Study -Marse #1 7:30p <b>COLLEGE</b> Bible Study-Franklin St. 7p <b>Younglife</b> 'Capernaum' -100</p>	<p>5-8:30p <b>PG Movie Night</b> -SRSSEK (Pathfinders/Trailblazers)</p> <p>7 B-ball Coaches Mtg. -FSR 7 Session/Deacon Mtg. -217/215</p> <p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200]</p> <p>7p Foundations Bible Study -Marse #1 7:30p <b>COLLEGE</b> Bible Study-Franklin St. 7p <b>Younglife</b> 'Capernaum' -100</p> <p>10am-3:45pm FAYM [194, 138, 141, 142, 100, 200] -Sanc. Home-ur.</p> <p>7p Foundations Bible Study -Marse #1 7:30p <b>COLLEGE</b> Bible Study-Franklin St. 7p <b>Younglife</b> 'Capernaum' -100</p>	<p>12 Violin Lessons -134 (Bill Wassum)</p> <p>9 AM Praise Team -S</p> <p>10:30am WMC Training -FSR</p> <p><b>Easter</b> Cantata Rehearsals J -10am-Noon Choir &amp; ORCH. -S</p> <p>9 AM Praise Team -S 10am <b>Ladies'</b> <b>Missions Brunch</b> Speaker: Misun Shin</p> <p>10 Central VA Justice Initiative -219 pm NGS Class (Dominic Aquila) -219 -Church History @ Outerbanks, NC (9-11).....</p> <p>8am <b>MEN'S</b> B-fast (Pastor Shin) -FSR</p> <p>9:30am Budget Comm. Mtg. -215 9:30am AM Praise Team reh. -S Baseball Practices begin</p> <p>6pm <b>Missions Banquet</b> -Speaker: Frank Sandler</p> <p>9 AM Praise Team -S</p> <p><b>Easter</b> Cantata Rehearsals J -CHOIR 9:45-11:30am -MR -ORCHESTRA: 11:45-1:30am -100</p> <p>9 AM Praise Team -S</p> <p><b>Easter</b> Cantata Dress Reh. J -9am-Noon Choir &amp; ORCH. -S</p>
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# New Life Newsletter



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## Reflections on Billy Graham's Homegoing from Pastor Doug

On December 31, 1949 in the Mechanics Hall in Boston, Massachusetts, Billy Graham at the Mid-Century Crusade Rally, called the gathering of six-thousand to repentance before God and to faith in Jesus Christ. The Mid-Century Crusade became front-page news leading to many coming to faith in Christ in the heartland of secular cynicism.

For a decade before Billy Graham, pastors were rediscovering the authority of the Bible as inspired by God and alive with life-giving hope during the despair of World War II and the dawn of the nuclear age.

Holding the open Bible in his left hand and gesturing with his right, Billy Graham proclaimed "The Bible says . . ." He then confidently proclaimed the need everyone has for a Savior who died on a Roman cross to pay the price of sin and rose again to offer the love and forgiveness of God. After a personal crisis of questioning the accuracy of the Bible, Billy Graham knew that when he proclaimed the Scripture as God's inerrant and infallible Word, people's lives were transformed.

The evidence was how God transformed New England by his preaching in 1950 concluding with a gathering of 50,000 people on the Boston Common who ignored the 46 degree rainy weather for a "peace rally." Taking his text from Amos, "prepare to meet thy God" he proclaimed that the only hope for America is "a heaven sent revival."

Billy Graham and my pastor Harold John Ockenga believed the Boston crusade would serve as a pattern for a "peace offensive" based on righteousness, revival, and prayer to roll back the tides of sin and to seek divine mercy for our country in its hour of crisis.

Billy Graham said, "let them seek peace through righteousness and the revival of Christian faith." So began the rallies for six decades throughout the United States and internationally.

In 1957, Billy Graham preached at Madison Square Garden for 16 weeks. On July 20, 1957, one-hundred thousand people jammed Yankee Stadium for what was to be the final night of the Crusade. So many responded to the gospel that Billy Graham continued the Crusade through September. Two million, three hundred and ninety-nine thousand people attended the meetings with over sixty-one thousand who recorded their decisions for Christ. The TV broadcasts of

services began during the New York Crusade on ABC nationwide.

I had the privilege to attend many of the meetings at Madison Square Garden. The Garden was a sanctuary to me where God met with His people. There was no applause. What happened on stage were humble people glorifying God. Billy Graham often said, "I must decrease so that Christ might increase." The gaze went quickly off of Billy Graham and shifted to Jesus Christ. "Every time I see my name in lights, it makes me sick at heart, for God said he will share His glory with no man. Pat me on the back and you will ruin my ministry."

