

New Life Church Family,

Kari and I would like to share with you all some very exciting news. After much consideration, Kari has accepted a teaching position in Sherman, Texas. God has also presented me with several open doors for pastoral work around the area that Kari will be teaching in, and since we do not believe in accidents, I have faith that God will be calling me to my first ministry position very soon. We struggled with the decision, thinking should we stay, or should we go? In the end God presented us with an offer that was too good to ignore. Apparently, the Lord wants us to be Texans!

This news is both exciting because it is the beginning of God's next step in our lives, but also sad because we think of you all like family and will miss you very much. From the moment Kari and I walked through the doors of the church we knew that it was where God wanted us to be. We have found that New Life Church, and the people that worship there are an immense source of joy for our family. We have had the privilege of serving the younger generation of the church. Kari with Sunday school and VBS, and myself with the middle and high school youth, Christian Ed team, the occasional time where I was able to serve with the worship team, and even George allowing me to share a sermon with you. It has been a blast, however, when God calls you somewhere you go. When considering our move, we were brought to Jesus' interaction with Peter and Andrew in Matthew where it says "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him." (Matthew 4:19-20)  
**We look at this move as our dropping our nets moment!**

God has used New Life Church, Pastor George, and the entire congregation to disciple and grow our faith and we will never forget or stop appreciating our time at New Life. As a matter of fact, Sherman Texas is in north Texas just 8 hours from Washington, so we plan on being back as often as possible to visit our brothers and sisters at New Life. We will keep New Life in our prayers, and ask that you keep us in yours as we all move forward with God's plan for our lives and ministries. I have one other request for the church. My oldest son Seth, who is 18 now has decided that he will be staying in Washington with his grandparents to complete high school. We do not see the sense in moving him halfway through his senior year when he has already been accepted to the University of Central Missouri, his first choice because of their music program. We ask that you continue to pour into him, and as all Christians should, keep him accountable as he will be on his own for the most part. "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17)

Again, we love and will miss you all. You have been a blessing to our family. May God continue to bless New Life Church in the same way it has been a blessing to us.

Yours in Christ,

The Cavenar Family