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Connect Directory



The Power of a **Connected** Life



New Covenant
Christian Community Church

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The Power of a Connected Life

At NC4, we believe in the Power of a Connected Life! This is not just a tag line for us. This is central to who we are as a church. But what does it really mean?

When we are connected to God, we find our purpose. We find our strength. We find a way to stand firm no matter what life throws our way. And, by knowing God and hearing His voice, we come to see ourselves the way He sees us: treasured children.

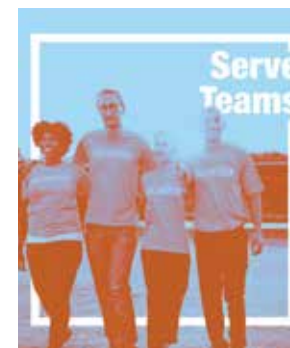
When we are connected to each other, we discover that we are not alone. We discover that life is better when we have people to walk the journey with us. When we are weak, we have someone to lean on. We also discover that our lives were meant to be poured out into others' lives. We have something to give. We matter.

When we are connected to our community, we realize that we are part of a bigger picture. We realize that there are needs among us that are greater than our own. We realize that we need each other. And God has a purpose in asking and expecting us to interact with our communities up close. We realize we are more similar than we are different.

There is power in knowing that you are treasured and have a purpose. There is power in knowing you are not alone and have something to give to those around you. There is power in knowing that your communities need you...and you need your communities.

Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, we want to help you live out the abundant life Jesus promises through strong connections. This Connect Directory is a tool to help you find a way to connect to God, each other, and our shared communities. It is our hope that, as you plug in, you will come to personally know The Power of a Connected Life!

Number 10:29 "...come with us and we will do you good..."



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Connect Groups



If you are looking to make friends and grow your faith, groups are a wonderful place to do just that. They meet in a variety of locations across the Valley. Find one close to home or close to work—the choice is yours!

BETHLEHEM

20's & 30's Bible Study Group

Tuesday Evenings

6:30–8:30PM

This group meets on Tuesday evenings for Fellowship, Bible Study and Prayer. Currently studying the Gospel of John. For high schoolers to 30ish. Childcare not provided, but please inquire.

Leaders: Jeff Frei and Lauren Miller

Contact: Jeffrey Frei

484-550-9688, jeffrey.frei@ieee.org

Bible Study Hall Group

Saturday Mornings / 8:30–11:30AM

This group meets most Saturday mornings on the upper level of Wegmans on Rt 512/Center St. Drop in whenever you are able between the meeting time for personal Bible study with other Christians around to help if you get stuck, or share in your excitement as you discover more about God. Get on the email list to know when it's happening. Childcare is only what Wegman's provides.

Leader: Jeff Frei

484-550-9688, jeffrey.frei@ieee.org

Prayer and Listening Group

Wednesday Mornings

Come together for intentional focused prayer for NC4: the church, it's leadership, and it's influence in the Valley.

Leader: Felicita Rodriguez

484-934-4168

nestarrodriguez@yahoo.com

Men of Promise Group

2nd & 4th Tuesday Mornings / 9:00AM

This men's fellowship breakfast group meets at the Borderline Restaurant in Bethlehem. Register by texting Larry. Leaders: Larry Pickar and Sig Novak

Contact: Larry Pickar

610-223-8994

egyptuccpastor@aol.com

Ribau's Fellowship

Every Other Friday Evening / 6:00PM

This (kid friendly) group kicks off with a friendship meal and welcome discussion. There will be a Facebook page for sharing group news. All members will be invited to participate as our goal is to create strong connections and welcome the community into the New Covenant vision of a connected life.

Leader: Pauline Ribau

610-570-2055, plribau19@gmail.com

Biblical Chit Chat Group

Every other Tuesday Evening

6:45–8:30PM

Life is tough and this world seems to have so much to say about it. This group will see what the Bible has to say by diving deeper into specific topics and cultural issues through the lens of different scriptures. Guest speakers will also stop by to give the group their take.

