





Saving Lives Through Organ Donation: A Call to Our Community By: Christopher Brown, MD, MPH, FACP

August is National Minority Donor Awareness Month, a crucial time to emphasize the significance of organ donation within the African American community. Although African

Americans make up 13% of the U.S. population, we account for nearly 30% of those on

the organ transplant waiting list. This stark disparity underscores the urgent need for more organ donors within our community. Organ donation is a profound way to save lives, embodying the Christian values of love, compassion, and service to others. By choosing to become an organ donor, you can offer the gift of life to someone in need. One donor can save up to eight lives, creating a powerful legacy of love. Unfortunately, disparities in organ donation persist. African Americans often face longer waits for transplants, a situation that could be improved if more of us registered as donors. It's essential to discuss your decision with your family so they can honor your wishes. Registering as a donor is simple—you can sign up when you get your driver's license or online at Lifeline of Ohio's website

(https://lifelineofohio.org/register-as-a-donor/).

In Columbus, the Rooted in Life campaign, a collaboration between Lifeline of Ohio and

Black Greek organizations, is dedicated to increasing organ donation within our community. The campaign shares powerful stories and provides resources to help us

understand the impact of organ donation (https://lifelineofohio.org/rooted-in-life/). This month, let's reflect on how we can make a difference. By registering as organ donors, we can help close the gap and offer others a second chance at life. Your decision could be the miracle someone has been praying for.

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Xtreme Transformation slated for August 21st

Xtreme Transformation classes are coming back Women! Join us for an information meeting tonight, **Wed August 21st at 6:30pm** in the lower level here at the church.





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August Coffee in the Park

Join us for our last Coffee in the Park slated for Saturday, August 24th from 8:30am-10:30am at the Park at Easton, located at 4066 Worth Ave., (next to Crimson Coffee House). Bring your warm beverage and join us for conversations, collaborations and community. Contact our mission's director, Bro. Adam Troy at atroy@newsalemcares.com or our director of ministry, Elder Jami Jones Ervin at jervin@newsalemcares.com for more information.

Communications Ministry Opportunities to Serve

Men's Retreat 2024 Registration Open

Attention Men of New Salem - Join us this coming October for our Annual Men's Retreat in Indianapolis, Indiana from October 17 - 19.

Our theme Purpose, Healing, and Success will carry us through the weekend, culminating back at New Salem on Sunday Morning for Men's Day. We hope you will join us and invite another brother to come with you. Registration is just \$200 and includes all conference sessions, materials, giveaways, and lunch on Friday.

The retreat will be at the Drury Plaza Hotel in Indianapolis. Room reservation is separate from registration. A special rate of \$162/night is available until September 24.

For more information, contact Rev. Landon J. Adams,

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Registration

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Volunteers Needed

School's out, but Promiseland is still in session! Do you have a passion to connect with kids and teach them





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Thanks to all of you who helped fill our technical director, camera operators and propresenter teams. The Communications Ministry still has opportunities to serve on our **Lighting Crew**. We need **3** people to serve in this area. Training will be provided. For more information, contact Rev. Dr. Monica Lowe, Director of Communications, at **mlowe@newsalemcares.com** or 614-930-2242.



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Food Pantry

about God? Do you believe our children are the future? If so, Promiseland is looking for you! We are looking for teachers to serve one Sunday a month. Please complete the volunteer interest form and a member of the Promiseland Team will reach out to you to get started. See website, use the link below or email Min. Brenda Troy at btroy@newsalemcares.com if you have any questions.

Volunteer Here

The Bread of Life Food Pantry! Needs you! Feeding families and living out Christ's directive to serve our those in need is at the core of what we do. Volunteers are needed to serve on, Wednesdays: 4:30pm-6:45 pm and Saturdays 9:30am-12:30pm (1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month). Please use the link below to sign up to serve or just come to 1880 Agler Rd and we'll meet you there! If you have any questions, please email Adam Troy at atroy@newsalemcares.com.

Register Here



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Souls to the Polls Campaign New Salem's Civic Engagement Campaign

Calling All Connectors, family and friends... it's time to exercise our right to vote! **Souls to the Polls** is a national initiative created to inspire and support all churches, synagogues, temples, and mosques with establishing a volunteer network within their congregations to engage, inform and Get Out the Vote. Our Social Justice Ministry invites everyone interested to help with voter registration, canvasing or providing transportation to the Early Voting Center. Please click **HERE** to get involved and/or contact Brother Adam Troy at **atroy@newsalemcares.com** for additional information.

November 5, 2024 – PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION EARLY VOTING HOURS

Franklin County Board of Elections 1700 Morse Rd Columbus OH 43229

Week of October 8 – 11 and Week of October 14 – 18

(Weekdays Only - Monday through Friday) 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Week of October 21 - 25

(Weekdays Only - Monday through Friday)

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday, October 26

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, October 27

1:00 - 5:00 PM

LAST WEEK OF EARLY VOTING - Extended Hours

Monday, October 28

7:30 AM - 7:30 PM

Tuesday, October 29

7:30 AM – 8:30 PM – Last Day to Request Absentee Ballots

Wednesday, October 30 – Friday, November 1

7:30 AM - 7:30 PM

Saturday, November 2

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, November 3

1:00 - 5:00 PM

NO VOTING MONDAY BEFORE ELECTION DAY



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This is an important reminder to all New Salem Members. If you need to report a hospitalization or death to the church, please call **614 554-6417** or email **crt@newsalemcares.com**.

Worship Recap

August 18, 2024 | 10 AM



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