

# New Covenant Fellowship

July 27, 2025

## Obeying God rather than Humans

by Pastor Renée Antrosio



“After calling the apostles back, they had them beaten. They ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, then let them go. The apostles left the council rejoicing because they had been regarded as worthy to suffer disgrace for the sake of the name.”

**Acts 5:40-41**

### ORDER OF SERVICE

**I Will Enter His Gates**

Welcome (Paige Weston)

**Here by the Water** (Jim Croegaert)

Acts 5:27-42 (Walt & Lee Ann)

**Beautiful, Scandalous Night**

Prayer (Lee Ann Kelly)

**I Will Not be Overcome** (Jim Croegaert)

Teaching (Pastor Renée)

**Breathe on Me, Breath of God**

**Bridge over Troubled Waters** (Gladys Hunt)

Benediction (Sharon Chubbuck)

**Not Be Shaken**



### BENEDICTION

God of our weary years,

God of our silent tears,

Thou who has brought us thus far along the way,

Thou who has by thy might led us into the light,

Keep us forever in the path we pray,

lest our feet stray from the places

where we met thee. Lest our hearts,

drunk with the wine of the world,

we forget thee. And now, Lord,

help us to make choices on the side of love, not hate;

on the side of inclusion, not exclusion;

tolerance, not intolerance. As we leave this mountaintop,

help us to hold onto the spirit of fellowship

and the oneness of our family.

Let us take that power back to our homes,

And wherever we seek your will. Amen.

*[adapted from a benediction by Rev. Joseph Lowery]*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Meal & Meeting July 27**—*Baked Salmon and Vegetarian Pasta* provided by Chef Laurence! Bring a side or dessert or just stay and enjoy! Congregational meeting follows lunch.

**Help with Cleanup:** If you can stay after for a few minutes to help LeeAnn with clean up, that would be greatly appreciated!

**Jubilee Celebration**—2026 marks 50 years of New Covenant Fellowship being a church! *Save the 2026 dates* of June 12 (Papa Del's dinner), June 13 (Elks Lake Lodge at Lake of the Woods), and June 14 Jubilee Worship at NCF. Invite friends near and far to celebrate with us! [CLICK HERE](#) to read this week's pastor's note from Marty Shupack's on the Jubilee Celebration!

**Leadership Team**—The Board and LT reflected on the invitation to take God's hand as we consider staffing changes and financial needs. Roberto would like

to train a willing, able person to replace his work on the bulletins. Jeff is taking a leave of absence in July and August. [Summary here](#). We prayerfully rely on God's presence for next steps on our journey.

#### Upcoming Events:

July 27 Potluck @NCF after service  
Aug 10 Pre-service Prayer in the NCF Library, 9:45-10:15am

#### *Happenings Beyond NCF*

**Dance video**—John Donnelly, a former long-standing former member of NCF shares his love of dance. [Click here](#) to see him dancing.

**Everence Creative Giving Tools**—[Gift plans](#) can help increase your giving impact and provide tax advantages. [Click above link](#) for details.

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### CONTACTS

**Leadership Team:** LT@ncf-cu.com, Vern F, Tim C, 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:** ncfcutreasurer@gmail.com

**Family Fund:** Renée A, Barbara P, Judy H, Nancy M, & Lehman W

**Reparations Pilot Project:** reparations.pilot.ncf@gmail.com  
Give online at [ncf-cu.com/giving](#). Thank you!

**Income & Expenditures**—June tithes: \$37,328.13; Reparations: \$2405; Family fund: \$35.00.

Jan-June Income: \$120,287; Expenditures: \$149,914