Leaders: Sarah and Brad Reese

Contact: Sarah Reese

610-739-1438, shoffm21@gmail.com

Women's Bible Study Group
2nd and 4th Wednesday Evenings
6:30–8:30PM

A women's study group studying the "Believing God" DVD series by Beth Moore.

Leaders: Nancy Schnader and Diane Hoffman
Contact: Nancy Schnader
610-759-9496, nance714@ptd.net

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Group
2nd and 4th Tuesday Mornings
9:30–11:30AM

Nobody should be doing motherhood alone! So join other moms across the community, from all churches, as we support each other in this beautiful calling. For moms with children, babies through kindergartners.

Childcare provided.

Leaders: Ali Stevens
610-905-1285, mops@nc4.org

Bright Hope (Care Net) Group
3rd Thursday Evenings
7:00PM

Our purpose is to keep church aware of Bright Hope ministry needs, to participate in fund raisers i.e. Gala, 5K Walk/Run, Baby Bottles, and quarterly collect items to replenish supplies needed at Bright Hope centers.

Leader: Lois Licsko
610-438-3306, terlincha@rcn.com

Monday Night Book Study Group
Monday Evenings / 6:30PM

This group starts their evening sharing dinner together. Group members share responsibility in bringing dinner. They are studying and discussing "Making Good Habits, Breaking Bad Habits" by Joyce Meyer.

Leader: Chris Moyer & Peter James
610-984-3325
hurricane5992@yahoo.com

Let's Talk About...Young Adult Group
2nd and 4th Friday Evenings
6:30–8:30PM

For those 18–30, this group will give you the safe platform to discuss your thoughts, ideas, feelings and potential solutions to hot topics. Biblically based discussions, building relationships, with a time of worship and prayer. Childcare available upon request.

Leaders: Micah Young
484-767-5870
father3kids.my@gmail.com

Kids Club Group
Wednesday Evenings / 6:30–8:30PM

Kids in Kindergarden–5th grade are invited to gather each week for fun, friends, games, and faith.

Leader: Tyler Baldes
719-235-0954
tylerbaldes90@yahoo.com

Moravian House II Bible Study Group
Monday Evenings

Bible Study, Fellowship, Prayer meeting in Moravian House.

Leader: Felicita Rodriguez
484-934-4168
nestarrodriguez@yahoo.com

Prayer and Listening Group
Wednesday Mornings

Come together for intentional focused prayer for NC4: the church, it's leadership, and it's influence in the Valley.

Leader: Felicita Rodriguez
484-934-4168
nestarrodriguez@yahoo.com

Men's Self-Defense Group
Tuesday Evenings
7:00–9:00PM

Men, 16 and up, learn self-defense based on martial arts practices. Bond as men, and deepen your walk with Jesus. Bible study will examine what it means to be a true disciple of Jesus. Some Saturday practice may be added. Registration is required. Class size is limited to 20 men.

Leader: Brett Young
484-767-3878
bretteyoungleo@rcn.com

Christian Writers' Group
Every other Thursday Evening
7:00 PM

Whether you currently write or have nursed the desire to write for years, our group will encourage you to write. Brief teachings on writing, editing, how to get published and other relevant topics are discussed. We will support each other's projects by sharing limited pages of draft works in progress.

Leader: Jessie Ann
610-248-2833, ja.moser@rcn.com

Youth Group
Wednesday Evenings / 6:30–8:30PM

Students in 6th–12th grade are invited to gather each week for fun, friends, games, and faith.

Leader: Bobby Nisbet
610-861-7725, imtheniz@gmail.com

WHITEHALL
Whitehall Study Group
2nd & 4th Tuesday Evenings
7:00–9:00PM

This group will do a video study of John Ortberg's book "Soul Keeping". Ortberg shows us that caring for your soul is necessary for your Christian life and how to assess your soul's health.