He made the invitation hard and difficult, and yet as clear as he believed it could possibly be made. He emphasized the importance of the Ten Commandments as essential to one's spiritual health. He preached doctrine as taken from his diary, "Friday night I preached on the Person of Christ. I emphasized His virgin birth, His glorious atonement, and His victorious resurrection. The Lord honored it and brought many to the Savior." As one man testified "my conscience drove me forward . . . I had to come forward."

He went to New York not to condemn or save the city but to see individual lives changed by the power of God in Jesus Christ. And lives were changed. Mine was one of those lives as I celebrate God's grace to me in being part of His mighty work of God 62 years ago.

On April 1, 1962, I had the opportunity of hearing Billy Graham speak on "Evangelism and the Intellectual" at the Harvard Law Forum. (His address was recorded and is available on the Harvard Law School Forum internet site). That night Billy Graham was compelling in his testimony of evangelical faith proclaiming the authoritative, inerrant word of God. After his speech, he and Dr. Ockenga answered questions and dialogued with scholars who doubted the reliability and authority of the written Word of God. I was persuaded that proclaiming the gospel was the best way to make an impact on this world.

Billy Graham's passing on Wednesday, February 20, 2018 marks the end of an era in our nation. Yet we will celebrate Billy Graham's God and Savior far beyond these days of losing the voice of the man himself.

**ADULT SUNDAY  
SCHOOL CLASSES**



**March**

**9:00-9:50 a.m.**

Combined Adult & High  
School Sunday School Classes  
[SANCTUARY]

**March 4:**

**Pieter van den Beuke**  
**Life of Messiah**  
Jewish Evangelism

**Children's Missions Festival**  
during their Sunday School Classes  
March 4 & 11

**March 11:**

**Dominic Aquila**  
President, *New Geneva Seminary*, Colorado Springs, CO

**March 18:**

**Josh and Anacari Storms**  
College Ministry

**March 25:**

**Norman and Julie Beck**  
Cherokee, N.C.

**6:00 P.M. SUNDAY  
EVENING SERVICES**

**March 4:**

6:00 p.m. *CHOICES* Pregnancy Cntr  
7:00 p.m. SH Youth *OASIS*  
*Pieter van den Beuke...*  
*Life of Messiah, Israel*  
JH Youth Discipleship Grp.  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Time, Room 142

**March 11:**

6:00 p.m. Debra Smith-  
*Ministry to Afghanis*  
Michelle Trampe-  
*Central VA Justice Initiative*  
7:00 p.m. JH/SH Youth  
*Discipleship Groups* Rm. 217/200  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Time, Room 142

**March 18:**

6:00 p.m. Pastor Shin  
*New Life Korean Church*  
7:00 p.m. JH/SH Youth  
*Discipleship Groups* Rm. 217/200  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Time, Room 142

**March 25:**

6:00 p.m. *SUPER SUNDAY*  
*Closing Service-Missions Celebration*  
Jim Melnick  
7:00 p.m. JH/SH Youth  
*Discipleship Groups* Rm. 217/200  
Norman and Julie Beck  
*Cherokee, NC*  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Time, Room 142

**New Life  
Korean Church**

**Sundays, 1:00-2:30 p.m.**

**Korean Worship Service**  
Sanctuary Pastor Shin

**Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Korean Bible Study**  
Room 203

**Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.**

**Korean Bible Study**  
Room 203

**Tuesday-Friday, 5:30-6:30 a.m.**

**Saturday, 6:00-7:00 a.m.**

**Korean Prayer Service**  
Sanctuary Pastor Shin

**New Geneva  
Seminary**

**WINTER/SPRING 2018**

**Biblical Hermeneutics**

Days: Mondays, 6-8pm; Jan. 8 - May 7  
2 Semester Hours (Audit available)  
Teacher: Bob Rumbaugh

An introduction to the principles of general and special hermeneutics and basic exegetical methods and tools, with an emphasis on both the theory and practice of biblical interpretation.

*Robert Rumbaugh is an elder at New Life in Christ Church and a graduate of Geneva Theological Seminary.*

**Church History -  
Reformation to Present**

Day(s)/Time: Jan. 18, 19; March 9, 10  
2 Semester Hours (Audit available)  
Teacher: Dr. Dominic Aquila

This course is a survey of the history of the Christian church from the Reformation to the present, providing a time-line of major people, events, movements, and places. Recommended as preparation for all Systematic Theology courses in which the standard theological themes will be considered historically.

*Dr. Aquila is President of New Geneva Theological Seminary, Colorado Springs, CO. and Professor of Pastoral Theology and Director of Doctor of Ministry Program.*

Registration and payment for **credit** or **audit** must be made with New Geneva Theological Seminary **directly** via [www.newgeneva.org](http://www.newgeneva.org) or call (800) 554-5669 by December 27. Please let Pastor Doug know of your interest in taking classes or call the church office: 786-4848.

