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NEW HOPE NEWS

JD's new Sermon Series: "Living for Jesus"

February 6th - "What are Christians Good For?"
 13th - "I Say to You"
 20th - "Loving Our Enemies"
 27th - "Pure Motives"
 March 6 - "Pray in this Way"



Chris, Marcia,
 Nichole & Lauren Coffman
 Amber Jones
 Lisa McDonald
 Randy, Amy & Emma Scott

These New Hope Youth will be attending Confirmation Classes this spring!

- Allie Seay
- Katie Seay
- Leah Medina
- Kellie Seay
- Maddie Scott
- Gillian Hasty
- Sam Gosdin

New Staff

New Hope will be adding two part-time staff positions: Director of Discipleship & Pastoral Assistant and an Assistant Youth Director.

Job duties of each are listed on page 5.
 If you meet the requirements and are interested, send an e-mail plus your resume to pastor@newhopeokc.org.

George & Martha Washington Dinner February 19 at 6:00.



This is part of our 50th anniversary celebration. Period dress is optional but would be fun. As extra entertainment, the youth "winning" the pie-in-the-face will get their rewards. (See page 6 for how to vote).

There is no set fee but donations will be accepted. So enough food is prepared, you do need to make reservations. Sign-up sheets are on the counter and in the office.

Homemade for Heroes!
 February 13 - see page 3



Men of Hope's Spaghetti lunch
 February 13 at noon

Lay Leadership 2011

Administrative Council

Chair: Craig Sturniolo
 Lay Member to Annual Conference: Lacia Norman
 Church Treasurer: Lana Salter
 Historian: Paula Reynolds
 Chairpersons of these groups:
 Staff Parish: Becca Pappas

Lay Leaders: Lori Foster & Al Van Sickle
 Alternate Lay Delegate: Karrie Ward
 Financial Secretary: Carol Whittet
 Membership Secretary: Judy Unsell
 Trustees: Roger Hurt
 Finance: Brett Pattillo
 Worship: Vicki Freeman
 Missions: Bill & Yvonne Morgan

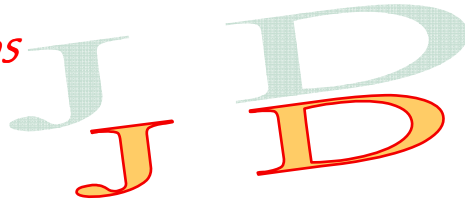
Trustees: serve three-year terms () indicates last year of service

(2011) Robert Wakefield, Cheri Parker, Allen Seay (2012) Roger Hurt, Robert Lakin, John Reynolds
 (2013) Dale Stanley, Regina Engling, David Eck

More church leaders & committees on pages 2 & 5

Reflections

from



I really enjoy the drive to and from work. It is pleasant to drive through the countryside

and spend time in prayer as I drive. One of the things that I am praying for today is rain. I read the other day in *The Daily Oklahoman* that we are currently in a severe drought in central Oklahoma. I can tell that by the appearance of the winter wheat and the shrinking farm ponds. It is very, very, dry right now and the need for rain is critical!

If you want to join me in prayer, I found a couple of prayers for rain that I plan on reciting:

O God, in Whom we live and move, and have our being, grant us rain, in due abundance, that, being sufficiently helped with temporal, we may the more confidently seek after eternal gifts. through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

O God, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all those who seek thy kingdom, and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance; Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honor through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Just as we need rain to give life to the physical world, we need the Lord to grant us living water so we can thrive spiritually. In his encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well of Jacob, Jesus spoke of this water that gives eternal life.

"Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.

The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:13-14)

And so, I also pray that New Hope Church would be a place where people discover springs of living water that will refresh their souls and bring them life.

This thought brought to mind the words of a wonderful chorus written by Jaime Cortez. Let us make this our prayer for our church:

God of creation, we long for your truth; you are the water of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you. Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people. Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life.