Leader: Larry Pickar
610-223-8994,
egyptuccpastor@aol.com

EASTON/NAZARETH

Women's Bible Study Group Saturday mornings, once a month

This Easton-based group will be meeting once a month in Nazareth during March-April. In May, the group will return to meeting in Easton at the regular schedule of 1st & 3rd Tuesday evenings.

Leader: Lorraine Roberts
610-438-3153, lorraine.roberts@rcn.com

EASTON

McGarrity's 1st Century Fellowship Group 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evenings 7:00–9:00PM

Discussion questions are prepared for all to share understandings of the Scripture. Each evening includes a time for fellowship and refreshment, and an opportunity to share insights from preparation for the evening.

Leaders: John and Florence McGarrity
Contact: John McGarrity
610-258-2153, johnmcg36@icloud.com

HELLERTOWN

Pathfinders Young Adult Group Every other Sunday Evening

Seminar style monthly meeting preceded by dinner. Topics have ranged widely from finances, home buying, healthy relationships.

Leader: Theresa Vinson
702-413-3811
theresa.vinson@yahoo.com

ALLENTOWN

Monthly Ladies' Group Every 3rd Saturday

This monthly women's gathering at Rita's art study usually focuses on a painting project. Ladies from both campuses are invited to attend. Times may vary depending on our chosen activities.

Leader: Rita Richetti
908-892-0470, rrichetti4@gmail.com

MACUNGIE

Intercessory Prayer Group 2nd & 4th Monday Evenings 7:00PM

The prayer will be organic and specifically for the Macungie campus and God's move over NC4 Church.

Leaders: Barry & Sandra Falkenstine
Contact: Barry Falkenstine
719-722-8100
higherlifeflow@gmail.com

COFFEE & CONVO

Coffee Convo

NC4 Women's ministry is starting a new initiative that will focus on connection through one of our favorite ways to relax: with a warm drink in our hand and surrounded by good conversation. For the full list of groups, visit: www.nc4.org/coffee-and-convo

Janet's Monday Group 9:30AM–11:30AM

This group will meet on the second Monday morning of the month at Janet Callahan's home starting 4/8.
Host: Janet Callahan, jcaljan@rcn.com

Judy's Tuesday Group 9:30AM–11:30AM

This group will meet on the second Tuesday morning of the month at Judy Holmberg's home starting 4/16.
Host: Judy Holmberg
mrshomekey@aol.com

Sarah's Thursday Group 7:00PM–8:30PM

This group will meet on two Thursday evenings a month at the Whole Foods in Allentown starting 4/18.
Host: Sarah Reese
shoffm21@gmail.com

Jennifer's Friday Group 10:00AM–11:30AM

This group will meet one Friday morning a month at Millie Moyzan's home starting 4/26.
Host: Jennifer Franke
jenniferfranke1120@gmail.com

Janet's Friday Group 6:30PM–8:30PM

This group will meet on the last Friday evening of the month at Janet Callahan's home in Bethlehem starting 4/26.
Host: Janet Callahan, jcaljan@rcn.com

Laura's Saturday Group 10:30AM–12:00PM

This group will meet on the last Saturday morning of the month at the Starbucks on Schoenersville Road in Bethlehem starting 4/27.
Host: Laura Mounts
laura.mounts@gmail.com

Coordinator: Bob Rentler

bob.rentler@nc4.org

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Serve Teams



If you would like to meet new people and connect to the NC4 body as you serve, consider joining a team. Volunteer opportunities and responsibilities vary by team. Feel free to contact the team leader with any questions you may have.

BETHLEHEM CAMPUS

***NEW* Prison Ministry**

- Wednesday evenings / 7:00–9:00PM
- 1–4 times a month

This team hosts a Bible study at Northampton County Prison with male and female inmates. Their goal is to reach the lost and least of the community and bring the message of the hope and life that is in Jesus Christ.

Brett Young: 484-767-3878

bretteyoungleo@rcn.com

Growth Class Teaching Team

- One class commitment
- Date & time varies; avg 2-3 hrs/wk
- Minimum 6 weekly dates in a row

Do you have a passion to see others grow in their faith? Do you have a teaching gift? This team teaches different adult classes Sept–May to help others strengthen their walk with Jesus.

