



December 2019
Activities Guide

Reaching Others with the Message of Christ

Worship—Discipleship—Ministry

REACHING UP THROUGH WORSHIP

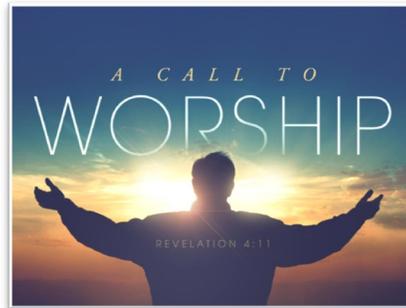


Join us for an unforgettable
Christmas Journey
Sundays in December @ 10:30am
Christmas Eve @ 6pm

Invite your family and friends to join you for our powerful series, The Cast of Christmas. Beginning December, 1st, on Sundays, we'll experience the anticipation of the prophets, the joyful proclamation of the angels, and the journey of the shepherds and wise men to honor Jesus.



Then during our Christmas Eve Family Service, we'll discover how we all play a part in this incredible story. **Invitations are available in the foyer or through the church office.**



LIFE CHURCH WORSHIP Sunday @ 10:30am

Services / classes for children and teens available

- ▶ **KIDS FACTORY WORSHIP**
(newborn—9 years old)
Be sure to stop by Kids Check-In.
- ▶ **WAREHOUSE WORSHIP JR. HIGH**
(10 - 12 years old)
Be sure to stop by Kids Check-In.
- ▶ **WAREHOUSE WORSHIP**
(13 - 18 years old)
Meet in the Warehouse (Youth Sanctuary)



Wednesday @ 7pm *Groups for all ages available!*

IMPORTANT: We will NOT have Refuel on Wednesday, Dec. 25th or Jan 1st.

We invite you to "REFUEL" with us each week. Refuel offers groups for all ages and gives each of us the opportunity to be disciples and life-long students of Jesus Christ through worship, solid biblical teaching, and community.

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Church Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH 9am—4pm
F Closed
Closed on Tuesdays from
9:30-11:30pm for staff meeting.

Worship Services
Sunday @ 10:30am
Wednesday @ 7pm

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OUR MAIN FACEBOOK GROUPS:

- *Life Church*

We're now broadcasting LCOG Live!
via our Official Facebook Page
Life Church—Leavittsburg
www.facebook.com/Leavittsburg/

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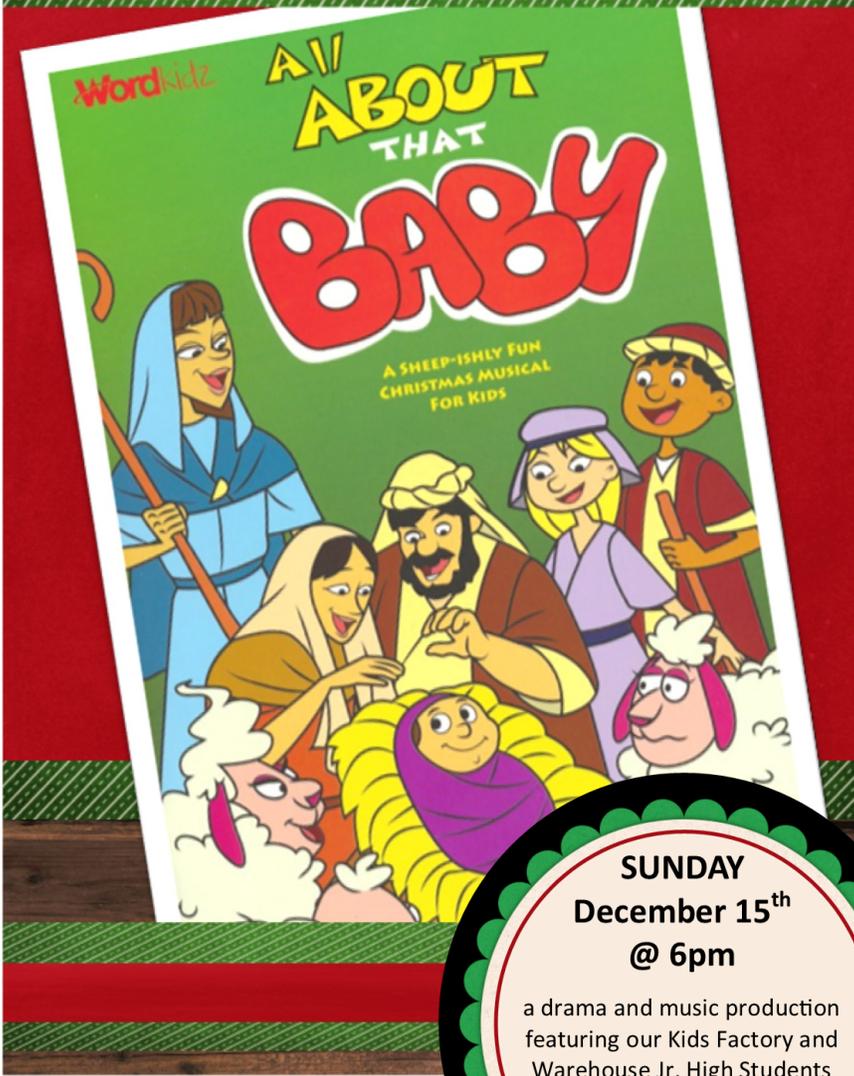
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LifeChurch presents ...



