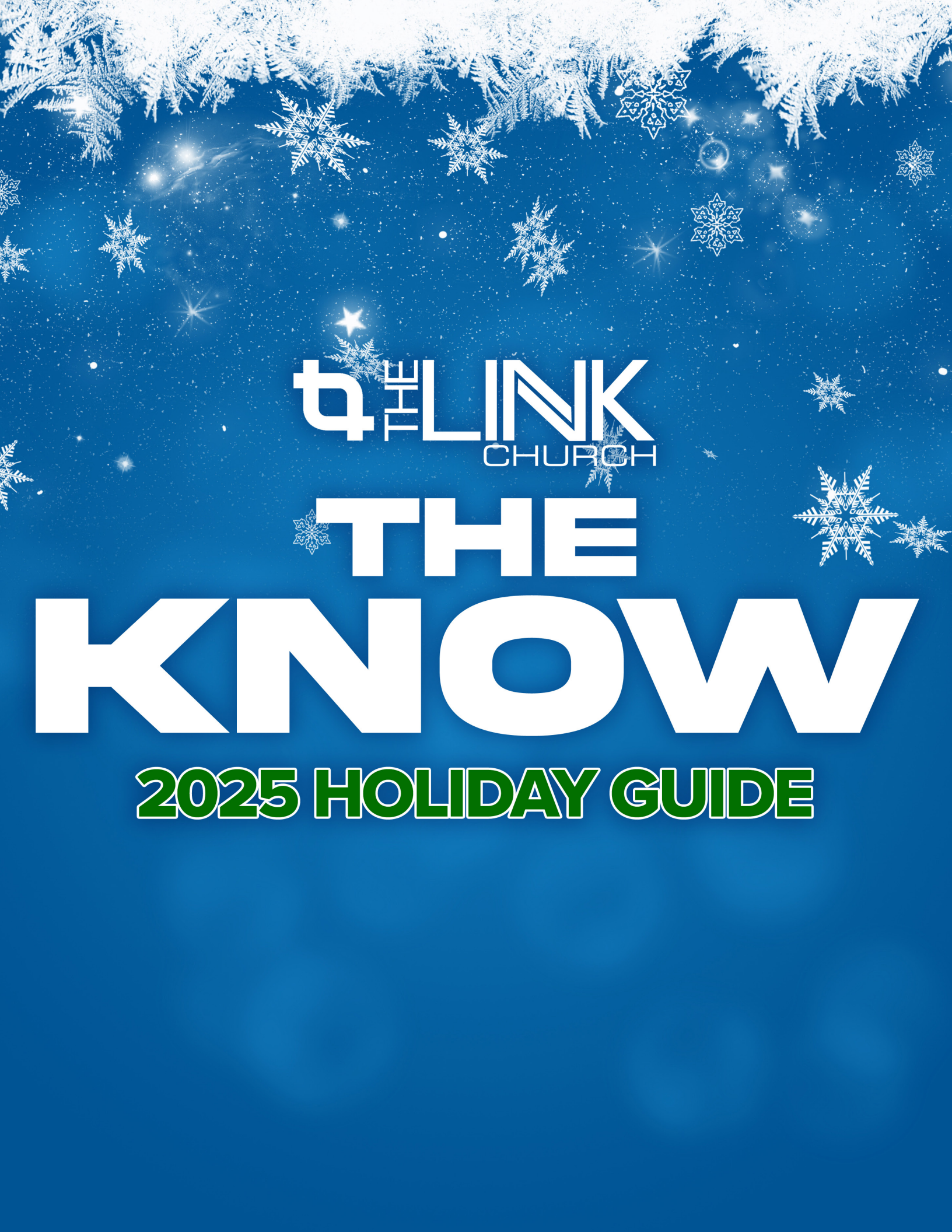




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**2025 HOLIDAY GUIDE**

# A LETTER FROM US



Dear Link Church Family and Friends,

As we enter this special holiday season our hearts are filled with gratitude and joy. November and December are always a time to pause and remember the goodness of God. This year has been full of His faithfulness, and we are thankful for each of you who make The Link Church such a strong and loving family.

