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We ask our ministry partners to make Saturday or Sunday Celebration times a priority in their schedules because we all need the inspiration, challenge, and encouragement that result from gathering with the New Life family every 7 days. (Hebrews 10:25)

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God gives each of us abilities and desires to use for his Kingdom and his glory. God calls us to serve others both inside and outside the walls of the church so as to display his love in and through us. Involvement in a ministry area at New Life expands his kingdom and facilitates our individual spiritual growth. (II Timothy 2:2)

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T-Life Seminars are three 20-minute DVDs offered primarily in our small groups. Each DVD covers one of the 3 Habits that we at New Life believe are vital for healthy spiritual growth. T-Life 1 Seminar gives some practical tips for developing Habit #1, a daily quiet time with God. It is vital for every believer to spend time each day with God studying His word, praying and reflecting upon what He is doing in our lives. T-Life 1 is all about Pursuing God.

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As T-life 1 conveys the value and importance of a daily quiet time with God, New Life has produced a tool to facilitate this discipline in the believer's life. New Life Journals can be purchased from the New Life Bookstore and are a valuable resource to assist in an ongoing daily walk with God.

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T-Life 2 Seminar covers Habit 2, a weekly time with a small group. We encourage everyone to connect to a small group. In small groups we learn to love one another, serve one another and encourage one another to follow Jesus. A small group is where you can find your place in God's story and Connect with a Team.

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A weekend of reclaiming the freedom that is rightfully yours due to the power of the shed blood of Jesus! The evil one gains legal ground in our lives, but Jesus' death paid for you to have power over sin! We'll spend the weekend in worship, teaching times, and small groups of four or five to help us claim our freedom.

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Know What you Believe is a four-week interactive discussion class that explores the New Life Statement of Faith. At New Life we have some foundational beliefs about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and the Bible upon which we build our faith and purpose. This environment explores those beliefs in detail and proclaims the glory of God through His Word.

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The primary action step from the T-Life 3 Seminar is to find a spiritual partner you can meet with on a monthly basis. This ongoing relationship will contribute to a deeper walk with Jesus.

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A disciple of Jesus is one who knows Him, believes Him and is ever growing in love for Him. Jesus commands us to go make disciples, and to make a disciple one must be a disciple. Discover Discipleship is a four-week class discussion that challenges a heart to be a disciple and provides tools for becoming a disciple.

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At New Life we believe it is essential for us to *Serve others together*. Discover Your Mission is focused on the heart of service and clears away many misconceptions about what it means to live for and serve the world. This important seminar inspires and trains believers to follow the great commandments of loving God with all your heart and loving others as yourself.

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Pursue, Connect and Serve, is the mission strategy at New Life. This strategy fulfills our three core values of We Need God, We need Each Other, and Others need Us. As you walk with a friend through the *First Steps* at New Life, you are helping them to pursue God at a deeper level.

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