



Spirital Reflection

"True freedom is not simply the random, directionless life, but the genuine humanness that reflects the image of God."

THE NEW INTERPRETER'S BIBLE



# **VBS HIGHLIGHTS**

We had such an awesome week learning about how Jesus' power pulls us through at our Rocky Railway VBS! There were about 50 children and 30 volunteers who participated in this fun week of Bible adventures, Games, Crafts, and Sing & Play Worship. It's been lots of fun having our kids back at New Covenant and right on track with Jesus this summer!



# Below are the key announcements for the week!



#### **PODCAST**

We invite you to check out New Covenant's podcast, where you can listen to Pastor Harold's sermons on your smartphone wherever, whenever. Additional content is coming soon, so make sure to "Subscribe" so you don't miss an episode!

# **MENTORS NEEDED**

Launched in September 2014, we just completed the seventh year of our Mentor Program and celebrated our third graduating class of mentees! We need new Mentors to begin with our new group of Mentees this upcoming school year. Mentors need to have a heart for teenagers and a sincere desire to provide love, patience, guidance, and support over a period of five years as the Mentee journeys from eighth grade through graduation. If God is leading you to this special program, please contact Anne Foote Hill by clicking the title.



#### Welcome Center



# **WELCOME CENTER**

The Welcome Center is here for you, so please come ask your questions. Our volunteers are ready to help you order a name badge, request prayer for someone, or answer questions about becoming a member of New Covenant.

If you are new and it is your first time joining us, please stop by and say hello! We have a welcome gift for you.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### **Independence** Day

This weekend is a time for all of us to celebrate that original dream of our forefathers. The dream where against all odds, and even against reason, the Declaration of Independence told the world that "these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states." The dream for which so many have died.

For some is it still the impossible dream of a nation under God, with unalienable rights endowed equally to all – among these being life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.



We must move forward and pledge our allegiance to the blood-bought foundation of government of, by, and for the people . . . a people who are determined to live free.

Christians should celebrate with enthusiasm, thanking the Lord not only for our American independence but also for the freedom we have in Christ. We are free indeed.

-Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Committee

#### CONDO COLLAPSE RELIEF



Join us as we pray for and support the families affected by the partial collapse of the Champlain Towers South building in Surfside, Florida. We are also supporting the other tower that has been evacuated. Hundreds of people have been displaced from their homes, and rescue teams continue to lead search and recovery efforts. In addition to prayer, we invite you to click the title to provide practical support for the victims.

#### SUNRISE WITH THE GUYS

Join the Men's Ministry on **Tuesday, July 20 beginning at 8:00 a.m.** as we continue to fellowship together monthly. Breakfast will be a cheese & sausage bake, cheesy hashed potato bake, fluffy biscuit with butter & jelly, and a fresh fruit cup. Registration is required for the event and cost \$10. Click the title to register!

# GOOD GRIEF Granger E. Westberg

# **GOOD GRIEF**

Good Grief Classes with Pastor Jeff Vermilya begin **Monday**, **August 2nd from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m** in the Chapel. This is a 6-week grief support group based on the book by Granger Westberg. Using a workbook/journal as our guide together, we will share our stories as we learn to manage this journey we call grief. Registration is required, and the workbook/journal cost \$20. Please click the title to register.

#### NEW CONCERNS



Charlie Val Harris **Bill & Jackie Chouinard** Stephen & Tammy Harry Claire Lisa Harry Wanda Eavers Cary & Susan Hodnett **Charlene English** Sully Jackson **Bonnie Fisher Terry Leclerc Alexis Grigson** Rebecca Nesbitt Jim & Carol Hall Mary Terranova & daughter

#### OUR LOVE & SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO...

#### Cherie Stewart on the passing of husband, Richard Stewart



Click here to view Celebrations of Life.

Your prayers are requested for the prayer quilts below. Please click on the quilt, pray, and then "like" the picture to symbolize the tying of a knot. Knots will be physically tied by staff as a tangible representation of all the prayers and love offered on behalf of those in need. Share the post for your friends and family to pray as well!

