



# NewLife NEWS

Week of February 1, 2026

## ANNUAL CORPORATION MEETING ~ EMBRACE GRACE BABY SHOWER

### Annual Corporation Meeting

This year's meeting is Sunday, February 1 at 11:15a in the sanctuary. Higher ED and youth Sunday School will not meet that day. There are primarily two items on the agenda:

- a brief review of the budget and,
- a vote to elect Phil Baertschi for a three-year term as a Trustee.

### Giving Through December 2025

General Fund update

Year to date as of December 31, 2025:

Giving \$794,688

Budget \$804,605

Shortfall \$ (9,917)

These numbers excludes one-time estate gifts that were added to our reserve funds. Since our last update the deficit decreased significantly due to generous giving. The general funded ended in the black because of faithful giving, earned interest income, and management of expenses.

### Budget Deeper Dive

A discussion of the finalized 2025 financial results and the approved 2026 budget will be led by Treasurer Greg Leiser and Trustee President Dean Abbott on Sunday, February 8, during Higher Ed in the Conference Room. This session is for anyone who would like to understand the budget more deeply and have an opportunity to ask questions about ministry priorities, financial philosophy, cash flow, and reserves.

### South Coast Presbytery

Pastor Joel was unable to attend, but Elders Dean Abbot and Brad Tidwell attended to represent New Life La Mesa at the proceedings this week. Morgan Loughlean was taken under care of the SCP. He presented his testimony to the Presbytery with excellence!

### Global Missions

Our February Missionaries of the Month are **J and his wife B** who serve with MTW. They are engaged in very challenging work in a hostile region. Please pray that the Lord would give them wisdom as they train other Christians to go out, planting churches in the region and proclaiming the gospel. Pray for safety and open doors. Pray that the Lord would be glorified in this difficult work—growing and preserving his church. If you would like to know more about their work, please grab a flyer from the Missions Wall today!

Nakaale, Uganda—**Christopher and Chloe Verdick** serve with the OPC in Uganda. Pray for Christopher to be given wisdom as he interviews potential candidates for the Timothy Discipleship program. Pray for Chloe as she begins a new school year with their children—Carmel, Zion and Olive. Pray for the Lord to continue to bless and equip the current local pastor of the church. Pray for more long term missionary support for the work in Uganda. Pray that the clinic associated with the mission (Akisyon a Yesu Presbyterian Clinic) would continue to be able to offer good care to the people of the nearby villages and that many would hear the good news of the gospel as they wait for treatment.

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### H.O.M.E. (Home Missions, Outreach, Ministry & Evangelism)

Check out: <https://www.newlifelamesa.org/programs/h-o-m-e> for the most recent newsletters from San Diego Rescue Mission, Hope for San Diego, and CAPS.

**Check out our new H.O.M.E. Bulletin Board near the left entrance of the MAC.**

**H.O.M.E. Committee** is making plans for a donation drive in April to assist the San Diego Rescue Mission. A complete list of our Ministry Partners and summary of outreach work done in 2024 and 2025 is available on the Welcome Table. Please join us in prayer as we seek God's will in blessing SDRM and other Ministry Partners in 2026.

### Embrace Grace

Baby Shower February 8th

Our Embrace Grace mama, Erika, is thankful for the loving support and encouragement from New Life. She is preparing for Micah's arrival, both physically and emotionally. Please consider how your family might

**Mark Your Calendars**

**February 4**  
Women's Bible Study  
Cadets/GEMS  
NEWTH Group

**February 5**  
Men's Prayer  
Women's Prayer and Fellowship  
Choir

**February 1**  
Corporation Meeting

**February 6**  
Coffee with Coco

**February 8**  
Women's Missions Prayer on Zoom

**February 12**  
Craft Night  
Pickleball

bless her at her Embrace Grace Baby Shower on February 8. Gift sign ups are in the lobby.

## Church Family Requests

- Continue to pray for treatments and complete healing for Cheryl, Peter, Rachel, Sarah, Phil, Brian, Valerie, Scott, K.C., and Sally.
- Pray for strength and grace to endure for Joe, Jeri, Norma, Nancy, Anita, Joyce, Steve, Berta and their caregivers.
- Pray for Mark and Jane as they mourn the loss of their mother and sister, Marilyn.
- Pray for our singles, that they would wholeheartedly serve God.
- Pray for those couples desiring to be parents or enlarge their family, for patience and grace as they wait upon the Lord.
- Pray for our expecting mothers, Lauren, Erika, Sarah, Sascha, and Emily.



## This Week @ New Life

For more information: 619-667-5999

### Sunday, February 1

8:45a Pre-service Prayer meeting in Room 202  
 9:30a Morning Worship Service  
 10:50a Coffee and refreshments  
 11:15a Corporation Meeting  
 4:00p Kids Choir in Sonbeam Room  
 5:00p Evening Worship Service

### Tuesday

6:30a Men's Bible Study at Simple Coffee

### Wednesday

10:00a Women's Bible Study  
 5:30p Cadets/GEMS  
 6:00p NEWTH Group  
 6:15p Women's Bible Study

### Thursday

7:00a Men's Prayer  
 9:30a Women's Prayer and Fellowship  
 7:00p Choir

### Friday

10:00a Coffee with Coco at Panera in Grossmont Center

### Sunday, February 8

8:45a Pre-service Prayer meeting in Room 202  
 9:30a Morning Worship Service  
 10:50a Coffee and refreshments  
 11:15a Higher ED/Sunday School  
 3:00p Women's Missions Prayer on Zoom  
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## L.I.F.T Groups

### La Mesa North – Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Reading Thru the Bible – 2 year plan  
 Host – Shane and Katie Ferrebee  
 Leader: Shane Ferrebee  
 Contact: [sferrebee@hotmail.com](mailto:sferrebee@hotmail.com)

### El Cajon East – Thurs. at 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Book of Ephesians  
 Host – Steve and Sharon Philips  
 Leader: Vince Ortiz  
 Contact: [vinceortiz@yahoo.com](mailto:vinceortiz@yahoo.com)

### Lake Murray/San Carlos – Wed. at 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Gospel of Mark with Dr. Robert Godfrey  
 Host – Jack & Deborah Creedon  
 Leader: Bob McKey  
 Contact: [ac2028@cox.net](mailto:ac2028@cox.net)

### Young Professionals – Fri. 7:30 p.m.

Topic: Gospel of John  
 Location: Varies  
 Leader- Alex Kazules  
 Contact: [alex@kazules.com](mailto:alex@kazules.com)

### Mens Bible Study - Tues. at 6:30 a.m.

Topic: Book of 2 Peter  
 Location: Simple Coffee, 7407 Jackson Dr., San Diego  
 Leader: Adam Kemp  
 Contact: [adam.dean.kemp@gmail.com](mailto:adam.dean.kemp@gmail.com)

### North County – Two Fridays per month at 5:30 p.m.

Topic: Sermon on the Mount  
 Host – Dave and Trish Fredrickson  
 Leader: Morgan Loughlean  
 Contact: [c23dad@gmail.com](mailto:c23dad@gmail.com)

### Kearny Mesa – Every other Fri. at 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Dust to Glory with R. C. Sproul  
 Host – Mark and Marilyn Calabrese  
 Leader: Mark Calabrese  
 Contact: [musicstudio41@gmail.com](mailto:musicstudio41@gmail.com)

### Psalm 8:1-2

"Oh Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger."

