

# NEW LIFE NEWS

“FOR WITH GOD NOTHING WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE.” LUKE 1:37

## THE HEART OF A DONOR

“The selling point for my wife and I was that it (New Life Ministries) is Christ-centered. That’s what it’s all about.”

This was Ben Ryan’s response when sharing his heart for supporting New Life Ministries. Ben, a financial advisor with New York Life, has been a top advocate for the work of New Life Ministries and has played a vital role in connecting New Life Ministries to additional partners.

Ben first discovered New Life Ministries when he was invited to our Annual Golf Outing by Judge Davin Smith, a former Fundraising Team Member for New Life Ministries. “When I was invited, I first wanted to look into it (New Life Ministries). I wanted to know what I was supporting,” Ben explained. “I did some research and was like, wow, this is definitely worth helping out.”

His attendance at the Annual Golf Outing was only the beginning. He later attended one of our Spring Banquet events, which soon became his favorite event. “The Spring Banquet is my favorite event to attend because the testimonies given are just powerful,” Ben shared. He continued saying, “The stories start off heartbreaking, but seeing how God and New Life Ministries save these individuals’ lives in our hometown hooked me. From this first banquet, I was in. I wanted to do whatever I could to help.”

While speaking with Ben, it was clear that he understands the value of the work of New Life Ministries, and, even more, he understands the importance of sharing Christ with all people and wants others to see the importance of this too. “I would tell someone locally that it is critical that our hometown is thriving and that people are hearing about Jesus. I would ask them to do what we are called to do, to help others in need,” Ben passionately explained. “And, if someone was from a surrounding area, I would simply ask them again to do what we are called to do and help lead people who are lost to the Lord.”

People like Ben are one of the reasons New Life Ministries can do what we do. Because of Ben’s support and advocacy, New Life Ministries continues to keep Christ at the center and serve those in need of food, shelter, and a purpose-filled life.



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