

Welcome to

NEW HOPE

Membership & Discovery

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

NEW HOPE

OUR LOCATIONS

NORTH CAMPUS

(551 New Hope Road, Fayetteville, GA 30214)

Sundays

9:15 AM Family Groups

10:55 AM Worship Service

Wednesdays

5:00-6:30 PM Dinner

6:00-8:00 PM Life Classes

SOUTH CAMPUS

(1563 Joel Cowan Parkway, Senoia, GA) 30276

Sundays

9:15 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Family Groups

Wednesdays

5:00-6:30 PM Dinner

6:00-8:00 PM Life Classes

NORTHGATE CAMPUS

(3220 Fischer Rd, Newnan, GA 30265)

Sundays

9:15 AM Family Groups

10:55 AM Worship Service



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A WORD FROM THE CAMPUS PASTOR

I thank God that you want to discover more about our New Hope family. We look forward to getting to know you and becoming a part of your life as you become part of ours.

At New Hope we are a community of believers growing together in Jesus. Our Mission is to transform lives, families and communities through the revived people of Jesus Christ. As a believer in Jesus, you are a revived person and we want to equip you to serve Jesus and others using your God given gifts.

I pray God blesses you and your family here at New Hope and in every area of your life.

God bless you!

Campus Pastor

OUR MISSION

TRANSFORMING
LIVES, FAMILIES &
COMMUNITIES THROUGH
THE REVIVED PEOPLE
OF JESUS CHRIST

PART 1

What we believe

When you received Jesus
as your personal savior,
you joined the Family of God!

“Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of His household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit.”

Ephesians 2:19-22 (NIV)

Why join a LOCAL CHURCH?

DISCIPLESHIP

We all need the fellowship and support of other believers as we mature as Christians.

REACH THE LOST

God's heart is to reach the lost and hurting.

"He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.'" Mark 16:15 (NIV)

COMMUNITY

Use your spiritual gifts to build up the body of Christ.

*"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others."
Romans 12:4-5 (NIV)*

COMMITMENT

Join what God is doing in ministry through your prayer, resources and giftedness.

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

ACCOUNTABILITY

We are sanctified or "set-apart" by God.

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other." John 15:16-17 (NIV)

What we believe

ABOUT THE BIBLE

The sole basis of our belief is the Bible. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter; therefore, all Scripture is completely true and trustworthy. It reveals the principles by which God judges us and will remain until the end of the world. This makes the Bible our center of Christian union and the standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. All Scripture is a testimony of Jesus Christ, who is Himself the focus of divine revelation.

*“All Scripture is God-breathed
and is useful for teaching, rebuking,
correcting and training in righteousness,
so that the servant of God may be thoroughly
equipped for every good work.”*

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NIV)

What we believe

ABOUT GOD

As the Bible teaches, there is one God. He is intelligent, spiritual and personal. He is the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver and Ruler of the universe. He is perfect, all powerful and all knowing. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence and obedience. God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence or being. This is called the Trinity.

GOD THE FATHER

God created us to have fellowship with Him. He is all powerful, all knowing and all loving. He knew the choices we would make as mankind throughout history, and still chose to create us. He also knew and knows the choices we have and will make as individuals and still chose to make us and provide salvation in His Son, Jesus, for us.

- God the Father created us for His Glory. He is the center of all things and we were created to love and have a relationship with Him. He provided the way for us to know Him through salvation in His Son, Jesus.
- God the Father desires an intimate relationship with each one of us. It is personal. He is God almighty and wants to know you and be known by you in the small and large things.

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

Revelation 4:11 (NIV)

What we believe

ABOUT GOD

JESUS CHRIST

Jesus is the eternal Son of God. He perfectly revealed and did the will of God, living a sinless life on earth. He fully became a man, knowing the demands and pain of His creation and voluntarily paid the penalty for our sin by dying on the cross as our substitute. He is man and God at the same time.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God....Through him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made. In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.....The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

John 1:1, 3, 4, 14 (NIV)

- Jesus is God “in flesh” or human form. He left His eternal dwelling with the Father and put on humanity to pay the price for our sin.
- Jesus was born of a virgin and lived a sinless life. He was tempted as we all are but choose remain sinless to be the perfect substitute for us.
- Jesus died on the cross for our sin. This fully satisfied God’s wrath and is a FREE gift to all who will receive it.
- Jesus rose from the dead and will return to earth to gather His children and judge the world.

