

January 2022

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-Two New Year Tips for Better Living ~ In 2022

"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-Two tips for living a better Christian life in the New Year:

1. Rise early and pray every day: "Asking God to use YOU 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. Step away... Back off 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 your 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 mentor. YOU can make a difference in the lives of others. YOU will always see what YOU are looking for: "Faith always sees HOPE, GRATITUDE & THANKSGIVING.
12. Treasure your God given abilities of "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 God 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!
22. Each day of the New Year 2022 count your many "Blessings... and Be Thankful."

Prayer: Father God, please help all of us this New Year 2022 to live our life for YOU; to live a life worthy of our calling; To live a life that will "bear fruits worthy of repentance." Help us all to live our life with an attitude of gratitude and thanksgiving for all that You have done for us. Thank you for bringing us safely through these past years of dealing with COVID-19 & its variants. We admit that we have experienced some unusual and unsettling circumstances. Lord, we ask You to make 2022 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*



*The Christmas Poinsettias Placed
In Honor Of*

Amy Brown & Trevor Bumgarner's Impending Wedding
Mark & Malissa Bumgarner

Adam, Megan, Travis, Leanne & Emily
Mom & Dad Simpson

Noah, Rowan, Carter & Will
Grandpa & Mimi Simpson

In Memory Of

Frances L. Bumgarner
Jane & Steve Bumgarner

John E. Bumgarner
Jane & Steve Bumgarner

Jim Hendrix
Cheryl Hendrix

Rachel Lail
Anita Scism

Elizabeth & Thomas E. Schultz
The Schultz Family

Robert & Rachel Shilling
The Schultz Family

Michael Grant Morgan – Nephew
Paul & Linda Morgan

C. Neil Morgan - Brother
Paul & Linda Morgan

Aaron Greaser
Dan, Thelma, Kimberly, Autumn, Danita & Rachel

Our Parents
Dan & Thelma Greaser

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

Raymond & Helen Hatley
Nancy Miller



THE
POWER
OF PRAYER

Dear New Hope Saints,

The PEC urges the congregations of the Southern Province to participate fully in the Annual Unity Prayer Watch by establishing continuous prayer: New Hope (NC) has been assigned (**January 8th... Midnight – 8am**).

You may choose to pray (one hour or half-hour or more) you choose the time that fits your needs best. I realize the hours; we have been given are when most of us would be fast asleep. These hours and times can overlap, but we would like to have someone praying all of the time from (**January 8th Midnight – 8AM**).

What I have done in past years, sign up (for my time) then set my alarm and get up and pray (during my set time) and then go back to bed to sleep. There will be a sign-up chart on the Church bulletin board. If you are unable to come by and want to sign-up before coming to Church; call one of us and we will sign you up for a time.

We ask God's blessings to be upon you as you join in this worldwide offering of intercessions for all congregations, ourselves and many others. **You do not come to the church to pray; you pray at home or anywhere you choose.**

Thank you for this consideration.

In Christ Love & Service,
Pastor Betty
Board of Elders

“I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now” Philippians 1:3-5



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Monday- January 17, 2022

2 PM TO 6:30 PM

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-REDCROSS enter New Hope Moravian to schedule an appointment.

*** We also need two volunteers to make baked items or bring cookies, cake, and/or refreshments for those giving blood. ***



Thank
you 

Dear New Hope Church Family,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation and thankfulness for the kindness and generosity you have shown to me over these past nine years. You've shown me your commitment, love and support through the good and the tough times. But most especially you have shown your faithfulness to the work of the Lord in these past two years of COVID; together we've overcome tough decisions and times.

Your cards, notes, letters, and calls throughout this past two years have especially encouraged me. Thank You for Your Christmas gift to me this year during what has been a most unsettling time. Your gift reflected Christ-like faith and generosity. Your kindness, goodness, and generosity each and every day, are clearly exemplified in your words and deeds.

I truly appreciate (ALL) that you do for me... and all the ministries that we do together at New Hope. It's my privilege to serve with you and to be your Pastor. Thank you so much!!!

Let us together this New Year 2022 keep the "Light" of Christ shining for all to see. May God richly bless you and New Hope in the New Year.

*In Christ Love & Service,
Pastor Betty*

Thank you for making our project support Exodus Homes' Angel Tree so successful. All 21 Angels assigned to us had packages to open this Christmas! Cards that contained a message from the parent were attached to the gifts. Then New Hope's Santa helpers bagged them up and delivered them to the Exodus Homes' office on December 20th.

