# Experiencing God's Transforming Presence @



#### 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 a Connection Card in a chair back near you, 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: VinevardKIDS 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
  - o Wednesday nights 6-8 pm @ the church.
  - o Fun events throughout the year.
- 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.

## **KUDOS**



A big shout out to the NLV Worship Team! Christmas Eve was a real blessing, both with the Worship Circle and Candlelight Service! It was wonderful to

see so many folks from the congregation participating with their instruments, from guitars to congas to tambourines and sleigh bells! And of course all the voices who joined in to sing praises to Jesus, our very reason for gathering! Here's to next time!

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## **COMING UP AT THE VINEYARD**

To register and for more information about these and other events, please visit our <u>website</u>.



#### YOUTH LOCK-IN

TONIGHT! Open to all 6-12th graders. Lots of fun and games as we ring in the new year! Dress brightly! \$10 each, sign up online!



#### **FASTING & PRAYER**

During this time, we choose days to fast and pray for God's blessing, direction, wisdom, and more. Sign up at the info table or online!



## **BIBLE STUDY**

The next church-wide Bible Study, on the Book of Jonah, begins Sunday January 7th, 8:45am in the Training Room. All are welcome!



## **VERSE MAPPING**

Verse mapping is used to go deeper in knowledge with God's word. VINEYARD Women begin a study Jan 31, sign up now!

## **WAYS TO CONNECT**

For more information on all the ways to connect at New Life Vineyard Church, visit midlandvineyard.com/connect.

#### PRAYER AND GIVING

If you would like prayer for any reason, you can reach us at <a href="mailto:prayer@midlandvineyard.com">prayer@midlandvineyard.com</a>.

Tithes and offerings can be placed in the offering baskets, lobby box, sent <u>online</u> (scan QR code) or through the mail.



Wi-Fi NETWORK PASSWORD: NLVGuest Visit us online or check out our socials:



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Discipling

**Pastor James Applegate** 

Discipling	You Are Sent!	Ma	atthew 28:16-20
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