* denotes chairperson

Finance Committee @ denotes on finance committee by reason of another position or committee chair

- *Brett Pattillo Jean Harris Dan Korner
- Don Parker Robert Wakefield @Lana Salter
- @Carol Whittet @JD Ward @Lori Foster
- @Al Van Sickle @ Craig Sturniolo @Lacricia Norman
- @ Becca Pappas @ Roger Hurt

Staff Parish Committee

- three-year terms - () indicates last year of service
- (2011) *Becca Pappas Rick Ernest Patti Miller
 - (2012) Rhonda McGuire Mary Seay Rick Howell
 - (2013) Jim Seignious Todd Krout Maudean Wakefield

Committee on Lay Leadership

- *JD Ward, pastor
- (2011) Brett Pattillo Robert Lakin Leslie Heathman
- (2012) Lana Salter Jason Bruce Norene Valentour
- (2013) Robin Paul Mary McQueen Jim McClure

Missions

- *Bill & Yvonne Morgan Nancy Beale
- Kimberly Brewer Lori & Richard Foster
- Randy & Rhonda McGuire Luisa Medina
- Richard & Lacricia Norman Brett Stanley

Family Life

- *Cali Eck Amy Aita Perry Johnson
- Vickie Lacy Chris Porter Nancy Hanneld
- Stephanie Saunders

A-OK! NEWS

David Salter

Warm Fuzzies

Alison Anderson



With the cold weather firmly upon us we can all enjoy the extra “warmth” in the sanctuary that our Warm Fuzzies bring. The A-OK team will be collecting new or gently-used stuffed animals again during the month of February. These precious animals spend the month in the sanctuary so our congregation can fill them with love and prayers for the children that will be receiving them.

At the end of the month we will contribute these to the Highway Patrol and EMSA who give them to little ones to help comfort them during a stressful/emergency situation.

The emergency workers really value the animals and carry them already bagged in their vehicles so they’re available immediately when needed.

There’s been some wonderful publicity lately regarding our Warm Fuzzy program, and other similar programs in the city. Some recent articles are available for view outside the sanctuary. We’ve even had phone calls inquiring about them since people read the articles. The demand for these adorable creatures is remarkable so if you see an animal that warms your heart, bring it to church with you. With Valentine’s Day approaching, there should be an abundance of animals available in stores (and typically some great clearance prices after Valentine’s Day!)

When you bring a stuffed animal, try to remember to take a tag and yarn necklace from the basket on the counter before you place it in the sanctuary. This will tell the new owners that the warm fuzzy brings prayers, love and hugs from their friends at New Hope United Methodist Church.

A-OK! is coordinating with the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma to reserve several project days for participation by a large group from New Hope.

Usually 25-35 people will be needed for each day New Hope has committed to work. Dates and details will be provided when available.



To be added to the **A-OK!** e-mail notification roster or to suggest an **A-OK!** project, please contact the church office (721-5015 or newhope@newhopeokc.org) or David Salter (721-8992 or desalter@sbcglobal.net)

Homemade for Heroes!

On February 13 (Valentine’s Eve) we will collect baked goods to be delivered in the early afternoon to area fire and police sub-stations and the central location of EMSA as an expression of our congregation’s appreciation for their work. Since this is such a wonderful learning to give opportunity and was so well-received last time, Vickie would like as many children as possible to go to deliver cookies so check with her if you have young ones.

To participate, just bring your tasty homemade cookies or brownies to church that Sunday.

Missions



Bill & Yvonne Morgan have been on a VIM trip to Bolivia. Pray for their safe travels and return February 1.

Saturday, **MARCH 5**
Missions Dinner (not the usual menu) to raise funds for our mission trips to Nepal and Nicaragua. More information soon.



A-OK! is coordinating with Infant Crisis Services to reserve a Saturday workday and also participate in this year’s Easter collection project with ICS. Dates and details will come later.

On-going Projects:

- 1) collection of used eyeglasses (prescription or reading) or cases. There’s a brown container on the counter.
- 2) coupons from the newspaper for food pantry patrons. A box is on the counter.

Sharefest OKC 2011

This year’s community-wide event is scheduled for Saturday, April 16. New Hope will be conducting yard and work projects at The Winds House/AIDS Support Program, Inc. location(s). Details of the work project will be provided when finalized.

