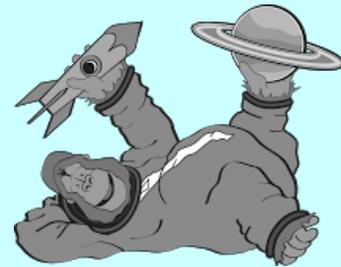


OCTOBER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER

- S 10/9 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
M 10/10 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study
T 10/11 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Craft Day
5:30 p.m. Worship Design
5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study
W 10/12 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:15 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Youth
SA 10/15 11-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do
S 10/16 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
M 10/17 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study
T 10/18 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Craft Day
5:30 p.m. Worship Design
5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study
W 10/19 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:15 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Youth
SA 10/22 10-3 p.m. **UMW Craft Show & Bazaar**
S 10/23 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
M 10/24 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study
T 10/25 5:30 p.m. Worship Design
5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study
W 10/26 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:15 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Youth
SA 10/29 11-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do
S 10/30 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
BUILDING LOAN SUNDAY



GALACTIC BLAST



October 9 – Snack
AnnMarie

October 12 – Craft
AnnMarie and Youth

October 16 – Craft
Mary Coles

October 19th – Discovery
AnnMarie and Youth

*Children's ministry is offered
during Sunday's 9:45 a.m. worship*

Wednesday Night Dinner

Menu

Spaghetti
Tossed Salad
Garlic Toast
Dessert
Beverage

5:30 p.m.

Free-will offering Public Invited



October Administrative Meetings NO STAFF PARISH MTG.

Finance Mtg. Wed. Oct. 12 – 6:30 p.m.
Ad Council Mtg. Thurs. Oct. 20 – 7:00 p.m.
Staff Mtg. Mon. Oct. 24 – 6:00 p.m.
Trustees Mtg. Wed. Oct 26 – 6:30 p.m.

The Ladies Bible Study is every Monday through the school year.

The Ladies will meet in Fellowship Hall at 1pm. This session they are studying the Book of James.

Come on Monday, or call ahead if you want-Karen @ 974-6151. If you have an idea and need assistance, call Karen.

Ladies of New Hope.....

October 22, 10-3 p.m. is our Annual UMW Bazaar. It's time to get out your tried and true baking recipes. Sign up for the bake sale. (Sign up is in the Narthex).

Whatever your baked item is, please make sure the item is in an appropriate container for sale. Please have your items priced. A guide for pricing is on the sign-up sheet.

We are also in need of cashiers that day! Also people to help set up and tear down! Many hands make light work.

Mary Coles is heading up the bake sale! 1-989-382-7953.



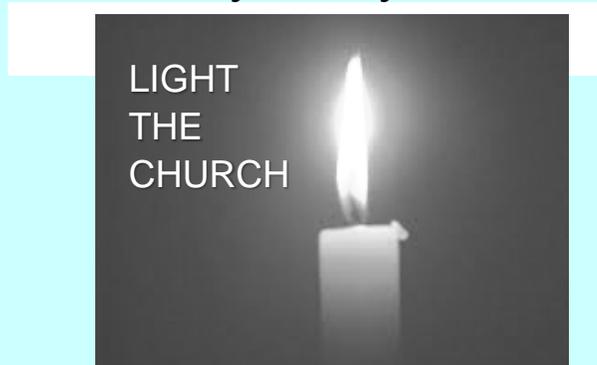
NEW HOPE IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE

that there will be a Christmas Concert on Sunday, November 20 at 4 p.m. featuring the Ball Brothers.

Ticket prices and more information on the Ball Brothers will follow.

What a great way for us to get in the spirit for Christmas!

This week the church is being lit in Memory of Betty Saathoff



The Finance Committee invites you to take part in an opportunity to help New Hope in a unique way. It's referred to as "Light the Church for a Week."

The cost of lighting New Hope is approximately \$85 per week. When you choose to "Light the Church for a Week, you would pay that amount and also honor a love one's memory, celebrate an important date – birthday, anniversary etc. which would be shared in the church bulletin.

To participate, please indicate on your giving envelope or check that it is for "Light the Church for a Week". "Let Your Light Shine" Matthew 5:16

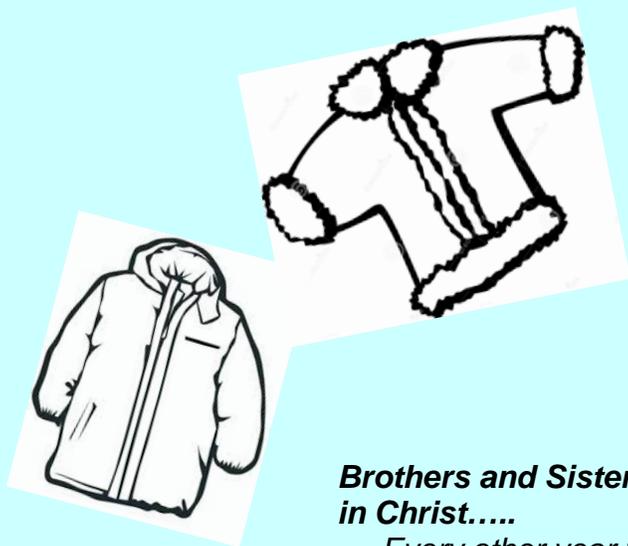


Working your way through a loss can take patience. Calvin said, "Hope is the foundation of patience". As Stephen Ministers, we are willing to be there for you to listen, support, and encourage as you find the hope to sustain you on your road to recovery.