What we believe

ABOUT GOD

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit draws people to Jesus and indwells believers at salvation. In the Old Testament, God dwelt in the midst of His people through the Tabernacle. In the New Testament, God indwells or lives inside His people through the Holy Spirit.

“Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;”
1 Corinthians 6:19 (NIV)

- The Holy Spirit draws us to Jesus by convicting us of sin and our need for a Savior.
- The Holy Spirit indwells each believer and empowers Christ-like lives by cultivating Christian character, comforting us and guiding us in study and understanding of scripture.
- The Holy Spirit equips each believer for ministry through spiritual gifts. Gifts are given to all believers at salvation and serve the purpose of building up the Body of Christ for the Kingdom. They do not serve to point to the individual but to Jesus.
- The Holy Spirit always points to God the Father or Jesus Christ. He does not exalt Himself or the believer in use of gifts or in service. He encourages a humble and loving spirit in us.

What we believe

ABOUT SALVATION

HOW DO I BECOME A CHRISTIAN?

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole person. It is offered freely to all who receive Jesus as Lord and Savior.

“You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’”
John 3:7 (NIV)

1. Realize you are a sinner.

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”
Romans 3:23 (NIV)

2. Because you are a sinner, you are condemned to death.

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23 (NIV)

3. Believe that God loved you so much He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus, to bear your sin and die in your place.

“God made Him (Jesus) who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.”
2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV)

4. Confess that you are a sinner and repent (turn around and go in the other direction).

“For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”
Romans 10:13 (NIV)

Sample Prayer:

Oh God, I know I am a sinner. I believe Jesus died on the Cross to pay for my sins. I believe His blood, death, burial and resurrection were for me. I now receive Him as my Savior. I thank You for the forgiveness of my sins, the gift of salvation and everlasting life, because of Your merciful grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

What we believe

ABOUT SALVATION

ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

Assurance of salvation is God's gift! You can be confident in your eternal destination. This confidence doesn't come from anything you earn, but from whom you put your trust in.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

Security does not come by absolutions, church attendance, good works, reciting Scripture or performances of penance. God who has begun the work of salvation in Christians is able to bring His work to its completion.

"...being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."
Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

"All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of Him who sent me. And this is the will of Him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those He has given me, but raise them up at the last day." John 6:37-39 (NIV)

What we believe

ABOUT SALVATION

SALVATION & SANCIFICATION

SALVATION

I am saved from sin(s)

- I have sinned.
- Jesus died for my sin. That is grace.
- I receive Jesus' gift of salvation.

SANCTIFICATION

I am saved from my flesh

- I am the problem.
- I died with Jesus.
- I receive Jesus' life.

WHY DO I NEED TO BE SAVED?

God created Man in His own image. In the beginning, Adam and Eve were innocent and had never experienced sin. God had given them everything and they had freedom to eat of every tree in the garden, except one. That one was the tree of the Knowledge. This was knowledge of both good and evil. God warned them that if they ate of the tree, they would die.

Satan came twisting God's words and convinced them that they wouldn't die but would be like God. They would be gods, knowing what God knows. It's this same lie Satan still tells today, "did God really say", "He is just trying to keep something from you..." They chose to believe Satan rather than God.

But God had a plan. Before He dealt with their sin and disbelief, He gave His answer. He would send a Savior to put it all right again.

They put their faith in the wrong person, and it cost them everything. They didn't die immediately, but something far worse happened. They introduced death into creation.

What we believe

ABOUT SALVATION

WHAT IS SALVATION OR BEING BORN AGAIN?

Fast forward to today and to us. We all come from the same family. We all come from Adam and scripture says,

“For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.” 1 Corinthians 15:21-22 (NIV)

Jesus is the answer. He died in our place, paying the price for us. When we turn from our way and choose to follow Jesus, we become born again.

WHAT IS JUSTIFICATION?

We are born with a sin problem. When we receive Jesus as our Savior, we become a new creature and have been born again. This means we are justified or “just as though we have not sinned”. Our desire to sin doesn’t disappear but our very nature has been changed.

WHAT IS SANCTIFICATION:

We are now in a process of Sanctification or simply being set apart to God. We are still in this world, but we are now citizens of God’s Kingdom. This is a process of learning Jesus’ word, character, loving Him and growing to become more mature believers. As we spend time with Jesus, talking to Him, reading His word and doing what it says, we begin to think more like Jesus.