**TUITION**

**CREDIT: \$300 PER SEM HOUR**

**AUDIT: \$50 PER SEM HOUR**

**CEU: \$ 75 PER CEU**

*(There is a one-time \$25 application fee)*

# March 2018 Nursery Schedule

Date	Side	10:00 AM Worship	6:00 PM Worship
3/4	A	Caleb & Cindy Hughes	Ruth & Megan delos Santos
	B	Beth Hamilton Julie Root	
3/11	A	Sharon Worman Caroline Bond	George & Nanette Giddens
	B	Kathy Ritchie Minda Roney	
3/18	A	Chris & Kristin Garcia	Drew & Sarah Kittredge
	B	Joe & Joy Plaia	
3/25	A	Chris & Laura Heflin	Alan & Krystal Dowell
	B	Peter & Heather O'Hara	

## COMMUNION PREP.

See Wes Horn if you would like to help prepare the Communion elements.

## GREETER SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>
3/4	Kathryne Marple*
3/11	Pam Lopes*
3/18	Kathryne Marple*
3/25	Darlene Tyler*

\*Opening for another Greeter

## JR. WORSHIP SCHEDULE

3/4	Andrea Sanderson & family
3/11	Ruth & Megan de los Santos
3/18	Carrie Verbosky & Julie Hastings
3/25	Lucinda Lorei & Grace Whitenack

(See Nate/Angie Henriksen to be part of this rotation.)

## USHER SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>
3/4	Jay Storms Fred Allison Craig Cuddy Tony Morales	3/18	Wes Horn Jimmy Whitman Dan Deaconson Ricardo Perez, Jr.
3/11	Alan Dowell Kim Lorei Tristan Lorei Ray Mattozzi	3/25	Jeff McConnell Robert Williams, Jr. Jack Burrows Jim Miller

# MEN WOMEN YOUNG ADULTS YOUTH CHILDREN

## MEN

- 1, 15, 29 **YoungLife** 'Capernaum'  
Select Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
Room 100  
See Gale Puffenberger
10. **Central VA Justice Initiative**  
(Movement to end Human Trafficking)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room - See page 9
17. **Men's Missions Breakfast**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 8:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room
17. **Missions BANQUET**  
Saturday, 6:00 p.m.  
International Potluck
23. **Creation Club**  
Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary/Fireside Room

## JH/SH YOUTH

- Sunday School**  
Sundays, 9:00 a.m.:  
SH -Room 200 / JH-Rooms 120, 116
- Discipleship Groups**  
Sundays, 7:00 p.m.  
SH -Room 200  
JH -Rooms 217
- Choirs, Handbells, Drama**  
See Music page (p. 5)
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Saturday, 5:00-8:30 p.m.  
Fireside Room
4. **SH/JH Youth Leaders Mtg.**  
Sunday, 4:30 p.m.:  
Room 219
4. **Senior High OASIS**  
1<sup>st</sup> Sundays, 7:00 p.m.:  
Church Sanctuary
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- Women's Bible Study:**  
Tuesdays: *Women's Study*  
Romans  
Begins January 9th  
9:30 a.m. / Room 219
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2. **Pioneer Girls Movie Night**  
Saturday, 5:00-8:30 p.m.  
Fireside Room
10. **Ladies' Missions Brunch**  
Saturday, 10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room
10. **Central VA Justice Initiative**  
(Movement to end Human Trafficking)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room - See page 9
17. **Missions BANQUET**  
Saturday, 6:00 p.m.  
International Potluck
23. **Creation Club**  
Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary/Fireside Room

## CHILDREN

- Sunday School (2yrs-grade 12)**  
Sundays, 9:00 a.m.
-  **Pioneer Girls**  
Fireside Room  
Wed., 4-5<sup>30</sup> pm
-  **Christian Srvc. Brigade (CSB)**  
Wed., 7-8<sup>30</sup> pm  
Sanctuary
- Choirs, Handbells, Drama**  
See Music page (p. 5)
2. **Pioneer Girls Movie Night**  
Saturday, 5:00-8:30 p.m.  
Fireside Room
17. **Missions BANQUET**  
Saturday, 6:00 p.m.  
International Potluck
18. **Kid's Food Pantry**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays  
Collection box in foyer
23. **Creation Club**  
Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary/Fireside Room

## YOUNG ADULTS

-Email Pastor Sean at sean@nlc.org to be added to the Young Adult group.

### Sunday School Class

New Life in Christ has implemented a *Kingdom Training Plan* for Sunday School for all adults in the church. It provides excellent biblical teaching and growth in relationship with others in every stage of life.

### Bible Studies:

Watch the bulletin and facebook page (New Life in Christ Church) for more information.

