January 2021 New Hope Moravian Church



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2021 Watchword

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

(Ephesians 3:20-21 NRSV)



Twenty-One New Year Tips For Better Living ~ In 2021

"Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun." (Psalm 37:3-6 NIV).

Twenty-One tips for living a better Christian life in the New Year:

- 1. Rise and pray every day: "Asking God to use YOU each and every day; Commit and trust YOUR life and way to God. Ask God to use YOU to be "Jesus" to those YOU meet; Ask God to let YOU touch their lives and meet them just where they are!
- 2. Don't sweat the small stuff; for its all small stuff in the realm of God's divine plan.

- 3. Remember these phrases: "I was wrong." "I am sorry." "Please forgive me." "Thank you." Say them whenever needed. Say "I love you" often—whether needed or not.
 - 4. Come away and rest a while before you come apart—stress is a killer.
- 5. Remember, "Nothing changes if nothing changes." YOU must take the first step!
- 6. Don't nurse grudges: "Failing to forgive is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die." Life has too much living to do to nurse old feelings; let them go!
- 7. Carpe diem. Seize the day. Remember: "Opportunity comes to pass—not to pause."
- 8. Quit the blame-game—"choice, not chance, determines destiny."
- 9. Control YOUR thinking or YOUR thinking will control YOU; Put aside "stinkin thinkin." Breathe in positive thoughts; then breathe out positive words and actions... "What YOUR mind dwells on YOUR body acts on."
- 10. Invest your life in a worthwhile cause by having a "God-Size" purpose for which to live—one that is bigger than YOU—one that will help make the world a better place.
- 11. Develop an "attitude of gratitude". Be a positive realist. YOU can make a difference. YOU will always see what YOU are looking for: "Faith sees HOPE and GRATITUDE.
- 12. The greatest God given abilities are "availability, dependability, and responsibility."
- 13. "There is no pillow as soft as a "positive attitude and a clear conscience."
- 14. Stay positive and committed— "Don't quit... Don't every give up!"
- 15. When God is silent. "Believe in the SON even when the SUN isn't shining." Believe YOU are LOVABLE even when YOU are alone. Believe in God even when He is silent.
- 16. Cry when needed. "Every unshed tear is a prism through which all of life's hurts are distorted." God cares and knows YOUR every need. Just know "God's Got This."
- 17. Laugh a lot—laughter is motivating and good for YOU; It's still the best medicine.
- 18. Remember, "The bumps of life are what we climb on." The bumps are the stepping stones to overcoming YOUR deepest challenges in life. "Don't Quit! Don't ever give up!"
- 19. "Do not be afraid...Fear not." At least 95 percent of the things we are anxious about or fear never happen. Trust God for the other five percent. "God's Got This!"
- 20. Take a daily "Thank You Walk." You can't be stressed and thankful at the same time. Feel blessed and you won't be stressed.
- 21. Celebrate YOUR faith and put God first with YOUR time, talents, & tithe (money). God will do the rest... Just step out in faith... and trust God for the best results! **Prayer:** Father God, please help all of us this New Year 2021 to live our life for YOU; to live a life worthy of our calling. Help us all to live our life with an attitude of gratitude and thanksgiving. Thank you for bringing us safely through this past year of COVID-19. We have

experienced some abnormal and unsettling circumstances. Lord, we ask You to make 2021 the BEST year ever! Help us Lord as Your people to remain faithful and devoted to You as we serve You and others. In Jesus' Name.... Amen.

In Christ Love and Service, Pastor Betty



New Hope will continue to only do Parking Lot Worship at 10:00 am. **Tune into FM 87.9** or watch on YouTube.

No indoor worship due to rising numbers with COVID-19.

New Hope Service on



Click on the link below

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCagQSb0gw2QUC-UFiwe5ikg

This will take you directly to the homepage of our New Hope YouTube channel. Here you can choose different videos that are available.

