

How to Live a Life of Gratitude

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If we are not careful, we will complain our way through life.

“But tormented by thirst, they continued to argue with Moses. ‘Why did you bring us out of Egypt? Are you trying to kill us, our children, and our livestock with thirst?’” (Exodus 17:3, NLT).

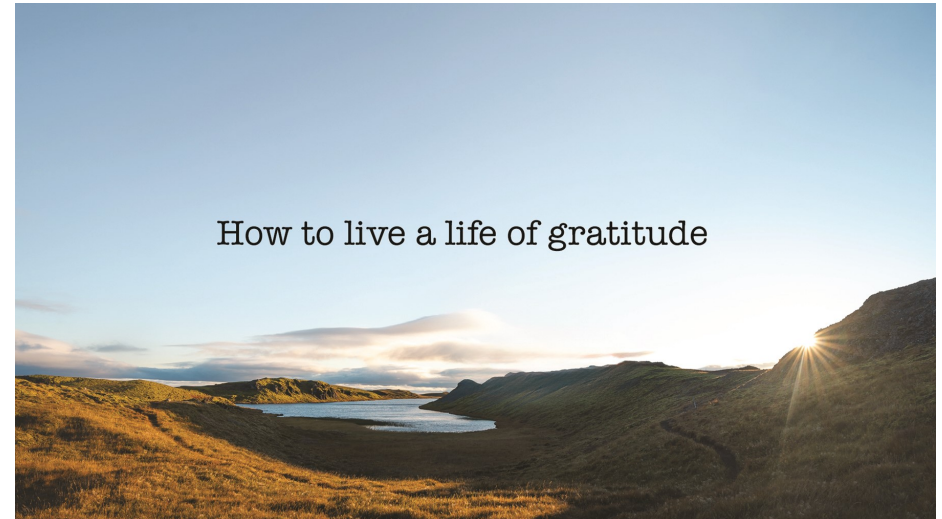
“As he entered a village there, ten lepers stood at a distance, crying out, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ He looked at them and said, ‘Go show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were cleansed of their leprosy. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, ‘Praise God!’ He fell to the ground at Jesus’ feet, thanking him for what he had done. This man was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, ‘Didn’t I heal ten men? Where are the other nine?’” (Luke 17:12-17, NLT).

“Unexpressed gratitude feels like ingratitude to the ones for whom you are grateful.” - Andy Stanley

“Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NLT).

Communicate gratitude at least once a day!

August 2, 2026



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Welcome to Living Creek!

It's a joy to have you worshiping with us.

Helping people follow Jesus

Living  Creek
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

TODAY

Join us for **Pre-Service Prayer, 15 minutes before each service**, in the Church Office Conference Room.

This month, we highlight **FAME** as our mission of the month with two opportunities to support them: 1) Financial gifts to their "Yes" Project fund and 2) Collection drive of Vitamins - Children's chewable & adult multivitamins (NO gummy vitamins, they melt) with an expiration date of one year or longer. Fame is sending help and hope in the name of Christ to the world's most vulnerable through medical evangelism. To learn more, visit livingcreek.org > Ministries > Our Missions > FAME Partners in Medical Evangelism.

We are purchasing 300 new chairs for the worship area of our new building. Would you like to help with a donation to the **Chair Fund** for "your" chair? A suggested donation is \$70 for each chair. Be sure to choose "Chair Fund" when giving online or write "Chair Fund" in the memo of your check or next to "Other" on your giving envelope.

Add your photo to CCB! To be included in our directory, email your photo to livingcreek@livingcreek.org.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES



Building Prep Volunteers are needed! Many hands make light work. Sign up to help with the move into our new building by scanning this QR code or signing up at the table by the window.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

August 16 - Kidz Creek Family Lunch at the Park

Meet up at the Park following the second service. RSVP by **Wednesday, August 12** to Ms. Becky at 630.207.2866 or email msbecky@livingcreek.org with the number attending and any food allergies.

YOUTH MINISTRY

SUMMER CALENDAR

August 19 - Board games & Ice Cream Bar - MS & HS

Bring your favorite board game & enjoy some ice cream from **6:30-8:30 PM**. Location is to be determined.

August 30 - Back to School Bash - MS & HS

Come hangout from **6-8:30 PM**. Location is to be determined.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

Our weekly budgeted need for the General Fund is \$9,576. The average weekly giving for July was \$10,173. The Welcome Home fund balance is \$409,564.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Smart Phone & Tablet Users can follow today's message and scriptures on the **Bible** app. Click on More > Events and Search for Living Creek to follow along.

Have you joined our online directory: **Church Community Builder (CCB)?** Visit livingcreek.ccbchurch.com to take a look!

The Lord's Supper

If you are a Christian, we invite you to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper (gluten-free communion is available). There are two stations in the back of the room. We use a two-cup system. The bottom cup contains the bread and the top cup contains the juice.

Giving



*We also invite you to continue in worship with your giving as a sign of support for our ministry. You may mail in or drop off your gifts at the Church Office. Online giving is available by scanning the QR code or via our website at livingcreek.org > Contribute or by texting **GIVE** to 833.245.8300.*

What's your Next Step?

Find it at livingcreek.org > Welcome > Your Next Step.



Communication Link

Do you have a **prayer request, praise or comment?** Are you ready to take your **next step?** Would you like more information about **baptism or membership?** We'd love to hear from you! Scan the QR code to connect with us.

Worship Service Experiences

- **Livestreaming** at 9:30 AM on YouTube
- **Online** at livingcreek.org
- **Children's Worship Service** at 11 AM (Birth - 5th grade) at The Wave, 4854 W Court ST, Monee
- **Worship Service** at 9:30 & 11 AM at The Well, 4840 W Court ST, Monee

Ministry Center/Office

4820 W Court ST, Monee, IL 60449

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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