### College:

Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.  
@ Josh & Anacari Storms' home  
jstorm743@gmail.com

### Foundations -

#### -Young Professionals Group:

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
@ Manse #1  
Contact Paul Hepperle...  
capt.hepperle@gmail.com

#### -Young Adults Group:

Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
Esther Servais' home  
Contact Mark Shigley...  
shigleym@aol.com

## CALENDAR

- 1, 15, 29 **YoungLife** 'Capernaum'  
Select Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.  
Room 100  
See Gale Puffenberger
- 9-11. **College Retreat**  
Friday - Sunday  
Outer Banks, NC - See Josh or Anacari
10. **Ladies' Missions Brunch**  
Saturday, 10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room
10. **Central VA Justice Initiative**  
(Movement to end Human Trafficking)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room - See page 9
17. **Men's Breakfast**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 8:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room
17. **Missions BANQUET**  
Saturday, 6:00 p.m.  
International Potluck
23. **Creation Club**  
Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary/Fireside Room

## FACEBOOK

Look for New Life in Christ Church on Facebook. It is the primary way young adults communicate with each other.

# MUSIC NOTES

March is Missions Celebration. And as part of the celebration the instruments will be playing each week with the Hymns and some Praise Songs. Please let Jonathan Allison know if you would like to be part of this orchestra.

Consider participating with Praise Team. Whether you sing or play an instrument there may be a place for you. Start by coming to some Evening Praise Team rehearsals - 5:00 p.m. each Sunday evening just prior to the 6:00 p.m. service. Check with Jonathan Allison if you have questions.

Easter is just around the corner (April 1 -no foolin'!) and Easter Cantata rehearsals continue this month! We will be presenting the cantata *A Time for Alleluias* by Joseph M. Martin as part of the Easter Sunday morning service. The choir is open to adults, High School ages and older. The orchestra has openings for all instrumentalists. We are in particular need of trumpets, tuba, percussion and strings.

Please see the rehearsal schedule below to plan for your participation. You need not attend every rehearsal, or be in the weekly choir or orchestra to participate. Contact Jonathan Allison for music, rehearsal tapes, and more information.

## Easter Cantata

Tentative Schedule...

### Cantata Choir rehearsals:

Mar. 3: 10:00 a.m.-Noon w/Orchestra  
 Mar. 24: 9:45 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
 Mar. 31: 9:00 a.m.-Noon DRESS REHRSL  
 April 1: 10:00 a.m. EASTER Sunday

### Cantata Orchestra rehearsals:

Mar. 3: 10:00 a.m.-Noon w/Choir  
 Mar. 24: 11:30-1:30  
 Mar. 31: 9:00 a.m.-Noon DRESS REHRSL  
 April 1: 10:00 a.m. EASTER Sunday



## Adult Choir

Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m. in the Music Room. We sing most Sunday mornings during the school year as well as seasonally (Christmas/Easter) and for special occasions (banquets, etc.). No Audition! For more info. contact Jonathan Allison.

## AM Praise Team

Rehearsal are generally Saturdays. Meets in the Sanctuary. A rotating schedule is being used - participate every week or once a month. Contact Jonathan Allison for more information.

## Sanctuary Handbells

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Open to High School and older by audition. There will be positions open for Fall 2015. Contact Jonathan Allison for more information.

## PM Praise Team

Sundays, 5:00-5:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Open to H.S. ages and above. A rotating schedule is being used - participate every week or once a month. Come rehearse with us Sunday nights. For more information contact Jonathan Allison.

## Drama Teams

See Rehearsal Schedule: next column.

Please Contact Jonathan Allison if you have questions about music at New Life.

# CHILDREN'S MUSIC

Children's Vocal & Handbell Choirs, and Drama Ministry meet each Tuesday. Join us for a day of fun, music and drama.

Below is the schedule for 2018.

<u>4:00-4:45</u>	<i>Cherub Choir</i>	3yrs-5yrs
	<i>Joyful Choir</i>	2nd-3rd
	<i>Beginning Chimes</i>	K5-1st
	<i>Trinity Bells</i>	4th-6th
<u>4:45-5:30</u>	<i>Trinity Choir</i>	4th-6th
	<i>Joyful Bells</i>	2nd-3rd
	<i>Ringers 1/2</i>	7th-Adult
	<i>Drama Tots</i>	K5-1st
<u>5:30-6:15</u>	<i>Angel Choir</i>	K5-1st
	<i>Youth Choir</i>	7th-12th
	<i>Drama 1 &amp; 2</i>	2nd-6th
<u>6:15-7:15</u>	<i>Sanctuary Bells</i>	9 <sup>th</sup> -Adult
<u>7:15-8:30</u>	<i>Adult Choir</i>	9 <sup>th</sup> -Adult
	<i>Jr./Sr. High Drama</i>	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>

## Dates to Know

Friday, April 27, 7:00 p.m.:

***Drama Tots & 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Drama***  
*A Night of Drama*

Saturday, April 28, 6:00 p.m.:

***JH/SH Drama***  
***The Secret Case of Sherlock Holmes***

Sunday, March 25, 6:00 p.m.:

"Super Sunday": -Adult Choir  
*People Need the Lord*

Please see Veronica Allison if you are interested in teaching, assisting or accompanying a choir this year. She will provide training, curriculum and oversight for each vocal and handbell choir.

