



# NEY CHURCH OF GOD'S NEWSLETTER

## New Members Classes February 25th

A new round of membership classes will begin on February 25th at 9:45 and run for 4-5 weeks.

**Why is membership so important?** The Churches of God operate on what's called a "Congregational System".

All important decisions are made by ALL members through voting opportunities. Yes, you can attend and participate without membership, but membership is a vital part of our denomination's system. We encourage everyone who is investing in the life of this church to consider joining through official membership.



This class can also be taken if you are just interested in what we believe, and the mission of Ney Church of God.

## Flourish CGGC Women's Conference

There is still room to attend the Women's Conference on March 2nd. It will be all day in Findlay and the cost is being paid for by the missions committee.

Please see Kelly King if you would like to go.





## Annual "Beast Feast" and Gun Raffle

February 24th

Doors open at 4:30. Dinner at 5:00

Followed by raffles and drawings

Please assist us in selling our raffle tickets for a  
**"SAVAGE AXIS 2 BOLT ACTION RIFLE CHAMBERED IN 400 LEGEND."**

Tickets are \$10 each.

Bring a dish to pass from your hunting and fishing excursions.

We also love desserts/salads/etc.. to add.

## Children's Ministry

We continue to be in need of more Jr. Church teachers, Sunday school substitutes and Nursery help.

Please see a church Elder (Gary Barbee, Dan Jenkins, John Chafin) if interested.



At this time we have a nursery available during our second service and Jr. Church during our second service generally on the 1st and 4th week of each month.

## Volunteers Needed

We are currently looking for worship team members, those to learn the computer and soundboard control and a welcoming committee.

If interested in any of the above, see Pastor Kevin or Kelly



## Prayer Time

Prayer is not only an important aspect of our daily lives, it is absolutely vital as a congregation, as we seek God's guidance. Therefore, we invite everyone to join us at 9:30 Sunday mornings in the corner room for a time of prayer for each other, our church, community, country and the world.

## Rummage Sale and Food Stand


At the end of **April or First of May**, we will have a rummage sale to offer an opportunity for the kids to work for camp money as well and provide extra funds for church projects.

Please begin saving your "stuff" to donate to the sale.



The **only** clothing being accepted will be nice baby clothing. This will be during the Blosser road sales and we will include lunch items for purchase as well.

## February Calendar

<b>February 10th</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Men's fellowship/breakfast Seasons Bistro (Bryan)</b>	
February 15th	1-6pm	Red Cross Blood Drive	
<b>February 24th</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Beast Feast</b>	
February 25th	9:45am	Start of New Members Class	
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Women's Bible Study (King's House)</b>	
Wednesdays	6:30 pm	Co-ed Small group The home of Dan and Peg Jinkins	



## Metal Recycling

We collect metal cans, aluminum cans and large objects/appliances. **Put all clean, rinsed, labels removed and sorted metal into the white shed** in the parking lot. A big thanks to Greg Masters who collects them, cashes them in and donates the money to the church!

## Online Giving with Tithely

Online giving with [tithely.ly](https://tithely.com) has been up and running at Ney Church of God since Covid impacted our services. There are many currently using this system and is a great way to set up weekly reoccurring tithes, or make other donations online. You can find this option on the home page of our website at [ney.cggc.org](https://ney.cggc.org) and by clicking the icon shown here.



## 2023 Church Board Members

**President: Cindy Masters Treasurer: John Chafin**

**Elders: John Chafin, Gary Barbee and Dan Jinkins :** All items related to the spiritual growth of the church including ministries that take place during Sunday morning. (Ie; small groups, Sunday school, nursery)

**Deacons: Michele Lockwood, Bobbi Jo Barbee and Sherry Sims:**

All items related to communion, meals, events and fundraisers

**Trustees: Kelly King, Steve Sims and Leonard Lockwood**

All issues related to maintenance and care of the church facility and parsonage.

## Church Library

Did you know we have a library here at Ney Church of God?

We have an abundance of books for all ages, devotions, Bibles, lessons and more.

We also have Cd's, DVD's and VHS tapes.

Please feel free to borrow anything you'd like and enjoy!



# P A S T O R S N O T E

What an amazing congregation! I really want to pause and express my heartfelt thanks to all of you. My recent trip to Kenya has been an extremely stressful trip. And I thank you for your faithful prayers.



*Sitting with all but one student who was sick on the last day.*

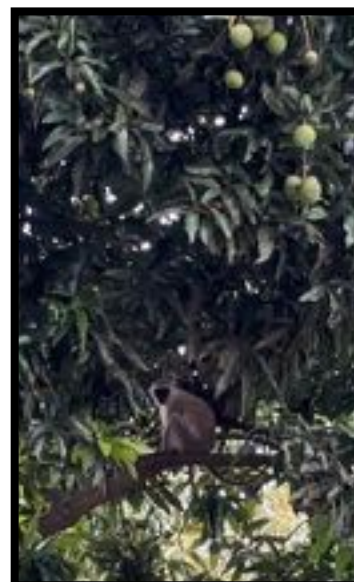
As many of you know I have served in the Kenyan mission field, traveled to Mexico to serve there and have even lead multiple mission trips to Sweden. But somehow, this trip felt different. It was a struggle for me both in preparation and in execution.



The flight's to Kenya consisted of extremely long layovers and even a 3 hour delay. Which caused a complete reroute of our flights and an arrival in Kenya 8 hours later than planned.

As for the return trip, another delay in Philadelphia caused us to arrive home 3 hours later than scheduled. This made for a 53+ hour trip home.

All this travel, coupled with 30 hours of teaching made for a very stressful trip, even while in Kenya. However, I believe was blessed in several different ways. First, I knew I had faithful people praying for me each and every step of the way. I can not begin to express how grateful I am knowing this was done.





Second, the Kenyans all participated well and made my teaching more effective. I was concerned with material fitting into their context. I am pleased to say that only one concept had some "lost in translation" issues. Finally, instead of our normal stay in the Maina Hotel in Embu, we stayed in a Vrbo house located in the country near Kagio (about 35 miles south west of Embu). This location provided a peaceful respite outside of the normal city "busyness". This country living provided a beautiful back drop to relax, refresh and prepare for the next day.



*Outside of our "home" in the country*

Again, I want to thank you all for the donations, the encouragement and most importantly the prayers. You are all awesome!