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will.”
Romans 12:2 (NIV)

This process of sanctification continues all our lives as we learn to trust, obey and love Jesus more and more.

What we believe

ABOUT BAPTISM

Once you place your faith in Jesus and trust Him as Savior and Lord of your life, the Bible says to follow the example of Jesus by being baptized. Baptism identifies you with Jesus' death, burial and resurrection. It also identifies you with other members of the body of Christ in fellowship.

We believe these truths are foundational to your membership at New Hope. The salvation experience is not the end but the beginning of our journey.

WHY SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?

1. To follow the example set by Jesus

"At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan." Mark 1:9 (NIV)

2. Because Christ commands it

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

3. It demonstrates that you are a believer

"Crispus, the synagogue leader, and his entire household believed in the Lord; and many of the Corinthians who heard Paul believed and were baptized." Acts 18:8 (NIV)

What we believe

ABOUT BAPTISM

WHAT IS BAPTISM?

Baptism is the first act of obedience after salvation. It does not save you. It is an outward testimony of what Jesus has already done inside of you.

ILLUSTRATES CHRIST'S DEATH AND RESURRECTION

“Having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through your faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.” Colossians 2:12 (NIV)

ILLUSTRATES MY NEW LIFE AS A CHRISTIAN

“We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”
Romans 6:4 (NIV)

HOW IS BAPTISM A SYMBOL?

Baptism doesn't make you a believer.
It shows that you already believe.

Baptism does not “save” you; only your faith in Jesus does that. Baptism is like a wedding ring; it's the outward symbol of the commitment you made in your heart.

What we believe

ABOUT BAPTISM

WHY BAPTISM BY IMMERSION?

1. JESUS WAS BAPTIZED BY IMMERSION.

“As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on Him.” Matthew 3:16 (NIV)

2. EVERY BAPTISM IN THE BIBLE IS BY IMMERSION.

“And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing.” Acts 8:38-39 (NIV)

3. THE WORD "BAPTIZE" MEANS “IMMERSE.”

The Greek word baptizo means, “to immerse or dip under water.”

4. IT BEST SYMBOLIZES DYING TO YOUR OLD LIFE AND RECEIVING HIS NEW LIFE.

*“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”
2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)*

What we believe

ABOUT BAPTISM

WHO SHOULD BE BAPTIZED?

Baptism is for every person who believes in Jesus!

“Those who accepted his message were baptized...”
Acts 2:41 (NIV)

WHEN SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?

AS SOON AS YOU BELIEVE!

There is no reason to delay. As soon as you have received Jesus as your savior, we encourage you to be baptized. For more information or to schedule your baptism, call:
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WHAT ABOUT KIDS?

At New Hope, we wait until children are old enough to believe and understand the true meaning of baptism before we baptize them. First through sixth graders must meet with a member of our Children’s Ministry staff prior to baptism and take the Children’s New Member Class.

What we believe

ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper represents a great spiritual truth. Jesus fulfilled the Passover in His life, death and resurrection. The unleavened (leaven represents sin in the Bible) bread and fruit of the vine represent Jesus' body and blood and the price He paid to redeem us.

WHAT IS THE LORD'S SUPPER?

1. It is a simple act. The Lord's Supper was not intended to be complicated. It is a simple fellowship with Jesus and with each other.

"The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread..."
1 Corinthians 11:23 (NIV)

2. It is a memorial supper. Remember what Jesus did to save us. Remember that we are committed to Him.

"...and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.'"
1 Corinthians 11:24 (NIV)

3. It is a worship experience. When we thank Jesus and recommit our lives to Him during the Last Supper, we are worshipping Him.

"Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 (NIV)

4. It is a symbol. The cup reminds us that He redeemed us with His blood. The bread reminds us that he was beaten and broken for the remission of our sins.

"In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.'" 1 Corinthians 11:25 (NIV)

5. It is a proclamation supper proclaiming Christ's sacrifice until He comes back.

"For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26 (NIV)

"I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." Matthew 26:29 (NIV)

What we believe

ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER

HOW DO I PREPARE FOR IT?

At New Hope we are careful to take time to explain the importance of the Lords Supper. We encourage you to examine your life and ask God to bring to mind anything you may need to confess or set down before this important worship experience.

