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NewLife NEWS

Week of May 24, 2026

PROMOTION SUNDAY ~ MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC ~ GRADUATION RECEPTION

Marriage Retreat - Save the Date!

Thursday - Saturday, October 22-24 2026

A special weekend designed to strengthen your marriage and deepen your connection at Rough Acres Ranch in Boulevard, CA. More information to come.

Memorial Day Picnic

Monday, May 25 from 10a - 4p

Join us at Presidio Park in Old Town for a fun day of fellowship and relaxation! Bring chairs, games, and lunch, and stay for part or all of the day.

Promotion Sunday

Sunday, May 31 in the Sanctuary

Join us for a brief time after the worship service to recognize and celebrate the completion of another year of Sunday School.

Graduation Recognition Reception

Sunday, May 31 in the Sanctuary

Please join us in the MAC for a cake reception to congratulate our recent graduates on their hard earned degrees:

2026 Graduates:

- Michael Hopkins - High School Diploma- Christian Unified Schools of San Diego
- Natalie Stormoen - High School Diploma - Heritage Christian School
- Jonathan Wood - High School Diploma - Heritage Christian School
- Ryan Giangregorio - Bachelor of Science in Computer Science - San Diego State University
- Aaron Philip - Master of Divinity - Westminster Seminary California

Poetry Class Psalm

This Haiku, written by Shannon Baertschi, was written in response to the "Write Your Own Psalm" exercise in the recent Higher Ed Poetry Class.

Haiku Reflections on Psalm 98

By Shannon Baertschi

by Thy mighty hand
salvation revealed to all
love to Jacob's land
shout for joy, and praise
sing with voices magnified
harp and horn well played
oceans roar, and men
peaks and torrent cheer
God is judge-amen

VBS Registration is Open!

Our student registration is now open. [Sign up today!](#)

VBS DATES/Times:

July 20-24; 9a-12p



IBCD Summer Institute

Thursday - Saturday, June 18-20 2026

Join IBCD for a three-day conference focused on equipping local churches in biblical counseling and discipleship ministry. The Summer Institute features main sessions, practical workshops, and resources designed to encourage one-another care within the church.

Hosted at [Institute for Biblical Counseling & Discipleship](#) and held at Cornerstone Fellowship Bible Church (with online access available), the conference welcomes attendees from around the world and includes:

- 30+ workshops on relevant discipleship topics
- Spanish-language workshops
- Exhibitor hall and biblical counseling bookstore
- Coffee shop and fellowship opportunities

Group discounts are available, and virtual tickets may also be purchased.

For questions, contact Lauren Sterling at

lauren@ibcd.org.

Learn more and register [HERE](#).

Memorial Service

A memorial service for Berta Morrill will be held Saturday, May 30, at 2:00p. Reception to follow..

Mark Your Calendars

May 24

Elder Ordination

May 30

Berta Morrill Memorial Service

June 7

Deacon Ordination

June 18-20

IBCD Summer Institute

July 20-24

Vacation Bible School

October 22-24

Marriage Retreat

Past New Life Sermons: Did you know...?

There are several ways to listen to New Life sermons.

- 1) Visit our website and go to **On Demand**,
- 2) Visit our **YouTube** channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@NewLifeLaMesa> to watch livestreams, rewatch past sermons and full morning services, or share the "shorts" with others.
- 3) Subscribe through **podcast apps** such as Apple Podcasts, Overcast, Pocket Casts—using the feed <https://www.newlifelamesa.org/podcasts/media.rss>. Both AM and PM sermons each week will show up automatically for you!

Sunday Volunteers Needed

What a blessing it is to have a congregation that joyfully serves one another. These important ministries of New Life are in need of additional people as other volunteers have been lead to serve in other ministries. Please prayerfully consider how you may serve in the following areas.

Nursery: 1-2 additional adults to volunteer for one Sunday a month, every other month. A sign-up sheet can be found at the table in the foyer for anyone interested in helping in the nursery.

Morning Coffee: 1-2 people are needed for every 4th Sunday, and 1-2 people are needed for every 5th Sunday. Please contact Alan Lewis.

Global Missions

Our May Missionaries of the Month are both serving in Italy where a reformed presence is small. **Pastor Mike and Janie Brown** serve in Milan, Italy and **Pastor Vincenzo and Judit Coluccia** serve in Lecce, Italy. There are copies of their latest letters on our Mission Wall.

Milan, Italy—**Micahel and Janie Brown** send greetings from their church, Chiesa Riformata Filadelfia. They send thanks for a recent Family Retreat in Cecina, Tuscany, where they gathered together with two other churches: Chiesa Presbiteriana di Pistoia and Chiesa Riformata Redenzione di Bergamo to be encouraged by fellowship and the word. The Browns are grateful for a recent visit from two elders from their sending church, Escondido United Reformed Church. Praise God for his global church, for his provision of encouragement and fellowship even across oceans and for the work he is doing in Milan. (<https://www.missionmilan.org/>)

MTW—**J&B** ask for continued prayers for those living in war torn countries. Pray for the Lord, the Great Physician, to bring healing though his Holy Spirit and the hands and feet of those we have sent there. Pray for safety for the believers who are living among bombing, war, desolation and destruction. May the Lord bring healing to the land, even as we long for the coming of Jesus and the new heavens and new earth. Pray specifically for the men who are being mentored and trained by J to become pastors and plant churches and for the women being mentored by B to care for those affected by war."

New Life Newsletter submission deadline by end of day **Wednesday** to comms@newlifelamesa.org Anything submitted after the deadline will be placed in the newsletter the following week.

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

Check out: [the Ministry of the H.O.M.E. Committee](#). for the most recent newsletters from San Diego Rescue Mission, Hope for San Diego, and CAPS. Pray for our outreach work.

Thank you New Life for your generous contributions of needed items to put the San Diego Rescue Mission, "I See You" toiletry kits. Everything needed was provided by donations.

Embrace Grace

Please pray that God would lead another group of single expectant mothers to our Embrace Grace ministry.

Church Family Requests

- Continue to pray for treatments and complete healing for Cheryl M., Peter H., Sarah F., Brian S., Valerie T., Scott T., K.C., and Sally N.
- Pray for strength and grace to endure for Joe C., Jeri M., Norma D., Nancy W., Anita P., Joyce K., Steve P., and their caregivers.
- Pray for Lea Morrill and family as they mourn the loss of Lea's mother, Berta Morrill. Pray that the Lord would comfort the family.
- 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, Sarah R., and Sascha H.

This Week @ New Life

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Sunday, May 24

- 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 H.O.M.E Committee Meeting
- 5:00p Evening Worship

Monday

- 10:00a Memorial Day Picnic at Presidio Park in Old Town

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

- 6:00p NEWTH Group

Thursday

- 7:00a Men's Prayer
- 7:00p Choir

Saturday

- 2:00p Berta Morrill Memorial Service

Sunday, May 31

- 8:45a Pre-service Prayer meeting in Room 202
- 9:30a Morning Worship Service
- 10:50a Coffee and refreshments
- 11:15a Sunday School Promotions/Higher ED
- 12:15p Spring Orchestra Rehearsal
- 5:00p Evening Worship/Fellowship Meal