Cara Saliby: 610-509-5459

cara.saliby@nc4.org

Worship Team

- One calendar year commitment
- Sunday mornings
- One day a month

Creating an environment for the congregation to encounter God through worship. Worship team practice is the Thursday evening before the Sunday you are scheduled to serve.

Tom Horn: 610-653-4887

tom.horn@nc4.org

Communion Set-up & Clean-up Team

- One calendar year commitment
- 2nd Sunday of each month
- 9:00AM for set up and 15 minutes for clean up after service

Prepare tables for Communion and clean up.

Sharon Gilbert: 610-861-7725 x18

s.gilbert@nc4.org

NC4 Childcare Coordinator

- One calendar year commitment
- Estimated weekly time commitment 1–3 hours a week. *Additional time would be needed when training new childcare workers

Oversee CSAP certified paid childcare workers for events and MOPS and report to NC4 Kids Director. Recruit paid childcare workers and schedule workers for different events. Act as main point of contact for childcare workers. Refer childcare workers to CSAP coordinator to get training and report to proper people when childcare worker completes training.

Millie Moyzan: 610-419-0814

Millie.Moyzan@nc4.org

NC4 Kids Teaching Team

- One calendar year commitment
 - Sundays, 10:45AM–11:30AM
 - One month of Sundays a quarter
- Prep lessons, crafts & games to engage NC4 kids as they learn about the Bible. Teachers serve for one month of Sundays at a time, with the following two months off. Must be attending NC4 for at least 6 months, clear background checks, and go through CSAP training, provided by NC4.
Pauline Ribau: 610-570-2055
plribau19@gmail.com

At the Cross Prayer Team

- One calendar year commitment
 - Sundays, immediately after service
 - One day a month
- Team members pray for others needs after Sunday morning services. Prayer team members must be NC4 members to serve.
Glenn and Dottie Miller: 610-248-9501
gdmiller@ptd.net

Audio/Visual Team

- One calendar year commitment
 - Sunday mornings
 - One day a month
- This team operates the audio and visual equipment to allow the congregation to worship on a Sunday morning. Training will be provided.
Bill Holmes: 717-587-6196
bill.holmes@nc4.org

Building Team

- One calendar year commitment
 - Sundays, 7:45AM–9:00AM & 12:00PM–12:30PM
 - One day a month
- Team Opens and closes the building after Sunday services. Some prep to get building ready for morning services. Set up and tear down for special services as needed.
Elmer and Linda Brown:
lbrownmk@rcn.com
(E) 610-730-2510 (L) 610-730-2510

Coffee Prep Team

- One calendar year commitment
 - Sundays, 5–10 min before service or at break time
 - One day a month
- Set up Keurig K-Cup coffee maker and supplies for after service hosting. Training will be provided.
Lorraine Roberts: 610-438-3153
lorraine.roberts@rcn.com

Coffee Clean-up Team

- One calendar year commitment
 - Sundays after service
 - One day a month
- Once guests have finished with coffee center, we clean up and put everything away. We will train anyone interested.
Lorraine Roberts: 610-438-3153
lorraine.roberts@rcn.com

Kitchen Team

- Serving days and commitment varies, usually evenings
- The kitchen team prepares and serves at all events where refreshments and meals are requested by church leadership.
Diane Wakeman: 610-737-4141
didiwakeman@gmail.com

Design Team

- Serving days & commitment varies based on projects & time of year
- A team of creatives setting the scene throughout the church.
Jane Holmes: 717-587-6197
janeholmes175@gmail.com

Worship Movement Team

- Monday evenings / 7:00–8:00PM
 - One-time commitment
 - Project by project basis
- At NC4, we encourage expression in worship! Have you ever wanted to dance and help lead the congregation in worship through movement? We work on a project-by-project basis. Experience is helpful but not required.
Bethany Vitaro: 610-573-0583
vitaro@juno.com

