



Village News

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Use your smile to change the world; don't let the world change your smile. ~ Chinese Proverb

WE NEED NOMINATIONS!

Cassia Service Standards Recognition



Submit Nomination Forms For Team Members who demonstrate the Cassia Mission by fostering fullness of life for older adults in the spirit of Christ's love. Please return completed forms to Dan, Administrator

Compassion: We serve and love like Christ by seeking to understand, walking alongside and uplifting one another.

Integrity: We nurture trusting relationships and make honesty the foundation for all interactions.

Excellence: We distinguish ourselves by anticipating the needs and exceeding expectations.

Innovation: We create an environment where we are empowered to foster and celebrate new ideas.

Stewardship: We faithfully care for and utilize our resources.

Unity: We live the Mission, Vision and Values of Cassia.

Respect: We treat each person with dignity, consideration and care.

Collaboration: We value partnerships to cultivate and ensure a richer quality of life.

PIN PROGRAM RECIPIENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Olivia F
Anna C
Ali Y
Charlotte B

Cory M
Amber T
Denice W

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all the community organizations that joined us at Newton Village to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season. Your contributions - whether through playing and singing Christmas carols, crafting lap blankets, organizing Christmas games with prizes, sending cheerful holiday notes or setting up a caffeine and snack station for our staff - mean so much to us. A special thank you goes to Hy-Vee for sponsoring the Adopt a Resident program and to Santa & friends for your visit from the North Pole. We feel incredibly grateful. Wishing everyone a wonderful New Year!



UN-DECK THE HALLS
WILL BEGIN TAKING DOWN CHRISTMAS DÉCOR JANUARY 7TH, THE DAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

WHAT DO YOU CALL ONE DAY BELOW FREEZING AND THE NEXT DAY AT 70 DEGREES?
IT'S SNOWING TODAY, BUT WATER YOU DOING TOMORROW?

"Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things" Psalm 98:1

Village Leadership Team

Executive Director/Administrator: Dan Donohue
 Heath Center Director of Nursing: Jennifer Kingery
 Assisted Living RN Coordinator: Leanne Schwickerath, RN BSN
 Environmental Services Director: Nick Marois
 Business Office Manager: Traci Schakel
 Sales & Community Outreach Director: Miranda Caldwell
 Payroll/Benefits Coordinator: Reda Daniels
 Culinary Director: Norberto Horrach
 Chaplain: Pastor Cody Dyer
 Life Enrichment Coordinator: Michele Jansen
 Pro-Rehab Therapy Director: Laura Essen, COTA/L
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Christmas Trees, Christmas Parties, Cookies, Cards, Candy and Crafts



The New Year encourages you to reflect on the past year, let go of regrets, count your blessings and establish spiritual intentions for the future. It emphasizes themes such as God's new mercies (Lamentations 3:22-23), new life in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17), and embracing God's plans (Psalm 20:4) through prayer, meditation on scripture (Joshua 1:8). This journey aims to embrace transformation and a deeper relationship with God (Matthew 6:33).

GUIDE FOR REFLECTION & ACTION

Letting Go & Newness:

- Focus on God's work in doing something new (Isaiah 43:18-19).
- Forget what lies behind (Philippians 3:13-14).
- Trust in God's promises for hope and a future (Jeremiah 29:11).

Transformation:

- Meditate on being renewed in spirit (Romans 12:2).
- Walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4).
- Shine as lights in the world (Matthew 5:16).

Purpose & Calling:

- Reflect on the call to witness and live for God's glory (Psalm 71:18, Matthew 28:19-20, John 15:5, Acts 1:8, Titus 2:7).

Review & Release:

- Acknowledge past failures and hurts, surrender them on the cross through prayer, and choose to let them go (Psalm 51, Ephesians 4:31-32).
- Find joy and peace (James 1:2-4, Philippians 4:6-7).

Pray & Praise:

- Ask God to guide your steps, reveal His plans and empower you to pursue holiness and love. (Psalm 119:105, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Hebrews 12:14)

Memorize Scripture:

- Select verses (like Psalm 100:4, John 14:27, Philippians 4:13) to meditate on daily blessings and for strength and direction.

Embrace the Unknown:

- Trust that God's presence will support you through challenges, turning difficulties into opportunities for growth (Proverbs 3:5-6).

As you move forward with these reflections and intentions, remember that transformation is a journey, not a destination. It's about daily choices and small steps that align your heart with God's will. Celebrate the progress you make, however small, and trust that every effort is significant in your spiritual growth. Consider setting aside a quiet time each day where you can read, reflect, and pray. This routine will help ground you, providing a sense of peace and stability as you navigate the year ahead. Engage with a community of believers who can support and encourage you. Sharing your journey with others can offer fresh perspectives and deepen your understanding of God's love and purpose for your life. Lastly, remain open to the unexpected. God's plans often include surprising paths that lead to greater fulfillment than we could ever imagine. Embrace these moments with faith and courage, trusting that Jesus is with you every step of the way.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for the past year, filled with joys and challenges. As I enter this new year, I release my regrets and hurts to You while reflecting on my many blessings. Help me to forget what lies behind and strive towards the purpose You have for me. Fill me with Your presence, renew my mind, and empower me to live boldly for You, making a meaningful impact for Your glory. Amen.