To our guests, we are honored that you have chosen to celebrate this season with us. You are an answer to our prayers, and we believe God has something special for you here at The Link Church.

We are especially grateful for every volunteer and leader who serves so faithfully. Your dedication makes ministry possible and your love for God shines through everything you do.

The holidays can be busy and sometimes overwhelming, but we encourage you to take time to rest in the presence of Christ. He is our Prince of Peace and our source of true joy. As the angel declared at His birth in Luke 2, good news of great joy has come for all people.

We are excited for the many opportunities this season brings to worship together to celebrate and to invite others to encounter Jesus. Every event is more than a date on the calendar. It is a chance to link people to Christ and link people together.

We pray that this holiday season will fill your home with peace that calms your spirit, joy that lifts your heart and love that strengthens every relationship. May you experience the nearness of Jesus in every gathering and may His light guide you into the new year with hope.

With Love & Blessings!

*Pastor Lewis & Lady Dana*



# NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



## SERVE MY CITY + ADD TO CART

**NOVEMBER 17 - 23**

Register for opportunities to serve in Desoto at [servemycity.org](http://servemycity.org) and bring cereal, oatmeal, grits and paper towels on Sunday the 23rd to Add to Cart at TLC.



## FRIDAY NIGHT VIBE NOVEMBER 21

Young adults, ages 18-30, get ready for the ultimate hangout with food, games, a panel, and a live dj.

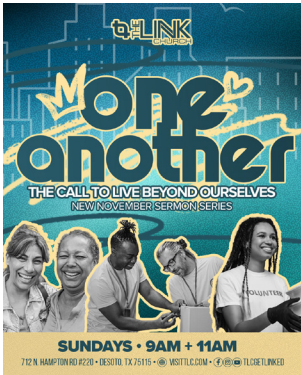
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## THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

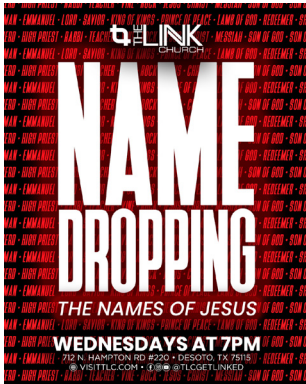
**NOVEMBER 23**

Celebrate Thanksgiving at The Link Church with a powerful word and intimate worship.



The Christian life was never meant to be lived in isolation or selfishness. This series explores what it truly means to live selflessly in a world that promotes self-centeredness.

It will challenge us to reflect the heart of Christ by putting others before ourselves and walking in community.



Every name of Jesus reveals something powerful about who He is and what He does in our lives. In Name Dropping: Season 2, we will explore the rich and powerful names of Jesus Christ and discover how they strengthen our faith, shape our worship, and transform the way we walk with Him every day.