SUNDAY
December 15th
@ 6pm

a drama and music production
 featuring our Kids Factory and
 Warehouse Jr. High Students

with special performances
 by our Toddler and
 Preschool Choirs

People everywhere are making the journey to the place of their birth, in compliance with Caesar's decree that everyone should register for the census. This results in the little town of Bethlehem overflowing with people arriving from out of town. Nathaniel, a lovable but scatterbrained, late-for-work shepherd bumps into two of those travelers as he rushes to take his shift at watching the flock. This begins a story that is *All About That Baby*, with some shepherds, angels, "out-of-towners" and singing, talking sheep to guide us along the way.

So, invite your family, friends, neighbors, and more. We're saving a seat for you!



Sunday December 22nd @ 10:30am
 Bring your family and join us on Sunday December 22nd for a very special service. At the end of Kids Factory, Santa Claus and his elf, Big Dog, will arrive to give a treat bag of goodies to every child. You'll also have an opportunity to take a photo. So, look for them in his new Warehouse. And guess what, every adult in attendance will receive a small gift too.

SPECIAL DAYS

mark your calendar & join us



Sunday, December 29th @ 10:30am



Sunday, December 29th @ 6pm

James 5:16 reminds us that the prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. So, we invite you to join us for a special time of prayer at Life Church. The church will be open from 6—7pm. There is not a set agenda, so come and go as your schedule allows. Questions? Contact Pat Ruddy.



Sunday, January 5th @ 10:30am

With the beginning of the New Year comes a renewed excitement for our vision and mission at Life Church. In 2020, our prayer is that all of us will become more focused and intentional in ...

Reaching Others with the Message of Christ

Join us this year in ...
Reaching Up through Worship
Reaching In through Discipleship
Reaching Out through Ministry



START YOUR JOURNEY HERE

- **DIAMOND LIFE**
- **BIBLE LIFE**
- **LIFE GROUPS**

Interested in being a part of Diamond Life, Bible Life, or a Life Group?

To register or ask questions, go to www.lcogoh.com/life-groups, contact Nancy Skaggs at 330-898-1131 x1006 or Nancy@lcogoh.com or a Diamond Life, Bible Life or Life Group Leader.

Start Your Journey at Life Church with **DIAMOND LIFE**



It's our desire to assist you in connecting to the LIFE of the church and to become a fully functional member of this body who is *Reaching Others with the Message of Christ*.

So, whether you are new to the church or have been attending for a while, Diamond Life is for you!

The next opportunity:

**JANUARY 2020
Sunday @ 9am**



- January 5-Diamond Life 101
- January 12-Diamond Life 201
- January 19-Diamond Life 301
- January 26-Diamond Life 401

LOCATION:
2nd Floor School of the Word Wing

- Through this four-part class ...
- ▶ You will find out more about the church, its beliefs, vision, and how it operates.
 - ▶ You'll learn more about our teams and structure.
 - ▶ You'll also discover your spiritual gift mix as a way to assist you in connecting to a ministry area that best fits your strengths and interests.

