## **2021 New Life Conference Report**

It has been a privilege to serve the New Life Conference as president this year. There is a growing excitement for what the Lord is doing in the churches of the conference and for that we are grateful. It is also a privilege to serve on the conference board with like-minded people of God who are about serving the conference for the sake of the gospel. I am thankful for the unity that we share in Christ and for the work that is being done for his glory.

We serve a total of 10 churches in the Connecticut and Western Massachusetts area. The Community Advent Christian Church in East Norwalk, CT has finished the renovations to their building after some damage was done by a frozen waterpipe. They are currently seeking a pastor and we ask for your prayers for God's wisdom and provision for the work in East Norwalk. Community Church of Westfield (formally Westfield AC Church) is firmly entrenched in their new storefront property in downtown Westfield after selling their building and they are experiencing new growth as they seek to live out the gospel in their community. The Sheffield Chapel in Sheffield, MA is also currently seeking a pastor. We are grateful for the leadership within that local church who have stepped up in the meantime to lead the church through this time of transition. This is by no means an exhaustive list of everything the Lord is doing in the NLC, but merely a glimpse, and we are grateful for the ministry of all of our conference churches.

The NLC board has also continued its oversight of the Faith Community Church Fund (set up in 2017 with the money received from the sale of the Faith Community Church building and property in Windsor, CT). To date, we have given grants and scholarships (about \$90,000 in total) to various individuals and ministries in an attempt to continue on the spirit of Faith Community Church and its emphasis on ministry and service and we pray that these monies will be a blessing to those who have received them for the glory of God.

In His Service Rev. Derek Irvine New Life Conference President