## CULTIVATING A HEART OF GRATITUDE THANKSGIVING READING PLAN

| MONDAY                                                                   | TUESDAY                                                                      | WEDNESDAY                                                                    | THURSDAY                                                                     | FRIDAY                                                                         | SATURDAY                                                                                 | SUNDAY                                                                                |
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|                                                                          |                                                                              |                                                                              |                                                                              |                                                                                | <b>DAY 1:</b><br>THE FOUNDATION OF GRATITUDE<br>1 THESS. 5:16-18, PSALM 100:4, COL. 3:17 | <b>DAY 2:</b><br>SALVATION<br>EPH. 2:8-9, ROM. 6:23, 2 COR. 9:15                      |
| <b>DAY 3:</b><br>GOD'S PRESENCE<br>MATT. 28:20, PSALM 46:1, DEUT. 31:6   | <b>DAY 4:</b><br>FAMILY<br>PSALM 68:6, PROV. 17:17, 1 JOHN 3:1               | <b>DAY 5:</b><br>PROVISION<br>PHIL. 4:19, MATT. 6:31-33, PSALM 37:25         | <b>DAY 6:</b><br>THE BEAUTY OF CREATION<br>PSALM 19:1, ROM. 1:20, GEN. 1:31  | <b>DAY 7:</b><br>HEALTH + STRENGTH<br>PSALM 139:14, 1 COR. 6:19-20, 3 JOHN 1:2 | <b>DAY 8:</b><br>GRATEFUL IN TRIALS<br>JAMES 1:2-4, ROM. 5:3-4, 2 COR. 12:9-10           | <b>DAY 9:</b><br>FRIENDSHIPS<br>PROV. 27:17, ECC. 4:9-10, PROV. 18:2                  |
| <b>DAY 10:</b><br>GOD'S WORD<br>PSALM 119:105, 2 TIM. 3:16-17, HEB. 4:12 | <b>DAY 11:</b><br>PEACE<br>PHIL. 4:6-7, JOHN 14:27, ISA. 26:3                | <b>DAY 12:</b><br>NEW BEGINNINGS<br>LAM. 3:22-23, 2 COR. 5:17, ISA. 43:18-19 | <b>DAY 13:</b><br>WORK<br>COL. 3:23-24, PROV. 14:23, 1 COR. 10:31            | <b>DAY 14:</b><br>FORGIVENESS<br>PSALM 103:10-12, 1 JOHN 1:9, COL. 1:13-14     | <b>DAY 15:</b><br>SHELTER<br>PSALM 127:1, JOHN 14:2-3, PROV. 24:3-4                      | <b>DAY 16:</b><br>GOD'S PROTECTION<br>PSALM 91:11-12, PROV. 18:10, PSALM 121:7-8      |
| <b>DAY 17:</b><br>JOY<br>NEH. 8:10, PSALM 16:11, JOHN 15:11              | <b>DAY 18:</b><br>GOD'S PATIENCE<br>2 PETER 3:9, EX. 34:6, ROM. 2:4          | <b>DAY 19:</b><br>SPIRITUAL GROWTH<br>PHIL. 1:6, 2 COR. 3:18, ROM. 8:29      | <b>DAY 20:</b><br>ANSWERED PRAYERS<br>1 JOHN 5:14-15, PSALM 34:17, JER. 33:3 | <b>DAY 21:</b><br>HOPE<br>ROM. 15:13, HEB. 6:19, 1 PETER 1:3                   | <b>DAY 22:</b><br>GOD'S GUIDANCE<br>PROV. 3:5-6, PSALM 32:8, ISA. 30:21                  | <b>DAY 23:</b><br>REST<br>MATT. 11:28-30, PSALM 23:2-3, EX. 33:14                     |
| <b>DAY 24:</b><br>COMMUNITY<br>HEB. 10:24-25, 1 COR. 12:12, ACTS 2:42    | <b>DAY 25:</b><br>GOD'S FAITHFULNESS<br>LAM. 3:22-23, 2 TIM. 2:13, DEUT. 7:9 | <b>DAY 26:</b><br>MEMORIES<br>PSALM 77:11-12, DEUT. 8:2, 1 CHRON. 16:12      | <b>DAY 27:</b><br>PURPOSE<br>JER. 29:11, EPH. 2:10, ROM. 8:28                | <b>DAY 28:</b><br>LESSONS LEARNED<br>JAMES 1:5, PROV. 3:5-6, 5:3-5             | <b>DAY 29:</b><br>LOVE<br>1 JOHN 4:19, ROM. 5:8, 1 COR. 13:13                            | <b>DAY 30:</b><br>HEART TRANSFORMED BY GRATITUDE<br>PSALM 107:1, 1 THESS. 5:18, PSALM |

# LINKED KIDS HIGHLIGHTS



## TESTIMONIES

"Getting baptized was a special moment for me. I was able to learn more about Jesus. I also love being able to make videos for God at church. Singing at church is also helping me overcome my fears too."

- IRIS LILY

"God answered my prayers. I'm grateful for clothes, shelter, and family. I'm growing at church."