If you feel the need, please speak to a Stephen Minister with a blue nametag or call a Stephen Leader, Sherry Anderson, 231-972-7679 or Don Santer, 989-561-2394,

GOD'S HELPING HANDS

WINTER COAT DRIVE



**Brothers and Sisters
in Christ....**

Every other year we have a Coat Drive for God's Helping Hands. This year 2016, is that year. Winter will be here probably sooner than we like to think, but we must always be ready to help those less fortunate or those who have fallen on hard times.

Beginning September 26th to October 28th, New Hope will be collecting winter coats. Sizes infant to 2X or 3X. **Coats must be new!!**

They can be left at New Hope in the tote that is provided.

In order to receive a coat, you must be registered at God's Helping Hands.

Distribution of coats will be November 5th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Michaels Parish.

As a reminder....God's Helping Hands hours are Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon.

*May God Bless You,
Nancy Karcher*

Thank You!

Dear Greg,

Thank you so much for coming down in our time of need.

The care and commitment shown by you and others from New Hope really gave us a lift. I will never forget it.

Chris Momany

**KEEP YOUR CALENDARS
MARKED FOR SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 22**

**The Annual Holiday Craft Show and
Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

*Over 35 Booths
and*

The Youth Pasty Sale at the Craft Show and in the Fellowship Hall after Sunday Worship on October 23rd.
12 oz. beef, chicken or vegetable \$5 Each. Authentic Yooper Pasties from Hiawatha Pasties, Naubinway, MI

**EXPLORATION IV CLASS
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26 6-9 P.M.
"EXPLORING LEADERSHIP"**

This class looks to help followers become leaders. It's a class personally designed by Pastor Greg using a variety of leadership resources to challenge folks to consider what it means to lead and what some of God's expectations around leaders are.

People must have taken the other three "Exploring" classes (New Hope, God Habits, Service) before taking this course. This class is a requirement for anyone considering church leadership.

While registration is not necessary, it is helpful. Please call the church office (231-972-2838) to pre-register.

Eleven Easy Steps to A Successful Children's™ Ministry

by Shelley Pierce

Life is full and you're a busy person! You already know that leading children is a 24/7 endeavor. Here are a few tips and treasures for you to ponder as you go that will help you become more effective as you lead children to love Jesus.

It's all about RELATIONSHIPS.

Kids don't care how much you know until they know how much you care. Make it your goal to get to know each child you lead on a personal level. What makes her laugh? What makes him angry? Does she live with both parents? Does he enjoy school?

Plan to attend a ball game, dance recital, or musical performance. Or, just drop by their homes for a quick hello. You will learn volumes about the children you teach when you see them interacting with family and "playing on their own turf." A child will never forget the teacher that cared enough to make time to visit her at home or attend something that is important to her.

SHOW your face.

The early bird really DOES get the worm. Begin your preparation for next Sunday's hour with your kids this Sunday afternoon. Look ahead and know next Sunday's Scripture passage and life application. Study that passage every day during the week, and ask God to grow you before you present it to the children. God has wonderful things to show you as you get ready to teach. Don't short change yourself by waiting until Saturday night to prepare!

PRAY.

Grab a calendar and assign a day to pray for each child you teach. Pray for that child by name and for specific needs. Let your kids know you pray for them throughout the week. Pray for each child as if you were the only one lifting her name to Jesus. After all, you just might be.

PLAY.

Get together with fellow children's leaders and play the games in your leader guide. You'll benefit in the following ways: you'll be reminded of what it feels like to participate in games with your peers when perhaps you feel awkward, you'll get in touch with the kid in you as you learn to have some fun, and you'll know what you need to change in order to make the game work for your particular group of kids.

KNOW the Levels of Biblical Learning for your kids.

Get your hands on a "Levels of Biblical Learning" chart as well as a "Levels of Bible Skills" chart. Locate the age group you teach and make yourself familiar with this treasure trove of helpful guidelines. Plan to meet the kids where they are as you lead them in a better understanding of God's Word.

IMPACT.

Kids want to know how the Bible will help them TODAY as they deal with life's difficulties TODAY and as they make decisions TODAY. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you a gentle boldness that will challenge the children to use what they learn in Sunday School TODAY. The holy Scriptures are relevant, and you must help your kids take what they learn and use it in everyday living.

Don't lose TOUCH.

Whether you have children in your home or your kids are grown, you need to keep in touch with what is going on in the lives of kids in real time. Watch the programs kids are watching, listen to the music kids are listening to, and read what they are reading. Keep your eyes and ears open to the things that influence young people. It will help you understand them better as well as give you urgency as you pray for and lead them. The average child spends 37 hours per week taking in mass media. You need to stay a step ahead and be informed! (Transforming Children into Spiritual Champions, by George Barna, Gospel Light publishing, page 23.)

