

## Letter from the Manhattan Family HPHC Pastor: About Social Hall renters

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Dear Manhattan Family,

This Sunday the New Life Church of NYC will be renting the social hall for their Sunday Service at the same time as our service. They have a beautiful ministry led by a pastor couple, [Pastor Kevin and Melody Adams](#). Here are a few things I'd like us to review to make this work.

This will mean that we will enter directly through the Aqua Room and Green Room doors, not the main lobby door.

Another thing is that we want to respect the privacy of the New Life Church members and so we will not start conversations with them. Not saying we can't smile and be friendly, but their purpose is to attend their church, not ours. In the same way their members were told to respect our space as well.

We no longer require wearing masks as per NYC rules, but just know that their church does require wearing masks so please be respectful.

This is not a long term arrangement, but if things go well then it can be. If that becomes the case, then I would get to know the other pastors a bit better and see what God's plan might be for the both of our churches.

All that being said, I truly believe that this is an opportunity for us to put our best foot forward as the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community of Manhattan. Imagine how joyful God will be to see two churches coming together under one roof!

At the same time I'm pretty sure there will be kinks to work out in this new configuration :), so please share your honest feedback by sending a message to [manhattanfamilychurch@gmail.com](mailto:manhattanfamilychurch@gmail.com) or message me directly at [mstephens@unification.org](mailto:mstephens@unification.org). Or reach out to me in any way that works best for you. The bottom line is that I am committed to making our Sunday Service experience the best it can be for you and your guests.

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Pastor Kevin is the Senior Pastor of New Life Church. He was born and raised in Washington D.C. For 19 years, Pastor Kevin served under the leadership of Apostle Michael Freeman as an Associate Pastor at Spirit of Faith Christian Center and as President of the Spirit of Faith Bible Institute, where he currently serves on the Board of Directors.

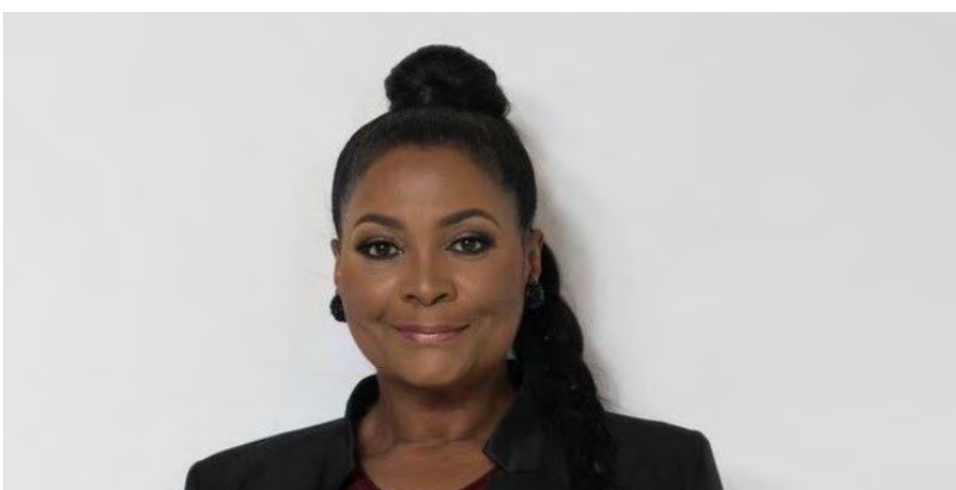
Obedient to God, in 2013, Pastor Kevin moved to New York City to teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In 2015, the Lord led Pastor Kevin to start Spirit of Faith Christian Center New York. During the first service, 108 people joined the ministry. In 2019, under the direction of the Lord, the ministry's name was changed to New Life Church.

Pastor Kevin has been married to his wife Melody for over 30 years, and they have two lovely daughters, Asia and Ashley, grandchildren Aiden Kevin, and Logan Grace and son-in-law Domminick. Pastor Kevin teaches that family is very important to God. God's heart is for families. We are a part of His family and it is families which create and promote strong churches, communities and a strong nation.

Pastor Kevin remains obedient to his God ordained assignment and his heart is to teach God's Word in simplicity, so that people may fulfill God's purpose and plan for their life. Also, recognizing the enemy's plot against men of God, each month Pastor Kevin leads "Man Cave" Mondays on Facebook. This is a time for men to be edified, encouraged and challenged to live the New Life which is in Christ Jesus. Jeremiah 29:11.



**Pastor Kevin Adams**





## Pastor Melody Adams

Pastor Melody Adams is the wife of Pastor Kevin Adams, Senior Pastor of New Life Church. She and her husband are the parents of two daughters and have two grandchildren. She served over 20 years in leadership in other ministries and worked 30 years for the Federal Government and held various high-level leadership positions.

In 2013, Pastor Melody left her position with the Federal Government to assist her husband in full time ministry in New York City. She carries out various administrative and ministry related duties to help fulfill the vision God has given Pastor Kevin for New Life Church.

Pastor Melody encourages all partners of New Life Church. Along with her husband, she ministers to married and engaged couples during quarterly "Marriage Matters" services and events promoting strong, healthy and Godly marriages. In addition, she has a heart for women with an assignment to promote love, unity and encouragement. She holds quarterly Women's Fellowships and in 2016 founded "Peace Maker" (Matthew 5:9), which was to create an environment for women to come together for sisterhood and fellowship impacting the community.

## God wants every believer to connect with a Pastor

Ephesians 4 teaches that Jesus died, went into hell and then was raised from the dead. Then He (Jesus) gave gifts unto men, one of which is a Pastor, not a church. The Pastor is one who will have God's heart and is called by God to feed the flock with knowledge and understanding of His Word (Jeremiah 3:15). When you become a Christian, you are already a part of the church, but you are to connect to a local body of believers that is led by a Pastor, one who will have God's heart, and HIS vision for a particular community and geographical area.

## The First Family

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