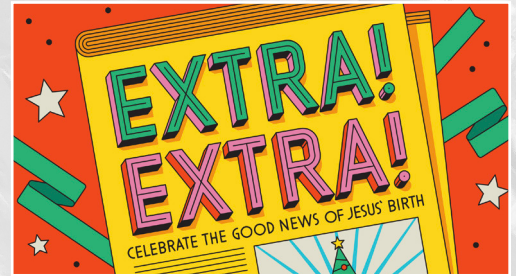
- SAMARA LILY



## NOVEMBER SERIES

Trying to do something on your own is difficult. When we look at God's Big Story, we can see that no matter the situation, when we follow God, we can have confidence that He is with us.

**Monthly Kickoff:** Pixel Party - Kids will start the month with small building stations to enforce the theme.



## DECEMBER SERIES

The most exciting thing about Christmas is that we celebrate the birth of Jesus! Jesus' birth is part of God's plan to restore what was broken.

**Monthly Kickoff:** Spread the Word Challenge - Kids will start the month with an indoor scavenger hunt that emphasizes the birth of Jesus, as well as a challenge to tell a friend.

## JANUARY SERIES

Practicing something every day helps you learn how to do it better. When we follow Jesus and actually live out the things we hear and learn, the Holy Spirit helps our faith grow.

**Monthly Kickoff:** Planting Party - Kids will jump start the month planting their own seeds of faith. They will be challenged to care for a growth seed.

# LINKED TEENS HIGHLIGHTS



## TESTIMONY

Before I began attending teen church, I didn't read my Bible frequently. Although I believed in God, I neglected to make time for Him. However, since joining teen church, I've improved my Bible study and made it a daily habit. Additionally, teen church has been instrumental in helping me manage my emotions. Prior to attending church, I tended to react impulsively or suppress my feelings. Now, I've learned to slow down, pray, and think before speaking. While I may not be perfect, I've made significant progress, and am grateful for the valuable lessons I'm acquiring.

- ANTWONE CRAWFORD



## TEENS SERIES

For the remainder of the year, our teens are learning how to navigate and build healthy, God-centered relationships in their everyday lives. This is a series that will not only build them for their current season, but for their future. Don't let them miss out!



## LINKED TEENS IS GROWING!

Starting in January, our teens will have a service of their own! Everything from teen led worship, welcome, Link News, and a message catered just for them. Services will be held at Dance LYFE next door to our main location, and will take place on 1st and 3rd Sundays at 9am and 11am. God is doing amazing things in the next generation, and we are ready to cultivate their growth!

# DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY

**FRIDAY, DEC. 5  
7:00PM**

Celebrate the season with us at our Volunteer Christmas Party! Enjoy food, games, a live DJ, and plenty of festive fun as we honor all who serve. Register at [visittlc.com/holiday](http://visittlc.com/holiday).



## JINGLE JAM

**SATURDAY, DEC. 13  
5:00PM**

Hey youth! Get ready to celebrate the season with fun, music, games, and a joyful night of Christmas fun.



## A FAMILY TRADITION: CHRISTMAS CANDLE LIGHT SUNDAY

**SUNDAY, DEC. 21  
9AM & 11AM**

Celebrate Christmas at The Link Church with candlelight worship, a special teen and kids experience, a festive photo opp, hot chocolate, and joyful moments for the whole family! Let us know you're coming at [visittlc.com/holiday](http://visittlc.com/holiday).



## NEW YEAR'S EVE

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31  
10:00PM**

Ring in 2026 at The Link Church! Experience powerful worship, fresh vision, and a celebration of all God has in store for the new year!