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Get OUTSIDE the walls.

Find out what your kids have an interest in and plan an outing together. Nothing heavy, no devotional thought, no deep Bible study-just pure fun. Be careful to resist the temptation to plan activities that appeal to you instead of asking kids what they enjoy. Listening to what your kids want sends the message that you care about them. When you get together to go bowling or to play a game of ball, you'll get to know your kids on a whole new level.

Remember, YOU are a picture of Jesus to your kids.

You may be the only picture of Jesus in their lives. You just might be a hero to the child who sits quietly and listens each week but goes home to turmoil. Ask God to give you the wisdom, strength, words, and ways that show the kids in your life that He loves them in a beautiful and unconditional way.

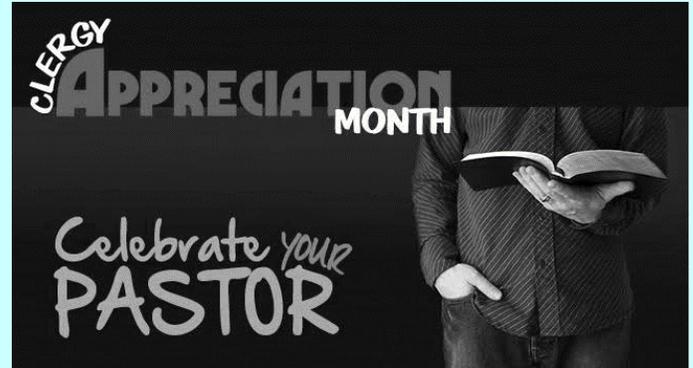
LASTLY, take a load off.

You are not a perfect soul living in a perfect world. You will have weeks that are more hectic than others; you have concerns that sometimes weigh you down. Take one day at a time, giving your concerns to the Great Healer and asking Him to use you today to bless those around you. Live each day with the goal of pleasing Jesus in action and attitude, and it will spill over into your teaching. You will have a part in showing the children that what matters most each day is that we live to please the Savior.

As leaders in children's ministries, we have been given an awesome opportunity to change our world one child at a time. Give your area of ministry back to God and ask for His divine guidance as you build relationships with children that impact eternity.



Did You Know That October is Clergy Appreciation Month?



Over the centuries, decades and years, pastors have been recognized and honored, either formally or informally, by many denominations and local churches at various times of the year. It has been a long-standing practice. We believe that the concept started with the Apostle Paul as he was establishing the first Christian churches.

In 1 Timothy, Paul wrote, "The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching" (1 Tim. 5:17). And, in 1 Thessalonians, he said, "Respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work" (1 Thess. 5:12-13).

What is the best way to make our pastor's family feel appreciated? Well, they've said that gifts aren't necessary. Finding a way to share with Matthew, Jamie, AnnMarie, and Greg, how their ministry at New Hope has positively affected your walk with Christ (in person, on an email, or a note) will do. That simple.

It is also important to remember that appreciation, affirmation and prayer support is appropriate anytime for anyone. That's why in November we'll honor our church volunteers, and in December we'll honor our staff with a special gift too.

from your pastor's point of view...

10-9-16

Family of Friends of New Hope,

What does it mean to be successful? The answer certainly depends on who is doing the asking and who is answering! ☺

When I graduated from college, my goal was to be "successful" in retail. I moved up the ladder and in time worked as a manager in a growing chain. I managed inventory and human resources to be seen as successful, and I was, but something was missing. The numbers were good but a part of me knew that this was only temporary. When I put my focus back to my faith instead of my career, I found what I had been missing.

My assumption would be that success has changed for you over the years also. My prayer is that you too have found something greater in keeping Jesus the main thing! Of course, all of this only occurs with His "successfully" bodacious Grace and tremendous Love,

Pastor Greg



Today's Message: "On Real Success" (Mark 10:17-31)

"Keeping Jesus the Main Thing" Series

Intro – Jesus has a different definition of success.

Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." (Mark 10:21)

Jesus defines success by a different appraisal process.

Add up all the stuff we have here and it will never come close to what's in store for us there.

Remember: gold in heaven is just concrete!

Jesus defines success by our willingness to commitment.

We will be successful if we do what Jesus says!

Jesus defines success by our generosity.

Jesus never said, "Give me money to buy a jet."

Jesus did say, "Go do ministry with it and the follow me."

So what's the bottom line?

Jesus defines success as treasure in heaven first and foremost.

The rest, all of the success here, will be last!

He wants to be our main thing, for everything, forever!

UPCOMING MESSAGES –

"Keeping Jesus the Main Thing (Gospel of Mark)" Series thru 11/20

Oct. 16 – "Fig Trees and Houses of Prayer" (Mark 11:12-20)

Oct. 23 – "Pride Issues" (Mark 12: 38-44)

Oct. 30 – "Coming Again" (Mark 13:24-27, 32-37)

Nov. 6 – "Judas: Right Ideas, Wrong Proposal" (Mark 14:10-11, 43-50)

Nov. 13 – "Jesus Died as Our Savior" (Mark 15:33-39)

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