# Truth Treasures

from the New Life in Christ Church Library

## March 2018

*Truth Treasures highlights Biblical truths hidden within the pages of books by some of America's most beloved authors of the Reformed Faith. In most cases, the selected highlight will be from a book available in the New Life in Christ Church Library, located at the end of the north wing of the church.*

*-Robert Williams, Jr.*



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For the first half of this new year, the monthly *Truth Treasures* articles will follow one theme from a set of articles by R.C. Sproul covering TULIP and Reformed Theology. This month we will cover the introduction and the following five months we will examine each of the five letters in T-U-L-I-P.

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## TULIP and Reformed Theology: Unconditional Election

from R.C. Sproul, April 1, 2017

The Reformed view of election, known as *unconditional election*, means that God does not foresee an action or condition on our part that induces Him to save us. Rather, election rests on God's sovereign decision to save whomever He is pleased to save.

In the book of Romans, we find a discussion of this difficult concept. Romans 9:10–13 reads: “And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls—she was told, ‘The older will serve the younger.’ As it is written, ‘Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.’” Here the Apostle Paul is giving his exposition of the doctrine of election. He deals with it significantly in Romans 8, but here he illustrates his teaching of the doctrine of election by going back into the past of the Jewish people and looking at the circumstances surrounding the birth of twins—Jacob and Esau. In the ancient world, it was customary for the firstborn son to receive the inheritance or the patriarchal blessing. However, in the case of these twins, God reversed the process and gave the blessing not to the elder but to the younger. The point that the Apostle labors here is that God not only makes this decision prior to the twins' births, He does it without a view to anything they would do, either good or evil, so that the purposes of God might stand. Therefore, our salvation does not rest on us; it rests solely on the gracious, sovereign decision of God.

This doesn't mean that God will save people whether they come to faith or not. There are conditions that God decrees for salvation, not the least of which is putting one's personal trust in Christ. However, that is a condition for justification, and the doctrine of election is something else. When we're talking about unconditional election, we're talking in a very narrow confine of the doctrine of election itself.

So, then, *on what basis* does God elect to save certain people? Is it on the basis of some foreseen reaction, response, or activity of the elect? Many people who have a doctrine of election or predestination look at it this way. They believe that in eternity past God looked down through the corridors of time and He knew in advance who would say yes to the offer of the gospel and who would say no. On the basis of this prior knowledge of those who will meet the condition for salvation—that is, expressing faith or belief in Christ—He elects to save them. This is *conditional* election, which means that God distributes His electing grace on the basis of some foreseen *condition* that human beings meet themselves.

*Unconditional election* is another term that I think can be a bit misleading, so I prefer to use the term *sovereign election*. If God chooses sovereignly to bestow His grace on some sinners and withhold His grace from other sinners, is there any violation of justice in this? Do those who do not receive this gift receive something they do not deserve? Of course not. If God allows these sinners to perish, is He treating them unjustly? Of course not. One group receives grace; the other receives justice. No one receives injustice. Paul anticipates this protest: “Is there injustice on God's part?” (Rom. 9:14a). He answers it with the most emphatic response he can muster. I prefer the translation, “God forbid” (v. 14b). Then he goes on to amplify this response: “For he says to Moses, ‘I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion’” (v. 15). Here the Apostle is reminding his reader of what Moses declared centuries before; namely, that it is God's divine right to execute clemency when and where He desires. He says from the beginning, “I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy.” It is not on those who meet some conditions, but on those whom He is pleased to bestow the benefit.

**God does not foresee an action or condition on our part that induces Him to save us. -R.C. Sproul**



## Deacons Corner for March 2018

We are grateful for God's constant provision; not only for the needs of our congregation, but also for others affiliated with our congregation. Your donations to the Sharing Fund have had not only a local impact, but also a global impact. Over the past year, the Deacons were able to provide nearly \$25,000 in assistance to help members of the congregation with critical expenses such as rent/mortgage payments, utility payments, medical expenses, car repairs, and Christian counseling. God's provision is precise: in the past year the assistance provided from the Sharing Fund was roughly \$30 more than your donations to the Sharing Fund. Thanks to God's provision and your generosity, our congregation, was able to address significant needs of others.

We recently received an urgent request from one of our missionaries whose ministry houses "at-risk" girls in Africa. The ministry runs two safe homes that house a total of 40 young girls who are at risk of being trafficked due to family hardships. One of the primary donors to the ministry had to cease his support and the missionary asked if there was any way we could contribute a small, one-time gift to help meet a \$1,500 a month need until the missionary could find additional donors. The request was forwarded to the Deaconate and, thanks to your generosity, we had the funds available to meet the entire need for the first month, giving our missionary time to find new donors to help protect these young girls.

