

# New Covenant Fellowship

July 28, 2024

## Becoming Like a Child by Ron Simkins



“For in Jesus the Messiah you are all children of God through trust.”  
—Galatians 3:26

### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### Give Me Your Eyes

Welcome (Pastor Renée)

#### My Sun and Shield

Prayer (Dawn Blackman)

#### Day by Day

Matthew 18:1-4 (Sam Walter)

#### Orphan Girl

“Becoming Like a Child” (Ron Simkins)

#### I Can Only Imagine

Benediction (Caroline & Birdie)

#### He’s Got the Whole World



### BENEDICTION

God, in Your kingdom,  
You say the way forward  
is not of pride and ambition,  
but rather childlike humility.

Help us to be humble and teachable.

Help us be open to accept  
the gifts of Your kingdom  
like a trusting, joyful child.

Amen.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Condolences to the Lindeman family...**As Laura’s mother has gone to be with the Lord, please keep Laura, Anna, and Martha in your prayers. Read more about [Linda’s life here](#). A Memorial Service (11:40am) and Visitation (10:10am) will be held on Saturday August 3 at the First Presbyterian Church in Ottawa, IL, with lunch to follow.

**Leadership Team**—We focused on the joy of giving our first fruits as we reviewed mid-year financial reports. As budgeted, we are using the surplus from the years of having one pastor to increase our ministry reach and steward our building. [Click here for the July 22 meeting summary](#).

**Sidewalks & Street**—The city will pour the remaining concrete sections and reinstall the light pole and bike racks when the initial pours have hardened.

**Google Reviews**—Let’s help our C-U community find out about NCF! Click [link to leave a review](#).

**All Fellowship Lunch**—Please plan to join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the service on Sunday, August 18. Sandwich makings will be provided. Bring a salad or dessert if you can, or just your appetite if you cannot. All are welcome.

**Service Opportunity, Craft for Spring:** You are invited to join Barb Linder in creating small gifts and notes of encouragement for the Spring staff as they begin their new school year in Clarksdale in early August. We’ll be crafting on [Monday, July 29](#), 4:00-5:30 and on [Tuesday, July 30](#), 10:30-12. Please message Barb if you plan to attend (see contact list in newsletter). No particular skills necessary. Drop-ins are welcome.

**Back by popular demand:** NCF’s no-cash poker night. Sunday, August 25, 6-8:30pm in the NCF lobby. All skill levels welcome. Gift certificates to local restaurants awarded to winners, so friendly table talk can continue. RSVP soon to Vern Fein (see Contact List).

**Green Team**—[Register](#) for the virtual Environment and Spirituality Summit (Sept 22-24) which NCF helps sponsor through Faith in Place. See newsletter or online bulletin for link.

#### Upcoming Events:

July 25	Everence Webinar, Today, 1-2 pm
July 28	Prayer @NCF 9:45-10:15 am
July 29/30	Craft4Spring @NCF (see above)
Aug 18	All Fellowship Lunch after service
Aug 25	Poker Party @NCF, 6-8:30 PM

### CONTACTS

**Leadership Team:** LT@ncf-cu.com, Vern F, Caroline H, Valerie H, Nancy M, Elizabeth R, Pastors Renée & Melissa, Carolyn V (secretary)

**Board:** Walt K, Bob H, Joyce M, Vonne O, Carolyn V (secretary), Paco Z (treasurer)

**Pastors:** Renée, Melissa, & Jeff

**Tithes & Finances:** treasurer@ncf-cu.com

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**June tithes:** \$28,365.00; **Family Fund:** \$413.85; **Reparations Fund:** \$6,175.00—Thank you!