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Voice of **New Hope**

JOIN US FOR VBS
AUGUST 13—16
5:30pm – 8:00pm
1615 Brantley Rd Kannapolis NC

The banner features a blue background with a grid pattern. On the left, it lists the VBS dates and times. In the center, there are logos for 'a grace place New Hope Lutheran Church' and 'Journey United Methodist Church'. On the right, the words 'GAME ON!' are written in a large, bold, white font with a blue outline, accompanied by icons of a soccer ball, a basketball, and a football.

Registration for VBS is now open!

To register go to www.livinginnewhope.org and look for VBS tab.



Join us on Sunday mornings in the Parlor for coffee and Fellowship prior to Worship!

Noisy Bucket offerings will be beneficiary of 10% of the rent collected from Journey UMC.

New Hope T-Shirts
We now have New Hope T-shirts available for \$10 in the Narthex.





August is upon us! Can you believe that we are already past the half-way point of 2018? As I write this, I am reminded of the song “*Fly Like an Eagle*” by the Steve Miller Band. One of the more famous lyrics of that song, “*Time keeps on slippin’, slippin’, slippin’ into the future*”, seems to describe a feeling that most of us are used to. No matter what we do in life, we only have so much allotted time. As members of New Hope, you all know the last several years have been rough, and at times I know you have thought about walking away from this church. But you haven’t, you have stuck it out, waiting for a time when God would reenergize this congregation. Often in these cases, we wait for so long that we lose focus, our trips to church become routine, and the repetition of weekly service loses its luster.

Sometimes we need a wake up call, someone on a bull horn screaming out to us, or, as was the cause of Ananias in the book of Acts, a push from God when we resist His call. In the 9th chapter of Acts, our Lord made Saul blind, and sent him to Damascus to wait for someone to come to him. Ananias was that someone, however he was less than enthused to go meet with Saul. After all, this was the man who had been killing new Christians. Going to visit this man would mean certain death. We often are like Ananias, and refuse to move away from the way that we are comfortable doing things, for this very same reason. We often are afraid that if we try something different, that it will mean certain failure.

I can assure you that God wants us to be part of His ministry, but He doesn’t *need us* to be part of it. And right now He is giving us an opportunity to reach out, and find some Saul’s in the community that we need to invite to church. Often people are simply waiting on an invitation from us. Did you know that a study done by Thom Rainer a couple years ago found that over 82% of unchurched Americans would come to church if someone invited them? Now I’m not saying that we need to change who we are, quite the opposite actually. I am telling you that we need to rediscover who we are as a church, what God has gifted us with, and to do those things exceedingly well. That doesn’t mean that we won’t experience growing pains, but it does mean that we don’t have to reinvent ourselves.

I want to invite everyone to come out to what will be the first step of understanding what God is doing, and how we fit into His plan both for New Hope and for Kannapolis. We will meet for the first *Renewing Hope* meeting on Sunday, August 26 at 2:00pm in the Family Life Center. After that I have planned for September 9th and September 30th to meet again if needed. I am aware that I am asking for a lot of your time, but it is only a small amount of time as compared to the future direction of this church. There will be refreshments on hand, as we spend the afternoon studying God’s Word, understanding it, and seeing how we fit into His plan. I encourage everyone who wants to be part of the direction of this church going forward to attend. Until then, enjoy your summer and stay cool. Peace and Love.

Denton, Student Pastor

New Hope Council Highlights – July 2018

Present – Student Pastor Denton Bennet, James Brown, Sylvia Chandler, Gerald Hefner, Kathy Hunter, Annette Sloop, and Joann Wingler. Pat Glenn and Daniel Wells were absent.

- Approved June’s treasurer’s report
- Approved June 11, June 24, and July 1, 2018 council minutes
- Written report by Student Pastor Bennet
- Focusing on Forest Park School for school uniforms and school supplies
- User agreement between New Hope Lutheran and Journey Methodist signed effective July 1, 2018
- Good timers having an ice cream social on August 19, 2018 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm for New Hope
- Memorial of \$100.00 for Pastor Christ sent to Hospice Charlotte
- Nursery available for everyone in New Hope and Journey
- Thank you note from Charles Williams for recognition
- Written report by Church Operations
- Paul O’Neill, member from Journey, is checking on replacing or repairing the garbage disposal in kitchen
- Student Pastor Bennet was given more hours per week
- Thank you note from Bonita Webster for Prayer Shawl Ministry



Next Council meeting will be August 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm

August Pastor Schedule

August 5	Buster, SP
August 12	Buster, SP
August 19	Buster, SP
August 26	Pastor James



August 2	Mary Lou Sloop	August 19	Joanne Harlow
August 3	Denton Bennet	August 22	Sylvia Chandler
August 4	Roger Sloop	August 22	Michael Young
August 11	Richard Chandler	August 28	Sara Karriker
August 15	Karl Zachary Wieland	August 31	Michael Wojciechowski
August 17	Daniel Wells		

Anniversaries

August 12	Sid & Joanne Harlow	August 26	Karl & Joann Wieland
August 16	Dennis & Pam Brawley	August 28	William & Donna Smith

New Hope's next **Free Hot Dog Lunch** for New Hope members and the community will be Saturday, **August 4**. We serve hot dogs, chips, a drink, and a dessert, and serve between **11:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.**, eat-in only. Please join us in this ministry and help us welcome our community to New Hope.



