



Ministry Moments

By Melody Malone Bogan

Reflection on "When Others Keep Setting You Back" (Genesis 37)

Who doesn't love a great comeback story? Whether it's a movie that comes top of mind or

a best-selling memoir that captures hearts, we root for the underdog. As Pastor preached, Joseph endured being a 'prisoner in a pit' when God transformed his life to that of a "prince in a palace" as 2nd in command. God used the setbacks Joseph endured to help him succeed and save two nations from starvation due to famine. Talk about a comeback! This kind of comeback blessed not just Joseph's life but also generations.

Pastor reminded us of various setbacks, including the devastation of job loss, relationships that fall apart, or hitting a rut spiritually when we feel life is an overall disappointment. Yet, setbacks that come from the hands of those we know are indescribably painful. It stings, and we question if we know them at all. Can you imagine Joseph after being tossed in the pit by his brothers or his racing heart and anguish when falsely accused of assault by Potiphar's wife? This is not even the end of people disrespecting and letting Joseph down. But the dreamer God made him to be would not quit. Joseph remained committed to his divine purpose as God used the 'stepping stones' of his setbacks to reveal a splendid comeback that elevated him in a way that only God could.

My dear church family, we will endure setbacks at the hands of others. And it will hurt so badly, but we dare not quit. Our faithful God will use those very pain points to bless us and those who stand in need. God's track record says He will never fail us.

PRAYER: LORD, we thank you for Joseph's life and his trust in you. This inspires us all to know that you have the final say and that no setback thrown our way will block your love and care in our hearts. [In Jesus Name] **AMEN.**



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Baptism Certificate Pick-up

Baptismal Candidates who got baptized on April 21st, certificates will be available for pickup on this Sunday May 19th after services.

Questions? contact Sis. Joy Brewton at jbrewton@newsalemcare.com or call the Pastoral office at 614 930-2204.



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The Summer Run/Walk Club

The Summer Run/Walk Club, led by Ministry Leader Kim Edmondson, is gearing up to hit the pavement in the upcoming months. Dates and locations for June and July are forthcoming. To sign up, simply scan the QR Code or reach out to the Pastoral Office at jbrewton@newsalemcare.com or (614)930-2204. Signed waivers are required and can be obtained and completed on Sunday, May 19th, in the foyer.

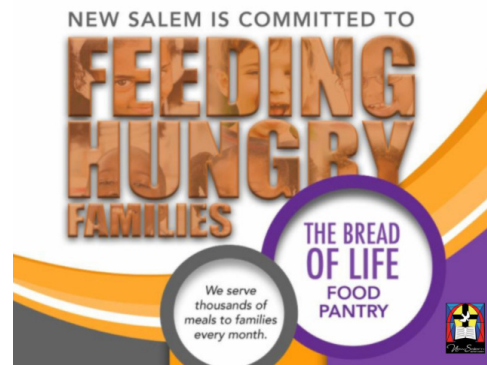
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Graduation Sunday

Graduation Sunday is slated for Sunday June 9th as we celebrate New Salem students graduating from high school to college. Join us in person to encourage our graduates.



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Volunteer for the Pantry

The Bread of Life Food Pantry needs you! Feeding families and living out Christ's directive to serve those in need is at the core of what we do. Volunteers are needed to serve on Wednesdays: 4:30pm-6:45pm and the first and third Saturdays 9:30am-12:30pm in March. Please see the Enewsletter for the sign-up link or just come to 1880 Agler Rd and we'll meet you there!

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Sports Leadership Academy

New Salem's Community of Caring Development Foundation presents Sports Leadership Academy for youth ages 11-14 on Saturdays 9am-1pm at St. Stephens Community House. Youth will learn life & entrepreneurial skills, career exploration, basketball, pickleball, chess and fitness. SPACE IS LIMITED. Register with link below by May 24th.



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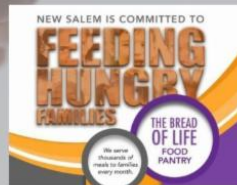
FCC Male Chorus

The FCC Male Chorus will minister on June 16th (Father's Day) for the 10 am service. Rehearsal will be Wednesday, June 12th from 6-8pm. This ministry opportunity is open to all men 18 and older. Please register using the link below to receive the music and let's lift up the name of the Lord together!

[Register Here](#)

COMMUNITY IMPACT

APRIL, 2024 STATS



Community
Dinner

636

Meals Served

Bread of Life Food
Pantry

1034

Individuals Served

The Clothing
Boutique

112

Individuals Served

Linden Fresh
Market

20,376
People served

221
Volunteer Hours

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Join Us As We Celebrate Our

115th Church Anniversary

JUNE 22 & JUNE 23

CHURCH COOKOUT

Saturday, June 22 | 12 noon - 4 pm

Fort Hayes High School
546 Jack Gibbs Blvd, Columbus, OH 43215

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday, June 23 | 10 am

New Salem Baptist Church
2956 Cleveland Ave. Columbus, OH 43224



GUEST PREACHER

Pastor

Howard John
WESLEY

Senior Pastor of Alfred Street Baptist Church
Alexandria, VA

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115th Church Anniversary

Mark your calendars for our upcoming 115th Church Anniversary Weekend, June 22nd-23rd. You do not want to miss this celebration. The weekend will kick off with the Church Cookout on Saturday from 12-4pm at Fort Hayes High School and then we continue the celebration at our 10am worship service on Sunday, June 23rd where Dr. Howard John Wesley, senior pastor of Alfred Street Baptist Church of Alexandria Virginia will be our guest preacher. Please join us in person on that Sunday. Check out the enewsletter for more details in the coming weeks.

Worship Recap

May 12, 2024 | 10 AM



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