

**New G Fall 2011 Parents' Meeting**  
(for parents of visitors and new members)

**Welcome**

**Reflections from a former New G'er**

See Below

**Positive impacts on your child-**

Generations of kids keep coming back to the New G family!

A network of support at school- in spite of age differences... "Nothing like having a senior say 'hey' to you in the hall when you're a freshman!"

Complements your church's ministry, and sometimes can fill a void for young people

Opportunities to learn leadership and churchmanship in an authentic environment- committees, student-run group (elected leaders)

**Things to Know about New G:**

**What's the time commitment in New G?**

Weekly rehearsals; occasional committee meetings, social events, and fundraisers; Sunday am & pm during summer; 2-week tour in July/August

**What's the financial commitment in New G?**

NO membership fee; small fee for costume varies each year; tour costs \$\_\_\_\_\_; New G holds fundraising events including frozen food sales (2x a year), trash bag sales and an annual auction, as opportunities for singers to earn tour credit

You can keep updated on New G happenings by calling the hotline at 233-3331, checking out the web page at [www.newgsingers.com](http://www.newgsingers.com), or looking up our Facebook fan page at <https://www.facebook.com/NewGSingers> .

**Upcoming events:**

Christmas performances will be the weekend of December 16-18 (more info TBA)

Social event for singers Sunday evening, October 30<sup>th</sup>, in place of rehearsal

**Any questions?**

## Reflections from a former New G'er...

- **Not really a "former" New G'er- I loved it so much I came back!**
- **Suggestion made to have an alumni member come back to share...I love talking about New G so much I wanted to take the opportunity myself this time around!**
- **How it's impacted my life-**
  - Lifelong friends
  - A huge family who loves me
  - Learned to put others before myself-  
"it's not about me, it's about New G"
  - Leadership opportunities that have shaped my life (now going into administration as a profession)
  - Allowed me opportunities to travel and realize the world is bigger than St. Joseph, MO (while still encouraging my heart to serve my own community)
  - Prepared me to be a leader in my church, because of committees, working together with a diverse group, sharing one mission
  - Decisions on where to go to college, what to study, and where to live have all been connected in some way to New G
  - Grew & was challenged in my faith and my relationship with God
- **I Timothy 4:12** Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.
- **Hebrews 10:24-25** And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.
  - **New G isn't "church" in the way we all think of church, and it isn't a replacement for church, but the community and purpose and vision of the group can't help but impact lives in much the same way as God intended for the church to.**
- **What is New G to me?** New G is family...friendships...love...God. The faces have changed but the heart never does. What other group can truly say that? New G has been an integral component of my life for more than half of my life, and all my decisions are framed by that one constant. Seasons of life changed- schools, churches, majors, jobs, and yet New G never did. It's my constant, because it stands for God's constant and unconditional love, and its purpose is purely to promote that love among ALL people.
- **I welcome all of you to the New G extended family. ☺**