

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.

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Community Group Prayer Requests:

New River Prayer Requests

1. Pray for opportunities to invite people to come with you to New River during the holidays. Most people are only waiting for a personal invitation to come with you to New River.
2. Pray for the Kenya Christmas Project and that we would do all that we can do so that God can do what only He can do.
3. Pray that you would be willing to listen to and follow God this week.
4. Pray for one of the churches in our community other than New River.

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 your children?

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 on Friday Nights for Middle School Students and The Well on Sunday Nights for High School Students. Be sure to check www.nrcc.net each week for specific dates, news, and info.

MESSAGE NOTES



I AM WHAT I DO

So far our series **Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire** has been all about lies we tell ourselves and the damage they do if we don't take hold. There's nothing little or white about them. Lies are dangerous. They keep us from fully understanding who we are in Christ and being all that He has created us to be. As we end this series we will talk this week about maybe the most dangerous lie of all. So many of us believe that if we work harder and perform better the more valuable we are to God. That's a lie. This week we'll learn that you are not what you do. You are who God says you are.

Service Times:

South Campus
6pm Saturday
10:15am Sunday

North Campus
9:15am Sunday
11:15am Sunday



Sermon Notes:
LIAR LIAR
Part 4
Nov. 21st & 22nd

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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?

Before attending community group this week, please read Exodus 14.

Sharing

How do you deal with the pressure to perform (at work, at home, in relationships, at church)?

Exploring

1. Read Exodus 14:10-12 Was Moses' responsibility to please the people or to honor God?
2. Why do you think it is important to so many people to do whatever it takes to win the approval of others?
3. Read Exodus 14:13-14 What thoughts come to mind when you hear that God will fight for you?
4. Imagine you are Moses standing at the edge of the Red Sea with the Egyptians close behind. What are your options?

Exploring Continued...

5. Sometimes God is good enough to limit our options so that we can clearly see the wisdom of allowing Him to perform a difficult task through us. Why is it better to allow Him to perform through us?

6. What areas in your life are you working hard to perform strongly instead of allowing the Lord to fight for you?

Next Steps

1. In the message this week Jesse said, "To say yes to God's best we've got to learn to say no to the rest." Name at least one thing in your life you need to eliminate or say no to in order to experience God's best.
2. Memorize Exodus 14:14 "The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

What is a Community Group?

Community groups are small gatherings of people (Christian and non) that meet regularly for friendship, accountability, study, prayer, laughter and occasionally tears. These groups are an essential expression of the mission of New River.

Community groups are the place where we wrestle with the truths of the Bible and encourage one another toward the life that God intends for us. They are a place where we learn more about growing in our relationship with Jesus, and lives together.

Each community group is unique, shaped by the people who attend. At the heart of each community group is the desire to see authentic community marked by love for Jesus, one another, and the community. For more info email dan@nrcc.net

New River News

Don't Put Away That Cell Phone Yet...

Join the NRCC texting community by texting "NRCC" and your first and last name to 312-285-8254. We'll use this great tool for several different things; you can send us your prayer requests throughout the week and during sermons we can use it for quick crowd polls, and just to send you quick updates on info.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing

December 10th 6pm - 9pm NRCC families will join together at the Operation Christmas Child Warehouse to prepare and pack the shoeboxes that have come in from churches all over the United States to be delivered across the globe.

No Wednesday Prayer Gathering This Week

Due to the holiday and families traveling, we will not be meeting at the church for the Wednesday Prayer Gathering at 7pm. However, please still join us in prayer from wherever you are at 7pm on Wednesday evening. You can even text in your Prayer Requests to 312-285-8254, just type in "Prayer" before your request.

Christmas Eve Services

North Campus at 4pm, 5pm & 6pm.