Start Your Journey with **BIBLE LIFE**



Bible Life is an in-depth, year long discipleship opportunity that helps you become all that God has created you to be.

You'll discover...

- Who you are in Christ (your true identity)
- The fullness of what Christ has done for you
- The true nature of God
- How to do relationships better
- Why God created you the way He did
- And so much more

Dig Deeper into God's Word to Know Him Better!

Bible Life groups will continue for those already in session. A new group will tentatively begin in the Spring of 2020.

Jesus' final instruction to His followers was to "go and make disciples." As Christ followers, this is a life-long process and not a final destination. We are on a journey to grow stronger and go deeper in our relationship with Him. Life Groups can guide us along the path throughout this journey as well as help us build authentic connections with others.

WHAT IS A LIFE GROUP?

A Life Group is a group of people who ...

- Gather together to build up and encourage one another to live out Biblical values
- Care for each other through the good and bad times
- Connect through their interests or passions
- Support one another, learning how to overcome crisis and celebrate victories
- Build relationships for life to enjoy life

New Life Groups are always starting and on-going groups are available. Group leaders are free to adjust meeting times and dates, so please connect with the group leader for the most current information.

Doing LIFE together in real time!

Prayer

Intercessory Prayer

Saturday @ 6pm

Location: Life Church—Leavittsburg
Led by Gary Skeens & Fran Stampfel

For Everyone.

Group is currently active.

Have you ever felt an unexplained burden on your heart to pray for our community, church, pastors, unnamed others, or the world at large? Well, this is what Intercessory Prayer is all about, lifting up others in prayer as Ephesians 6:18 tells us to.

Discipleship / Bible Study / Topic

Adult Bible Study

Sunday @ 9am

Location: Life Church—Leavittsburg
Taught by Pastor Henry Funk

For Everyone.

Group is currently active.

Dive into God's Word and discover the truths of the scriptures with others. Currently, the class is focusing on a through and in-depth study of the Fruit of the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-23 (KJV) - *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.*

Men's Bible Study

Wednesday @ 9:30am

Location: Life Church—Leavittsburg
Led by Pat Ruddy

For Men.

Come build connections while studying the scriptures together. Contact Pat for more details on what topic the group is currently studying.

Power of a Praying Grandparent Wednesday @ 7pm

Location: Life Church—Leavittsburg
Led by Debbie Stanley

For Grandparents.

There's no greater gift you can give to your grandchildren than to pray for them and their lives. Through the book, *The Power of a Praying Grandparent*, this group study will help you gain powerful insights to guide your prayers. The insights will empower you to cover your grandchildren with a shield of prayer and love.

Unglued

2nd & 4th Tuesday @ 6pm

Location: Life Church Outreach Center
Led by Kim McLeod

For Women.

The book, *Unglued: Making Wise Choices in the Midst of Raw Emotions* by Lysa TerKeurst, brings insight to help women resolve conflict in healthy ways and improve communication with those whom you're in close relationship. So, join this Life Group and discover what it means to "renew" your mind in Biblical and practical ways.

Kids Factory Discipleship

Sunday @ 9am

Location: Life Church—Leavittsburg
Taught by Kelly Cellars

For Children 4—12 years old.

While parents and grandparents are participating in the adult discipleship and Bible Life classes being offered, our kids are growing in their faith as well. This class includes Bible lessons, crafts, small group activities, and more. Be sure to stop by Kids Check-in when you arrive.

Chicks, Chat, & Chocolate

Once a month @ 6pm

Location: varies
Led by Carrie Mullins

For girls age 13-18

All teen girls are invited to join this life group designed just with them in mind. Bring a chocolate dish or candy to share and look forward to girl talk. Carrie is also looking for women that would be willing to host a month. You don't have to have a daughter in youth to host. So, if you are interested, see Carrie to get on the schedule.

