

## Welcome to New River!

Come on in and look around a little. Take some time to ask some questions. If you'd like something to drink or eat, stop and pick that up as well. While you are here, relax. We hope you feel comfortable, accepted, engaged, and inspired.

## Wondering what happens in worship?

We usually start our time of worship together by singing. Don't know the songs? Don't worry. We didn't know them either at first. After we sing, one of our pastors will teach from the Bible. If you didn't bring a Bible with you, and you'd like to follow along, we'll project the scriptures so you can. After our time of teaching we usually sing another song or two. If there is anything we can help you with, please swing by our Information Desk in the Lobby. Our Mission is to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

## Want to know what we have for kids?

**Kidz Kove** is for your **Preschool** aged children. It's a clean and secure environment where your children will be well taken care of and taught a practical and easy to understand lesson from the Bible.

**River Kidz** is for your **Elementary School** age children in grades K-5. Here your children will sing, play games, and learn the Bible from well trained leaders in small groups.

**Middle School or High School**, bring them on into worship with you. We have The Plunge for Middle School Students and The Well for High School Students on Sunday Nights. Be sure to check [www.nrcc.net](http://www.nrcc.net) each week for specific dates, news, and info.

## NRCC Prayer Requests

Pray for the Financial Learning Experience with Joe Sangl next weekend. Ask God to help many New River families be freed from the bondage of debt.

Pray that thousands of people will know Jesus because of NRCC mission trips in 2010.

Pray that you would have the courage to move deeper into the River this week.

Ask God to help you be disciplined to read His Word in 2010.  
Ask Him to teach you from it through His Holy Spirit.

## Community Group Prayer Requests

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## Service Times

*South Campus*  
6pm Saturdays  
10:15am Sundays

*North Campus*  
9:15am Sundays  
11:15am Sundays

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## Community Group Questions

**Sermon Notes:**  
**Growing**  
January 9th & 10th 2010

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## Huge Opportunity

If New River ceased to exist, would Lake Wylie miss us? In 2010 we've got a HUGE opportunity to ramp up the ministry we do in Lake Wylie and the world in a significant way. It will take all of us working together under Jesus and being people of AMAZING faith, but this can be the most incredible year in our history.

### Quick Overview

My takeaway from this message is:

This week I am going to:

Looking back over your sermon notes, was there any particular point or passage of scripture that most challenged, confused, or caught your attention?

### My Story

What is your favorite thing to drink when you are very, very thirsty?

### Exploring

What is it about Jesus that you believe initially drew you toward Him?

What is it about Jesus that keeps you close to Him now?

What is it about Jesus that keeps you from telling others about Him?

Would you say that you are ankle deep, knee deep, waist deep, or in the middle of The River?

Read John 7:37-38. The words come and drink are participles which indicates ongoing action. They could be translated as “keep on coming” and “keep on drinking”. In what ways are you continuing to trust God in your life on a daily basis?

Read Isaiah 55:1-3

How does the question in verse 2 strike you? What things have you spent your labor or money on that have ultimately proven to be unfulfilling?

### Exploring

How does God’s Word taste to you?

- a. awful, but good for you like medicine
- b. watered down, like soggy cereal
- c. out-dated, like stale bread
- d. bland and boring, like a rice cake
- e. very rich, like gourmet food

Read Isaiah 55:6-7

- 1. What does it mean to seek the Lord? What hopeful promise is associated with doing so?
- 2. Would you say that you have been seeking the Lord this week or hiding from him? Why?

### Next Steps

- 1. What would it take for you to move deeper in The River?
- 2. Memorize John 7:37-38

## New River News

### We're Going On Mission in 2010

New River is planning four mission trips in 2010. One trip to Costa Rica June 18th-26th. Another trip to Costa Rica July 3rd-10th. A trip to Kenya in July. And a trip to Peru Oct. 8th-16th. Let us know you're interested in going on one of these trips by texting "NRCC" your first and last name and the name of the country where you'd like to go on mission to 646-342-7033. There will be interest meetings for these trips on Jan 30th and Feb. 1st.

### 20+ Ways to Read the Bible in 2010

[www.youversion.com/about/reading-plans](http://www.youversion.com/about/reading-plans)

### Financial Learning Experience

Sunday January 17th from 3:00-5:00 pm at our North Campus as Best selling author Joe Sangl, writer of "I Was Broke, Now I'm Not" will be here to lead a free seminar to show you scriptural principles for getting rid of debt and growing in generosity and in your relationship with Jesus. Joe is AWESOME! Block off this day on your calendar so you can lose the burden of debt and financial difficulty.

### Married Life Live

Save the date! Our next Married Life Live is Thursday February 11th at Tega Cay Country Club. Registration is open! Check our website for more details.