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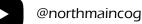
KNOW Christ intimately **GROW** in Christ continually **GO** for Christ daily

Our mission is centered in the process of discipleship where Jesus commands his followers to:

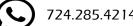
> Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20 NLT











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Mon-Thu 9am-4pm



This 4 week series will begin on November 8th.

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this year has been a troublesome, daunting year. The word "joy" doesn't come to most peoples' minds as a descriptive word for this year. Words like frustrating, sad, depressed, angry, are words that come to mind as many of us think back over 2020. So, why is joy such a hard thing? Why is it so difficult to experience joy in the midst of so much hardship?

It has been said that joy is the byproduct of obedience, and this makes sense when we consider that joy in the believer's life is something that is produced as a fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23).

Consider the fruit production of an apple tree. It needs adequate sunlight, proper soil drainage, regular water supply, and proper nutrients for healthy growth. But on top of all these things, apple trees need to be properly pruned and cut back strategically in order to produce apples that are healthy and abundant. Just as healthy apples aren't produced without some level of difficulty, the fruit of the Spirit produced in a believer's life doesn't always come easy (John 15:1-5).

The fruit of joy takes time, labor, pruning, and, oftentimes, growing through seasons of drought and hardships. Producing joy requires healthy roots that are able to continue

For most people around the world, growing deep into the soil of God's goodness and love. It's only then that the believer and Christ can consider it pure joy when they encounter trials of many kinds, as James says in the New Testament (James 1:2-4, NLT). Why? Well, James tells us why... ³ For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your

endurance is fully developed you will be

and complete, perfect needing nothing.

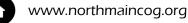
As we remain obedient to follow Christ, and grow in Him continually, we are then able to produce joy in great supply

abundance. We learn that joy isn't a temperamental thing, but rather a byproduct of our obedience to keep our eyes fixed on Christ, the Author and Perfecter of our faith (Heb. 12:1-3). It was because of the joy awaiting Him that He endured the cross, scorning its shame, that He produced the reason for our hope and joy: salvation.

Joy is a struggle, it's a fight! So, are you fighting the good fight of faith, and considering it joy when you encounter trials and troubles of many kinds? Have you allowed the difficulties of this year to steal your joy? Don't forget: Joy is the byproduct of obedience; specifically, obedience to Christ.

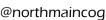
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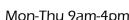












Community Partnerships @ North Main

Foster Family Room

As North Main families are reaching out and opening their homes to children in need, we have developed a way to support them. Our "Foster Family Room" is now open with items available for loan to North Main families on an as needed basis to care for their foster children (like a library loan system).

We are accepting donations of new or gently used children's items. No clothes wanted at this point until we receive enough containers to be able to sort them. If you have any donations please call the church office to schedule a drop off.

Donations needed:

- → Bouncy seats
- → Car seats
- \rightarrow Cribs
- → Diapers
- → Highchairs
- → Pack n plays
- → Swings
- → Totes
- → Toys
- \rightarrow Etc.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

- Weekly
 Mentoring Crisis Victims

 Prayer Walk
- Occasional
 Renovation Work

We would love to have you partner with us as we serve our community! If you're interested in any of these opportunities please call the church office or email us at:

Pastor Christy Pittman: ChristyP@northmaincog.org **Lisa Caldwell:** LisaC@northmaincog.org

Families Change Everything Event

Join us at North Main on November 11th at 6:30 pm for an event hosted by Bethany Christian Services. Come to learn more about foster care and form community with current foster care families. Can't wait to see you there!

FAMILY LIFE@ North Main



Separate Leagues

Registration opened Sunday, October 25th, 2020

Due to continued growth and the need to limit the number of people in our gym, we decided to have two separate leagues this year. Please go www.northmaincog.org and register for the correct grade level.

4TH - 6TH GRADE LEAGUE

December and January

Cost will be \$80 (the extra \$10 is for referees) plus an optional \$14 for shorts.

KINDERGARTEN - 3RD GRADE AND CHEERLEADING LEAGUE

February and March

Cost will be \$70 plus an optional \$14 for basketball shorts or cheerleading mock turtleneck.



North Main "Discovery Classes"

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New Class Starting on November 8th at 9:00am

Life Center Room 2

We have a series of four Discovery Classes that we would love everyone who considers North Main their church home to attend. They are meant to be taken in order and build upon each other. If you haven't started these classes, now is a great time to start!

Discover North Main: Who we are and why we exist.

Christianity. These teachings

are: The Bible, God, Jesus, Holy Spirit, Humanity,

Salvation, The Church, and

End Times.

Discover Faith: What the Christian Faith is and why it's important for salvation. **Discover You:** How the gifts you are blessed with fit into the body of Christ. **Discover Your Fit:** Learn how to serve God and others in such a way that truly helps and makes a difference in the world around you.

For any questions contact Pastor Christy Pittman: ChristyP@northmaincog.org

Join us in November for: Connection Luncheon on November 8th



We will be having our annual Thanksgiving meal. Turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing and all the fixings.

Cost: Adults \$6, Kids \$4, Max of \$20 per family.
Invite a friend to join you,
newcomers to North Main eat free!

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