The Joyful Morning Circle will meet on Wednesday August 1st at **11:30 am** at Patsy Karriker's house. Joann Wingler is program leader. All ladies are welcome to join us.

The Good Timer's invite our New Hope family for an ice cream social **Sunday August 19th** from 4-6 in the Family Life Center. Bring your favorite ice cream flavor and you favorite ice cream topping. Come join us for a sweet time.



Faith Circle will meet Monday August 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Kristie Wells. Kristie will have the program. If anyone is interested in attending a circle meeting you are very welcome to join us.

Noisy Bucket for the month of July and August will go to Forest Park School for school uniforms for children that need them. Please remember this and bring your coins and extra folding money on August 19th for this outreach.

Empty Medicine Bottles: There is one thing you can say about New Hope's members we are on a lot of medicine. The first box of bottles have been mailed and I have enough for a 2nd box.



They requested that the labels be completely off and not be sticky on the bottle. Sometime this is hard to do. Please try to remove the labels as much as possible. This is an outreach that is not hard to do and it helps with the recycling. Please continue with this outreach. If you have any questions please see Erna Brown or Patsy Harrison.



Remember to bring your old eyeglasses and hearing aids to church and put them in the box provided by the Lions' Club. This is located in the narthex. The Lions' Club will send them to third world countries where they are put to good use. There they help those less fortunate than we are. You may be the source of someone seeing or hearing. Look around the house. If you see any lying around, bring them to the Lions' Club box.

Cooperative Christian Ministry food pantry is in need of the following items:

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sugar Free Items | Canned Carrots |
| Canned Tomatoes or Tomato sauce | Bars of Soap |
| Instant Potatoes | Canned Fruit |
| Plastic Bags (used or unused) | Toilet Paper |
| Low Sodium Items | Canned Meat other than Tuna |



**Make prayer a part of
your daily life...**



Praying for you:

Patsy Karriker	704-933-1783
Cleo Overcash	704-932-6960
Jack & Juanita Brawley	704-933-9183
Lorine Snow	704-933-9687
Joyce Swanner	704-932-1489
Joann Wingler	704-933-2623
Jennifer Williams	704-305-0952
Kathy Hunter	704-773-1848
Jean Sloop	704-932-0041

For members of the prayer team:
Please call the person after your name in the above list.
If no one is home, please leave the message **BUT CALL THE NEXT PERSON ON THE LIST.** Continue that procedure until you talk with someone in person.

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns —
New Hope Members**

Aderhold Family	Maurice Staley
Todd Morgan	
Margaret Markus	
Lorine Snow & Family	

Prayer Concerns — New Hope Members

Clinton & Syble Dancy	Murph Family
Pearl Harrison	Jean Sloop
Margaret Markus	

Prayer Concerns— Friends & Family

Ali Aderhold	Jessica Sullivan
Joe Allen	Kendall Sizemore
Sidney Albright Family	Anita Simpson
Andy & Louise Adams	Mike Tarlton
Brent Baird	Donna Taylor
Kisha Beard Family	John Teal
Terry Black	Wayne Trebes
Tracy Brooks	Barbara Upright
Ralph Barnhardt Family	Mike & Lacey Williams
Steve Cook	Larry Wingler Family
Jean Cook	Cameron Vannoy
Tim Carriker	Shirley
Scott Carpenter	Caleb & Rebecca
Beth Castor	NICU Babies
Will Fesperman	Those who suffer loss
Ken Gibson Family	All sick members
Anneliese Hyde	All cancer patients, their Family & caregivers
Martha Helms	All Veterans & Military
Sissy & John Harker	All who travel
Rodney Huffman Family	All who mourn
Frank Kluttz	All who are in prison
Mike Painter	
Susan Painter	
Shane Pethel	
Kathy Plummer	
Scott Rackley	
Rainwater Family	
Joe Rackley	
Danny Scott	
Christy Stevens	

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns —
Friends & Family**

Pacey Smith & Family	Rusty & Mary Anne
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CVAN items are collected all year long. CVAN provides shelter for women and children who find themselves in an abusive situation. Usually they flee their homes with just a few of their personal items. The CVAN house gives them a place to feel safe until they can decide what is best for them and their children. Any personal items that you can contribute would be greatly appreciated. Diapers are always needed. They always have a need for paper products, cleaning items and other household items. There is a special need for 13 gallon trash bags and new towels and washcloths. Gift cards are also another way to help the out. Please remember this when you shop. Most of us are blessed that we have not been in this situation. Please help with this outreach if possible.