Anniversaries

Tom & Pam Duncan
 Truman & Roxanne Sherwin
 Jerry & Marty Crawford
 Art & Vicki Hanlin
 Bill & Louise Byers
 Steve & Rachelle England

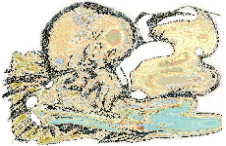


Birthdays

Sara Ethridge
 Jason Grant
 Carola Whittet
 Zac Ellsworth
 Logan Featherstone
 Lowell Goforth
 Rachelle England
 Pam Goodman
 Don Parker
 Truman Sherwin
 Diane Layton
 Larry Morgan
 Eulis Parker
 Terry Simkins
 Scott Ward

Kristin Attebery
 Lacricia Norman
 Melba Lovelace
 Jerry Crawford
 Shay Johnson
 Mary Ann Hullinger
 Lisa Martinez
 Tony Smarra
 Regina Engling
 Emma Bruce
 Matthew Miller
 Julie Guilford
 Donna Johnson
 Alexandra White
 Allyssa Hurt

Melvin & Margaret Lawson
 welcome their first grandchild -
 Hannah Jinhee Lawson
 weighed in at four pounds
 on January 24.
 Congratulations, grandfolks!!!



Men of Hope 8:15 February 20.

Buck & a Bible Men's Group
 Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m.

Ruth Circle second Tuesday
 at 6:30 p.m.

Mary Martha Circle second
 Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

Young At Heart the last Thursday of
 the month for potluck 11:30 a.m.



**Second
 Friday
 Rock 'n' Roll
 Jam
 Session**

February 11 7 - 10 p.m.

Everyone high school age and above who plays an instrument is invited to jam with other musicians on the second Friday night of the month. Get a chance to play with different musicians and hone your skills with rock and roll. Call Don Brewer for more information at 728-9029.

Midweek Meals

Feb. 2 - pork loin
 Feb. 9 - chicken
 enchiladas
 Feb. 16 - meat loaf
 Feb. 23 - chicken spaghetti
 March 2 - cheese
 enchiladas
 March 9 (Ash Wednesday)
 potato soup
 March 16 (spring break)
 no meal

Helping Hands Food Pantry

Kimberly Brewer &
 Sharia Cleburn

We appreciate your generosity that has allowed us to serve 16 clients so far this year! They are very impressed that the good food in the pantry comes from our congregation.

Please be mindful when donating friends' or relatives' pantry items when they've moved. At holiday time we had to dispose of two grocery bags full of items dating from 2003-2008. Please donate items you would enjoy eating at any time. If it is not good enough for you, it's not good enough to donate.

February needs are light since this is Skyline month. We can use a variety of children's cereals, chicken ramen noodles, canned chicken, canned or jarred meat, spaghetti sauce.

The pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 1-3 p.m. We serve zip codes 73132, 73142, 73162, and our church family regardless of zip code.

Spaghetti Lunch!!!

Don Parker



**On Sunday,
 February 13** after
 second service Men of
 Hope will be cooking and
 serving a spaghetti lunch
 with all the extras - -

salad, French bread, desserts, drinks. There is no set charge but donations are encouraged. This dinner will be in lieu of the February potluck lunch.

Due to your generous donations to our previous fund-raising cook-outs, we have been able to help people in our church family who have experienced difficulties. It is our intent to broaden our ability to help others and it is a mission of the Men of Hope to make a difference in people's lives and in the life of New Hope Church.

SMILE! Thanks to David Darter for sharing his collection of old cameras in the display case this month! These are very interesting and some of the younger crowd may not even know the use of some items!



If you would like to share things you enjoy some month, there's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

NEW STAFF (continued)

The job duties of Director of Discipleship and Pastoral Assistant are to:

- develop discipleship and educational opportunities for spiritual growth for the congregation. This includes coordinating programs such as Disciple and educational offerings for adults on Wednesday evenings.
- serve as a resource person for the educational programs of the church and as staff person to assist the adults Sunday school classes and teachers as needed. The director of Discipleship will be knowledgeable in United Methodist curriculum and assist teachers in finding materials for their classes to study. This person will also assist in the recruitment of Sunday School teachers.
- work with liturgists, acolytes, and Communion servers to insure that proper training is given to prepare these to assist in worship and work with the Lay Leader to keep a list of those assisting each week.
- be available to preach when needed, assist with Confirmation, and visit those who are in the hospitals and nursing homes. When the senior pastor is unavailable, the pastoral assistant will be the emergency contact person for the congregation.