Created to Create

3rd Sunday @ 4pm

Location: Life Church—Leavittsburg
Led by Desiree Click

For anyone interested

Do you love to be creative? Do you wish to be creative, but don't feel like you have ability? Then this is the group for you. In our group we will be Bible Journaling by reading and discussing scripture while putting a personal and visual creation to it. Scripture will come alive and leave a lasting impression through mixed media.

Girls Night Out

1st Monday @ 6:30pm

Location: Nancy Skagg's home
Led by Nancy Skaggs

For Women.

Ladies (16 & up) ... Join us for a night of fun, laughter, and friendship. Invite a friend to come. Bring a finger food or snack to share. If you'd like to participate in a gift exchange, bring a gift (up to \$15). Join our Facebook Page—*Girls Night Out*—for info.

Mom and Me

1st Thursday @ 10am

Location: varies
Led by Carrie Mullins

For moms.

Moms need other moms! This group is designed for moms to get together and connect and also let our kids play. Even if your kids are older and are in school, you are still welcome to join us. So, bring your children and come hang out with us. The location will be different each month, so be sure to follow our Facebook Group "Mom & Me a Life Group of Life Church."

Piecemakers

Thursday @ 12pm

Location: Life Church Outreach Center
Led by Verna Patrick

For Women.

Will not meet in December.

Do you love to quilt or have you always wanted to learn? This group of experienced and new quilters gathers each week to work on their projects together. You'll even be taught something new from time to time. Bring your sewing machine, supplies, and projects.

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS



Sunday, January 26th @ 10:30am

If you are interested in dedicating your child, contact the church office to request more information and **pre-register by January 19th**; 330-898-1131 x1001 or e-mail office@lcogoh.com.

WAREHOUSE 412—CHRISTMAS PARTY

The youth are having their annual Party in the Family Life Center on Wed., December 18th @ 7pm All Senior High & Jr High students should meet there. Look for us on Facebook & Instagram for details.

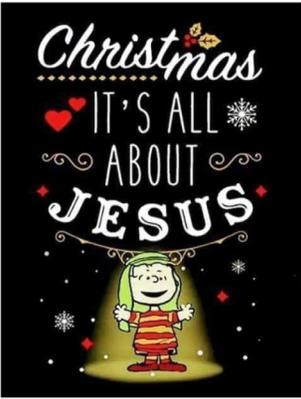


**Saturday, December 21st
@ 9am
in the Family Life Center**

All those 55+ are invited to help us pack our special Christmas Treat Bags full of goodies. We'll be giving out these treat bags to all the children at service on Sunday, December 22nd.

We'll provide the donuts, coffee, and all the treat bag supplies. You bring the smiles, a heart to serve, and the fun. We cannot wait to spend time with you!

Questions? Contact Family Ministries Director, Diana Middleton at 330-898-1131 x1004 or e-mail diana@lcogoh.com.



LEAD OR HOST A LIFE GROUP

Have you ever thought to yourself ... I wish the church would offer a Bible Study on this topic? Or I wish there was a group that met this need in my life? Or even, I wish I could meet people who are in the same stage of life that I am or who have my same interests?

Well, here's your chance! Become a Life Group Leader or Host and help make that group happen.

You see, a **Life Group is simply about connecting** with others.

- ◆ It's people gathering together to build up and encourage one another to live out Biblical values.
- ◆ It's people caring for each other, supporting one another, and learning how to overcome crisis and celebrate victories together.
- ◆ Most importantly, it's about Doing Life Together in real time!

And guess what, **Life Groups are led by ordinary people** like you and me with willing minds, caring hearts, and a passion to serve.

So, step out! Now's your chance! Become a Life Group Leader or Host! **For more information visit our website** at www.lcogoh.com/life-group or **contact Nancy Skaggs** at 330-898-1131 ext. 1006 or by e-mail: nancy@lcogoh.com.



Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (NLT)

Being a Leader or Host is easy & fun!



Life Groups provide a great way to connect with a smaller group of people.

Life Group Leaders and Hosts help create a safe place for people to be open, encouraged, celebrated, and challenged.