Given to the glory of God...

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

Given in Memory of :

Thelma Honeycutt
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Thelma Honeycutt
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Bonnie Ketner
Bonnie Ketner
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Bonnie Ketner
Bonnie Ketner
Bonnie Ketner

By:

Patsy Harrison
Jacob & Mary Sloop
Augsburg Class
Charles & Christine Williams
Patsy Karriker
James & Erna Brown
Mike & Kathy Hunter
Kathy Dayvault
Clinton & Syble Dancy
Good Timers'
Lorine Snow
Patsy Harrison
James & Erna Brown
Charles & Christine Williams
Patsy Karriker
Pearl Harrison
Mike & Kathy Hunter
Kathy Dayvault
Clinton & Syble Dancy

Given in Honor of :

Ron & Kristie Wells
Roger & Annette Sloop

By:

Jean Sloop
Jean Sloop

New Hope's Good Timer's are planning a bus trip to The Billy Graham Library for their September activity. They would like to invite everyone from both New Hope and Journey to join. A day in the week of September 17th is being considered with the date to be finalized soon. If you are interested and can travel that week please sign up in the Narthex or contact Pat Glenn for more info at 704-932-5179.

Forest Park Elementary



Please welcome Forest Park to New Hope!

We have been asked to join together with Forest Park Elementary as a “Faith Community Partner”. This is an unique opportunity for us to meet the needs of the community around us, and share the love of Christ at the same time. We will be shifting our all our focus to Forest Park going forward, as they are now one of the poorest schools in our district. They currently have no outside help. We will begin our efforts with a school uniform drive. Also they have asked us to help hand out ice cream to the children over the summer. Look for more opportunities to engage our community here every week.

We are collecting school uniforms for Forest Park students! Our goal is 50 sets! Here is the information for the uniforms: Collared polo style tops of any solid color. Pants of twill-like fabric in one of three colors (black, navy, or khaki). Sizes needed range from small (5/6) to XXL (15/16). If you check Lee clothing downtown, Danielle’s, and even Walmart you can find these uniforms on sale. Please bring your uniforms to the church and drop them by the bulletin board for Forest Park. We want to record our success!

**Blessing of the Bookbags
Sunday, August 19th**

Save the Date
Tuesday, October 16th—Red Cross Blood Drive
3 pm—7:30 pm

Kannapolis Fire Department has a program that if you live in Kannapolis and need a smoke alarm we will furnish you one free. If your alarm is over 10 years old it will be replaced free of charge. Please call KFD at 704-920-4260 and make an appointment or speak to Patsy Harrison.

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Friday 9 am—12 pm



August



a grace place

The mission of New Hope Lutheran Church is to ***live in God's amazing grace and share the Good News of God's love in our community and beyond.***


Our vision is that: ***New Hope Lutheran Church will be a faith community where all people can experience God's love and grace, and where we use our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to feed the hungry in body, mind, and spirit.***



AUGUST 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:00 pm Parables	2	3 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	4 11:30 Hot Dog Lunch
5 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship Denton—SP	6	7 7:00 pm—Operations Team 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	8 6:00 pm Parables	9 6—8:30 pm—VBS Training	10 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	11
12 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship Denton—SP	13 7 pm—Congregation Council	14 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	15	16	17 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	18
		VBS—5:30 pm—8 pm				
19 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship Backpack Blessing 4—6 pm—Ice Cream Social Denton—SP	20 7 pm—Faith Circle	21 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	22 6:00 pm Parables	23	24 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	25
26 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship 2:00 pm—Renewing Hope Pastor James	27	28 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	29 6:00 pm Parables	30	31	


AUGUST 2018 — WORSHIP LEADERS



ALTAR GUILD
Young Family



COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Roger & Annette Sloop



HEAD USHER


Julie Walter



OFFERING COUNTERS

James & Erna Brown

CHILDREN'S SERMON




Children's Sermon

8/5	Kathy Hunter
8/12	Denton Bennet
8/19	Kristie Wells
8/26	Pastor James


LECTORS

8/5	Kristie Wells
8/12	Mike Young
8/19	Kathy Hunter
8/26	Mike Wojciechowski




GREETER

Joann Wingler



Augsburg Sunday School Teacher

8/5	Christine Williams
8/12	Phil Black
8/19	Sylvia Chandler
8/26	Erna Brown



If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find your replacement and call the office to let the secretary know of the schedule change. Thank you.