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Please join us for one of our two service options: In-Person at 10:00 AM (masks optional), or Online at 10:00 AM via Facebook, YouTube, or our Website.

MENS SOFTBALL TEAM

Our men's softball team dropped another game this past Monday bringing their record to 5-2 overall. They are back in action June 27th at 9pm on Redcoat Field #4.

PASTORAL SEARCH UPDATE

In case you've been out of the loop, last Sunday James Applegate was affirmed by an overwhelming majority of the membership as Lead Pastor Elect. He will be working with Pastor Don over the next couple of months and will be officially installed on Sunday, August 21st.

TRIBUTE VIDEOS

If you didn't get a chance to record your tribute video for Pastor Don and Melody a couple weeks back, you've got another chance today after the service. Head back to the conference room after the service to record your memories with them.

GOLF OUTING

We are holding an informal golf outing on Sunday, July 10th at 1pm at Currie Golf Course. Sign up online or at the info center. If there's enough interest we will make it a scramble. It promises to be a great time of connection. Both men and women are welcome to sign up.

GAS CARD CHALLENGE

A generous family has donated \$3,000 to be put toward a match fund to buy gas cards for folks in need in our church and community. Jump on board! Just denote your check memo, offering envelopes or online gift with "gas" today through July 10th. On the 17th we'll be passing them out to you! You can take up to two at a time to give away, and certainly can keep one of those if you need it. What a great way to make a practical difference with folks who are struggling financially.

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 lock-box, sent online, 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 connection 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, so you matter to us!

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

WHAT TO EXPECT

We're a "come as you are" kind of church. Most of our family 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!

CHILDREN

We invite the kids to join in for our weekly Children's ministries. We dismiss the children to their classes after the second song of worship on Sunday.

JR/SR HIGH STUDENTS

Our VineyardYOUTH group meets Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 PM here at the church in addition to special events throughout the year. Pastor Dan also teaches Sunday mornings every other week.

MEN & WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Our Men & Women's ministries provide ways for people to connect with God and each other. Throughout the year we schedule a variety of activities such as retreats, breakfasts, a fish fry, and more. Check our online calendar for upcoming events.

NEW LIFE VINEYARD CHURCH

1014 E. ASHMAN ST. MIDLAND, MI 48642 (989)832-7472 WWW.MIDLANDVINEYARD.COM June 26th, 2022 Pastor Don

Series: Looking Forward Sabotage! Text: 2 Timothy 4:14-15

What is your Kryptonite?

Rejection is one of man's greatest paralyzing fears.

We are susceptible to Sabotage from two different directions:

- Internal Self Sabotage: Soul- Mind-Will-Emotions-desires- past...
- External Adversarial Sabotage: People or events that try to derail God's intention for you in life.

Self-Awakening Questions: What is your default, predictable path? What does that issue say about you? How do you recover and maintain focus spiritually? What are your spiritual disciplines? What is your history? Same pattern over and over? How do you break the cycle?

Deterrents. 2 Timothy 4:14-15 Alexander the metalworker did me a great deal of harm.

What have been some of your deterrents internally and externally?

Give it to God! 2 Timothy 4:14-15... The Lord will repay him for what he has done.

Refuse to become bitter. Romans 12:19-20 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

Learn to walk all the way through the desert of anger and resentment, and into the land of living where mercy dwells. Jasper Manner

Set boundaries. 2 Timothy 4:14-15 ... You too should be on <u>your guard</u> against him, because he strongly opposed our message.

What guards do you have in place to keep you from self and external sabotage?

We are not alone in the struggle. 2 Timothy 4:16-18 ... no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength...

The Lord stands with you... Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

Sabotage in the American church. 2 Timothy 4:4 They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. 2 Timothy 4:10 for Demas, because he loved this world, has deserted me and has gone to Thessalonica.

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KUDOS

Big thank you to all the volunteers who made Kid's Super Fun Day a success this past Wednesday! It's not always fun being around 30 rambunctious children for three hours, but you all did a great job making a special day full of memories for our youngest generation.

WAYS TO CONNECT

For a more information on all the ways you can connect at New Life Vineyard Church, visit midlandvineyard.com/waystoconnect.