In December the Deacons were able to provide a significant contribution from the Sharing Fund to supplement the congregation's donations to the PCA Ministerial Relief Fund. The Ministerial Relief Fund is used, much like our Sharing Fund, to help meet the needs of widows and family members of Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) pastors and missionaries who are facing a financial hardship.

Last year, when Peru experienced an extreme flooding event, our missionaries reached out to us to request a one-time special gift to help meet the needs of the local community. Due to God's provision, our congregation was able to provide a significant contribution to help meet the need.

The Sharing Fund also helps meet needs within our local community through supplementing the Food Pantry budget. We have been able to address short-falls whenever the Food Pantry has needed additional financial resources. In 2017, the Food Pantry distributed 184 food boxes; averaging 15 boxes per month, which is the highest monthly average since the Food Pantry ministry started. Each food box provides enough food to feed a family of four for about a week. These 184 boxes helped 59 families including families from our congregation and families in the local community.

*Soli Deo Gloria (To God alone, the glory),  
The Deacons*

### Food Pantry

The New Life in Christ Church Food Pantry blesses many in our congregation and in the surrounding community.

Suggested donations include:

*Cereal, oatmeal envelopes, mashed potatoes & gravy, stuffing, soup, tea bags, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter, jelly, micro-wave popcorn, canned beans, Spaghetti and sauce, canned fruit, Canned vegetables, Applesauce, pickles, pancake mix & syrup.*

*Toiletry items: shampoo, conditioner, lotion, deodorant, and face soap.* Basically, any non-perishable food items or other household necessities are helpful. There is a collection bin in the front foyer.



### LIBRARY NEWS

Hours: *Sundays*

8:50-9:10 a.m. / 9:45-10:00 a.m. / 11:30-Noon



## CREATION EXPLORED:

# "Models, Genes and Global Warming"

This meeting will feature a DVD titled "Models, Genes, and Global Warming." This presentation deals with computer modeling of the earth since the Flood. The results of the modeling reinforce the Biblical narrative of history.

*In the event that Spotsylvania Public Schools close due to weather, the program is cancelled.*

**Date: Friday, March 27, 2018**

**Time: 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room**

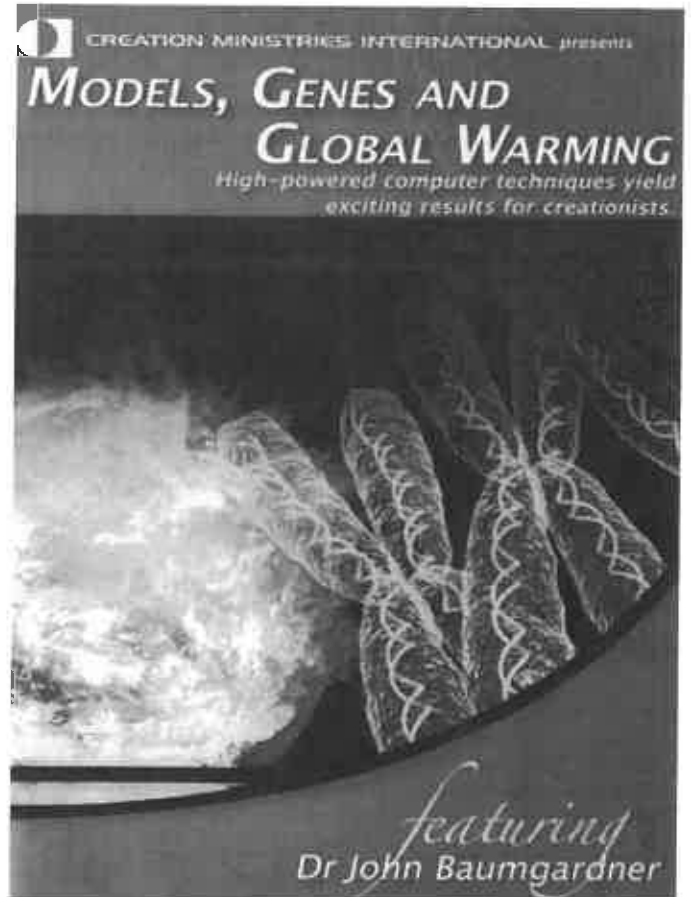
(dessert and coffee follow the presentation)

[www.reformedcreation.com](http://www.reformedcreation.com)

**Next Meeting: April 27 @ 7:30 p.m.**

**For more information contact:**

Jim Rakestraw 540-785-3282 or at: [jrakestrawfamily@att.net](mailto:jrakestrawfamily@att.net)



## Central Virginia Justice Initiative (CVJI)



**Saturday, March 10**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Room 219**

See Michelle Trampe for more info.

