

New Life Fellowship of Churches

1986 Indonesia

1989 Singapore

1993 Cambodia

1997 Vietnam

2004 Myanmar

2011 Malaysia

2014 Sri Lanka

2017 Kyrgyzstan (March 2018)

Vision of New Life Fellowship of Churches

To be a family of churches, united in love and committed to mutual support so that together we fulfill God's purposes in Asia and beyond for his eternal glory.

Mission of

New Life Fellowship of Churches

Motivated by our love for God and for people, we purpose to:

Reach and Win our generation with the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Train and Equip God's people for the work of ministry

Build mature disciples of Jesus and Establish strong Christ-centered families

Send missionary teams and Plant churches

Theology of Work

Genesis 1:1-2:3

1. God Works to Create the World

Gen 2:1-3

1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. 2 And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. 3 So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

I. God and Work

2. God Works Relationally

Gen 1:26-27

26 Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

27 So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

I. God and Work

3. God Limits His Work

Gen 2:1-3

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I. God and Work

1. Created to Care for God's Creation

Gen 2:5

When no bush of the field was yet in the land and no small plant of the field had yet sprung up for the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the land, and there was no man to work the ground

II. People and Work

2. Created to Work Relationally

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II. People and Work

3. Created to Bear Fruit and Multiply; Fill and Subdue the Earth

Gen 1:28

28 And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

II. People and Work

4. Created to Receive God's Provision

Gen 1:29-30

29 And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. 30 And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.

II. People and Work

5. Created to Work within Limits

Gen 2:1-3

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II. People and Work

Gen 3:17-19

17 And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field.

19 By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

III. Work in our Fallen World

**1. Work is a Reflection of our Identity in God
(Work that is productive, fruitful, creative)**

**2. Work is a Means for Growth
(Through the challenges as opportunities for
character building)**

IV. Redeeming our Work

**3. Work is an Avenue for Christian Witness
(Through attitude, speech and conduct)**

**4. Work is a Channel to Influence Society
(To push back the darkness, immorality, sin)**

IV. Redeeming our Work

Rev 21:1-4

1Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

IV. New Creation

1 Cor 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord, your labor is not in vain.

IV. New Creation

Hebrew “*avodah*” = Worship

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