October 2017 New Hope Moravian Church



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2017 Watchword

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:5-6 (NRSV)



Why Remember The Reformation?

For many people, October 31st is a day to dress up in scary or unusual costumes and go door to door receiving candy. For many Christians, October 31st is referred to as *Reformation Day*. On this day we celebrate God's work through Martin Luther, and his passion to safeguard God's free gift of grace in Jesus Christ through faith alone.

The story has it that on October 31, 1517, a Catholic priest named Martin Luther posted on his Church door at Wittenberg and invitation for a debate...The invitation, entitled "Ninety-Five Theses or Disputation on the Power and Efficacy of Indulgences," listed 95 statements about the issues Luther had with the Pope. Luther's "Ninety-Five Theses" were written against the teachings of indulgences, purgatory, and other beliefs and practices of the Church inconsistent with the clear teachings of the Bible. Luther was concerned about the large number of believers of the Wittenberg Town Church, who no longer came to confession and who justified their absence with the indulgences they bought. These slips of paper sold by the officials of the Church and signed by the Pope, granted God's forgiveness of sins for the purchaser. Luther objected to the Church selling God's gift of forgiveness of sins; it was intended to be a free gift!

Luther strong in his faith wanted to engage the Church in a debate about these issues so that the true mission of the Church could be reclaimed and reinstated. What was the problem....No one responded, and the debate never took place. Perhaps the people did not understand the importance of Luther's issue? Maybe they were afraid – to be involved with an issue or debate that seem to be against the authority of the Church and the Pope! Luther because of his conviction of the truth of the Gospel was confronting the most powerful people of his time. So, it appears no one came for the debate.... So why are we still talking about this priest and his radical ideas? Well, word has it this was not the end of his story. People took seriously Luther's work and copied it down, and it wasn't long until the printing press (newly invented) was used to distribute it throughout Christendom. Soon debates began and the people began to study the Scriptures and as the Holy Spirit moved in the Church again (like the Day of Pentecost); people began to seek God's truth based on the Scriptures rather than what the Church taught about its customs, tradition or culture. The result, the Reformation of God's truth changed the lives of God's people; their eyes were open. Lives were forever changed.

So you might ask, "Well how does that affect me now? The times have changed...Why look back to the persistent words and actions of a monk and his concerns about the Pope and the Church?" The answer is simple: the Church even today, continues to be distracted by its sociological customs, traditions and culture. Society still promotes and encourages people to be influenced by money, power and status; rather than the Scriptures and their rich source of faith; Jesus Christ! Clearly many in today's society listen more to the words of self-proclaimed agnostics, atheists, scientologists, and the un-churched. Why do people listen to them instead of the Scriptures? Many have been influenced by false prophets or have had a bad experience with the Church. When, we wander away from God's Word, the firm foundation of who we are as Christians, and whose we are as a Church; we are frankly building on sinking sand. A life built on the worldliness of society's changing political correctness is of no good to the Kingdom of God; and it's positively no good for us. Our life on this earth is to benefit the Kingdom of God; we are to make a difference in the lives of others, drawing them to Christ!

Matthew 7:13-14NIV states, "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

Note in this verse the repeat of "Only a few find it." It seems to me, it is vital, that we as a Church body are obedient the principles of God's holy Word. Without the leading of the Scriptures and the Holy Spirit, what we say and do has little or no value in God's Kingdom. God's Word is a plumb-line of how we are to live our life...going our own way, is not an option; it is not beneficial to us or to God's Kingdom.

Church, we must be and remain faithful and steadfast as we study the Scriptures, so God can work in our hearts and lives. We cannot let society and the world around us influences how we behave. The ways of the world can make our lives "better or bitter." Therefore, without a genuine respect for God's Word and a better understanding of the Scriptures, we really have no genuine sense of what Jesus said and did, or what the disciples taught. We cannot ignore and dismiss the Bible's truth and wisdom to us, every time it contradicts our way of life, or society's beliefs; we must remain steadfast. Church, the very core of our Christian faith, is the assurance that salvation is based on the unearned free gift of God's grace; not indulgences. God loves us despite disobedience...Church; we are saved by God's grace and righteousness nothing of ourselves. Our need is to respond and receive God's free gift of His grace! We as sinners are deserving of God's wrath and anger; and yet, God chooses to extend to us His mercy and grace. He chooses to give to us the riches of His abounding love and forgiveness. The Gospel of John states it well: "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). Church, despite what others in the world may say, "Jesus is the only way to the Father (John 14:6); there is no other way to God the Father.

