

GLOBAL MISSION CONNEXION VIRTUAL EVENT

Friday, January 15 and Saturday, January 16 you can join this virtual conference for free. But you have to register. go to www.missionconnexion.com to register.

NEW HARVEST FOOD BANK

This Saturday, January 16, New Harvest hosts a Food Bank, 9am-11am, serving our neighbors who need assistance. Thanks to your generous donations & serving hearts, we are able to show Christ's love to our community in this way twice a month.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Sunday, January 31st—6:30pm

We will meet in the Auditorium, plus provide a Zoom link so that those who want to participate are free to do so. We will be receiving a membership vote for the 2021 budget and a confirmation vote for each elder nominated.

ADVENT CONSPIRACY

Our church sent \$7,826 to the Santiam Canyon Wildfire Relief Fund to help with the cleanup and reconstruction that devastated so many people and their families. Thank you for your generosity.

TWO VERY GOOD CHOICES

Community Groups are a great way to get connected to others. Let me find a small Community Group for you. The Green Room class is a great chance to enhance your understanding of what God has in mind for you. For more information please email Steve at steve@newharvestch.org.

OUR STORYLINE

"You were created for connection: connection to Christ and to a community of His followers. But fear gets in the way, which can make you feel hopeless. And no one in a church should ever feel hopeless.

We understand. We've experienced the same fear and failures. But we've accepted Christ's invitation to live without fear and to open ourselves to deep, meaningful connections.

When you open up and overcome fear, you can go from hopeless to hopeful and start living a life overflowing with joy, grace and compassion."

Welcome
Guests
& Visitors

We are delighted you chose to attend our gathering today. Use our online Connection Card (newharvestch.org/connect) to share your prayer requests and to let us know that you joined us today.

HOW NARROW IS NARROW?

We return to the Gospel of Luke and pick up where we left off in November. Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem to die. His teaching has a real sense of urgency and importance.

Luke 13:18-35

* **The Door is Narrow (v.24)**

“Make every effort” = important

“I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved.”
(John 10:9)

The door is Jesus

✓ No other name (Acts 4:12) ✓ Believe & receive (John 1:12)

Salvation = “a shared life with Jesus Christ”

* **The Door is also Wide (v.29)**

Every people, tribe, language and nation

Parables = small gets big, little influences a lot,
narrow becomes wide.

Verse 34, “how often I have longed to gather . . .”

* **The Door is still Open (v,25)**

“Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door . . .”

- 1) A person can die
- 2) The promise of Christ’s return
- 3) Hardness of heart

Today is the day of salvation!

Reflective Questions:

- 1) In what ways do you think 2020 was positive; was negative?
- 2) What impresses you the most about the teaching of Jesus in Luke 13:18-35?
- 3) Why is the door wide for us as believers? How do you see people narrowing the door so even less want to enter? What is God saying to you through this message?

