



## Bulletin - November 9, 2025

### SOARing Outward SOARING to New Heights

Philippians 2:1-7  
11/9/25

#### Isaiah 40:31b

*...those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint. NLT*

As we continue to work our way through our new core values, we come this week to the concept of what it means to be a church that is outwardly focused. In short, it means to make sure that we're remembering to love and care for those outside of the faith - and certainly that we stand willing and ready to share the gospel with them, too.

Personally, I think this works best when we prove that we care and forge a genuine relationship with folks. We've been reviewing the phrase "people don't care how much you know until they know how much you care," right? Well, that principle is alive and well, here. Love for people is what gives us authority; a "platform" as it were, in their lives where we can speak to them and hopefully have them listen in return. After all, that's what Jesus did. He didn't step out of heaven and just die for our sins and tell us to never repeat them, instead, he spent personal time with us, he showed us how to live and treat others, and then he gave his life for us. His sacrifice was the culminating event in his life lived in love for us. As ambassadors of that message, it makes sense that we would do the same - invest in the lives of those we care to serve. By having an outward focus, we can do just that! We'll talk more Sunday. See ya then!

**Till He Comes Back - Zach**

#### *Sermon in a Sentence*

"Churches \_\_\_\_\_ when they care for those \_\_\_\_\_ of their walls."

#### *Today's Scripture*

**Philippians 2:1-7**

**Matthew 9:9-13**

**John 9:35-41**

**2 Corinthians 12:8-10**

**Isaiah 40:31**

#### *Three Weekly Challenges*

*To Be An Outwardly Focused Church, We Must*

1. Focus On Those Outside Our \_\_\_\_\_
2. Focus On Those Outside Our \_\_\_\_\_
3. Focus On Those Outside Our \_\_\_\_\_

# Weekly Prayer Requests

Kim Carroll & Family    Guy Nichols  
 Steve Lynch                Earl Whipple  
 Odessa Robert            Kaliah Woods  
 Sam Clark                   Savannah Higgs

Names will stay on the current list for three weeks. Please inform the office if you wish for a name to remain on this list or be transferred to the long-term list. Names marked with \*\* will be moved to the long-term prayer list the following week. The long-term prayer list is located in the foyer.



**BUILDING LIFE-CHANGING RELATIONSHIPS ONE AT A TIME**

Please consider becoming a part of this ministry. We need Mentors, Prayer Partners & Resources

SEE CAROL CLARK FOR MORE INFORMATION

We are excited to partner with Frazee Elementary School to establish mentoring relationships with children who need to experience the love of Christ. We invite you to consider serving in this ministry.

Currently:

- Kids in Need of a Mentor: 20+
- New Heights Mentors: 3
- New Heights Prayer Partners: 2



## Vitals for November 2

Weekly Need: \$3,200  
 Actual Given: \$499  
 Sunday School - 26  
 Morning Service - 77

3 easy ways to give:

- 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby
- [newheightsconnersville.com/giving](http://newheightsconnersville.com/giving)
- Mail to the church office



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### What's Happening

- 11/16 Jesus Girls Ladies' Ministry 12:00 pm
- 11/23 NHCC Thanksgiving Pitch-in Lunch
- 11/30 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast



- 12/7 MENTorship - 8:00 am
- 12/21 Jesus Girls Ladies' Ministry - 12:00 pm
- 12/24- Christmas Eve Service - Time TBA



### Mahoning Valley Winter Retreats - Registration goes live on November 1st

1. Little Journey - 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades: **Jan 9-11**
2. Elevate - 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades: **Feb 6-8**
3. The Well- 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> : **Feb 13-15<sup>th</sup>**

Pray without  
ceasing.  
1 Thessalonians  
5:17



### Soaring Outward



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But those who trust in the Lord will find  
new strength. They will soar high on  
wings like eagles.  
They will run and not grow weary.  
They will walk and not faint.  
Isaiah 40:31

## NHCC Prayer Guide

This week's key scripture from the sermon: **Isaiah 40:31**

Take time each day to:

- **Read The Word**
  - Pick one of the passages to focus on for the day.
- **Meditate on The Word**
  - Read the passage slowly and repeatedly.
  - Allow your heart to be moved and guided by the Spirit as you engage with the scripture.
  - Use these reflections as a bridge. Connect your study of the Word with your prayers, allowing your thoughts and insights to deepen your conversation with the Lord.
- **PRAY - Praise, Repent, Ask, Yield**

**Read The Word** - "Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate? Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose. Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form," Philippians 2:1-7

**Meditate on The Word:** In our mutual relations, Paul says that the hallmark of our lives should be giving rather than getting, serving rather than being served, obeying rather than dominating. In the hundreds of ways in which our lives touch others, we are to have the attitude of Christ Jesus. Our emphasis should rest on selfless service and obedience in imitation of Christ. But how do we keep this emphasis central in our relationships? Paul reminds us of the final day on which we will have to give an account. For Paul, one of the most important reasons for speaking of the final day was to provide an incentive for ethical behavior in the present. All of us will one day stand before God, just as Jesus did at his exaltation. All of us should be found faithful on that day as he was found faithful.

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**PRAY: Praise, Repent, Ask, Yield** - Read All of Matthew 9:9-13

But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with such scum?" When Jesus heard this, he said, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do." Then he added, "Now go and learn the meaning of this Scripture: 'I want you to show mercy, not offer sacrifices. For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners.'" Matthew 9:11-13

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## Thanksgiving & Praise

I thank You for:

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I praise You for:

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... look  
carefully into  
the perfect law  
that sets you  
free...  
James 1:25



# Pray About Everything

## Read The Word, Pray About Everything & Thank Him:

Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away. Each time he said, "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness." So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me. That's why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong. 2 Corinthians 12: 8-10

## Meditate on the Word: 2 Corinthians 12: 8-10

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## New Heights Family Needing Prayer

Steve Lynch (Bea Burgdoerfer's brother)  
Sam Clark & Family      Kaliah Woods  
Odessa Roberts          Savannah Higgs  
Kim Carroll & Family  
Earl Whipple  
Guy Nichols

Other individuals I need to pray for this week.  
(Take a moment to ask the Spirit to bring someone to your mind.)

## Pray for New Heights

When Jesus heard what had happened, he found the man and asked, "Do you believe in the Son of Man? The man answered, "Who is he, sir? I want to believe in him." "You have seen him," Jesus said, "and he is speaking to you!" "Yes, Lord, I believe!" the man said. And he worshiped Jesus. Then Jesus told him, "I entered this world to render judgment—to give sight to the blind and to show those who think they see that they are blind." Some Pharisees who were standing nearby heard him and asked, "Are you saying we're blind?" "If you were blind, you wouldn't be guilty," Jesus replied. "But you remain guilty because you claim you can see. John 9:35-41

## Bring Your Request to the Lord:

Lord, today I need...

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Matthew 6:9b-13

"Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. <sup>10</sup>Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup>Give us this day our daily bread. <sup>12</sup>And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. <sup>13</sup>And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. NKJV

In Jesus'  
name  
we pray.

"Devote yourselves to prayer with an alert mind and a thankful heart."

Colossians 4:2 NLT

