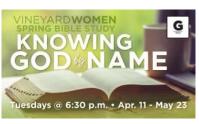
## Experiencing God's Transforming Presence @

# NEW LIFE VINEYARD CHURCH

#### April 9th, 2023 - He is Risen!

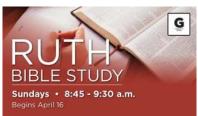


#### Coming Up @ NLV:



#### **WOMEN'S STUDY**

Learn more about the many names of God in this study led by Tara Applegate.



#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Everyone is invited to join Pastor Larry Moe as he leads this study on the book of Ruth.



#### **SOUL SISTERS**

Women - Food, faith, and fun as Laurie Shoolz speaks on prayer.



#### **NEW SERIES**

Join us as we seek the Holy Spirit together in this 6-week series, starting next week.

To register, or for more information about these and other events, please head to our website.

#### PRAYER AND GIVING

If you would like prayer for any reason, you can reach us at prayer@midlandvineyard.com.

Tithes and offerings can be placed in the offering baskets, lobby lockbox, sent <u>online</u>, or through the mail (1014 E. Ashman St, Midland, MI, 48642).

#### WELCOME! ARE YOU NEW?

Whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home, we want to say, "Thank you!" for visiting us. We encourage you to fill out our yellow communication card, or go online to our "Ways to Connect" page and fill out our online form. We'd love to get to know you and help you get to know us!

#### **ABOUT NLV**

New Life Vineyard Church exists to help people to *experience the transforming presence of God*. We do this by *Connecting* to Christ and others, *Growing* into Christian maturity, *Serving* others, and *Going* out into our community to make a positive difference. We value love, acceptance, and forgiveness in all relationships. You matter to God, and you matter to us!

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

We're a "come as you are" kind of church. Most of our families come dressed casually. Our music is contemporary but also contemplative. We encourage people to have fun celebrating God's goodness. We welcome clapping, raising of hands, and saying, "AMEN!". Our celebration services aren't meant to be a show, but rather a group of people all celebrating an audience of One – our great and awesome God!

#### **REGULAR CONNECTION OPPORTUNITIES**

- Children: VineyardKIDS w/ Pastor Dave
  - Dismissed weekly after the 2<sup>nd</sup> song of worship during our Sunday services.
- Jr/Sr High: VineyardYOUTH w/ Jessica Cooper
  - Wednesday night 6-8pm here at the church
  - o 1st and 3rd Sundays during service
- Young Adults: VineyardYA w/ Pastor Dan
  - Every other week following service

#### VineyardMEN & VineyardWOMEN

- Men Retreats, breakfasts, Bible studies, fish fries, draft parties, and more
- Women Soul Sisters gatherings, Bible studies, kayak trips, retreats, and more

#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Sun Worship: 10:00 AM

• Wed Morning Prayer: 8:00 AM (Zoom)

Wed Youth: 6:00-8:00 PM

Sat Men's Bible Study/Breakfast: 7:30 AM

Wi-Fi NETWORK PASSWORD: NLVGuest

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### **BAPTISM TESTIMONIES**

<u>C.J. Sprague</u>: "Before I knew God I was overwhelmed and overwhelming. I was in a bad family before I was adopted by my loving parents Nikki & Rich. After starting to come to church with my new family, I found a God and people who are loving, trusting, and there to help. I want to be baptized to help tell other people about how great life is with God in it."

<u>Preslie Levely:</u> "Jesus really began working in my life last Summer as I battled with separation anxiety. When I struggle, I cling to Psalm 56:3, 'When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.' Through that verse, and praying with my mom, the Lord helps me feel brave and confident. He is my comfort and protection in all things and in all times! I want to be baptized to know and declare that God's love will always be with me and that I am never alone."

Kaydence Ervay: "Jesus has impacted my life in many ways. He has helped me a lot with my anxiety...quite a lot! Though I have to meet him halfway, that shows me how strong He and I are together! Jesus means so much to me. He's so powerful and amazing. I don't have words. I'm seeking to be baptized now, because as an infant I was baptized but that wasn't my choice. It was my parents' choice. Now that I'm older, and have the choice of loving and obeying God, I choose - through this baptism - to show I love and obey Him endlessly and forever."

<u>Carol Kubczak</u>: "Jesus has picked me up when I was down and affirmed my value as a child of God over and over throughout my life. He has literally shown me how much He loves me and has drilled into my consciousness how He will never leave me. Baptism through water and the Spirit is a command by Jesus to His disciples and followers. Though baptized as a baby and raised to be a Christian, I more recently have come to understand the significance of this symbolic show of my faith in Jesus. In fact, my greatest desire is to be more like Jesus and to continue to grow in the Spirit for the rest of my life."

<u>Dale Kubczak:</u> "I believe I would not still be here on Earth but for Jesus and His love for me. I have followed Him most of my life, but at times I fell. No matter what, He has always been there for me. By making the conscious decision to be baptized today I wish to show my obedience, love, and appreciation for Jesus."

<u>Mark Schneider</u>: "Jesus has delivered me through some very dark and difficult times. By having faith in Jesus, he has led me through minefields untouched without me even being aware of the dangers around me. I want to be baptized because I have made Jesus Christ my savior, who has died for me so I can have everlasting life and love from him and his father for eternity."

<u>Kendra Manning</u>: "Jesus has made my life better by helping me know that God is always in my life as my Father. I want to be baptized to show others that God is in my daily life."

<u>Britney Ellison</u>: "The Lord found me when I was thousands of miles from everyone and everything I knew. He called me, he redeemed me, and He transformed me. I am so excited to be giving Him the glory for that today!"

<u>Kaitlyn Challener</u>: "The Lord has always comforted me in my times of need, it's always been something I can lean on in some of my darkest moments. The darkest time in my life was last March. My husband tried to kill me. By the grace and sovereign hand of God I was saved. I made a promise to God that I would never take another breath for granted again. This baptism is showing God & Jesus that I am born again in Him and from this experience. I am so grateful to God for giving me a second chance at trying to make a difference in this world."

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