The Assistant Youth Director must be at least 23-years of age. The job duties of Assistant Youth Director are to:

- assist Youth Directors in developing discipleship and educational opportunities for spiritual growth for the youth. This includes coordinating Sunday morning & evening and Wednesday evening classes.
- coordinate with youth directors regarding all youth activities, including those activities outside the church.
- provide to the youth an example of the Christian adult and become a member of New Hope Church.
- provide mentoring to the youth as necessary while coordinating with the youth directors.
- insure the safety of the youth by following safe sanctuary guidelines at all times.
- encourage and be a resource for adult youth volunteers as they help guide the youth through their spiritual journeys.
- keep a flexible schedule to be accessible for the various youth activities scheduled throughout the year.
- obtain and keep current a CDL (Commercial Driving License) with passenger endorsement.

To be considered for either job, send your information and resume to pastor@newhopeokc.org. Telephone applications will not be taken.

(church leaders continued)

Food and Fellowship

Vita & Denning Crowe
 Jose & Leola Medina
 Lavonne Hatfield

Vickie Freeman
 Jo Martin

Outreach/Evangelism

*Mary McQueen
 Yvonne Morgan
 Norene Valentour
 JD Ward

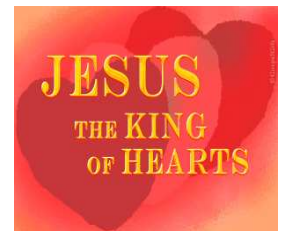
Kathy McTommonney
 Susan Sturniolo
 Jim Seignious

Worship Committee

*Vickie Freeman
 Pastor: JD Ward
 Director of Music: Marc Lau
 Music Associate: Nancy Bristow
 Children's Moment Coordinator: Les Basset
 Usher Coordinator: John Wakefield
 Greeter Coordinator: Robert Lakin
 Youth Director: Donette Johnson
 Acolyte Coordinator: Cali Eck
 Communion Coordinator: Jean Harris
 Sanctuary Care: Paula Reynolds
 Bulletins: Kaye Merriam

Point Ministries

A-OK: David Salter
 Circle of Care: Nellyne Hanlin
 Disaster Response: Richard Norman
 Family Life: Cali Eck & Amy Aita
 Fellowship Time: Denning & Vita Crowe
 Food Pantry: Kimberly Brewer & Sharia Cleburn
 Health Fair: Paul Stilwell
 Mary/Martha Circle: Vita Crowe
 Men of Hope: Al Van Sickle
 Outreach: Mary McQueen
 Pastoral Partners: Kathy McTommonney
 Prayer Group: Norene Valentour
 Ruth Circle: Nancy Hanneld
 ShareFest: Kris Howell
 Skyline Urban Ministry: Luisa Medina
 Young at Heart: Harley Miller



Sunday attendance
 January 2 - 238
 January 9 - 248
 January 16 - 233
 January 23 - 228

Disciple I and Christian Believers will meet at 12:30 (after second service) on February 6.

Nursery Attendants:	9:45	11:00
First Sunday	NEED VOLUNTEER	Robin Paul
Second Sunday	Diane Layton	Casey Pattillo
Third Sunday	Nellyne Hanlin	Alice Pattillo
Fourth Sunday	Becca Pappas	Heather Beauchamp

Nursery Volunteers are needed!

Please contact Stephanie at stephie011508@yahoo.com or go by the nursery.



9:45 Sundays

“Rock Solid - Building a Heart of Faith”

Grades 1 - 5

- February 6 “The Lord’s Prayer”
Matthew 6: 9 - 13; Luke 11: 1-4
- February 13 “Don’t Worry!” Matthew 6: 25- 33
- February 20 “The Golden Rule” Matthew 7: 12
- February 28 - “The Greatest Commandment”
Matthew 22: 34 - 40

WEDNESDAY nights

Children meet at 6:30 p.m.

Second and Fourth weeks are lessons from Bible Max.

- February 9 - "Why Do Bad Things Happen?"
 - February 16 - "Who Is The Holy Spirit?"
- First and last Wednesdays are special such as going to Legend or celebrating birthdays.

