

Our vision at New Hope Baptist Church is:

to be a multiethnic family of faith,
united by God's grace,
remaining faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ,
growing in obedience to God's Word,
and

sharing the Gospel with a distinctive witness in word and deed.

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Rev. Jason Smith, Pastor

Romans 5:5 "Hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

What does it mean to have hope? Today, in many cases, the word "hope" is used to express a wishful desire for a favorable outcome. As football season approaches, one might say, "I hope the Panthers win the Super Bowl." That hope may be reasonable if the Panthers are looking strong at each position heading into the season, or that hope may be unreasonable if the Panthers have many weaknesses heading into the season. Many times, people use the word "hope" as a way of maintaining a positive outlook on life when they have deep concerns and fears. Someone might say in the midst of a health crisis, "I sure hope the test results from the doctor are good."

This kind of "hope" fails to convey the hope found in Jesus Christ. The hope of the Gospel is always greater than the hope that this world provides. In Romans 5:5, in Christ we have hope that does not put us to shame. Indeed, this hope comes from the very love of God that He has poured into our hearts as Christians. The hope of the Gospel is not an uncertain desire for a favorable future outcome. Rather, our hope in Christ is the strong confidence and assurance that God is faithful. He is all-powerful. His promises are sure. His purposes are good. In this hope, we will never be disappointed, even in the difficulties of life, especially when considering the fullness of glory of Christ that will be revealed in eternity.

I like our church name, "New Hope." I pray that our lives will testify of the new hope found in the Lord Jesus. In a world devastated by sin, full of deception and violence, pain, sickness and misery, those who trust in Jesus Christ have a real hope in the future. Whether we are deeply troubled by recent news reports, both local and internationally, or we are facing a deep personal struggle, or whether as a church we need encouragement about our ministry in the purposes of God, we need to embraced the hope of glory we have in Christ Jesus.

In Him, Pastor Jason

Thank You!!!

You made such a difference, and it is so deeply appreciated. Thank you, guys, so much for the generosity and support! It is going to do such great things in His name. I feel so blessed to have this chance to go serve Him and can't wait to see how He moves in the hearts of those in Brazil.

Madison Smith

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NHBC on mission for the Lord....

Homecoming '81'

1938 - 2019

This year, our homecoming is scheduled for Sunday, October 6, 2019 with special singing provided by Steve and Tori (Connell) Hill. Please share this information with former members, friends and family. NHBC has been so blessed over the years. What a blessing to be able to celebrate this special event.

The New Hope Library has something for all ages. Books bring us to places we can only dream of experiencing and stories about God are timeless. Please make an effort to visit your church library! If you can't find something in particular, I'll be happy to get it for you. Can't wait to see you!!

Elaine M Isaacson

Volunteer/Library Coordinator

The New Website

Becky will be doing verification on final edits concerning our website and then you will be able to sign on. We will send an email out when you will be able to sign on along with the sign on address. Please note that we have 4 new emails that you may use to contact the church. They are:

pastorjasonsmith@newhopecharlotte.org carolyndavis@newhopecharlotte.org clothescloset@newhopecharlotte.org foodpantry@newhopecharlotte.org

Even to your old age I will be the same,

And even to your graying years I will bear you!

I have done it, and I will carry you;

And I will bear you and I will deliver you.

Isaiah 46:4 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

Nursery Volunteers		
Nursery	Date	Deacons
Erin Black Jack Smith	9/1	Jim Hartis
Leah Jordan Hannah Smith	9/8	Laney Emanuel
Becky Hubbard Jack Smith	9/15	Don Jordan
Christine Smith Diane Yandle	9/22	Gerald Freeman
Erin Black Jack Smith	9/29	Jeff Smith

Monthly Schedule

September 2nd Labor Day - office closed September 3rd H₄K 6:30 p.m. September 7th H₄F 10:00 a.m. September 8th Deacons Mtg. 4:00 p.m. September 14th Yard Sale 8 to 1 September 28th JOY - Apple picking time Leave the church at 8:30 a.m.

Calendar of Events

Standing Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday

H₄K (Children's' Ministry) 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Friday

Open Gym 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Saturday 10:00 a.m. H_4F (Clothes Closet/Food Pantry)

Apple Picking Time

JOY Group
We are off to Justus Farms in
Hendersonville, NC

Saturday, September 28th 8:30 a.m.

We will stop for breakfast and will stop for a late lunch on our return home.

Sign up on the sheet located on the vestibule table.

Birthdays for September

9/5 Laney Emanuel

9/6 Erick Foster

9/14 Teresa Dixon

9/27 Jim Hartis

God's grace will always be greater than your sin!

NHBC "Hope 4 Families" clothes closet has served 72 families in the month of August.

Thanks to all of you who make this possible by showing God's love and kindness while helping others.

Below are prayers request received on 08/03/19:

"For my son to be able to get back on stable ground employment wise. To bring unity back in our church. To help me mend my broken heart from the church. Fighting depression".

"Asking for prayer for my daughter Jessica to get the job that she interviewed for in her field of study and pray that my daughter Shannon gets an appointment soon."

"We need prayer: Lord I pray for my marriage of 23 years to flourish with more communication and support from my husband with the kids that try to play us against each other to get what they want. We also are in desperate need of a 3-bedroom home. we can't find anything because of an eviction 5 years ago when I lost my job after I was robbed at gunpoint and went through depression missing days of work - I was fired. Also, just more financial help. Plus, my daughter just came out she is a lesbian"

Our clients have real needs other than clothes and I pray our prayers will help them.

On a positive note, several clients have expressed gratitude in having proper clothing for their jobs!

We have a great need for your help behind the scenes to prepare the clothes for each opening. If the Holy Spirit so leads ... please consider this and contact Jan Ryan or myself.

Have a beautiful Lord's day!

In Him, Becky Hubbard

A few words to think about...

The greatest joy in your life was when you were saved – the second greatest joy is *knowing* you are saved!

Could you grab hold of a corn stalk and swing across hell shouting... Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!

And all of God's children said.....YES!