Facebook: **Central Virginia Justice Initiative**

## Women's Bible Study

**9:30-11:30 Tuesday mornings**



## Romans Part 1

**with Professor Michael Kruger of RTS**

**Room 219**

Co-facilitated by Heather O'Hara and Mary Farrell

**Childcare may be available.**

**Please RSVP to Heather ASAP if needed**

**(540)226-4904 or [mama.o@verizon.net](mailto:mama.o@verizon.net)**

# Kingdom Training at New Life

We are building the kingdom every Sunday morning, not only in our worship service, but also in adult education that is accessible and invigorating to everyone, providing a comprehensive biblical education so that everyone knows the Lord and His world, equipping us to more faithfully worship God and live for His glory.

This is a plan for everyone, bringing fresh insight to those who grew up going to Sunday school and for those who have just become Christians and need to get grounded in the basics.

We have four tracks of focus:

- Bible Track – Knowing God’s written message to the world.
- Doctrine Track – Knowing God and His work in our world.
- Practice Track – Knowing how to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and putting those strategies into practice
- Christian Living Track – Knowing how we put our faith into action in our daily life.

By taking cores in each of the four tracks over the next few months, you will ensure that you become well-rounded in your Christian worldview.



## Adult Discipleship at New Life in Christ Church

Bringing God’s people to maturity and greater devotion to God and others through comprehensive Christian education.

### Care Groups:



- *A life changed by the gospel happens best in a community of worship and friendship as well as meditation on God’s Word.*
- *Care Group is a means to grow in the joy and sufficiency that is in Christ.*
- *The care group is your prayer circle and support group here at New Life.*



Check with the church office for details.



### Free Desks:

#### *2 Student Desks*

- located in Red Room  
(across from Kitchen)

Contact Church Office:

540-786-4848

**Classifieds  
Classifieds  
Classifieds**



### Male Roommate sought:

#### **Room for rent in Split Foyer house**

Located in Lancaster Gate Subdivision, Spotsylvania  
(Close to I-95, VRE and Massaponax/Southpoint Shopping)

- Large bedroom (second Master)
- Whole house privileges
- Professional Male requested
- \$500 plus 1/3 utilities

For information, contact: Scott Quann (540) 273-2346

Charles.Quann@Yahoo.com

## Birthdays

- 1 Anastasia Tryfiates
- 2 Dwayne Peters
- 3 James Thomas
- 4 Mary Elisabeth Whalen
- 5 Tami Mattozzi
- 5 Juliet Whitman
- 6 Keeli Garcia
- 10 Zarina Prevost
- 10 Bill Wassum
- 11 Judy Fulks
- 11 Matt Selwyn
- 11 Madeleine Whitenack
- 12 Rich Beauchemin
- 13 Samara Morales
- 14 Hailey Ross
- 15 Sharon Leaman
- 15 Kim Lorei
- 15 J.J Shaffer
- 16 Steve Hepperle
- 17 Sydney Peters
- 17 Caleb Sanderson
- 20 Jocelyn-Grace Puig
- 20 Joe DiBella
- 21 John Pruchnic
- 21 Joy O'Toole
- 22 Nathan Henricksen
- 23 Bennet Adams
- 23 Julie Horn
- 24 Sarah Boynton
- 24 Alexander Prevost
- 24 Caroline Tryfiates
- 25 Marcia Vastine
- 27 Mardi Antosh
- 27 Savannah Oberlin
- 27 Stan Roberts
- 28 Robert L. Williams, Jr.
- 29 Bruce Leaman
- 29 Sarah Worman
- 30 Liv Garcia
- 30 Daniel Leaman
- 30 Victoria Oberlin
- 31 Chris Kirtland



# March

## Anniversaries

- 1 Dean and Mary Shaffer
- 12 Jack and Laurie Burrows
- 14 Ray and Tami Mattozzi

## Missionary Birthdays

- 13 Hudson Chase



# 43<sup>rd</sup> Missions Celebration

March 4-25, 2018

(WS = Worship Service; SS = Sunday School; ES = Evening Service)

## Sunday, March 4:

- SS - Pieter van den Beukel - Life of Messiah  
*Jewish Evangelism*
- *Children's Missions Festival* (during Sun. School)
- WS - Pastor Doug - John 10:10  
*Abundant Life for a Dying World*
- ES - **CHOICES** Pregnancy Center  
- Children's Missionary Story

## Saturday, March 10:

### *Ladies Missions Brunch*

Saturday, March 11, 10:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room

*Guest speaker* - Mishum Shin

Please bring a dish to share. Drinks provided.  
Nursery care will also be provided.

## Missions Banquet

*"Proclaim Christ's Jubilee"*  
Isaiah 61:1-4

**Saturday, March 10, 6:00 p.m.**

*Speaker:*  
Pastor Shin

*New Life Korean Church*

**The meal will be International Potluck:**

A-L Main Dish & Dessert

M-Z Main Dish & Salad or Side

**Plan to share your favorite international foods and wear your favorite international attire!**

## Sunday, March 11:

- SS - Dr. Dominic Aquila - Pres., *New Geneva Seminary*
- WS - Dr. Dominic Aquila - Pres., *New Geneva Seminary*  
- *Children's Missions Festival* (during Sun. School)
- ES - Debra Smith - *Ministry to Afghans*  
- Michelle Trampe - *Central VA Justice Initiative*  
- Children's Missionary Story



Special thanks to Josh Storms for designing this year's logo.

