

## 2025 New Life Conference President's Report

“Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.”  
(1 Thess. 5:11)

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

As the Apostle Paul urges the Thessalonian church to do, we gather together to encourage and build one another up. We are blessed to be part of a network of churches as we work together to further the Gospel of Christ. I continue to thank the Lord for our pastors who are preaching, teaching, and living out the Gospel in their communities. May we all seek to be individuals and churches who impact our communities for Christ.

It is my honor to continue to serve the New Life Conference as president. I'm grateful for those whom I had the opportunity to serve alongside of this past year: Rev. Matt Malinowski – Vice President, Rev. Allen Lattimore - Secretary, Mr. Tom Zikan - Treasurer, Rev. Jim Caron - Ministerial Committee Chairman, and member-at-large, Rev. Bruce Burks.

The Conference board continues to oversee the Faith Community Church Outreach Fund set up from the sale of the Windsor, CT church. The intention of this fund is to continue the work and vision of Faith Community Church by giving out grants and scholarships to churches and individuals, with preference to those within the conference, to assist in their ministries to their communities. Over the past 8 years, the conference has given out over \$200,000 and we give all the glory to God for his provision!

I continue to take it upon myself to be more intentional in checking in and visiting with our pastors. My goal is to continue to strengthen our bond together as conference, as well as, minister to the needs of our pastors and churches. As I have traveled around, I have begun discussions with our pastors and leaders on finding ways to gather together throughout the year for the purpose of encouragement and support.

I would, also, like us to continue to think along the lines of revitalization and church planting within our conference. We have a few churches within our conference who are still without a pastor. With the funds we have available, I would like us to explore how we could come alongside and partner with existing churches to this end. Pray for God's wisdom and direction for the board concerning these discussions over the coming year. May they bear much fruit for the kingdom of God.

Our God is Faithful and True. To Him be all the glory. I give all the praise to the Lord for his faithfulness to the New Life Conference.

All for His Glory,  
Rev. Derek Irvine  
New Life Conference President