Manna Ministry Team

- One-time commitment
 - Serving days vary based on need
- This team prepares meals for NC4 members and attendees who are hospitalized, sick, recently had a baby, etc. When a need arises, a meal request is sent to the team. Volunteers can pick the day and meal they wish to prepare.
Janna Westgate: 610-861-7725
janna.westgate@nc4.org

After-Service Host Team

- One year commitment
 - Sundays, immediately after service
 - 1–2 days a quarter
- This team meets new guests after the Sunday service, talks with them, answers questions about NC4, and seeks to make the guests feel welcome.
Mike Bachman: 610-739-3398
bachmanrm@gmail.com

Homeless Ministry Team

- One year commitment
 - Sunday evenings, December through March
 - One day a month
- Volunteers provide a hot meal for Bethlehem's homeless and spend time getting to know some members of our community often overlooked.
Pat Cuskey: 610-867-5634
pat.cuskey@nc4.org

Greeting Team

- One year commitment
- Sunday mornings
- 1–2 days a quarter

This team greets people in the lobby as they join us on a Sunday morning. Welcome and directing new guests is a key role.

Mike Bachman: 610-739-3398
bachmanrm@gmail.com

Kids Club Team

- One year commitment
- Wednesday evenings
- Month on/month off

This team runs Kids Club for kids in 5th grade and below, as part of NC4 Family Nite.

Tyler Baldes: 719-235-0954
tylerbaldes90@yahoo.com

NC4 Youth Staff Team

- One year commitment
- Wednesday evenings

This team runs Youth Group for middle school and high school students, as part of NC4 Family Nite.

Bobby Nisbet: 610-428-5916
bobby.nisbet@nc4.org

Usher Team

- One calendar year commitment
- Sunday mornings
- One day a month

Ushers are instrumental in providing security, guiding guests to different locations on the campus, and being a general support to the congregation on a Sunday morning.

Alex Wimmer: 484-793-5116
alexander.wimmer@talenergy.com

MACUNGIE CAMPUS

Growth Class Teaching Team

- One class commitment
- Date & time varies; avg 2-3 hrs/wk
- Minimum 6 weekly dates in a row

Do you have a passion to see others grow in their faith? Do you have a teaching gift? This team teaches different adult classes Sept–May to help others strengthen their walk with Jesus.

Cara Saliby: 610-509-5459
cara.saliby@nc4.org

Community Outreach Team

- One calendar year commitment
- Serving time/day varies

The team focuses on finding ways to impact the community around the Macungie campus location and generating awareness about NC4.

John & Jessie Ann Moser:
610-248-9993, j.moser@rcn.com

Worship Team

- One calendar year commitment
- Sunday mornings
- One day a month

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Tim Madeira: 484-788-4655
tkmadeira@gmail.com

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- Sunday mornings
- One month of Sundays a quarter

Prep lessons, crafts & games to engage NC4 kids as they learn about the Bible. Teachers serve for one month of Sundays at a time, with the following two months off. Must be attending NC4 for at least 6 months, clear background checks, and go through CSAP training, provided by NC4.

Erin Reynolds: 484-225-2113
shahene20@gmail.com

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Bill Holmes: 717-587-6196
bill.holmes@nc4.org

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Alex Wimmer: 484-793-5116
alexander.wimmer@talenergy.com

Hospitality Team

- One calendar year commitment
- Sunday mornings
- One month of Sundays per quarter

Members of this team set up & tear down after-service coffee each week. Plus, once a month, a team member is responsible for purchasing the items for communion, setting them up before service, and cleaning up after.

Lisa Helms: 570-952-5056
lhelms@ptd.net

Spiritual & Body Life Team

- One year commitment
- Serving time/day varies

This team focuses on improving the body life at the Macungie Campus, helping people connect, and making guests feel welcome.