So, I'd say it's a good thing that we remember the Reformation...Martin Luther didn't give up on his passion for God's Truth. It's a good thing, he wasn't persuaded by those around him; he held onto his strong convictions despite the ridicule he received. How are you doing today? Are you motivated...Are you passionate about your faith and the convictions of the Scriptures? I pray you are...Who knows, you might just be the next Martin Luther to start a new "Christian Reformation Movement!" You never know what God might do in your life or mine; when we trust Him with all our heart!

In Christ Love and Service, *Pastor Betty*

Mission Sunday Lovefeast Oct 8, 11:00 Worship

Join us for another wonderful service focusing on missions near and far. Our own Dan Greaser will share his most interesting experiences. We will delight in unique music, enjoy an international treat with our coffee and share in our common need to reach out to others as we follow The Great Commission.

A special offering will be collected for the Moravian Disaster Relief Fund.

Next Mission Committee Meeting: October 8- after worship

Thank You Notes And Gratitude's

Dear New Hope Moravian Church,

Thank you so much for the generous donation of school supplies to North Newton Elementary. Our staff and our parents appreciate it so very much. We feel blessed to have such a caring and supportive community.

Love, North Newton Elementary Staff and Students

Dear New Hope family,

We want to thank the New Hope family for their thoughts, prayers, and expressions of kindness and support following my sister, Julia Denham's recent death. The cards and other gestures were very much appreciated. It was most comforting for those of you who were able to come to Christ Moravian for her funeral and reception following the service. Julia had a meaningful and fulfilling life and is at peace. With much love. Ann and Almon Carr

Dear New Hope Congregation,

Just a note to say Johnnie and I are so proud of all of you!!!! We were blessed to be able to join in the chicken pie making September 23. What an amazing group of dedicated workers. It was so great to see so many of you working so hard- even with cheerful hearts!

You are all to be commended for your continued dedication to New Hope Moravian. Thank you so much. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

With love and hugs, Johnnie and Mary Anna Pearson

Thank you!

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, food, cards, visits, calls, emails, etc. during John's time of recuperation following his accident. God has certainly blessed us with the most caring and loving church family anyone could ask for.

In Christian love,

John and Margie Furmage

Congratulations To Our Paster Betty

A Service of the Consecration of Presbyter for The Reverend Betty A. Helms

Sunday-November 12 @ 3:00PM Has been officially set as the date and time

A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall given by New Hope Moravian.

What are the Orders of the Moravian Church Ministry for Ordained Ministry?

The following description of the Moravian Orders of Ordained Ministry is taken from the Book of Order of the Moravian Church, Southern Province:

Ordination in General: The constituted orders of the ordained ministry in the Moravian Church are Deacon, Presbyter, and Bishop. Those who are ordained are authorized to administer the Sacraments in the Moravian Church.

Only the Provincial Elders' Conference or the Synod has the authority to commission ordination and consecration. In extending such a commission they are guided by careful consideration of the qualifications of the candidate. The Provincial Elders' Conference commissions the Bishop who is to officiate.

The Book of Order of the Moravian Church, Southern Province, outlines the meaning of ordination and delineates the three orders of the Moravian ministry: **Deacon, Presbyter and Bishop**: The ordained minister remains a servant of Christ and the Church as a whole, not merely to the congregation to which he/she is called. Even as Jesus Christ came not to be ministered unto but to minister, so his servants should be willing to minister wherever the Church calls them under the leading of the Holy Spirit. The ordination of Deacons and the consecration of Presbyters and Bishops are matters of function and not of status.

Presbyters

- 1. After a period of time, normally from three to five years, a Deacon may be consecrated as a Presbyter. Such a service of consecration shall represent on the part of the Church an act of spiritual encouragement and affirmation of the individual's witness in the ministry and approval of service rendered since ordination. For the individual Deacon it shall be an occasion of earnest heart-searching and renewed commitment to the ordained ministry of Christ and His Body, the Church.
- 2. The Provincial Elders' Conference, after consultation with the Deacon's designated counselor and the local church boards or other administrative board being served by the Deacon, approaches the Deacon concerning his/her readiness to accept consecration as a Presbyter.
- 3. The consecration of a Presbyter is an act of approval of the entire Moravian Unity. The candidate may choose the consecrating Bishop and the place for the service with the approval of the Provincial Elders' Conference.