## Saturday, March 17:

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

**SAT., MARCH 17, 8:00 A.M.**

ALL MEN AND BOYS ARE INVITED TO SHARE A HOT BREAKFAST, FELLOWSHIP AND TIME OF PRAYER.

## Sunday, March 18:

- SS - Josh & Anacari Storms - *College Ministry*
- WS - Frank Sindler - *Mission to the World*
- ES - Pastor Shin - *New Life Korean Church*  
- Children's Missionary Story

## Sunday, March 25:

- SS - Norman & Julie Beck - *Cherokee, NC*
- WS - Jim Meknick - *Jewish Evangelism*
- ES **SUPER SUNDAY**

*Closing Service of Missions Celebration*



### Children's Missions Poster Contest

Theme: John 10:10  
Who: Grades 1-6

Dimensions: 1/2 Poster board using any medium  
Turn submissions in to the Church Office. Be sure to include your name and age (form in office).  
Questions: contact Joe or Phyllis DiBella.

**MARCH EVENTS**

Tuesdays: *Women's Study - Romans*  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.; Room 217; through May 16

1. **YL younglife** 'Capernaum', 7:00 p.m.  
Room 100
2. **Pioneer Girls** Movie Night, 5:00 p.m.  
(Pathfinders/Trailblazers) Fireside Room
2. Session/Deacons Meetings, 7:00 p.m.  
Room 217/215
3. **Easter** Cantata Rehearsal, 10:00 a.m.-Noon  
Choir & Orchestra (Sanctuary)
4. 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Missions Festival** begins
2. Youth Leaders Meeting, 4:30 p.m.  
Room 219
4. **SENIOR HIGH YOUTH: OASIS**, 7:00 p.m.
- 9-11. **COLLEGE** Ministry Retreat, (Fri-Sun.)  
more info. to come
10. **Ladies' Missions Brunch**, 10 a.m.  
Fireside Room
10. **Central Virginia Justice Initiative Mtg.**, 10 a.m.  
Room 219
11. **Daylight Savings begins**  
(Spring forward!)
11. **Women's Ministry Comm.**, 4:15 p.m.  
Room 217
14. **Missions Committee Mtg.**, 7:00 p.m.  
Room 215
15. **YL younglife** 'Capernaum', 7:00 p.m.  
Room 100
17. **MEN'S BREAKFAST**, 8:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room
17. 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Missions Banquet**, 6 p.m.  
Sanctuary
23. **Creation Club**, 7:30 p.m.  
Fireside Room
24. **Easter** Cantata Rehearsals:  
Choir - 9:45-11:30 (Music Room)  
Orchestra - 11:30-1:30 (Room 100)
25. **Palm Sunday**
25. **Super Sunday**, 6:00 p.m.  
Closing service of Missions Month
29. **YL younglife** 'Capernaum', 7:00 p.m.  
Room 100
25. **Good Friday**

**APRIL EVENTS**

Tuesdays: *Women's Study - Romans*  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.; Room 217; through May 16

1. **Easter Sunday**  
Cantata: *A Time for Alleluia*
- 6-8. **Young Professionals Retreat**  
@ Outer Banks, North Carolina
8. **Women's Ministry Comm.**, 4:15 p.m.  
Room 217
8. **Care Group Leaders Meeting**, 4:30 p.m.  
Room 219
8. **SENIOR HIGH YOUTH: OASIS**, 7:00 p.m.
12. **YL younglife** 'Capernaum', 7:00 p.m.  
Room 100
13. **Session/Deacon Meetings**, 7:00 p.m.  
Room 217/215
- 13, 14. **Women's Mini-Conference w/Aimee Byrd**  
@ New Life (Friday & Saturday)
13. **Central VA Justice Initiative Mtg.**, 10 a.m.  
Room 219
18. **Missions Committee Mtg.**, 7:00 p.m.  
Room 215
- 20-22. **SENIOR HIGH YOUTH: YOWAW**  
Youth World Awareness Weekend  
@ Shenandoah Springs
21. **MEN'S BREAKFAST**, 8:00 a.m.  
Fireside Room
27. **Drama Tots/2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Drama**, 7 p.m.  
*A Night of Drama*
28. **Jr. High/Sr. High Drama**, 6:00 p.m.  
**The Secret Case of Sherlock Holmes**
27. **Creation Club**, 7:30 p.m.  
Room 100 (see page 8)
30. **Jerusalem Gateway Partnership**, 10:00 a.m.  
Room 100