- Once you choose a video, just click on the play button (the filled-in sideways triangle) and the video should start playing shortly.
- You can expand or enlarge by clicking on the broken box looking icon ("fullscreen") on the lower right of the video screen.
- Adjust volume using the speaker icon and enjoy!



Bill Biles' new cell number: 812-614-4197

2021 New Hope Board of Elders

Fay Ayers
Malissa Bumgarner
Pat deBlois
Steve Larsen
Greg Simpson

Newly elected Elders @ November 2020 Church Council:

Jane Bumgarner Nancy Miller Anita Scism

In the New Year 2021, due to COVID-19, the Board of Elders will NOT be doing a Retreat. Also, Board of Elders Meeting will continue to be via ZOOM on Monday nights @ 6:30PM for the protection of all.



Much appreciation to all of our old and new Board Members and RCC Representatives for all their past, present and future ministries and leadership. A job well done for God's kingdom.

Thank you, Pastor Betty Dear New Hope Church Family,

Steve and I greatly appreciate your thoughts and prayers during the difficult time of losing Steve's father, John, and stepmother, Fran. Both were in declining health and we as a family can now celebrate that they are together in their heavenly home. God is good.

Blessings to each of you, Steve and Jane Bumgarner

New Hope Moravian Church Members,

The patients and staff at Carolina Caring (Hospice) greatly appreciate your kind gifts of items and the monetary gift we received following your November Drive for Carolina Caring. The snacks and food will be used by our patients and their loved ones. You gave from the heart and your gifts will help many.

Blessings to each of you, The Staff of Carolina Caring

Dear New Hope Saints,

You the congregation, responded generously to the ECCCM challenge the month of December. Total giving was \$1200 and then add the \$500 from the Church mission outreach funds; we gave ECCCM a total of \$1700.

Mark Bumgarner took the check to ECCCM and they were very appreciative. You will remember that all of our Christmas Eve Offering usually goes to ECCCM and it usually totaled around a thousand dollars, but this year due to COVID-19 and our not having the service of the community, the Board along with the Mission Committee decided to challenge our Church to support this cause ... and support it you did!

Thank you all for your generous support to the Church, to ECCM this year, as well as all the other mission projects we collected for the past year of 2020.

In Christ Service,
Pastor Betty
Board of Elders
Mission Committee

Mark Your Calendar for January

Friday, January 1st, 2021 -



Sunday, January 3rd – Parking Lot Worship Service

Epiphany of our Lord Communion

Drawing of Watchwords
*Holy Communion packets and Watchwords will be distributed by
outdoor ushers

Thursday, January 7th – ECCCM Workday

Sunday, January 10th – Parking Lot Worship Service

Installation of New Officers

Monday, January 11th - New Hope Preschool Resumes

Board of Elders Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm

Sunday, January 17th - Parking Lot Worship Service

Monday, January 18th – American Red Cross Blood Drive

@ New Hope Fellowship Hall
 2:00 – 6:30 pm
 Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter New Hope
 Moravian to schedule an appointment.

Martin Luther King, Jr Holiday

No School for New Hope Preschool

Sunday, January 24th - Parking Lot Worship Service

Wednesday, January 27th - February Newsletter Articles Due

Sunday, January 31st - Parking Lot Worship Service



January Birthdays

3rd – Ned Setzer
10th – Jon Joplin
11th – Terri Crowe
14th – Jeff Ayers
15th – Greg Simpson
19th – Ann Carr & Emily Simpson
21st – Emily Grace Johnson
22nd – Bernice White
26th – Jeremy Johnson
28th – Addie Joplin & Laura Hildebran



The poinsettias were placed in celebration of our Savior's birth & in loving memory & honor of those below. Thank you for decorating sanctuary for our recorded services this unusual year. **December. 2020**

In Honor of

All First Responders, Medical Personnel & Essential Workers
Mark & Malissa Bumgarner

