

New Life Program

First Year Program: The first year (13 months) is for Character Recovery not clinical correction. The men and women on the program must give us one year of their lives and apply themselves to strict studies and hard work during the day. Each student is expected to read the Bible completely through in one year. And memorize scriptures that deal directly with different aspects of overcoming sin and temptation, and give hope for change in character, thinking, and action.

The studies of the first year program are circular in nature. No matter where they start they will finish in the same place next year. If we were to have an order of classes it would be as follows:

1. **Survival Kit** is a basic study for new Christians that describes how to have a quiet time, how to memorize scripture, as well as practical information on what happened at salvation, and what is now expected of us as new Christians. This study is Six weeks long and is split up into five studies a week.
2. **Self-Confrontation Manual:** This manual helps the student evaluate his life with Christ's Standards. This Manual covers 22 weeks of study. Each week of study is further sub divided into seven daily devotionals that last anywhere from thirty minutes to one hour of in-depth studies and includes weekly memory verses that reinforce the information learned that week
3. **Renovation of the Heart** challenges the very heart of the individuals thinking processes, with a goal of making the necessary changes in their value system, thinking patterns, and lifestyles. In so doing the student becomes a new person with a whole new life. This is a twelve week study.
4. **Addictions, Banquet in the Grave** retrains the addict to see the long term personal and corporate problems associated their addictions and provides both practical, scriptural, and moral steps needed to implement permanent change.
5. **Strategies of Satan**, by Warren Wiersbe, reinforce the information from Self-Confrontation by explaining how Satan tries to short-circuit their Spiritual lives. Warren is a master at giving practical information and following up with realistic application. This class lasts six weeks.

Restart (1st 30 day)

6. **Living Your Christian Values** picks up where Survival Kit left off and challenges the men to apply scripture to their life styles in a deeper way. This study is good for and additional 5 weeks for those who have to start a second time.

Three times during the year we focus on managing our Life Dominating Sins (A.K.A. anger management). They are included in each of the following subjects; **Renovation of the Heart, Addictions Banquet in the Grave, and Self Confrontation Manuel.**

The program also includes a work ethic program. The student has to complete at least 30 hours a week of work assignments as well as be available to help when needed. The student is required to be part of a church and go to church services at least once a week. Also, Monday through Friday he is required to attend chapel services twice a day.

We are not tolerant of smoking, drinking, or abusing drugs in any form. For that reason we conduct surprise drug, nicotine, and breathalyzer tests periodically, or when we have a reason to suspect one of the students of using any of the above. To be found guilty by the test will result in at least a restart on the program, or, for some, dismissal from the program.