

We must keep telling ourselves – nothing is bigger or more powerful than God! Nothing can go against the Word of God!

If you get saved, Satan loses your soul... but not your mind or flesh! These footholds in the mind and flesh are all Satan has left... and he knows the Holy Spirit is going to convict you to get rid of these footholds.

As soon as Satan gets a foothold in your life, he immediately sets about turning the FOOTHOLD into a STRONGHOLD.

How does a foothold grow into a stronghold? FORTIFICATION!  
It means REINFORCING...STRENGTHENING...THICKENING.

Remember, Satan cannot take any territory; he just squats on territory you surrender.

Before you got saved you did not have any conflict with this...you were doing what made you happy, what you wanted to do. You did not see Satan as a squatter, or a land thief.

But when you got saved and the Holy Spirit began to convict you of these strongholds, you no longer wanted this stronghold here. It's time to clean house.

Strongholds have to be torn down, demolished, brick by brick. But HOW?? With the truth of God's Word.

Other scriptures cited: 2 Cor. 10:3-7; 1 Peter 5:8; Rom. 7, Rom. 7:24; Matt. 4:1-11; James 4:7-10

If you have a counseling need or just wish to speak with the pastor, please feel free to call at any time. Contact the Church @ 520-586-2337, Pastor's cell phone is 575-799-6149 or his email:  
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*"Be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what that good acceptable and perfect will of God is." Romans 12:2*

**The goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and the promotion of His truth.**

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**Fellowship of Worship**

**14 December 2025**

**Our Greatest Weakness**

*"Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time" – Thomas Edison*

*Elders*

*Steve Medeiros Mike Cox Roger Choate  
Ron Graves Tom Van Wart John Peralta*

Our lessons can be heard for your convenience on our website [www.newlifebenson.com](http://www.newlifebenson.com), through our app which is available to download via our website and are also available for viewing via YouTube.

Lord's Day: 9:00 AM - Bible Study [to include children's classes]

Sister Renee Cox – “Parables of Jesus”

Brother Bob Medeiros – “For I Am with You-Do Not Fear”

10:30 AM - “Fellowship of Worship”

Elder Medeiros – Gospel of Matthew, “Sermon on the Mount”

6:30 PM – “Family Bible Hour” - Elder Medeiros –

“His Kingdom Will Come”

Tuesday

10 AM - Prayer Meeting

12:00 PM & 5:00 PM – AA Meetings

Wednesday

5:30 PM – New Life Kids

New Life Students - Elder John Peralta

6:30 PM 1 John - Elder Medeiros

Friday:

12:00 PM - AA Meeting

### **Events This Week**

Fundamentals of Faith-today after AM message

Mon., Dec. 15th at 10:00AM-help us set up the Christmas store on the patio and the wrapping stations in the Sanctuary.

OCC Online Boxes-Deadline Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> ([newlifebenson.com/events](http://newlifebenson.com/events))

New Life Kids Christmas Store-Wed. Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM.

Helpers needed for wrapping gifts.

NLOT (New Life Outreach Team)-Fri., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM

Sunday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30PM the “Praising Puppets” Christmas Program

**\*\*Cookies to follow.**

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service-Wednesday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30PM.

Caroling begins at 5:30PM in the patio, Refreshments to follow-Bring friends & family!

### **Order of Service:**

Welcome/Opening prayer – Elder Tom Van Wart

Call to Worship!

Music

Message

A Call to Follow Christ

Closing Prayer – Elder John Peralta

Departing Song

### **New Life Family Worship Center's Vision and Mission Statements:**

New Life Family Worship Center desires to be a thoroughly biblical church that seeks God's presence and leadership. To that end, we are committed to proclaiming God's perfect law and His glorious gospel of grace in Jesus Christ throughout the world, and to “...contend earnestly for the faith which was once delivered to the saints” (Jude 3). “Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.” (1 Cor. 10:31).

In response to God's grace and love toward us, the mission of this congregation is to glorify the God of the Scriptures by promoting His worship, sharing His Word evangelistically, belonging to a God-centered fellowship which encourages us to grow spiritually while serving Him, and acting with love and compassion toward those in need. (Matt. 22:37-40; 28:16-20).

**What is a stronghold? Where does it come from? What do we do with it? How do we pull it down?**

**A stronghold is a sin or a sinful attitude that is fortified or strengthened by life choices or experiences until you can't overcome it.**

**Common world views in America today:**

- **ENTITLEMENT:** that we are entitled to certain things, whether or not we deserve them and the government is the source.
- **POLITICAL CORRECTNESS**

**A list of a few strongholds that are common to most of us:**

<b>Fear</b>	<b>Depression</b>	<b>Drugs</b>
<b>Resentment</b>	<b>Anxiety</b>	<b>Alcohol</b>
<b>Bitterness</b>	<b>Lukewarmness</b>	<b>Race Prejudice</b>
<b>Unforgiveness</b>	<b>Lust</b>	<b>Discrimination</b>
<b>Apathy</b>	<b>Pride</b>	<b>Materialism</b>
<b>Unbelief</b>	<b>Greed</b>	

**Our heart and mind are polluted by sinful strongholds that Satan has established in us. A stronghold is a problem or challenge that appears to be bigger than God in our lives.**