**Thank you again for sharing Christ's love this Christmas!
New Hope's Mission Committee**





Ways to Give to New Hope

Thanks to the Moravian Ministries Foundation of America (MMFA), we now have an online option to donate to New Hope via credit card or direct debit (automatic bank to bank transfer). The MMFA provides the portal for this electronic giving and they directly deposit any funds to the New Hope bank account. Here is the link to the online giving portal: <https://mmfa.info/new-hope-moravian-church-north-carolina-donation-form/>.

This is a great option for Friends of New Hope that no longer live in the area. These donations will be tracked for tax filing purposes. Transaction fees do apply, just under 3% for credit card transactions and \$0.75 for direct debit transactions.

The MMFA also provides a means to donate securities/stocks. Your broker transfers the securities/stocks to MMFA and the MMFA executes the securities/stocks into cash. Securities/stocks executed in this way are not subject to capital gains tax. Please contact Tom Schultz if you are interested in the process for this type of monetary transaction.

Please contact Tom Schultz at newhopemoraviantreasurer@gmail.com with any questions about the items above.

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 from different videos that are available.

Mark Your Calendar for January

Saturday, January 1st –



Sunday, January 2nd – Sunday School 9:00 am
Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service 10:00 am

Second Sunday After Christmas
Drawing of 2022 Watchwords

Wednesday, January 5th – Preschool Returns from Christmas break



Thursday, January 6th – ECCCM Workday

Sunday, January 9th – Sunday School 9:00 am
Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service 10:00 am

First Sunday after the Epiphany
Epiphany of our Lord (Holy Communion)

Installation of 2022 Officers & Synod Reps

Monday, January 10th – Board of Elders Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 pm

Sunday, January 16th – Sunday School 9:00 am
Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service 10:00 am

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Monday, January 17th – Martin Luther King, Jr Day

No Preschool or Catawba County Schools



New Hope Blood Drive, 2:00-6:30 pm

Sunday, January 23rd – Sunday School 9:00 am
Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service 10:00 am

Thursday, January 27th – February Newsletter Articles Due

Sunday, January 30th – No Sunday School
Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service 10:00 am



January Birthdays

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

Pray Every Day January 2022

1. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Pray for Charlie and Vicki Brent in Texas.
2. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Pray for Moravians in Peru.
3. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit whom he has given us. Pray for Moravians in Honduras.
4. But where sin increased grace increased all the more. Pray for the Thiessens in Mexico.
5. Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Pray for the Unity Women's Desk.
6. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! Pray for the Harrisons with Greek InterVarsity.
7. We ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. Pray for the Board of World Mission.
8. That if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Pray for Kevin and Charity in the Middle East.
9. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Pray for the Hoffmans in HIV/AIDS Ministry.
10. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Pray for PEC members, bishops and other church leaders.
11. Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Pray for Adopt A Village in Tanzania.
12. Do not repay evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. Pray for disaster relief volunteers.
13. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Pray for Phil and Eunice Raiford in Mexico.
14. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. Pray for the Clinica Evangelica Morava in Ahaus.
15. For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. Pray for the Rajpur Foster Child Project.
16. Love is patient, love is kind. Pray for Moravians in Labrador.
17. The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for seminarians and candidates for ordination.
18. Always give yourselves full to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. Pray for firefighters and police officers.
19. Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong. Do everything in love. Pray for short term mission teams.
20. Therefore do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. Pray for the medical personnel caring for Covid-19 patients.
21. Therefore if anyone is in Christ; he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! Pray for children's and youth ministries.
22. You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. Pray for Brian and Heather Marx with Mission Aviation Fellowship.
23. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Pray for Annie B Missions and Star Mountain.
24. Let him who boasts boast in the Lord. Pray for Alan and DeeDee Iobst in France.
25. My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. Pray for Steve and Ann Marx with Mission Aviation Fellowship.
26. I no longer live but Christ lives in me. Pray for the Sineaths in Campus Outreach.
27. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. Pray for the Teshes in Kenya and Ray of Hope.
28. Let us not become weary in doing good. Pray for Moravians in Nicaragua.
29. For we are God's workmanship, created in him to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Pray for Moravians in Cuba and the Armando Rusindo Foundation.
30. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Pray for Safiatu Braima and Sierra Leone.
31. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. Pray for Michael and Brenda in Croatia.



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