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# NEWSLETTER

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## Calendar

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### **March 12th-17th:**

Dance Around the World Week!

### **March 28th- April 3rd:**

Easter break no dance class

### **April 9th-14th:**

Spiritual Emphasis Week!

### **April 13th and 14th:**

Picture day! (dance classes still in session)

### **April 20-22nd:**

NYC Project Dance Trip

### **May 7th-12th:**

Glow in the dark week!

### **June 4th:**

Last day of dance class

### **June 5th, 6th, 7th:**

Dress Rehearsals

### **June 8th and 9th:**

Dance Recitals!!!

*celebrate!*  
DANCE ACADEMY

*Do you ever feel like the winter, at this point in the year, just goes on and on? Sometimes winter seems to linger more than just in our backyards. Sometimes our hearts seem to be in a winter season, and the signs of life and fruit are no where to be found. It's in those moments that we need to stand firm, trust what God is doing, and abide in God's love in the midst of waiting for the snow to melt away. John 15:5 reminds us, "Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." We aren't called to work out of our own strength, but we are called to abide. It is in abiding that we see life and fruit spring forth from our winter. Praying you would abide in His love, and rest in His plan for you!*





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**Summer and School year classes 2018-2019:** The snow is melting and we are getting VERY excited for this next dance season! Our summer schedule is almost ready to go, and our school year schedule will be published on Picture Day! We can't wait to share the exciting things in store for 2018-2019!

**Picture Day:** This year, we are splitting up our picture day into two days, April 13th and 14th! Classes will still be in session while we have dance pictures! Mark your calendar for Friday from 4:00pm-8:00pm and Saturday from 9:00am-5:00pm. Please note: You will receive a picture day schedule in mid March that will tell you your picture schedule. Each dancer will only need to be at picture day for the time set for their class photo!

**Project Dance NYC:** We are so excited to be traveling to NYC again this year with many of our upper level dancers! This is an incredible weekend of dance, faith, and sharing the love of Christ through dance with the people of NYC! Please be praying for us as we travel this April! If you would like to help financially support our dancers going to Project dance, you can make a tax deductible donation to help bring us to NYC! (checks written to NHLC memo: Project Dance)



# TEACHER'S BLOG

By: Miss Mary

Although you certainly couldn't tell by looking out the window, spring is on it's way! The new season begins this month and with it, (hopefully) all of nature's beautiful signs of spring. We'll soon see grass turn to green, and tiny buds begin to form.

To me, spring is always a season of renewed vigor. The winter doldrums are shaken off, as we begin to look forward to sunshine and time outdoors. At Celebrate!, spring is a very exciting time! We're running full swing into preparation for the recital and also making studio plans for the 2018-19 school year!

Although the weather hasn't changed yet, I can feel in my heart a stirring of hope and of new beginnings. How perfect for this years' recital theme – "New!". Looking outside the window today, I'm reminded that sometimes it doesn't look like God is doing a new thing. Sometimes, we can't see the spring that's just around the corner. That's where trust comes in.

One of the verses I've been meditating on for our recital theme is Isaiah 43:19, "Behold! I am doing a new thing!". That verse sounds hopeful, exciting, and full of promise! However, check out the second half of the same verse: "I will make a way in the wilderness. I will make streams in the desert". Deserts and wildernesses are not very exciting, OR hopeful. But that's exactly where God chooses to showcase his power. What areas of your life are looking like a desert right now? Or perhaps you feel as though you've been wandering around the wilderness with no clarity or assurance of direction. His message to us is clear – it is in these barren areas, the areas that look hopeless and confusing, that He WILL come through for us. His desire is for us to lean on Him in the seasons of wilderness as well as the seasons of prosperity. This is where we learn to trust in what we cannot see, in the One who promises to remain steady.

As you hold on tight through the last few weeks of winter, may you feel strength to hold on to God's promises – that a NEW day is coming – both physically and metaphorically. He will do a new thing, and will finish the good work that He's started.