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Speaking Life

But the one who prophesies speaks to people for their strengthening, encouraging and comfort.
1 Corinthians 14:3 (NIV)

“Prophecy is for EVERYONE! It is difficult to convey this concept enough in our world of superstars—both in the Church and outside it. But Scripture is clear—every believer is prophetic, and every believer can prophesy (see Numbers 11:29 and Acts 2:16-18).

So whether you have prophesied for years or are just getting started, here are 10 practical guidelines that will help you grow in prophecy and keep your gift solidly grounded.

10 Keys to Help You Prophecy

1. Earnestly desire the gifts of the Holy Spirit, especially so that you may prophesy (see 1 Corinthians 14:1). God wants to speak to you and through you!
2. Trust the peace of God. Beware of speaking when your spirit is uneasy or in turmoil, or when you feel forced to speak. Look for the peace of God in every word you utter (see Psalm 85:8; Philippians 4:7-9).
3. Obey the urging of the Spirit. Remember, the prophetic spirit is under your control. It will not impel you to speak against your better judgment. You can turn it off or turn it on by an act of your will (1 Corinthians 14:32).
4. Don't rely on physical sensations. When you begin to move in prophecy the Lord may give you physical sensations such as knots in the stomach, a fluttering heartbeat, intense heat, a feeling of euphoria, impressions, visions, and so on. The Holy Spirit does this to prepare you to receive or deliver His word. However, it is also true that as time goes on, the Lord often withholds these promptings so you can grow in the ability to hear Him apart from physical sensations.

5. Speak clearly and naturally. You don't have to speak in King James English to get your point across. Nor do you always have to say, "Thus saith the Lord." If your word is truly from God, the Spirit will confirm it in the hearts of the listeners (see John 10:4-5, 16). Also, be sure to speak loudly and clearly enough to be heard by everyone.

6. Timing is everything. A prophecy that comes at the wrong time during a meeting sounds like a noisy gong or clanging symbol. It will only draw attention to you, not to Jesus.

7. Leave the delivery of corrective and directional words to experienced and mature brothers and sisters. The simple gift of prophecy is for exhortation, edification, and comfort. If you do receive a directional word, write it down and prayerfully submit it to someone in leadership for evaluation.

8. Let God speak to you in the way that He chooses. You don't have to be struck by a lightning bolt to prophesy. A message can come in a variety of ways: literal words; senses or inklings; vision of words like teletype print in your mind; dreams; and so on. More often than not, a seasoned individual receives the sense of what God wants to say. Your duty is to then express that sense clearly and appropriately (see Psalm 12:6).

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DON'T GIVE UP!

Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching (Hebrews 10:23-25).

Life isn't easy. Sometimes it can get overwhelming. It can feel like the hits just keep coming. It can feel like the weight of it all is crushing us. It can feel like we don't have time to slow down. We don't have time to rest. We are running at a hundred miles an hour and there is no slowdown in sight. This can be so discouraging...

In the midst of all this the Lord has given us a couple of great gifts!

As we say 'yes' to Jesus and make him Lord of our lives we not only receive forgiveness from our sins, eternal salvation and life with God, we are actually adopted into his family! The Word tells us that we were once orphans in this broken world, slaves to sin and to the flesh but by the blood of Jesus and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit we have now been given freedom and adoption into the family of God! We who were once enemies of God are now brothers and sisters together with Christ. Just let that sink in for a second....

Apart from the complete mind-blowing honor and nature of this truth there are actually some practical and amazing benefits we get to walk out as a product of our new family status!

First of all, we can enjoy communion with God who is the perfect father! We can draw near (Hebrews 10), we can speak with him (John 15), we can cast our cares upon him (1 Peter 5), we can be refreshed by his presence (Psalm 23) and washed by his word (Ephesians 5), and more! He loves to do all these things with us and the beautiful thing is that they are available to us **all the time!** You can turn your attention to God by his Holy Spirit at work, as you are playing with your kids, as you are exercising, ...anytime! You can crawl up in his lap and let him hold you! **"Let the beloved of the LORD rest secure in him, for he shields him all day long, and the one the LORD loves rests between his shoulders"** (Deuteronomy 33:12).

Secondly, we can enjoy the companionship of our brothers and sisters in Christ. The Lord put us in a family on purpose. This one can feel a bit more difficult than the first one. It seems so great to have intimacy with a God who is perfect but when it comes to his body—who is not so perfect—that's when it gets tougher. Relationships are vulnerable, they take consistency, transparency and intentionality.