The Provincial Elders' Conference





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Upcoming Event

October
15: Eastern
Catawba
County
Hunger
Walk

What's Happening in

October

It's almost time for the Eastern Catawba
County Hunger Walk! Help to end hunger
with a click of a button!!

Sunday, October 15th marks the date for the **2017 Eastern Catawba County Hunger Walk**. The Hunger Walk is a collaborative effort between Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministry and The Corner Table Soup Kitchen.
Registration will begin at 2 pm on the North side of the museum in downtown Newton. The walk will start at 3 pm with refreshments and awards for the "Top Fundraiser" and "Largest Team" given at 4 pm.

*You can participate in this event by sponsoring, walking, and/or creating a fund-raising page at http://2017hungerwalk.causevox.com/. Come by the office any time Mon.-Thurs. between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to pick up your packet!

There is no cost to register for the event but any participant who donates at least \$20 will receive a 2017 Hunger Walk t-shirt.

Go to http://www.ecccm.org/eastern-catawba-county-hunger-walk/ for more information.

Together we can end hunger in Catawba County!

SUND&Y SCHOOL UPD&TE:



Christianity's Family Tree

A new exciting series began Sunday, Sept. 17th with <u>rave reviews!!</u> This is fascinating.

Join us at 10:00 each Sunday in the fellowship hall as we study "Christianity's Family Tree", an Adam Hamilton video presentation with discussion led by Dwane Hutto.

We are learning about 8 Christian denominations, their faith traditions, brief history, and major beliefs to see how those traditions can strengthen our own Christian faith. They are Orthodoxy, Catholicism, Lutheranism, Presbyterianism,

Anglicanism, Baptists, Pentecostalism, and Methodism. This series has proven to be inspiring and educational thus far.



Check Out the Latest BCM Essencials Newsletter

Our own **Pam Prevatte** is featured and has written an excellent article on "The Aging Well Conference" that was held April 22 at Friedburg Moravian. Pastor Betty and Malissa Bumgarner also attended and can vouch for the fact that this was an excellent opportunity to get true and factual information on the aging process, legal considerations, health issue, caring for elderly loved ones, how to navigate the internet, and many more topics. Only complaint-there were too many excellent topics to pick from and not enough time.

You will find a few copies in the vestibule or go to http://www.moravian.org/board-of-cooperative-ministries/

Storage Relief On The Way!

A much needed change is coming to our fellowship hall. The Stewardship/Commitment Committee has discussed the need for more storage for some time. Many options were discussed about what would best. It was decided and presented to the Board to add a storage addition beside the fellowship hall. It will be built in the garden area where the large crept myrtle is in back of the Fellowship Hall. The Board of Elders approved the recommendation.

Several major advantages for this location are security and convenience. A door will replace one of the current windows giving direct access between the two areas. No need to carry items across the yard from a separate building. There will be no door to the outside which adds security. This also will give us approximately twice the size of storage we have in there now. The current storage closet will be used by the Preschool which obviously needs more as well. Tables and chairs, etc. will be moved to the new storage room.

An Architect has been contacted so we hope to have plans completed and bids in by early October. There are several options for funding this project which will be announced. Hopefully we can proceed with construction soon after Board approval of this project.

The ultimate goal is to have the new storage room complete before Candle Tea. If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask.

Mark Bumgarner- Chair of Stewardship Committee & Vice-Chair Board of Elders

Friedberg Moravian Church Chicken Pie Supper and Bazaar Saturday, November 4, 2017 4-7pm 2178 Friedberg Church Road Winston-Salem, NC 27127

336-764-1830

Come and enjoy Chicken Pie and Country Ham
Visit our Bazaar, tasty baked goods and much more.