Friends ... Coworkers ... School ... Neighbors ... Team Members ... You may already be connected with people that may want to join a group and they're just waiting for someone to lead or host it.

Leading or Hosting a Life Group isn't about being perfect; it's about serving others by giving them a place to connect.



Look around you, our Church is filled with people just waiting for the right group they can connect to. And you may be just the person to lead or host it!

Life Groups can meet anywhere ... in homes, coffee shops, offices, parks, church, and more



Life Groups bring people together by interests, stages of life, study topics, location, and more.

Life Groups focus on helping people grow in their relationship with Jesus through building relationships with others.



The length of time a Life Group meets can vary and they can start at any time throughout the year.

No two groups are the same and that's a good thing!



Life Groups create Community. A Place to Belong!

REACHING OUT THROUGH MINISTRY



LIFE CHURCH OUTREACH CENTER

Reaching Others with the Message of Christ

Providing connection opportunities and Doing Life with our community

A.R.K. (acts of random kindness)

Location: Life Church Outreach Center

Led by Erika DeVault

3rd Tuesday @ 6pm

Family Friendly & open to all ages.

There are so many little things we can do to REACH OUT and with a bit of observation, simple planning, and some action, our kindness can make a huge impact in our world.

In this group, we're not building boats, instead we are working to build relationships through sharing Christ with those around us in practical ways through ARK ... Acts of Random Kindness.

Jesus calls us to go into all the world starting with our own circle of influence. We cannot wait to REACH OUT with you! This group is family friendly and something all ages can do together. For more information go to www.lcogoh.com/life-groups.



Outreach Center Address:
201 S. Leavitt Rd.; Leavittsburg, OH 44430



We believe that you, yes YOU, are uniquely gifted by God to serve a greater purpose.

We're so excited about the purpose and destiny God has just for you. So let us help you not only discover your God-given gifts but also connect you to your best fit in ministry. Attend the next Diamond Life Series, contact the church office @ 330-898-1131 x1001, or e-mail: office@lcogoh.com.



Dream Team Meeting
Sunday, January 5th @ 5pm
Meet in the Warehouse

ALL of our Life Church Volunteers that serve on any of our teams are invited to Come Dream With Us! Our meetings are a time for all of our teams to connect, learn, and plan together.

IMPORTANT ... LAST DAY TO PURCHASE TICKETS OR REGISTER KIDS IS DECEMBER 4TH!



Friday, December 13th @ 6:30pm
in the Family Life Center

Evening includes Dinner, Giveaways, Games, & More!

Advance Ticket Purchase Required

Cost: \$13 per person

Tickets on-sale Nov. 17—Dec. 4

Special Note: All of our widows and widowers are invited free of charge.

Pick up your free ticket from the church office by December 4th.



We are launching a newly formed outreach ministry this Christmas. It's called "The Christmas Light Project" based on John 8:12—Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." (NLT)

We are trusting God to grow this outreach every year. This year our goal is to love on 10 families that are struggling and need a hand up. We will be working with the school and other community programs to find those families.

We're providing Christmas Bikes to 23 children this year and Christmas dinner to their families. Your donation will be an amazing blessing!

Donations needed are ...

- \$75.00 for a new bike for younger children
- \$50.00 for a family meal
- \$25.00 for a gift card older children

Please donate through the offering or on-line at www.lcogoh.com/donate. Mark your donation "The Christmas Light Project."

Questions? Contact the church office at 330-898-1131 x1001.

Charlie Brown
CHRISTMAS



for kids
ages 4—14

PAJAMA PARTY

Friday, December 13th

- * In the Warehouse
- * Check-in opens @ 6:15pm
- * Pick up @ end of banquet
- * Cost: Donation

Pre-register your child by December 4th

Text or Call:
Lindsay Gregory
330-981-9348
Shirley Zimmerman
330-881-5777

Party includes
PIZZA
MOVIE
GAMES
AND MORE

Dress in your favorite PJs



LifeChurch

Calendar—LET'S DO LIFE TOGETHER

LOCATION KEY:

LC-L Life Church—Leavittsburg OC Off-campus
 LC-O Life Church Outreach Center

DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

	GROUP/ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
S 1	Cast of Christmas Series		
	Discipleship Classes/Life Groups (see Life Group section for details on groups & classes)	9am	LC-L
	Worship Service	10:30am	LC-L
	Kids Factory Worship (6wks-9yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship (for students 13-18yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship Jr. High (for students 10-12yrs old)		
	Water Baptism (pre-register by 11/17)	10:30am	LC-L
M 2	Girls Night Out	6:30pm	OC
T 3	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
W 4	Men's Bible Study	9:30am	LC-L
	Refuel (classes/groups for all ages)	7pm	LC-L
	Bible Life—Wednesday	7pm	LC-L
	Power or Praying Grandparent	7pm	LC-L
TH 5	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
F 6	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
SA 7	Intercessory Prayer	6pm	LC-L
S 8	Cast of Christmas Series		
	Discipleship Classes/Life Groups (see Life Group section for details on groups & classes)	9am	LC-L
	Worship Service	10:30am	LC-L
	Kids Factory Worship (6wks-9yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship (for students 13-18yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship Jr. High (for students 10-12yrs old)		
M 9	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
T 10	Unglued Life Group	6pm	LC-O
W 11	Men's Bible Study	9:30am	LC-L
	Refuel (classes/groups for all ages)	7pm	LC-L
	Bible Life—Wednesday	7pm	LC-L
	Power or Praying Grandparent	7pm	LC-L
TH 12	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
F 13	Adult Christmas Banquet	6:30pm	LC-L
	Kids Pajama Party (ages 4-14)	6:30pm	LC-L
SA 14	Kids Christmas Play Practice	10am	LC-L
	Intercessory Prayer	6pm	LC-L
S 15	Cast of Christmas Series		
	Discipleship Classes/Life Groups (see Life Group section for details on groups & classes)	9am	LC-L
	Worship Service	10:30am	LC-L
	Kids Factory Worship (6wks-9yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship (for students 13-18yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship Jr. High (for students 10-12yrs old)		
	All About That Baby	6pm	LC-L
	Christmas Play featuring our children		
M 16	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
T 17	Acts of Random Kindness (ARK)	6pm	LC-O

	GROUP/ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
W 18	Men's Bible Study	9:30am	LC-L
	Refuel (classes/groups for all ages)	7pm	LC-L
	Bible Life—Wednesday	7pm	LC-L
	Power or Praying Grandparent	7pm	LC-L
TH 19	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
F 20	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
SA 21	Senior Adult Fellowship	9am	LC-L
	Christmas Treat Bag Assembly		
	Intercessory Prayer	6pm	LC-L
S 22	Cast of Christmas Series		
	Special Gift for all Kids in Attendance & Photos with Santa		
	Discipleship Classes/Life Groups (see Life Group section for details on groups & classes)	9am	LC-L
	Worship Service	10:30am	LC-L
	Kids Factory Worship (6wks-9yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship (for students 13-18yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship Jr. High (for students 10-12yrs old)		
M 23	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
T 24	Church Office Closed		
	Christmas Eve Service	6pm	LC-L
W 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS		
	Church Office Closed		
	No Refuel		
TH 26	Church Office Closed		
	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
F 27	Church Office Closed		
	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
SA 28	Intercessory Prayer	6pm	LC-L
S 29	Communion		
	Discipleship Classes/Life Groups (see Life Group section for details on groups & classes)	9am	LC-L
	Worship Service	10:30am	LC-L
	Kids Factory Worship (6wks-9yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship (for students 13-18yrs old)		
	Warehouse Worship Jr. High (for students 10-12yrs old)		
	Prayer Night	6pm	LC-L
M 30	Church Office Closed		
	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		
T 31	Church Office Closed		
	No Life Groups or Activities Scheduled		

More groups & activities are always being planned, so watch our Facebook Page and website or listen for our One Call Announcements for updates.

If you are not currently receiving our One Call Announcements via phone and would like to, message the church office and request to be added. Fill out a Connect Card, e-mail office@lccogoh.com or call 330-898-1131 x1001.