I'll admit, after a long hard day, being with a bunch of people in our small group can seem like the last thing we want to do (as an introvert I totally understand this - I love you, all my small group friends!). It can be so easy to just decide to just stay home and disconnect. Nevertheless, there is something beautiful that happens when we gather as the family of God and do life together. Just a few things: we get encouraged/spurred on (Hebrews 10), we experience the presence of God (Matthew 18), we are allowed to be weak (Ecclesiastes 4), we hear the Lord's voice (Acts 13), we receive revelation of the love of God that surpasses knowledge (Ephesians 3), etc. It's so worth it to live life together with the family of God.

Time is flying by! We are just about half way through this 10- week season of Life Groups. I wanted to bring this encouragement now to help us to keep pressing in until the end!

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up" (Galatians 6:9)

Let's not give up! Let's keep showing up. For Jesus and for each other. For here will we find true life! Amen and amen!

Blessings, *Christian*

Christian is listening to...

TITLE	ARTIST	ALBUM	
Surrounded (Fight My Battles) [Live]	UPPERROOM	To the One	2019-10-01
Celebrate the Lord (Spontaneous)	UPPERROOM	Moments: Desig...	11 days ago
Open the Scroll (Spontaneous)	UPPERROOM	Moments: Desig...	11 days ago
Alabaster Heart (Live)	Bethel Music, ka...	Alabaster Heart ...	11 days ago
See A Victory	Elevation Worship	At Midnight - EP	8 hours ago
With You	Elevation Worship	At Midnight - EP	8 hours ago
Shepherd	UPPERROOM, C...	Moments: Color ...	8 hours ago



Become a Connect Group Leader

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Connecting at Northlake



Life Groups/House Church: open-ended, relationship-based groups that meet regularly to experience the Lord's *PRESENCE, POWER and PURPOSE.*

Some groups meet weekly, some bi-weekly in the model of Jesus and His group of followers: Jesus had 3 very close friends; 12 core group members; and, 70 ministry partners who reached out to all the people they could with the message and power of God's love. Groups primarily meet in homes, but groups meet wherever and whenever they decide will work best for them! The primary purpose is relationship in the pursuit of Jesus...*together!* *We need new groups*—find a partner and start inviting the people you see coming on Sunday mornings. This is our primary place of connecting.



Our Fall Theme: BECOMING

CONNECT Groups: short-term opportunities to build relationships through shared interests & activities, life enrichment classes & seminars, *and...* ministries & mission teams.



Joe Gerick, study: END TIMES
SUN, 10am—Music Room

Ty Morrison—Men's Group
MON 6pm—Youth Room (men under 50)



Joshua Wenzek: Vision School
TUES, 6pm—Auditorium



Brad & Tina Fisher, book: *Blessed Are The Misfits*
TUES, 6pm-8pm

Elaine Filkowski: Bible Study Fellowship—women 18+
WED, 7pm—Auditorium

10-Week Life Groups continue this month FOR EVERYONE!

We are asking everyone at Northlake to commit to a new Life Group experience in which we will be connecting in small groups for 10 weeks. A guide has been developed that will help us all get on the same page this year!

After 10 weeks (the week of September 15 through the week of November 17) we will finish this season of groups and be released for the holiday season. We also want to encourage you to form any Connect Groups God lays on your heart to provide creative ways to connect to God's people here at Northlake through shared interests, hobbies, activities, studies, life enrichment classes, & ministry and mission teams.



thankful AND blessed

NOVEMBER 2019

NY Student Focus

~Grace Pilger~

If you have kids downstairs in Northlake Kids, you have probably seen Grace. Grace has been attending Northlake for 6 years now and faithfully serving in children's ministry. Grace is an 8th grader at Mt. Solo, and enjoys playing on the volleyball team, playing piano for NY worship, drawing, painting, and making bracelets (I'm still waiting for mine;) Her favorite subjects include math and science. She is fully committed to God, currently attending Vision School, and has a desire to go on a mission trip. Grace is a rock solid young lady, shining bright as the stars for God's glory!
We love you, Grace!



NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

Youth Group
Wednesdays @ 6pm
Girls' Group
Wednesdays 5-6pm

November~

Sun. 11/3:

"Fun Bomb" Sky Zone 4-8 PM

Fri. 11/8 - Sat. 11/9:

believe MS youth conference

Wed. 11/20: NY Thanksgiving meal

Wed. 11/27: no NY group

Thurs. 11/28:

Thanksgiving!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dom Lawson 11/24

Haylee Fosberg 11/25



Northwest University Tour
We had an amazing time at Northwest University! If you are considering a college I highly recommend NU! #Northwestfriday #NYfun





From Caring Pregnancy Center

Dear Lisé and all of OUR Superheroes,
Thank you for inviting us to your Sunday school class to tell you about Caring Pregnancy Center, and for all of the wonderful questions you asked. And for the mighty superhero way you've shared in helping mommies, daddies and their babies with all of the marvelous gifts you bought for them! You are all amazing boys and girls with kind and generous hearts – stay that way always! You've made lots of mommies and daddies very happy, and made Jesus smile proudly by your love for others. ♥♥ Cheryl

Dear Northlake Children's Ministry,
Thank you so much for blessing Caring Pregnancy Center with all the wonderful baby gifts for moms, dads, and babies. You all are truly a blessing. We appreciate your support and care for this ministry. Love, Tami

Thank you so much for your kind support. You don't just minister to us but to the Lord himself. Bless you, Niki

Blessings are prayed for your amazing gift of love that you pour out to others. We appreciate your partnership! ♥ Cindy

Dear Friends, muchas gracias por todos sus regalos para el CPC. Patricia

Thank you so much for gifting supplies to CPC. Mari



NOVEMBER NURSERY/TODDLER CALENDAR

Nursery Coordinators:
Julianna Smith & Jenny Tennant
Toddler Supervisor:
Kaylena Morrison

November 3

Nursery: Kathleen Rollins
Toddler: Barbie Morrison

November 10

Nursery: Caren Smith
Toddler: Susie Meyers

November 17

Nursery: Betty Si
Toddler: Amy Roden

November 24

Nursery: Alicia Hillger
Toddler: Jan Ferguson



SUNDAY MORNINGS

10:00am—11:30am
Infants to Age 18 Mos

Nursery Upstairs
Toddlers 18 mo thru Age 3

Room 108

10:20am— 11:30am
Preschool 4's-5's

Room 106

Kinder-Grade

Room 104

2nd-5th Grade

Room 105

Thanksgiving Thankful Trees



Hey NorthlakeKids...

HERE'S A CHALLENGE!

Make a tree with bare branches. Then for the month of November, make a thankful leaf each day and put it on your tree. Since November has 30 days, you should end up with 30 leaves on your tree!

When you complete it bring it to Sunday school and show Mrs. Taylor your work.

I can't wait to see what you're thankful for and surprise you with a special something that I'm thankful for!

Have fun and don't forget to be thankful for JESUS!!

Love, Lisé

NorthlakeSeniors

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY—Ages 50+

If you are at least 50 years old, we would like you to join us on any of our activities listed below!
Please join us!

(If one member of a couple is 50+ they are **both** welcome to come to our events!



Wednesday, November 13th – Men’s Breakfast at 9:00am

The men meet at **Campus Towers, 1767 20th Avenue, Longview** for breakfast and fellowship. Men invite your 50+ friends to join you for breakfast. Call Butch Harford at 360/430-0239 with any questions.

Sunday, November 17th — Sunday Dinner at Noon

Come join us at The Regent, 3353 Washington Way, Longview for good food and fellowship. Please call Kathleen Rollins at 360/577-0709 with any questions.

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9. Follow the Holy Spirit's leading on what to do with a word after you've received it. Not all words are for the purpose of proclamation; many are for intercession. Some words should be "put on file," waiting for confirmation. Other words should be written down and submitted to more mature Christians with a prophetic ministry for evaluation. Some prophecies should only be spoken to an individual, others to a group. Some prophetic words should be delivered as songs.

10. Don't let the fear of failure keep you from stepping out. What if you mess up? No start is perfect. Maturity only comes from taking risks and occasionally failing. Proverbs 24:16 says, "For a righteous man falls seven times and rises again." Learn from your mistakes, ask the Lord to forgive and cleanse you, and get back up and humbly receive His grace (see 1 Peter 5:5).

As light and darkness continue to increase in our world, YOU can be an agent of light bringing hope, encouragement, and comfort to everyone around you.

Blessings to prophesy LIFE in Jesus' name!