Adult \$10 and Child's \$6

Frozen pies will be available at the Bazaar

Large Pies \$12 and Small Pies \$8

Sponsored by Friedberg Moravian Women's Fellowship



Chicken Chatter

A HUGE thank you to all of those who gave of their time and efforts in helping with the chicken pies this past weekend. 535 beautiful chicken pies were made! In addition, prior to chicken pies, 177 apple pies had been made. All pies have been sold, and are in the process of being picked up and / or delivered. As you know, all profits from these pies goes back into the chicken pie fund to be used strictly for the edification of the church. We have already accomplished so much with the funding from the sales of our pies, and all of the hard work has paid off many times over.

"Thank you" does not begin to cover the gratitude we feel for all of you who jump in and help. Without you, we could not be so successful, nor would the community get to witness a true church family in action, (or enjoy our delicious pies).

Please mark your calendar, and rest up for our next marathon pie making on Nov. 2nd, 3rd and 4th as we make pies to sell at Candle Tea. See more specifics below.

May Christ continue to bless New Hope! Margie and your Chicken Pie Committee

Next Chicken Pie Making November 2, 3 and 4 (Thurs, Fri, Sat)

Next time for the great chicken pie making adventure! You don't want to be left out of the fun and fellowship.

Dates and times are below:

Thursday Nov. 2 - 1:00 PM make boxes and label. Setting up of work stations

Friday Nov. 3 - 7:00 AM chicken cookers arrive

8:00 AM dough makers arrive 8:30 AM chicken pickers arrive

Saturday Nov. 4 - 8:00 AM all workers arrive to assemble pies

As is our custom, please bring a snack, drink and/or lunch item to share as we take breaks and have lunch together.

There is a job *for every member* of our congregation and no experience is necessary. We need all hands on deck to have another successful chicken pie making!

New Hopers Field Trip To Mountains

Saturday Oct 28. Watch your bulletins and Thursday updates for more details. Please join us for this time of great fellowship with friends. We hope you can join us!

Women's Circle Bible Study Meeting report:

Circle met Tuesday, Sept for a covered dish. We had a great time and a wonderful dinner. We missed those of you who could not make it. Many thanks to Margie Furmage for hosting the opening meeting and meal.

As you may know, we have 4 lessons left in our current study, but anyone new can follow along in discussion. We agreed to go next with <u>Bible Basics: A Study of Genesis</u> by Nancy Chandler. I need to get the books now, so if you were not at the meeting, please let **Pam Prevatte** know if you want a book ASAP. The cost is \$5.50 and is not due until I get your book to you.

Next meeting: Tues Oct 24 at 7:00 at Nancy Millers home.

Pam Prevatte

Circle Bible Study Schedule for 2017-18

Continuing in the Carol Foltz study:

Date	Location	Lesson	Leader
10-24-17	Nancy Miller	7	Carolyn McDonald
11-14-17	Margie Furmage	8	Nancy Miller
1-16-18	Leslie Srail	9	Thelma Greaser
2-20-18	Fay Ayers	10	Pat deBlois

Beginning new study: Bible Basics: A Study of Genesis by Nancy Chandler

3-20-18	Thelma Greaser	1	Pam Prevatte
4-17-18	Pat deBlois	2	Fay Ayers
5-15-17	Nancy Olson	3	Leslie Srail

June 5, 2018: Our final Circle meeting will be our hot dog cook out at Leslie Srail's house. (6:00)

MORAVIAN DISASTER RESPONSE

Hurricane Relief Continues

Please share this information broadly and with individuals in congregations

The BWM continues to receive generous donations to help us respond in light of the myriad of disasters in the last several weeks. Below is an update regarding the current status of our response.

Hurricane Harvey

The BWM has made an initial distribution of funds to the Unity of the Brethren as the rebuilding work begins in the greater Houston and Gulf Coast regions. On Monday, September 25th, several volunteers from the Western District in the Northern Province will be driving a Moravian Disaster Response (MDR) trailer to Texas to be on the ground for use by individuals there, and for forthcoming teams. The trailer is pre-loaded with tools and items helpful in construction, but in this case will also be carrying donations from Southern WI congregations who have been collecting necessary construction materials which can be utilized or distributed on site. The BWM is very thankful for those who have gone out of their way to help add further supplies to this trailer.

In the next two weeks the BWM will begin communicating further information about the opportunity for teams to travel to Texas. Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to enter your information for volunteering availability. NOTE: Even if you have sent in your information before to indicate your interest in volunteering, we are asking you to fill out this quick form specifically geared for our current Hurricane Relief efforts.

