

# The Nall Call

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**And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.**

**COLOSSIANS 3:17**

## Spring Forward

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Sunday March 12th as Daylight Saving Time begins! We may lose an hour of sleep, but we'll gain an hour of daylight in the evening!

## Discipleship Corner by Ty and Kristi DeMint



Five years ago, I would have laughed or at least given you a sideways look if you told me the New Testament was filled with discipleship in action. Not to mention the Old Testament, but Psalms too.

Not anymore. Reading verse 2 & 3 of Psalm 26, you find a few key phrases:

“Examine me” suggests vulnerability. Our Home Groups provide an environment for vulnerability with a group of fellow believers. It also suggests accountability, which Circle Groups can provide weekly in an intimate setting.

“Walked in thy truth” suggests daily scripture reading and study, which can also be provided in our small groups.

Verse seven of this particular psalm includes worship and witness as “proclaiming aloud your praise and telling all of your wonderful deeds” which is what we aim to do as disciples of Christ. Reach out to us if you are ready to learn how to share your story as a witness for Jesus Christ. We will be glad to show you and help you practice this daily. Text HELP to 913-486-4243.

### Wednesday Night Dinner

Join us on Wednesdays at 5:00 PM in the CLC for Wednesday Night Dinner! Below are the upcoming menus. We hope to see you there!

**March 8**—Pulled Pork, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Chips, Chocolate Cake

**March 15**—No Wednesday Night Activities, Spring Break!

**March 22**—Tacos, Refried Beans, Cheesecake

**March 29**—Hamburgers, Potato Salad, Corn on the Cob, Ice Cream



### JOY Luncheon

Seniors, join us the second Thursday of each month for our JOY Luncheon at 11:30 AM! This is a wonderful time of fellowship for the seniors at NABC. Please bring a potluck dish to share, or \$5 at the door. There is always entertainment to enjoy as well! Neighbors, friends and family members are all welcome to join! Our next JOY Luncheon will be March 9th. We look forward to seeing you there!

### With Deepest Sympathy

Gene Rains passed away on February 16

Dixie Hutchison passed away on March 2



## Upward Basketball by Clint and Danica Stull



We recently hosted a Celebration Night to end the Upward Basketball season. 220 players ranging from Pre-K to 4th grade participated this year, and so many families came to celebrate that the Sanctuary was completely filled and overflowing. It was a joy-filled night as kids entered to win raffle prizes, received cookies and basketballs, and enjoyed time with their coaches and teammates. KC Wolf gave hugs and autographs along with his testimony. Our prayer is that every time one of these young players sees KC Wolf, that he or she may remember “KC Wolf loves Jesus more than anything else in his life...what could that mean for me?”

Because the room was overflowing, that meant that many people were able to hear the Gospel. Upward is a wonderful atmosphere because it brings so many believers together throughout this community. It's very life-giving for us and our kids to be surrounded by believers we've met through Upward as well as other places in the community, representing many different churches, Bible studies and schools. It is also life-giving to know that families that may have never been in an environment where Jesus is lifted up have come to Upward. Whether our interactions are in-depth or brief, we pray that seeds planted will bear fruit. When a child sees a peer pray, he or she has the boldness to pray too. When a child hears that Jesus loves them and that they matter to Him, that makes a difference. When a child shows a teammate excitedly around his church, when a dad encourages another dad, when a referee teaches and builds up, when families outside of Nall say, “I want to be a part of this, how do I sign up to serve next time?”...it reminds us that nothing we do for Him is too small. He is using these relationships in big ways. There is something different about the people of God, and so many of you display that in a beautiful way.

There were so many volunteers who made Celebration Night a success, just as they had all season by serving in concessions, scoreboard, refereeing, coaching, cleanup, organization and more. If you served in any way during the Upward season, please know you and your encouragement never went unnoticed. So many in our community are blessed when you care for them. Keep praying with us for these families, and that God would stir their hearts to seek Him. Pray for the kids who learned about Jesus for the very first time. Pray that God would use us to start conversations and that we would be people they can turn to.

## Student Ministry Spring Update by Lewis Jones



The Student Ministry at Nall has been having a lot of fun this Spring! We've spent time laughing in community but we've also spent time with the Lord and learning about Him. This Spring we have continued to meet weekly on Wednesday evenings as well as Sunday mornings.

Sunday mornings we have been going through *Bible Studies for Life for Students* and it has been a great study as we continue to look for how to grow in likeness and relationship to Christ while also looking outward to our friends and community for how we can care for and disciple them.

For our Wednesday evenings this spring we have been watching and discussing Season 3 of *The Chosen*. This is a fantastic show that focuses on the life of Jesus and how He encounters and changes people's lives. Each week we watch an episode together as a group and then compare what we saw on the screen to what we see in the pages of scripture. One of the purposes behind watching this show is to help students ask the question, "How did Jesus encounter me and change my life?" The other purpose behind watching *The Chosen* is my hope and prayer for each and every student, that they will love God's Word and want to follow Him more and more each day. The Spirit can use shows like *The Chosen* to do just that. I encourage you to watch the episodes of *The Chosen* as well for the same purposes! The episodes are free to watch through their website, ([watch.thechosen.tv](http://watch.thechosen.tv)), or the app for smart devices called *The Chosen* just like the series itself. Please pray with me that our students continue to become passionate followers of Jesus Christ who seek to be obedient in making disciples of Him.

After Spring Break, we will begin a new study titled, "*Why Trust The Bible?*", based off of the book by Greg Gilbert. Each week we take a look at important questions to consider, often brought about by culture's skepticism over the trustworthiness of scripture. We will not only encounter the questions but our goal is to also help equip students by providing clear and convincing arguments for why the Bible is trustworthy and crucial to knowing and growing in relationship with the Lord.

If you have more questions about what's happening in the Student Ministry, feel free to contact Associate Pastor, Lewis Jones at [lewis@nallave.org](mailto:lewis@nallave.org).