# CHRISTMAS ADVENT READING PLAN

| MONDAY                                                                                             | TUESDAY                                                                                              | WEDNESDAY                                                                                           | THURSDAY                                                                                      | FRIDAY                                                                                      | SATURDAY                                                                                                | SUNDAY                                                                                           |
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| <b>DAY 1:</b> 1<br>THE PROMISE OF HOPE<br>GENESIS 3:14-15,<br>ROMANS 5:12-17,<br>REVELATION 12:1-5 | <b>DAY 2:</b> 2<br>THE PROMISE OF HOPE<br>GENESIS 22:15-18,<br>GALATIANS 3:6-9, 16,<br>MATTHEW 1:1-2 | <b>DAY 3:</b> 3<br>THE PROMISE OF HOPE<br>ISAIAH 9:2-7,<br>JOHN 1:1-5,<br>JOHN 8:12                 | <b>DAY 4:</b> 4<br>THE PROMISE OF HOPE<br>ISAIAH 11:1-10,<br>ROMANS 15:8-13,<br>MATTHEW 1:6-7 | <b>DAY 5:</b> 5<br>THE PROMISE OF HOPE<br>ISAIAH 7:10-14,<br>MATTHEW 1:18-25,<br>JOHN 1:14  | <b>DAY 6:</b> 6<br>THE PROMISE OF HOPE<br>MICAH 5:2-5,<br>LUKE 2:1-7,<br>JOHN 7:40-42                   | <b>DAY 7:</b> 7<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>ISAIAH 9:6-7,<br>LUKE 2:8-14,<br>EPHESIANS 2:14-18    |
| <b>DAY 8:</b> 8<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>LUKE 2:13-14,<br>JOHN 14:27,<br>PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7       | <b>DAY 9:</b> 9<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>2 CORINTHIANS<br>5:17-21, COLOSSIANS<br>1:19-22, ROMANS   | <b>DAY 10:</b> 10<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>ISAIAH 11:6-9,<br>REVELATION 21:1-4,<br>ROMANS 8:19-23 | <b>DAY 11:</b> 11<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>MARK 4:35-41,<br>PSALM 46:1-11,<br>ISAIAH 26:3-4 | <b>DAY 12:</b> 12<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>MATTHEW 5:9,<br>ROMANS 12:18,<br>JAMES 3:17-18 | <b>DAY 13:</b> 13<br>THE PROMISE OF PEACE<br>JOHN 20:19-23,<br>NUMBERS 6:24-26,<br>2 THESSALONIANS 3:16 | <b>DAY 14:</b> 14<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>ISAIAH 35:1-10,<br>LUKE 1:39-45,<br>PHILIPPIANS 4:4-5 |
| <b>DAY 15:</b> 15<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>LUKE 2:8-11,<br>ROMANS 10:14-15,<br>ISAIAH 52:7-10      | <b>DAY 16:</b> 16<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>LUKE 1:46-55,<br>PSALM 98:1-9,<br>HABAKKUK 3:17-19        | <b>DAY 17:</b> 17<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>LUKE 2:15-20,<br>PSALM 23:1-6,<br>1 PETER 5:1-4          | <b>DAY 18:</b> 18<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>MATTHEW 2:1-12,<br>PSALM 67:1-7,<br>ISAIAH 60:1-6  | <b>DAY 19:</b> 19<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>JOHN 15:9-11,<br>JOHN 16:20-24,<br>JOHN 17:13    | <b>DAY 20:</b> 20<br>THE PROMISE OF JOY<br>1 PETER 1:3-9,<br>NEHEMIAH 8:10,<br>PSALM 16:11              | <b>DAY 21:</b> 21<br>THE PROMISE OF LOVE<br>JOHN 3:16-17,<br>ROMANS 5:6-8,<br>1 JOHN 4:9-10      |
| <b>DAY 22:</b> 22<br>THE PROMISE OF LOVE<br>1 JOHN 4:7-12,<br>TITUS 3:4-7,<br>EPHESIANS 3:17-19    | <b>DAY 23:</b> 23<br>THE PROMISE OF LOVE<br>LUKE 1:26-38,<br>MATTHEW 1:18-25,<br>ISAIAH 9:6-7        | <b>DAY 24:</b> 24<br>THE PROMISE OF LOVE<br>LUKE 2:1-7,<br>2 CORINTHIANS 8:9,<br>PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11 | <b>DAY 25:</b> 25<br>THE PROMISE OF LOVE<br>LUKE 2:8-20,<br>JOHN 1:14-18,<br>ISAIAH 9:6-7     | 26                                                                                          | 27                                                                                                      | 28                                                                                               |
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# FOR THE COMMUNITY

## YEAR END GIVING



NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 21



Your giving empowers God's mission at The Link Church. Help us finish the year strong by making a year-end gift to help position us, as a local church, to thrive in 2026! Last year we had the opportunity to bless Bear Creek Community Church, DeSoto Nursing and Rehab Center, Hoops for Purpose, and Chocolate Mint Foundation! Your generosity has positioned TLC to help families with housing, food, clothing, gas and much more. Everything you give, above your tithes, during "For the Community" will go toward serving more people in our community. **Scan the QR code to give today or check out [visittlc.com/community](https://visittlc.com/community) and use the keyword "for the community."**



# JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS



## FIRST FRUITS

**JANUARY 1 - 31**

Join us for a month of spiritual growth and renewal.