Florida

The BWM was able to get an update directly from congregations in Florida as a part of their recent district meeting, and follow up phone conversations. These congregations have reported that there has been some damage to various church properties and member homes, but have not at this time identified a concentrated area of damage to require immediate assistance or preparations for work teams at this time. The BWM will continue to monitor the situation as the relief efforts continue.

EWI Province (Caribbean and Virgin Islands)

The BWM has been in contact with leadership of the EWI province, and they have reported the current difficulty of sustaining reliable and ongoing communications

between many of the islands, in particular St. John's and St. Croix. This tragic situation is still unfolding, as Hurricane Maria seems to have hit both areas already impacted by Hurricane Irma, but also new areas as well.

Specifically, Rev. Cortroy Jarvis, Chairman of the EWI Province and chair of the Worldwide Moravian Unity, says that the situation in St. John is especially bad; the sanctuary and manse of Emmaus Moravian Church there have been destroyed and the roof of the Bethany Moravian Church was blown off. Antigua is doing pretty well but very involved with relief efforts in Barbuda. Air travel to Tortola and St. Thomas has not been restored as yet and communication is difficult.

Shared below is a portion of an update just sent by Jørgen Bøytler, Unity Board Administrator. It encompasses much of the information the BWM would like to share at this time, especially in regards to the damage in the Virgin Islands. As this letter calls for consideration of donations to support this work, please know you can send donations through the BWM (information below), and that our office is receiving a high volume of donations each day. An initial transfer of funds has already been made to the EWI Province, with more to follow shortly as specific uses are identified.

Greetings in the name of our Chief Elder.

I take this opportunity to send a special message and request to you, the leaders of the Provinces of the Moravian Unity.

Our brothers and sisters on a number of islands in the Caribbean have been hit by the tropical category 5 storms Irma and Maria. In many of the islands, where the Moravian Church is present, the result is devastating.

Rev. Dion Christopher, based in St. Croix, USVI reports: We are in a bad way in the VI. We are going to need help and much prayers for the foreseeable future. Many homes and Churches irreparably damaged. Lives lost. I have never seen so much hurt and pain and despair. This is beyond my wildest imagination.

Reports from Rev. Cortroy Jarvis suggest how devastating the storms have been on Tortola, Barbuda and other islands. Cuba has been hit. We are still awaiting further reports.

There is a need of showing solidarity and compassion with the peoples of the Caribbean countries and also Florida, US.

Moravian Provinces are hereby in a Christian spirit asked to remember in prayers

our brothers and sisters and all other people in the hidden areas.

There are numerous people who have lost their homes and means of living. Many Moravian congregations are now facing needs for in part or total reconstruction of buildings, including sanctuaries. Already some Moravian Provinces have been collecting money and forwarding help to some of the hidden islands. This is very encouraging.

We ask Provinces of the Unity for help and assistance, this is a special and unusual situation. We are called upon, as Moravians, to offer our help and assistance. Any prayer, any amount of money is important and appreciated.

Grace and peace Jørgen Bøytler

MDR and the Board of World Mission is monitoring the situation and is in contact with partner organizations as immediate and long term needs are assessed. If you are feeling called to help respond, please see avenues for donating and volunteering below.

Make a Donation

Donations to help support MDR as it partners in the recovery can be made online by going to moravianmission.org/give. Please use the online giving form, and in comments designate the Donation for "Moravian Disaster Response".

Donations within the U.S. can also be sent directly to the Board of World Mission at the address below. In the memo line of any checks please write "Moravian Disaster Response".

Board of World Mission PO Box 1245 Bethlehem, PA 18016

Canadian Churches may send donations to the following address in order to receive full tax credit for your donation and they will be sent along to the BWM: Moravian Church in Canada

600 Acadia Drive SE

Calgary, AB T2J 0B8

NOTE: We are requesting funds be designated for general disaster response to allow the BWM to respond with the flexibility needed in this ongoing situation. All

funds under this designation will be used for disaster response.

Volunteer

If you are interested in getting information on joining teams to help in the recovery and rebuilding efforts for this, or other disasters, please <u>use this link</u> to enter your contact information, and the BWM will follow up with you regarding any specific opportunities to get involved.

Please contact the BWM with any questions.