“So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.” 1 Corinthians 11:27-28 (NIV)

1. Examine my life.

“Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.” 1 Corinthians 11:28 (NIV)

2. Confess my sins.

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9 (NIV)

3. Recommit my life.

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God this is your true and proper worship.” Romans 12:1 (NIV)

4. Restore my relationships.

“Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.”
Matthew 5:23-24 (NIV)

PART 2

Introduction to New Hope

New Hope MISSION

TRANSFORMING LIVES, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH THE REVIVED PEOPLE OF JESUS CHRIST!

OUR MISSION IS BASED ON ROMANS 12:1-2 (NIV)

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will.”

We believe we must first BE TRANSFORMED and then we are called to help others experience a transformed life through Jesus Christ!

HOW ARE WE TRANSFORMED?

Romans 12:2 (NIV) tells us how.

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Our minds are transformed as we spend time with God in His word. As we read scripture and pray, we begin to see things as Jesus does. Our minds are renewed so we can begin to see ourselves, others and our world through a Biblical Worldview.

New Hope

EXPERIENCE



Experience WORSHIP

At New Hope we believe it is important to worship together.

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

WHY IS WORSHIPING TOGETHER IMPORTANT?

1. We encourage one another when we worship together.

2. We benefit from community when we fellowship with believers.

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42 (NIV)

3. Meeting together is a Biblical command.

"not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 1:25 (NIV)

4. It illustrates the importance of the gospel to a lost world.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV)

5. Corporate worship is a vital part of our spiritual growth.

When we regularly gather with other believers, we can encourage others, be encouraged and grow together in our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Family GROUPS

At New Hope we believe Family Groups are vital for spiritual growth and health. We offer groups for all ages and stages of life.

WHY IS BEING ACTIVE IN A FAMILY GROUP IMPORTANT?

1. We build relationships with other believers that are in a similar stage of life.
2. We believe that everyone is called for a purpose, and our goal is to walk with you as you discover it.
3. We're all about family here at New Hope, and every Sunday morning we gather with "family groups" for encouragement, spiritual development, accountability and challenging lessons from scripture.
4. Our goal in all ages is to teach people to live out the Gospel.
5. It provides additional opportunities for learning and asking questions. Guests and members can get to know one another better in these groups and can feel more comfortable discussing questions and scripture.
6. Family Groups provide opportunities to serve others.

Serve

TEAMS

At New Hope we believe serving others is an important part of maturing in Jesus.

WHY IS SERVICE IMPORTANT?

1. We are more like Jesus when we serve others.

“Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.” Mark 9:35 (NIV)

2. We show God love by serving others.

“God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.” Hebrews 6:10 (NIV)

3. We grow spiritually when we use our gifts to help others.

4. God commanded us to serve each other.

“For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” Galatians 5:14 (NIV)

5. We grow our love for others by serving them.

“Jesus replied: ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

6. Serving others points to Jesus!

“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16 (NIV)

Impacting COMMUNITIES

At New Hope we believe it's important to take our relationship with Jesus into the home, work and neighborhood.

WHY IS IMPACTING COMMUNITIES IMPORTANT?

1. For the Joy

"We write this to make our joy complete." 1 John 1:4 (NIV)

2. Everyone needs Jesus

"But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions-it is by grace you have been saved." Ephesians 2:4-5 (NIV)

3. We are His Ambassadors

"All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God." 2 Corinthians 5:18-20 (NIV)

4. We must shine our light

"For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as LORD, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ." 2 Corinthians 4:5-6 (NIV)

New Hope's VALUES

Our shared values guide our decisions and reveal our strengths!

AT NEW HOPE WE...

ELEVATE
prayer, worship and the Word

EXPECT
many to respond to Christ

ENABLE
each person and family to grow

EQUIP
each one to contribute

ENCOURAGE
biblical community

New Hope's VALUES

ELEVATE PRAYER, WORSHIP AND THE WORD

Because.... God is our FIRST focus, we want to connect with Him and each other.

“Jesus replied: ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.’” Matthew 22:37-38 (NIV)

Demonstrated by....

- Creating intentional opportunities and resources for prayer.
- Ushering in an atmosphere of worship that encourages a personal connection with God.
- Preaching and teaching directly from the Bible in every service and class.

New Hope's VALUES

EXPECT MANY TO RESPOND TO CHRIST

Because.... We want each person to experience the life changing power of Jesus Christ.

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

Demonstrated by....

