



Sunday Worship Times:
8:15 am online on Facebook
Live
10:30 am in-person
service
School-aged Children Sunday
School 9:30 am

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We exist to proclaim & promote the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation & sanctification of all people.

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Happy August everyone! I am back from my sabbatical and glad to be back! I admit that the night before coming back I thought to myself that I wish it could have been longer. Not that it wasn't long enough, I just wanted more. Isn't that the way of it? We often want more, even when we already have enough. We are, very often, never satisfied. We want more heat when it is cold, and more cold when it is hot! More rain when it is dry, and more sun when it is rainy! We want more money, more influence, more power, more peace, more love, more help, and even more hair! We just seem to always want more. Now let's be clear: wanting more is not necessarily bad, and there is no Scripture that says, "Thou shalt not want more", but there is Scriptural teaching that encourages us toward the opposite of wanting, contentment.

The apostle Paul, in responding to those who seek to have more wealth, writes these words in 1 Timothy 6:6, "But godliness with contentment is great gain." This is a verse and phrase that strikes at the heart of our desire for more. Contentment is a state of being that means to be satisfied, to be filled, to be at rest, and to be at peace with the world around us. It is a state of living in fullness rather than in want. It is living in a position of trust and peace and rest with God. Notice that the great gain of contentment is due, not to having it all, but rather to knowing and walking with God. The greatest of gains is to be walking with God and becoming like Him in our walk. We learn contentment when we spend time with God.

John the Baptist put it this way, "A person can receive only that which is given them from heaven." (John 3:27) John recognized that it is God who provides and that all we have is due to His will. We can strive and plan and plot ways to gain more of what we want, but ultimately, what we have comes from God. Can't we rest and be satisfied with God's provision to us? Must we desire more than what God gives?

Paul wrote about contentment a different way when he wrote to the Philippian church. He wrote, in Phil 4:12-13, "I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through Him who gives me strength." Paul found contentment in any and every situation he was in. No matter if he was in want or had plenty, he recognized that the secret to living a life of fullness and rest from striving for more was to live in trust and faith with God. He gave himself over to a full reliance upon God for all that he had and all that he would need. He would trust God, he would seek God, he would stay with God, he would be satisfied with God, and thus, he would be content with God and God alone.

Paul and John the Baptist knew contentment because they knew God so deeply. They did not strive to find anything outside of the will, word, and ways of God. As a result, they lived a life of great gain. They sought not the provisions, but the Provider.

May you live a life of great gain as you seek God above all else. May you experience the fullness of contentment with God. And may you never settle for the lesser things of life that are found outside of God's perfect will for your life.

I thank God for the time that I had, and I thank God for His timing of bringing me back.

Sincerely His,
Pastor Michael Wedman



~The August Extra~

What: Women's Fellowship is **CANCELLED** for August

When: Saturday, August 6, 2022

Sabra is having her knee surgery. Please pray for Sabra as she recovers from her surgery. We will see her in September .

What: Yes, God! Build Your Kingdom!—1 year later event

When: Saturday, September 10, 2022, 4:00 pm

Where: Out under the tent behind the NCCU building

Join us next month for our thank-you event for the Yes, God! Build Your Kingdom! Campaign. We will once again have the music of No Slack Jack.

Welcome home, pastor Michael! You have been so missed.

Other Community Happenings at NCCU

Mondays: We have the Movement Class with Sue Ullom at 9:00 am. This is not aerobic or Zumba; it is just some body movement to get your week started.

Tuesdays: We have the Great Bend Chorale from 5:00 pm—9:00 pm with Matthew Melendez. Come by and talk to Matthew if you would like to join the Chorale.

*Our Purpose:
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>1 Haircut Fundraiser Kay Shin 360-801-2662</p> <p>Monday Messages with Del, re-runs 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>2 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood</p> <p>Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm</p>	<p>3 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>4 Worship Team 6:00 pm</p>	<p>5 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>6 Women's Fellowship CANCELLED this month only</p>
<p>7 COMMUNION Worship 8:15 am ONLINE Facebook Live</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 am Fellowship Time 9:30-10:30</p> <p>In-person service 10:30 am</p>	<p>8 Monday Messages with Del, re-runs 10:00 am Facebook Live</p> <p>Loss of a Loved One Grief Support 3:00pm-4:30 pm</p>	<p>9 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood</p> <p>Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm</p>	<p>10 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>11 Worship Team 6:00 pm</p>	<p>12 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>13 9:00 am Men's Fellowship</p>
<p>14 Worship 8:15 am ONLINE Facebook Live</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 am Fellowship Time 9:30-10:30</p> <p>In-person service 10:30 am</p>	<p>15 Monday Messages with Del, re-runs 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>16 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood</p> <p>Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm</p>	<p>17 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>18 Worship Team 6:00 pm Karaoke Night 7:00 pm</p>	<p>19 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>21 Worship 8:15 am ONLINE Facebook Live</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 am Fellowship Time 9:30-10:30</p> <p>In-person service 10:30 am</p>	<p>22 Monday Messages with Del, re-runs 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>23 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood</p> <p>Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm</p>	<p>24 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>25 Worship Team 6:00 pm</p>	<p>26 Prayer Group 9:30 am</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 Worship 8:15 am ONLINE Facebook Live</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 am Fellowship Time 9:30-10:30</p> <p>In-person service 10:30 am</p>	<p>29 Monday Messages with Del, re-runs 10:00 am Facebook Live</p> <p>Loss of a Loved One Grief Support 3:00pm-4:30 pm</p>	<p>30 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood</p> <p>Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm</p>	<p>31 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am Facebook Live</p>	<p>Ongoing Food Bank Donations in the foyer.</p>	<p>Karaoke Night for all ages, come and sing your heart out, 8/18 7 pm</p>	