Kerry & Mary Ellen Erickson:
610-451-3946
kerickson5033@gmail.com

Coordinator: Cara Saliby
cara.saliby@nc4.org
www.nc4.org/growth-classes

Growth Classes

If you want to be intentional about your spiritual growth, these classes are for you. They provide structured growth in an academic setting.

GROWTH CLASSES

Current Growth Classes can be found below or, for up to date info, visit: nc4.org/growth-classes

SPRING

The Adult Class

Wednesdays 6:30PM–8:30PM

Follows Family Nite schedule

NC4 Bethlehem Campus

This class runs each week as part of Family Nite. We touch on a variety of topics—everything from theology, craft workshops, spiritual practices, parenting tactics, health, and more! Check out the weekly schedule to see what upcoming classes are booked.

You can find the topic schedule online: nc4.org/the-adult-class

SUMMER

Member 101

Time TBD

NC4 Bethlehem Campus

We are considering running a summer Member 101 Class. Are you interested? If so, contact Pastor Bob and let him know. We will likely run it on an accelerated pace to accommodate busy summer schedules. A time and meeting day will be chosen based on those who express interest in the class.

Bob Rentler: bob.rentler@nc4.org

Join the Teaching Team!

Do you have a passion to see others grow in their faith? Do you have a teaching gift? If so, consider joining the Growth Class Teaching Team. Classes are scheduled September–May on a variety of topics. If you are interested in using your gift in this way, we would love to hear from you! Contact Cara Saliby: cara.saliby@nc4.org

**Upcoming Fall Growth Classes include Alpha,
Member 101, and more!**

Coordinator: Sarah Reese
shoffm21@gmail.com

Connect Events

If you have a passion for planning or executing great events where people can connect with one another, then take a second look at the events team. You can volunteer at just one event, or be a regular part of the planning process.

CONNECT EVENTS

Connect Events are ways to allow for opportunities to connect and know people you may not normally interact with on a Sunday morning. The format will be a one time or series related event. These events are important as they will bring people together through common interests which allows for an immediate connection. They'll promote a deeper level of connection that can lead to friendship, potential connect groups, and care for each other. Potential connect events could include a Daddy/Daughter Dance, a William Penn Christmas Gift Wrapping Party, Visitor Nights (Info Centered "Grubbing with Grubby," Ask the Pastor), etc. Our hope is to achieve a place for people to gather, get to know each other, do something fun or constructive to further relationships.

Event Planning Team:

- **One year commitment**
- **Monthly planning meetings, as scheduled**
- **Day of participation for events you are a part of**

We are looking for people that are good communicators and gatherers, and have creative thinking and organizational skills.

Event Volunteer Team:

- **One event commitment**
- **Day of participation for the event you are a part of**

We are looking for people who are able to assist in set up and tear down, and who can communicate directly with the member of the Event Planning Team overseeing the event.

Are you in??

Contact: Sarah Reese
shoffm21@gmail.com

UPCOMING CONNECT EVENTS

Good Friday Service

- **Friday, April 19**
- **6:30PM–8:00PM**

We are looking for people that would be willing to set-up and/or tear down.

NC4 Church Picnic

- **Sunday, May 26**
- **12:30PM–4:30PM**

We are looking for people that would be willing to set-up, tear down, man games, hand out snacks, etc.



NC4'S
Family
NITE

Wednesdays
6:30PM–8:30PM
September thru May
NC4 Bethlehem

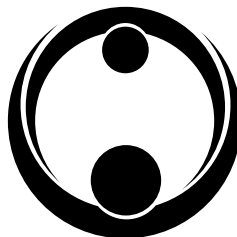
FREE ACTIVITIES
each week for kids, teens and adults!
For more info, visit: nc4.org/family-nite

*For a list of current **connect groups** or more details on groups, visit:
www.nc4.org/connect*

*For a list of current **servicing teams** or more details on teams, visit:
www.nc4.org/connect*

*For a list of current **growth classes** or more details on classes, visit:
www.nc4.org/growth-classes*

*To stay in the loop on upcoming **connect events**,
keep an eye on the website and your monthly bulletin!*



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