- Presenting the gospel each week in worship and regularly in all groups.
- Providing a weekly opportunity to profess faith in Jesus through invitation and baptism.
- Training others to lead people to Christ.
- Providing opportunities to assist in taking the “next step”.

New Hope's VALUES

ENABLE EACH PERSON AND FAMILY TO GROW

Because.... We believe spiritual growth is essential to the revived life in Jesus.

"...rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:7 (NIV)

"And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others."
2 Timothy 2:2 (NIV)

Demonstrated by....

- Providing weekly discipleship opportunities for all age groups.
- Meeting each individual and family where they are, and helping them take their next step in their spiritual walk.
- Intentionally developing a Path of Discipleship.
- Offering opportunities throughout the year for deeper study and experience for all age groups.

New Hope's VALUES

EQUIP EACH ONE TO CONTRIBUTE

Because.... We believe every member of the body has a unique part to play. Through serving one another we grow in our relationship with Jesus.

“So Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

Ephesians 4:11-13 (NIV)

Demonstrated by....

- Creating a system that equips people to identify/discover your gifts/passions/struggles (GPS). We encourage everyone to participate in our “Who Me?” Class.
- Providing avenues of service inside and outside the walls of our church.
- Offering opportunity and teaching the importance of financial stewardship.

New Hope's VALUES

ENCOURAGE BIBLICAL COMMUNITY

Because.... We are made for it, sustained by it and grow from it. God created us to serve and grow with each other. We learn the most about Jesus when we are sharing Him with others.

“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.” 1 John 1:1-3 (NIV)

Demonstrated by....

- Cultivating a culture of “Living life together as a community of Christ believers.”
- Organizing and encouraging involvement in Family Groups.
- Planning parties, programs and events that encourage unity and fellowship.

New Hope's
MARKS

HOW
have you met with God today?

HOW
are you telling people
about Jesus?

HOW
is God challenging you to grow?

HOW
are you investing yourself?

HOW
are you building relationships
with others?

HOW HAVE YOU MET WITH GOD TODAY?

- **Modeled by daily Bible reading**

“For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.”
Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

“Jesus answered, ‘It is written: Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”
Matthew 4:4 (NIV)

- **Modeled by daily prayer**

“Pray continually” 1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NIV)

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.”
Hebrews 13:15 (NIV)

- **Modeled by daily worship**

“Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day.”
1 Chronicles 16:23 (NIV)

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.”
Hebrews 13:15 (NIV)

HOW ARE YOU TELLING PEOPLE ABOUT JESUS?

- **Modeled by praying for friends, relatives, acquaintances & neighbors**

“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.” John 3:17 (NIV)

*“How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?”
Romans 10:14 (NIV)*

- **Modeled by asking God for daily opportunities to share the gospel**

*“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...”
Matthew 28:19 (NIV)*

*“And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains.”
Colossians 4:3 (NIV)*

- **Modeled by being a witness in everyday life**

*“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”
Matthew 5:16 (NIV)*

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.” Romans 12:1 (NIV)

HOW IS GOD CHALLENGING YOU TO GROW?

- **Modeled by obedience to God's word**

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." James 1:22 (NIV)

- **Modeled by being with and loving God's people**

"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love." 1 John 4:7-8 (NIV)

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." Colossians 3:12-14 (NIV)

- **Modeled by raising our children to love God**

"...Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Deuteronomy 6:4-7 (NIV)

- **Modeled by being equipped by God for His calling**

"...equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen." Hebrews 13:21 (NIV)

"In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil." Hebrews 5:12-14 (NIV)

HOW ARE YOU INVESTING YOURSELF?

- **Modeled by serving the church and others**

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”
Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)

“Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.” Romans 12:11 (NIV)

- **Modeled by being faithful with my tithe and offerings**

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7 (NIV)

“‘Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,’ says the Lord Almighty, ‘and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.’” Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

- **Modeled by using my Spiritual Gifts to build up the Body of Christ**

“We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”

Romans 12:6-8 (NIV)

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.” 1 Peter 4:10-11 (NIV)

HOW ARE YOU BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS?