Each day, commit to 15 minutes of Bible reading and 15 minutes of prayer as we draw closer to God together. Every Wednesday, we'll fast from 7AM–5PM and gather for corporate prayer at 5PM. Throughout the month, choose one thing you love to sacrifice as a personal act of consecration and discipline. Let's give God our first and best, setting the tone for a year fully surrendered to Him.



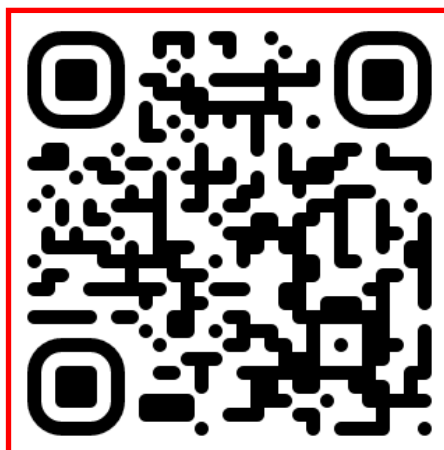
## CHOOSE WELL WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE

**JANUARY 1 -31**

Get ready for the Choose Well Weight Loss Challenge!

Join your ministry in this friendly competition to live healthier and honor God with your body. Each ministry will track their progress, and at the end, we'll celebrate the ministry that averages the most weight lost. It's fun, motivating, and a great way to support one another on your wellness journey!

**For more details on First Fruits and Choose Well, scan the QR code or go to [visittlc.com/firstfruits](http://visittlc.com/firstfruits).**



# RECURRING EVENTS

## BIBLE STUDY

Adults, Teens and Kids  
Every 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Wednesday  
7PM | In Person

## VIBE & VISION

Young Adults Chat (Ages 18-25)  
1st Sundays In Person after 11am Service  
3rd Sundays Via Zoom at 6pm  
More details at [visittlc.com/vibe](http://visittlc.com/vibe)

## TEENS SERVICE

6th – 12th Grade  
1st & 3rd Sundays  
9am & 11am | In Person

## DESOTO NURSING & REHAB SENIOR ACTIVITIES

2nd Saturdays | 1PM - 3PM  
2nd & 4th Thursdays | 11AM - 12PM

## MANCAVE

2nd Saturdays  
8AM | In Person

## THE LADIES' ROOM

2nd Fridays  
7pm | In Person

## MARRIED LIFE & LIVING SINGLE

Paused for November + December. Resuming in January.  
Married/Engaged Couples | Singles  
4th Wednesdays  
7PM | In Person

## FAMILY GAME NIGHT

5th Wednesdays  
7PM | In Person

## NEW MEMBER'S BRUNCH WITH PASTOR

Sunday, December 28th  
1pm | In Person

## THE VAULT



The Vault is your one-stop hub for all things shareable! Download event graphics, flyers, and digital invites to spread the word and invite your friends and family to what's happening at The Link Church. Scan the QR code or check out [visittlc.com/thevault](http://visittlc.com/thevault).

## DISCOVER GROWTH TRACK



Discover Classes are the perfect opportunity to deepen your faith and unlock your God-given potential. We're offering 3 classes to help you learn about the church, uncover your spiritual gifts, and grow in your walk with God. And the best part of our Discover Classes is a free spiritual gifts assessment for all who attend. Register at [visittlc.com/growth](http://visittlc.com/growth).

Discover 101 - 1st Sundays  
Discover 201 - 2nd Sundays  
Discover 301 - 3rd Sundays