

# NCC

## Covenant Connection

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF NEW COVENANT  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019

## Fire by Night Prayer

Did you know that on Tuesday nights the sanctuary is open to NCC and the public for prayer? It's true! At 6pm members of our church family unite to pray for Holy Spirit to invade, flood, blow, move, set ablaze, burn, and manifest His presence here at NCC and our surrounding communities.

In addition, we are praying for each person who turned in their Fasting and Prayer commitment sheet by name (there's still time to turn yours in if you haven't already).

Oftentimes, the assumption is made that prayer meetings are for "prayer warriors", "intercessors", or people who know how to articulate

well. The reality is, you don't have to be polished and a great communicator in order to join the Tuesday night prayer meeting. In fact, no one is expected to pray out loud. This time has been provided for you to come and meet with Holy Spirit in His presence alongside your brothers and sisters in Christ.

What better time than Tuesdays to come together and Believe For Impact? This is our hearts desire and cry. 2019 is going to be a year of tremendous victory for those who are living a lifestyle of prayer and this includes our weekly Fire By Night Prayer time. Catch the fire so that you will burn for Christ!

## Get Connected

- 7:45 Worship Practice
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 8:30-10:15 *Covenant Café Open*
- 10:15 Pre-Service Prayer in the sanctuary
- 10:30 Main Event Worship Service

Children's Church and Nursery is provided after worship

## Wednesdays At 6:45pm

- *Life After Deliverance Class* Room 8 at 6:45pm
- *Home Group* -Mike & Judy Folsom's house
- *One Youth Ministry*—Pastor Alli



Join us for  
*Fire By Night Prayer*  
*In the Sanctuary!*  
Tuesdays at 6pm



Resumes in  
February  
*Women's  
Bible  
Study*

★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!

Shirley Chong 1/16

Ricky Brown 1/22

Danny Copeland 1/24

*Join us on Wednesday Evenings for Bible Study*

*in Room 8 at 6:45*

*“Life After Deliverance”*

*Hosted by Bill and Jean Myers*

## Prayer Ministries Meeting Sunday

There will be a Prayer Ministry Meeting following our Sunday morning church service in the Oasis. This is a combined meeting for all members of the 7 Mountain Intercessors, and Altar Ministry Team. The purpose of this meeting is to meet with Latasha and hear what the vision for these ministries are for the New Year. Feel free to bring a snack or a sack lunch for yourself since this will be during the lunch hour.



### Communion During Prayer & Fasting

You may wish to take Communion daily throughout these 21 days. There's so many great spiritual benefits to breaking bread at our Lord's table. Many people have found the added rewards of breakthrough and healing. Simply purchase some grape juice and a loaf of bread (or matzah at Publix).

*“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”*



## 7 Mountain Prayer Ministry—What Is Your Mountain?

In all likelihood you are have a vocation in the community where you live. The question heading this article is “What is your mountain?” In all, there are 7 areas (mountains) that make up our culture here in the United States. They are... **Government, Education, Family, Arts & Entertainment, Media, Religion, and Business.** Each of us lives life on one or more of these mountains. If we belong to a family, then the mountain of “Family” is one of the ones we have responsibility for. Consider what other mountains you have influence over. The next question to consider is how are we making a difference for the Kingdom

of God on our mountain (s)? A great question one may ask is, “what can I do? Consider asking Holy Spirit to reveal to you how you are being salt and light on your mountain of influence. As an ambassador of Christ, how well do you represent Him in your workplace? Are you known as a positive and helpful employee with a servants heart? Are you a team player who works well with others, even under pressure? Not only is God watching you but so are others around you! Let your light shine that Jesus is glorified!

# 21 DAYS OF prayer & fasting

At New Covenant Church we encourage fasting for 21 days each year during the month of January. This is part of 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting, a season of focused prayer as a church family. We hope that you will also choose to fast at other times during the year for your own spiritual development. It's very typical to fast a single meal, a whole day, three days or 21 days. The timing of your fast is not as important as the strength of your focus on God as you fast. Of course effective fasting happens as prayer is added into the plan.

Don't be surprised if you experience some "attacks" from the enemy to get you slowed down, distracted or even to quit! Declare with your words the Word of God and remain focused. If you need additional prayer support, enlist a prayer partner, elder from the church or one of our pastors. You don't have to endure on your own. There's tremendous blessings that come when we reach out for additional prayer support. As mentioned on the first page, attending the Tuesday night Fire By Night Prayer is a powerful time of joining with brothers and sisters at NCC in prayer.

Be sure that you remain well hydrated. You cannot drink enough water during your fast. Add lemon, lime, cucumber, or raspberries to your water to add natural flavor. Remember that Holy

## Pastor Dave's Pen

This Sunday is **National Pro-Life Sunday**. As a pro-life congregation, we take the sanctity of human life very seriously. That's why we annually will have a guest speaker share with us what is happening at our local First Option Care pregnancy Center in Thomasville.

We believe that life begins at conception and that all life has value and worth from God. We also believe that the unborn in our country need our prayers as much as the mothers carrying them.

The first word in our Vision Statement is LOVE. We cannot afford to misrepresent God's Kingdom by showing condemnation to mothers who've had abortions. Instead, we must show them the Gospel which is the Good News! Giving them hope and showing them that through repentance, they can have a second chance in Christ is what it's all about.

I hope you'll join me in praying for our local pregnancy center as well as the volunteers and staff that serve our community. So much is at stake and there's so much to lose. The good news is that nationally speaking, the rate of abortions has gone down in a years time. The advancement in ultrasound technology, contraception and education has played a great part in this reduction.

This Sunday we will be receiving a special Love Offering for First Option Care. I hope that you'll not only attend Sundays service, but financially contribute an offering as well.

The following are two interesting facts from the Guttmacher Institute:

- *Cohabiting women had a higher rate of unintended pregnancy compared with both unmarried non-cohabiting women and married women.*
- *Women without a high school degree had the highest unintended pregnancy rate among those of any educational level in 2011 (73 per 1,000), and rates were lower with each level of educational attainment.*

# Helping Hands for January 20th

## Altar Ministry:

Vince & Deidra Curtis

Latasha McCoy

## Greeters:

Annie Brookes

## Ushers:

Danny Copeland

Daniel Gaines

## Hospitality:

Gwen Gaines



## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Ultimately we fast simply because we want God more than we want anything this world has to offer us.”

-John Piper

## NCC PRAYER SHIELD MINISTRY

*Joann Daniels*

*Keith Simmons*

*Shirley Chong*

*Kim Odom*

*Nancy Stacey*

*Alex Sparks*

*Paul Renfroe*

*Marcy Allen*

*Chris Scudder*

*Dominique Jones*

*Todd Trebony*

*Tim Zipf*

*Pastor Alli*

*Danny Copeland*

*Jacqui Winkelman*



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**Prayer**

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