- **Modeled by being a disciple of Jesus**

“To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’” John 8:31-32 (NIV)

“As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.”
Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

- **Modeled by being a disciple builder and leading others**

“‘Come, follow me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will send you out to fish for people.’” Matthew 4:19 (NIV)

“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” 2 Timothy 2:2 (NIV)

- **Modeled by being active in Family Groups**

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.” Acts 2:42 (NIV)

“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”
Matthew 18:20 (NIV)



**By 2030,
New Hope will reach, grow
and deploy revived disciples
throughout South Metro
Atlanta, baptizing 3,000
people at multiple locations
while transforming lives,
families and communities
with the Gospel.**

What's NEXT?

You have completed New Hope's Membership Book! Congratulations! Please keep this book for your reference.

TO BECOME A MEMBER OF NEW HOPE:

- Know Jesus as your personal savior
- Be baptized by immersion after your salvation experience
- Attend the Membership/Discovery Classes
- Complete and return the Membership Covenant

After the classes you will receive a letter from us with more “next steps” to help meet you where you are in your relationship with Jesus and help you take your next step.

WE RECOMMEND EVERYONE:

- Join and be active in a Family Group. See newhopebc.org for a list of groups.
- Participate in the “Who Me?” Class. “Who Me?” is designed to help you find your God given calling and be obedient to it. You will discover your spiritual gifts and passions and see how God uses your struggles to guide and prepare you for His call on your life.
- “Serve! Who Me?” is a great resource to learn where to serve. We are happy to talk to you about upcoming opportunities and will help you determine where you will be blessed as well as be a blessing.

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History OF NEW HOPE

On the 4th Sunday of **September 1880**, a dream was launched as a group of 10 met to organize New Hope Baptist Church. Rev. J. G. Speights, Rev. D. A. Brown, and Rev. B. L. Johnson organized the new church. The church was accepted later that year as a member of the Fairburn Baptist Association.

1883: The first church building was built, not far from our present Worship Center. It was a rough, unpainted structure built by the men of the church.

1901: That first building was replaced with a new white frame building. The new church had a seating capacity of 250 people, and originally served as the meeting place for Sunday School and worship. A wire was stretched across the middle of the building and a curtain draped across it, thus dividing the building in half. One side was used for children and youth, the other for adults.

The New Hope of the early 1900s was the picturesque idea of a country church. This building served the church for 73 years. Changes were made—electric lights replaced kerosene; gas heaters replaced the old pot-bellied stove; and two wings were added for Sunday School space. The men of the church would gather on a regular basis in a pine tree thicket near the location of the air conditioner chiller unit for the current sanctuary praying that God would raise up large church for His glory. In this setting, prayers were lifted and dreams were born that live today in the people of New Hope.

January 1976: A new sanctuary was completed; and the old white building converted into educational space. The new building seated 550 people (now used for the Kids Ministry, Building B).

October 1978: The church called Dr. Dwight “Ike” Reighard as pastor. The church grew from a fellowship of 950 to a membership of over 5,000 during Dr. Reighard's ministry.

September 1980: The church celebrated its 100th anniversary with a recommitment to the dream of the few who chartered the New Hope of 1880.

May 29, 1983: New Hope celebrated groundbreaking ceremonies for a new 2,100- seat Worship Center. The theme of that day was Launching Our Dream.

1984: New Hope was recognized by the SBC Home Mission Board as being the second fastest growing church in the entire 36,000 churches of the Southern Baptist Convention.

September 8, 1985: One dream was completed as the church worshiped for the first time in the new 2,100-seat multi-million-dollar Worship Center. The building was officially dedicated on April 27, 1986.

June 1988: The new 11,000 sq. foot office and adult education space was completed (Building E). Above and Beyond was the challenge as New Hope expanded its property with the purchase of an additional 60 acres of land, including two houses designated for missionaries on furlough and ministers in crisis.

November 10, 1996: Dr. John Avant was called as Senior Pastor. In early 1997, God opened the door for expansion, and on March 9, 1997, New Hope became One Church in Two Locations as New Hope Baptist Church and Starr's Mill Baptist Church unanimously voted to merge. The South location officially launched its ministry as New Hope South on September 14, 1997.

Easter 1998: We outgrew the Starr's Mill Worship facility and moved up Hwy. 74 to the Starr's Mill High School auditorium. In the fall of 1998, New Hope raised over \$550,000 in one day offering for the purchase of 62.5 acres on Hwy. 74 near the intersection of Hwy. 85, to build a 39,000 sq. foot Sunday School and worship facility.

January 1999: New Hope in a New Millennium campaign began to raise funds and build facilities for both the North and South Campuses. Our South campus moved into a new multipurpose building on Highway 74 on February 27, 2000. The North campus 65,000 square foot addition opened March 4, 2001.

