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Join the Young Adult Choir!

If you are between the ages of 18-34 and want to lift up your voice in worship, we encourage you to join the Young Adult choir. Come to the next rehearsal this **Wednesday, February 12th**. To register, scan the QR code on the screen or visit our website.

If you have any questions, please connect with the Director of Magnification, Rev. Dr. Merlyn Ruffin, at mruffin@newsalemcare.com.

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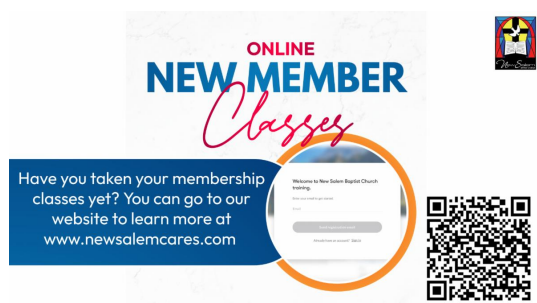


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Food Pantry Delivery - 15 Volunteers Needed

Our next monthly Food Pantry delivery is scheduled for **Monday, February 10th at 8:00 am**. As you may know many of our Linden area families depend heavily on our resources. Our team needs **15** of your heart and hands to join us in community service as we continue putting feet on prayers. Parking is available on the church main lot. We appreciate the consideration and hope to see you serving with us soon. For more information, please contact Adam Troy at atroy@newsalemcare.com.

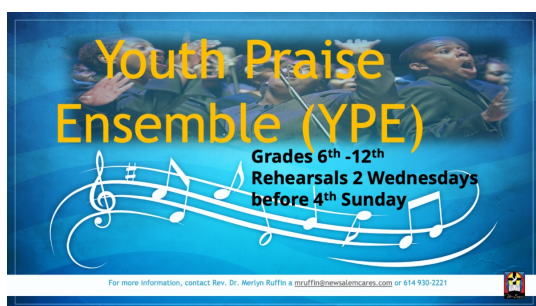
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Membership Classes

Do you want to be a member with us? Or did you miss the last in person class? Well there is still room for you. You can simply join us online and take advantage of taking the classes through our website. Go to www.newsalemmares.com and register today!

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Join the Youth Praise Ensemble

Calling all youth grades 6-12 with a passion for lifting your voice in worship. We are looking for a group of committed singers to lead praise and worship at the Youth Service (The WELL) on 4th Sundays. This Youth Praise Ensemble (YPE) will rehearse two Wednesdays before the 4th Sunday at 6:30pm in the mini Fellowship Hall at New Salem.

If you have any questions or if you're interesting in joining, please connect with the Director of Magnification, Rev. Dr. Merlyn Ruffin, at mruffin@newsalemmares.com.

Membership Update

Members of New Salem, it is time to review your information. If you've changed names, addresses, phone numbers, marital status, your children changed grades, you have a new email address, etc., please scan the QR code to update your information. We want to stay connected with you!

Update Your
Information



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Join us for The WELL

Attention Youth grades 6-12! Please join New Salem's Life Development (LDV) team for next WELL on Sunday, **February 23rd** and every 4th Sunday of the month. While we are visiting Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church, we will have the WELL service in the Chapel Hall at 10:00am. If you're a young person and would like to be involved in the planning, email Kay Wilson at wwilson@newsalemmares.com.

Celebrate



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Black History Month

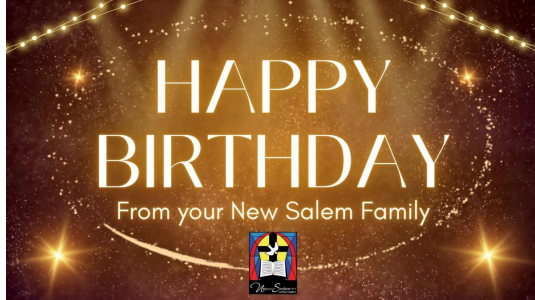
By Kay Wilson, Special Projects Life Development

As a young teenager, I used to think that I was out of the “league” of the people that hear from God and could subsequently be used for his glory. So, I just served him how I knew best and saw him as this God from afar that says hi to little ole’ me when He feels like! *Ha! How foolish I was!* One thing I’ve come to learn is that **God is a communicator and He enjoys speaking to and using His children for His glorious plans, especially when they’re still young.** He mightily used young people in the Bible and our youth are not an exception. Mary was young when she birthed Jesus. David was 15 when he slayed Goliath. At 17, in Gen. 37, God started speaking to Joseph through the dreams that changed his life.

In the heart of bustling, ancient Babylon, three young men—Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego—refused to bow before King Nebuchadnezzar's golden statue, despite the pressure to conform. Though still teenagers, they understood the value of standing for what was right, even in the face of danger. The king had decreed that everyone must worship the statue, or face being thrown into a fiery furnace. But Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego weren't swayed by fear or the threat of death. They stood firm in their beliefs, declaring, *“If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us... but even if he does not, we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”* (Daniel 3:17-18).

Their refusal to comply wasn't just about faith—it was a stance for justice and dignity. They fought against the cultural and political pressures that sought to strip them of their identity and rights. Their bold defiance echoed the struggles of today's young leaders in the fight for social justice, from civil rights to racial equality. Just as Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stood strong against oppression, young voices today continue to challenge systems of injustice, refusing to bow to societal pressures and fighting for freedom and equality.

God is our Father and He's longing to speak to us and prepare us for His awesome plans. We just need to keep seeking His face and be available. You're never too young to be used by Him.



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Happy birthday to all born in
February!



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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@newsalemcare.com.

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