



**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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## *The Anchor: NCCU News*

## **November 2022**

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

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For the past couple of months, I have been writing about the encouragement that we receive and need from one another; how in times of trouble, hardship, and pain we tend to shrink back and keep to ourselves.

To quote from last month's article, "The fact is, we all need encouragement from one another, especially when we have days that are filled with bad news, or trouble, or suffering, or hardship, or pain, or depression, or other maladies that play upon our hearts and minds. I have noticed that it seems to be the case that when we are in pain or are suffering, we prefer to be alone and shrink back from the company of others. Perhaps at times we need to do this, but as a pattern of life, this is not a healthy response."

Having been in pain for the past three weeks (and still am as I write this), I can testify to this tendency. When I was first plunged into the waters of pain, I wanted nothing more than to be left alone; don't talk to me, don't touch me, don't advise me, don't be anywhere near me. I was cranky and just wanted to be so. In my pain, I came to the false, and lonely, conclusion that nobody could understand what I was going through and that, therefore, no one could help. In fact, for the first few days, I didn't even want the staff to know. Crazy! The people that know me and love me and would be the first to help me were the ones that I was hiding my pain from. I was not living well, never mind leading well; my apologies to you all.

When the pain did its work in exposing my pride, and when I did my work in repenting of it, not only did God break through, but so did all of you. As I write this to you, tears that arise from an overwhelmingly thankful and humble heart well up and overflow. How wrong I was to think that nobody understood, that nobody could help, and that nobody should know. How right you were to show me your love and care and concern, even when I pulled away.

I am extremely grateful to you all. Thank you for not letting me be alone with this. Thank you for all of your helps, and prayers, and kindnesses, and concerns, and love. I am a better follower of Christ because of the encouragement I receive from you when I am with you. Hebrews 10:24-25 has taken on a new meaning for me (or maybe I should say a new emotion for me).

(Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – all the more as you see the Day approaching.)

I know, for me, that if I am going to make it through this pain, and this struggle, and this suffering, unto eternal life – I surely won't do it without all of you. You are important in my pain.

Sincerely His,  
Pastor Michael Wedman





## *~The November Extra~*

**What:** Conversation Night  
**When:** Wednesday November, 16, 6:30 pm  
**Where:** NCCU Worship Center

Join us for a bite to eat, and let's talk about the vision of the church.

**Games with Gary has returned from noon until 2:00 pm, and will be held the second and fourth Wednesdays in the foyer. Come down and play games with Gary and friends.**

**Hands for Christ is held the first & third Wednesdays from 10:00 am-1:00 pm in the Sunday School Building. We are looking for new people to join us two Wednesdays a month to fellowship & use our talents to be Christ's hands for others. Come & spend some time enjoying each other's company as we put our hands together to serve the community. Say "Yes"! Contact Joline Moore at 360-401-5888 for more information.**

### **Other Community Happenings at NCCU**

**Mondays:** We have the Movement Class with Sue Ullom at 9:30 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
Ongoing Food Bank Donations in the foyer.		1 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood  Loss of a Loved One Grief Support 3:00 pm-4:30 pm  Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm	2 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am <b>Facebook Live</b>  Hands for Christ 10:00 1m- 1:00 pm	3 Journey through Acts 9:30 am  Worship Team 6:00 pm	4 Prayer Group 9:30 am	5 Women's Fellowship 10:00 am
6 COMMUNION Worship 8:15 am ONLINE <b>Facebook Live</b>  Sunday School 9:30 am <b>Fellowship Time 9:30-10:30</b>  In-person service 10:30 am	7 Del's Diamonds 10:00 am <b>Facebook Live</b>	8 Transformative prayer 11:00 am contact Ron Wood  Addiction Ministry 6:00 pm	9 Prayer with Lola 10:00 am <b>Facebook Live</b>  <b>Game Time with Gary Noon to 2:00 pm</b>	10 Journey through Acts 9:30 am  Worship Team 6:00 pm	11 Veterans Day  Prayer Group 9:30 am	12 9:00 am Men's Fellowship  <b>Memorial for Norma Hoem 1:00 pm</b>
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