Building A Healthy Church COMMUNITY

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“THERE ARE MANY THINGS IN LIFE THAT WILL CATCH YOUR EYE BUT ONLY A FEW THAT WILL CATCH YOUR HEART – PURSUE THOSE”

Michael Nolan

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BUILDING A HEALTHY CHURCH COMMUNITY.

Principles that transcend culture, size of church, denomination or geography – they are relevant to all church communities, everywhere at all times.

- ***EMPOWERING*** **Leadership**
- ***GIFT BASED*** **ministry**
- ***PASSIONATE*** **Spirituality**
- ***EFFECTIVE*** **Structures**
- **INSPIRING Worship**
- **HOLISTIC Small Groups**
- **NEED FOCUSED Evangelism**
- **LOVING Relationships**

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Building A Healthy Church Community involves

EMPOWERING **Leadership**

Leaders should invest their time in discipleship, delegation and multiplying ministry opportunities.

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MY VISION FOR MINISTRY –

- ***ACTIVE***
- ***EFFECTIVE***
- ***RESPONSIVE***

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Building A Healthy Church Community involves

GIFT-FOCUSED Ministry

Everybody does exactly what they are gifted by God to do.

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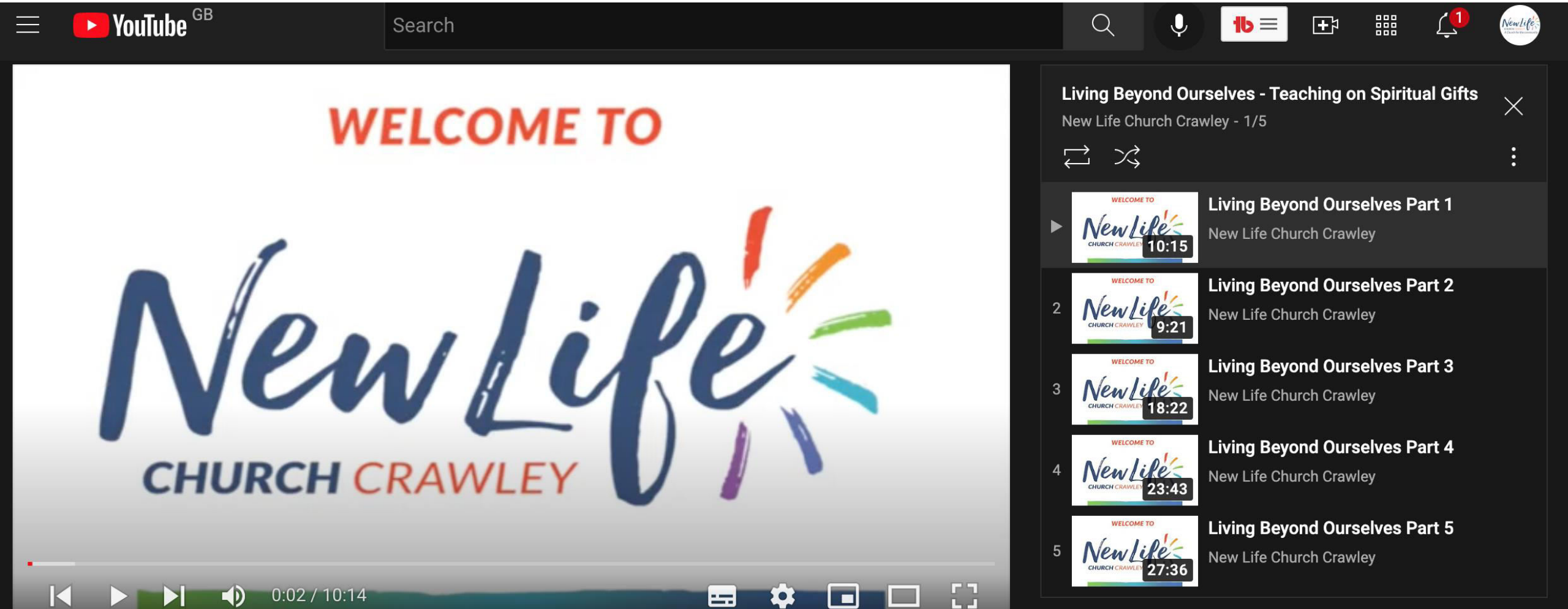
YouTube Spiritual Gifts Series
“Living Beyond Ourselves”
https://youtu.be/GhZdiFpqrfg



Spiritual Gifts Equipping

Tuesday 12th

July 7pm

Ever wondered what your gifts were?

Want to be more effective in serving God?

COME ALONG & JOIN THE DISCOVERY…..

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PASSIONATE

Spirituality

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- ***EFFECTIVE MINISTRY*** **flows out of a** ***PASSIONATE SPIRITUALITY***

- Spiritual intimacy leads to a strong conviction that God will act in powerful ways.

- The important issue here is not the way spirituality is expressed, but the fact that faith is actually lived out with commitment, fire and enthusiasm.

- The methods a church used are really a secondary concern. A church that lives its faith with passionate fervour will experience success with many different methods or programmes.

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BIBLE TRUTHS:

- Jesus – John 2:17 “zeal for your house” *(quoting Psalm 69)*
- Romans 12:11
- Rev 3:14-17
- Jonah 1:3 (ESV)

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KERRY – VISUAL TALK

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Core summary questions:

- Do we live committed lives and practice their faith with joy and enthusiasm?
- Do we have a sense of individual spiritual passion and corporately as a community?
- Do we live out a spiritual passion, contagious enthusiasm - prayer and use the bible outside of church gatherings?

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QUOTE

“You’re a leader. It’s your job to keep your passion hot. Do whatever you have to do, read whatever you have to read, go wherever you have to go and stay fired up. And don’t apologise to anybody for it.”

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Application:

What are the spiritual passion killers in ***your life***?

- Righteousness by works *(external rules/legalism doesn't work)*
- Feelings of inferiority
- "Conference Christianity"

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BUILDING A HEALTHY CHURCH COMMUNITY.

- **EMPOWERING** Leadership
- **GIFT BASED** ministry
- **PASSIONATE** Spirituality
- **EFFECTIVE** Structures

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- The Church is the living Body of Christ. Like all healthy organisms, it requires numerous systems that work together to fulfill its intended purpose.
- The most important criterion for forms and structures in the church is if they fulfill their purpose or not.
- CHURCH STRUCTURES ARE NEVER AN END IN THEMSELVES BUT ALWAYS ONLY A MEANS TO AN END.

THINK.....

- CHURCH GOVERNMENT
- LEADERSHIP STYLES

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CHURCH VISION

To bring the good news of New Life in Jesus

To represent Jesus by being an Ark and Refuge

To make Disciples who wholeheartedly serve Jesus

DONT GET MARRIED TO THE METHODS – they change and its

THE MISSION THAT STAYS THE SAME

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If a church loves its **METHODS** more than its **MISSION** it will die

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THE MISSION STAYS THE SAME

New Wine into old wineskins- parable of Jesus:

- Matthew 9:14-17
- Mark 2:18-22
- Luke 5:33-39

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CONCLUSION:

So what's ***your*** next step ***personally*** to help build a healthy church community?

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EMBRACE THIS TRUTH..

LIFE BEGINS AT THE END OF YOUR COMFORT ZONE

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NEED PRAYER TODAY?
Please join us at the front.