Sally, Brooke & Asher Sheppard
Jane & Steve Bumgarner

Andrew, Bobbie, Lola & Neela Bumgarner Jane & Steve Bumgarner

Noah, Rowan, Carter & Will Grandpa, Mimi & Aunt Emily Simpson

In Memory of

Anita Scism

Rachel Lail
Anita Scism

Anita Scism

Thomas E. Schultz
The Schultz Family

Robert & Rachel Shilling
The Schultz Family

Michael Grant Morgan Paul & Linda Morgan Feresa Lynn Mannes Noviis Paul & Linda Morgan

Aaron Greaser

Dan, Thelma, Kimberly, Autumn, Danita & Rachel

Oneita & Glenn Bumgarner and Robert & Janice Lawton Mark & Malissa Bumgarner

Raymond & Helen Hatley
Nancy Miller

Pray Every Day January 2021

- 1. All of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart and a humble mind. Pray that God in His mercy will remove the Covid-19 virus and its effects from this world.
- 2. They read from the book of the law, making it clear, so all could understand it. Pray for medical personnel serving in the war against Covid-19.
- 3. Sunday-Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Pray for the leaders of our churches and our country. Remember those who are missing your fellowship.
- 4. It is well for the heart to be strengthened by grace. Pray for pastors and leaders working to keep congregations in communication and presenting God's word in new ways.
- 5. Jesus came that we might have life and have it abundantly. Pray for police and firefighters everywhere.
- 6. Epiphany-Arise, shine, for your light has come. Pray that we would all be receptive to the leading of the Holy Spirit as we learn to worship and serve in new and different ways.
- 7. I am Yours; save me. Pray for the food programs taking care of those needing good nutrition.
- 8. God alone is my rock and my salvation. Pray for Adopt A Village in Tanzania.
- 9. When the first came, they thought they would receive more, but each received the daily wage. Pray that our country will turn back to God.
- 10. Sunday-Ascribe to the Lord the glory of His name. Pray for generous hearts to donate funds to help those suffering from disasters such as hurricanes and floods, etc.
- 11. God our Savior desires everyone to be saved. Pray for Moravian volunteers serving in disaster relief.
- 12. I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands. Pray for Kevin and Charity in the Middle East.
- 13. If I am the Father, where is the honor due me? Pray for Brian and Heather Marx (MAF).
- 14. Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving. Pray for Unity Women's Desk.
- 15. Can a blind person guide a blind person? Pray for the Harrisons with Greek Intervarsity.
- 16. The Lord is your keeper, the shade at your right hand. Pray for Star Mountain Rehabilitation Center.
- 17. Sunday-The joy of the Lord is your strength. Pray for Steve and Ann Marx (MAF).
- 18. From Him and through Him and to Him are all things. Pray for the Hoffmans in HIV/AIDS Ministry.
- 19. Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted. Pray for Jenna and Andrew Craver in Alaska.
- 20. Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. Pray for Alan and DeeDee Iobst in France.
- 21. Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you will be in good health. Pray for the Sineaths in Campus Outreach.
- 22. It is God who is at work in you, enabling you to will and to work for His good pleasure. Pray for Justin Rabbach (Board of World Mission).
- 23. The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost. Pray for Armando Rusindo Foundation and Cuba.
- 24. Sunday-Trust in Him at all times, pour out your heart before Him. Pray for Alas de Socorro in Honduras.
- 25. Humble yourself under the mighty hand of God, that He might exalt you. Pray for the Tesh's in Kenya.
- 26. I came to bring fire to the earth. Pray for the Theissens in Mexico.
- 27. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask God. Pray for Moravians in Peru.
- 28. Today, salvation has come to this house. Pray for Safiatu Braima in Sierra Leone.
- 29. The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is Salvation, through Jesus.
- 30. All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord. Pray for Charlie and Vickie Brent in Texas.
- 31. Sunday-God loves a cheerful giver. Pray for Michael and Brenda Brent in Croatia.



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