History OF NEW HOPE

2004: We partnered with Worldwide Discipleship Association (WDA); a non-profit parachurch organization that helped us establish a restorative ministry called Restoring Your Heart (RYH). New Hope began to develop a disciple-building strategy based on five phases of Discipleship.

October 2, 2005: Rev. Rhys Stenner was called as Senior Pastor. New Hope refocused on being One Church, One Team, One Person at a Time.

2009: Pastor Rhys preached a message about New Hope Church having a 3D Vision for the future. The message centered on the church being rivetedly focused on declaring (evangelism) the Gospel to everyone, discipling (WDA's disciple-building structure/strategy) everyone to maturity in Christ and doing (unconditionally love people) through acts of love and kindness to everyone. The next three years were spent working hard as a staff, as we partnered with WDA to develop a more intentional and strategic, relation-driven, disciple building process.

August 2010: We opened our expanded Student Center on Starr's Mill Worship building. This facility was paid in full before construction.

2018: Pastor Rhys preached a series of messages on our DNA that outlined our mission and values as a church for the next twelve years (2018-2030).

November 17, 2019: The Lord laid a burden upon New Hope regarding the need for the Word to be brought to a neglected area of our community. God is faithful and opened a way for a third campus. This new campus is currently at Northgate High School.

History OF STARR'S MILL

Starr's Mill Baptist Church was organized in the 1800's by a group, which had withdrawn its membership from White Water Baptist Church to establish a church locally.

Services were held in Starr's Mill School House on the lot next to the church that now serves as a parking lot.

1887: The first church building was erected and dedicated by the men of the church. H. L. Reese was elected the first preacher. The church building was a one-room structure with a double front entrance. It was heated with a pot-bellied stove, and curtains were used to divide it into Sunday School rooms. In 1949, a vestibule was added on the front, and in 1955, Sunday School rooms were added in the rear. In 1959, an educational building was built.

1987: The church celebrated its 100th anniversary with a membership of 212 and on May 1, 1989, the name of the church was changed from Glen Grove to Starr's Mill Baptist Church.

March 2, 1997: In a bold step of faith, the members of Starr's Mill Baptist Church voted to merge with New Hope Baptist Church and become One Church in Two Locations. New Hope purchased 62 acres across Highway 74 from the old church building and has completed the first phase building.

Our Heritage of Faith began in the dreams of 1880 and has continued in the prayers, work and dreams of past generations until the New Hope of today.

Now, as we look to the future and what kind of New Hope we will pass on to future generations, may we continue to pray and seek to insure the testimony and dream of New Hope to the glory of God.

Our

AFFILIATIONS

New Hope partners with other churches and parachurch organizations to reach our Community, Nation and World for the gospel of Jesus.

The Fairburn Baptist Association

Local churches that fellowship and work together to reach Fayette, South Fulton, Clayton, and Coweta Counties.

The Georgia Baptist Convention

3,600 churches with the goal of evangelizing our state.
gabaptist.org

The Southern Baptist Convention (SBC)

- Largest association of Christian churches America. One out of every 10 churches in America is affiliated with the SBC (47,000 churches and 14.8 million members, more than most other denominations combined).
- Most diverse association of churches. SBC churches include every race, nationality, and ethnic groups. Each Sunday, services are held in over 110 languages and dialects in the U.S.

Benefits of being part of the SBC

It allows us to identify with other Christians around the world who are known for their commitment to the Bible. The SBC has no “human-made” creed. The Bible is our only authority.

It allows our church to participate in the largest missionary organization in the world. Through the SBC “Cooperative Program,” we help support over 5,000 missionaries in 153 nations around the world.

Every SBC church is completely independent. There is no denominational control or hierarchy. Each church is self-governed and determines its own affairs.

It gives me great joy to welcome you to New Hope and to our New Member/Discovery Class. The purpose of this class is for you to learn more about New Hope Baptist Church and more about who you are as a believer in Jesus Christ. You are not obligated to join New Hope by taking this class; however, we hope that you will choose to become an active part of our church family.

We hope you enjoy the class and use this book as a reference. It contains New Hope history, beliefs and ways to take your next step in relationship with Jesus.

We are praying you are encouraged in your walk with Jesus and in every area of life!

In His grace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lesley Deyton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Galatians 2:20



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