Acolytes	First Service	Second Service
Sunday 1	Anieca Valentour Kellie Seay	Leah Medina Payton Ellsworth
Sunday 2	Jake Sherwin Allie Seay	Roni Cook Katie Seay
Sunday 3	Jonathan Eck Emma Bruce	Carly Hurt Benjamin Eck
Sunday 4	Shay Johnson Josie Anderson	Noah Paul Sierra Paul



Sunday Children’s Moment

- February 13 - Becca Pappas
- February 20 - Les Basset
- February 27 - Les Basset

True Love



For God so lo**V**ed the world that

He g**A**ve

his on**L**y

begott**E**n

so**N**

That whosoever

believeth **I**n him

should **N**ot perish

but hav**E** everlasting life.

John 3: 16

- February 12 - Youth to Rocktown
- February 18 - 19 - District
30 Hours of Famine
- February 25 - 26 -
Confirmation Camp

- March 18 - **Boy’ Retreat**
(adults: Alex, Chris, Matt & Zach)
- Girls’ Retreat**
(adults: Donette & Stacy)

Important Dates



Annual Pie-in-the-Face Contest!



Vote for the youth you’d most like to see win

this yummy “honor!”
A change of date - **Winners:** instead of getting your delicious reward on Super Bowl Sunday, you’ll get to anticipate until February 19 at the George & Martha Washington Dinner. More days to raise money, too!



More Info? Check the Youth newsletter on our web site: www.newhopeokc.org

If you want to receive e-mails and texts about what’s going on with our youth, tell Donette or e-mail her at donettej@gmail.com

FEBRUARY 2011



Start saving stuff for April garage sale

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6: 30 a.m. - Buck & a Bible 9 -2 - CDO	2 9 -2 - CDO 5:00 - Staff meeting 5:45 - Midweek meal - pork loin 6:15 - JD's class 6:30 - Children, Youth, & Band 7:00 - Choir	3 9 -2 - CDO 6:30 - Disciple II	4	5
6 3:00 - 50th Anniversary Committee 12:30 - Disciple I & Christian Believer 5:00 - Youth 7:00 - Men's bball	7 10:00 - Prayer team	8 6: 30 a.m. - Buck & a Bible 9 -2 - CDO 1 - 3 - Pantry Open 6:30 - Ruth Circle	9 9 -2 - CDO 5:45 - Midweek meal - chicken enchiladas 6:15 - JD's class 6:30 - Children, Youth, & Band 7:00 - Choir	10 9 -2 - CDO 9:30 a.m. - Mary Martha Circle 6:30 p.m. - Disciple II	11 7:00 - Jam Session	12 9:00 - Youth meet at church to leave for Rocktown
13 noon - Men of Hope's Spaghetti Lunch! RSVP for dinner on 19th 4:45 - Disciple I & Christian Believer 5:00 - Youth 7:00 - Men's bball	14 10:00 - Prayer team 	15 6: 30 a.m. - Buck & a Bible 9 -2 - CDO	16 9 -2 - CDO 5:45 - Midweek meal - meat loaf 6:15 - JD's class 6:30 - Children, Youth, & Band 7:00 - Choir	17 9 -2 - CDO 6:30 p.m. - Disciple II	18 District Youth 30 Hours of Famine	19 6:00 - George & Martha Washington dinner
20 8:15 - Men of Hope noon - Trustees meet 4:45 - Disciple I & Christian Believer 5:00 - Youth 7:00 - Men's bball	21 10:00 - Prayer team	22 6: 30 a.m. - Buck & a Bible 9 -2 - CDO 1 - 3 - Pantry Open	23 9 -2 - CDO 5:45 - Midweek meal - chicken spaghetti 6:15 - JD's class 6:30 - Children, Youth, & Band 7:00 - Choir	24 9 -2 - CDO 11:30 a.m. - Young at Heart 6:30 p.m. - Disciple II	25 Confirmation Class Kick-off at Canyon Camp	26
27 4:45 - Disciple I & Christian Believer 5:00 - Youth 7:00 - Men's bball	28 10:00 - Prayer team	March 1 6: 30 a.m. - Buck & a Bible 9 -2 - CDO	2 9 -2 - CDO 5:45 - Midweek meal - cheese enchiladas 6:30 - Children, Youth, & Band 7:00 - Choir	March 6 - Confirmation Classes begin at 6 p.m. March 27- A special day in our 50th year, former NH pastor Dan Peil speaks in morning service, annual Ham Dinner (lunch) sponsored by Mary Martha Circle at noon and then that evening Dan Pulver district superintendent and former NH pastor speaks.		