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JAMES W. GOLL is the president of God Encounters Ministries and has traveled around the world sharing the love of Jesus, imparting the power of intercession, prophetic ministry and life in the Spirit. He has recorded numerous classes with corresponding study guides and is the author of more than forty books, including *The Seer*, *The Lost Art of Intercession*, *The Coming Israel Awakening* and *The Lifestyle of a Prophet*. James is the father of four wonderful children with a growing number of grandchildren, and makes his home in Franklin, TN.



When we encounter God... everything changes.

ENCOUNTER GOD NIGHT

The fourth Sunday of every month—NEXT: Nov 24
6pm-7:30pm Northlake Worship Auditorium
Worship • Prophecy • Healing



Come and help us get ready for Christmas!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9am-12pm

We'll put on the Christmas music and serve up fresh hot chocolate, donuts and coffee!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



Support the KLMA Cold-Weather Shelter

You can join hands as the Body of Christ to make cold-weather shelter a reality!

KELSO-LONGVIEW MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

Volunteer

Training at First Christian Church:

Tuesday, November 5 - 5:30-6:45 pm

Contact: Kayce Settlemier

ksettlemier@loveoverwhelming.org

360/749-8056, ext. 116.

Invest

Give online at this link on the Love INC website:

<https://www.aplos.com/aws/give/LoveIncCowlitz/general>

Next to the word 'Purpose', click the drop down box that reads 'Cold Weather Shelter', then click the large blue "DONATE NOW" button

Donate

Provide food, shelter supplies, or other donations in kind!

Contact: Shawn Nyman

shawn.nyman@gmail.com

360/270-5096



Sunday Mornings at Northlake

EARLY WORSHIP 8:30am-9:30am

Hymns and familiar songs accompanied by piano and keyboard will set the tone of this "lighter & quieter" worship gathering with the same announcements and message. Sorry, but no child care is provided during this service.

BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP—9:30am-9:55am

Pancakes & eggs provided—Bring an item to share

EVERY SUNDAY except the first Sunday each month

FAMILY BASH potluck lunch follows worship on November 3rd this month

NEW: high chairs are now available for our little ones!

10AM WORSHIP 10:00am-11:30am

Full-band worship for everyone! Infant and toddler care is available upon arrival; all other children remain with their parents for worship—

children will be released to **NorthlakeKids** Ministry around 10:30am.

We share family news and announcements and then receive the message including time to respond together with our children.

Parents should pickup kids from NorthlakeKids during the response time—an announcement will be made. THANKS!

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Financial Snapshot September 2019

GOAL \$ 34,750

REC'D \$ 31,990 -\$ 2,760

Emergency Needs Fund (\$700); Building Fund (\$823); Adopt-A-Chair (\$20); Three Rivers Christian School (\$1,701); Caring Pregnancy Center (\$100); Love INC of Cowlitz County (\$377); Community House on Broadway (\$7,632); Hard Hats for Christ (\$177); Three Rivers House of Prayer (\$75); Uganda Refugee Teachers (\$50); Uganda: Martin & Elizabeth (\$50); Joseph & Lynne-Asia (\$322); Philippines Mission (\$3,725); Koronadal Church Plant: Philippines (\$200); One Great Hour of Sharing: Benevolence (\$50) Operation Mobilization (\$850); People International (\$950)

TOTAL GIVING: \$50,443

Our General Fund year to date is 98.8% of our budgeted goal! Praise God for this blessing as we enter the final quarter of the year. Our Vision & Building Funds balance stands at 70,384. End of month cash on hand was \$21,943. *Thank you for your faithful worship through giving!*



WAYS TO GIVE:

- ◆ **Giving Booth** in the southwest corner of the worship auditorium on Sundays;
- ◆ **Giving Kiosk** is available for debit/credit card and smart pay in the lobby under the monitor;
- ◆ our **website: northlake-church.org**; "Giving" upper right corner
- ◆ AND... we have also launched the **Northlake Church smartphone App** that is available at your app store. The app provides easy links to our website including a donate link! Search for: **northlake church longview** and look for our compass logo.



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Northlake coffee mugs are available for \$5 each! Stop by the **Welcome Center** on Sundays or the church office M-TH, 8am-4pm

Looking Ahead



Coming December 22-28

Northlake Church partners with Exodus Christian Fellowship to care for 3-4 families hosted at their church facility
Plan to volunteer! More info this month!

EXTENDED MINISTRIES

STAY IN TOUCH

For more information about Campus Towers Retirement Home

www.campustowers.org

For more information about Three Rivers Christian School

www.3riversschool.net



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