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89 Days

If you started reading Matthew and Acts shortly after the Cell Rule of Optina was introduced in [Your NFC on May 19](#), you might be nearing the end of John and Revelation. I started on May 1 and finished 89 days later* on July 27 (*admitting some catch-up was required along the way). Crossing the finish line left me speechless (it happens)—reading John 21 in tandem with Revelation 21-22 after 89 days of "witnessing" Jesus' life (times 4) interwoven with the early church and the horrors and beauty of Revelation. I've never experienced Bible reading in such a meaningful way. It's impossible to overestimate the value of reading God's word every day.

Some of you long-timers remember when we read through the whole Bible chronologically with "Bible Readers Unanimous." That was a monumental commitment, especially adding the monthly gatherings to talk over what we'd read. Reading the New Testament in 89 days will seem like a breeze by comparison. See how I did that? You have until September 1 to choose your translation, then we can all start together. [Download and print the reading chart](#) (it's in the public domain) and mark your calendar. Try to imagine with me the powerful impact an entire church reading scripture together will have on us.



THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, August 12

Read ahead for tomorrow: John 15-16

Sunday, August 13

Gathered Prayer • 8-8:50am • Room 236

Christian Education • 9am • classroom locations, click [HERE](#)

Community Time / Library Open • 10am

Gathered Worship • 10:45am

NEXT WEEK

Monday, August 14

Intercessory prayer • 9am • Barclay C

Strong For Life • 10:30am • Barclay B

Wednesday, August 16

Strong For Life • 10:30am • Barclay B

Friday, August 18

Strong For Life • 10:30am • Barclay B

Sub-and-salad luncheon with Marilyn Harmon • 11:45am (scroll down to see invitation and information)

AFTER THAT

Sunday, August 20 • a picnic on the NFC lawn for young families (scroll down

for more information)

Thursday, September 7 • introduction to REAL: a place for women to study God's word (formerly Women's Bible Fellowship) • 8:45am • NFC social hall

AND AROUND THE TOWN

September 29–October 1 • NWYM Friends Women Retreat • guest speaker, Retha McCutchen • click [HERE](#) for info and registration

[Click HERE to see the calendar online.](#)

Upcoming Worship Gatherings

August 13 — Elizabeth Todd

August 20 — Jamie Johnson

August 27 — David Thomas and YCEW

September 3 — Mark Kelley

Picnic Lunch for Young Families • Sunday, August 20

Young families are invited to gather on the church lawn after worship for a barbecue picnic lunch. We'll provide hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, table service, and drinks. You are welcome to add to that, or just come join us. Some may want to bring lawn chairs or outdoor toys for the kids to enjoy.



**Lunch with
Marilyn Harmon
Friday, August 18
11:45am • NFC social hall**

Access the current Need Sheet
[HERE](#).



FINANCIAL REPORT

To see the full report for July
click [HERE](#)!

Women, please come to a
get-acquainted
come-as-you-are
sub-and-salad
luncheon

with **Marilyn Harmon**,
recently retired from many
years of teaching in China
(now living in Newberg)!
We'll make the subs; you
can bring a salad to share.
Conversation in big supply!
Bring one question for
Marilyn. If you can come,
please email [Sherry Macy](#).



Women's Bible Fellowship (now called **REAL: a place for women to study God's word**) is gearing up for its first season under its new name. We invite all

women to consider joining us at NFC on Thursday, September 7, 8:45-11am, and the Thursdays after that (following the public school calendar). We'll be studying *Esther* by Beth Moore for the fall. Register [HERE](#)! Ask to join the new Facebook group [HERE](#). And if you still have questions, contact [Lisa Nauman](#) / 503-538-9362.

ALSO—we are looking for people who love to hold babies, read books to toddlers, and spend time with the cutest of creation a few hours a week on Thursdays from 8:40 to 11:10. \$20 per week. Please contact [Lisa Nauman](#) / 503-538-9362 if you would like to help.



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Sunday Schedule:

Gathered Prayer—8-8:50am

Christian Education—9am

Community Time / Library—10am

Gathered Worship 10:45am

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