Northern Province Office: <u>610.868.1732</u> Southern Province Office: <u>336.773.1732</u>

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The Webinar on Moravian Mission History has been rescheduled to November 8 at 10:00 a.m. ET. It will be on an article by the Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood that will be presented at the Unity Mission Conference in November. You are invited to register for the seminar at: www.moravianmission.org/webinar

PHYLLIS'S NOTES FROM 25TH MORAVIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL (July 23-29, 2017)

This past July 23rd some 310 Moravians, musicians and friends (ages kindergarten through long-retired) from 19 US states and 6 different countries, gathered at Home Moravian Church in Ol d Salem for the 25th Moravian Music Festival and I was very privileged to be among them! The festival began with a Festival Lovefeast "Church Rejoice!" where I worshiped in the lovefeast service as a member of the congregation, *not as a musician* (a first for me!).

The busy week began each morning with rehearsals for the different areas (handbells, trombone choir, chamber music), then a devotional service, followed by choral and band rehearsals. Then it was lunch time! The afternoons were full with different workshops for choral, handbell, lectionary planning, and conducting classes followed by more choral and band rehearsals before dinner. Wednesday afternoon was free time, so I boarded a bus with a group of other folks for tours of two Moravian settlements: Bethabara (1753) and Bethania (1759). We were also to tour the Moravian Archives at the Moravian Music Foundation but ran out of time.

Each evening there were concerts at different locations in the Winston area and each concert began with trombone choir and festival band playing preludes of chorales. Monday's concert at Trinity Moravian was inspiring and showcased the talents of festival soloists and guests and introduced many newly-edited ancient vocal and instrumental works. Tuesday evening's concert was in Salem Square with the impressive Salem Band. Wednesday evening's concert was again at Home Moravian Church with an anthem sing allowing participants to enjoy old favorite anthems and hear several newly-published works by living Moravian composers, some who were present at the concert. Thursday's concert at Calvary Moravian featured the Festival Band and Chamber Ensembles.

The week concluded with the presentation of the Festival Children's Choir on Friday afternoon in Home Moravian's fellowship hall. That night, at Winston-Salem State University, the Festival Chorus and Orchestra presented the programs they had practiced during the week. The concerts concluded on Saturday morning with the trombone choir, handbell choir, and all the chamber ensembles presenting the pieces they had practiced so hard to perform. Between Pastor Betty, Malissa Bumgarner and myself we were represented at every festival concert event.

I was unable to attend the last half of the week but did get to practice all the choral and handbell pieces that were presented in concert. I'm sure the group didn't miss my voice in the chorus or my hands ringing bells, but I'm very happy I got to rehearse with them all and meet so many wonderful people, some of whom are now friends! I have already begun to use many things I learned with our handbells.

There was delicious food served at each meal plus plenty of water, coffee and juice and always Moravian sugar cake and Moravian cookies in the snack/lounge areas every day. It was an amazing festival with an amazing amount of planning. It took outstanding folks to carry it through.

If you have an opportunity to attend one of these music festivals, please give it careful consideration because you'll never regret that you did.

Phyllis Little, Music Director

- 1. Sunday. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus. Pray for Dusty & Christin Harrison and the students they are serving through Greek InterVarsity Campus Ministry at Clemson University.
- 2. I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you. Pray for Brian & Heather Marx (Bmarx@maf.org) serving with MAF in Indonesia.
- 3. Let us thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. Pray for Steve & Ann Marx as they work with MAF in Nampa, Idaho.
- 4. We have heard with our ears what deeds you performed in the days of old. Pray for Safiatu and Mohamed Braima in the Mission area of Sierra Leone.
- 5. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? Pray for Antioch Project, Jill Kolodziej, Director.
- 6. Let me hear your steadfast love in the morning, for in you I put my trust. Pray for Rob and Anne Thiessen, in Mexico.
- 7. God will dwell with them; they will be his people, and God himself will be with them. Pray for Alas de Socorro in Honduras that they would find a pilot.
- 8. Sunday. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. Pray for the Moravian Volunteer Resources and Moravian Disaster Response and those affected by the recent hurricane and floods.
- 9. For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven. Pray for organizations such as Samaritan's Purse, Soar, Marc, Artic Barnabas and the Billy Graham Assoc. which serve so many hurting people in the name and love of Jesus.
- 10. We must obey God rather than any human authority. Pray for the Woo Family.
- 11. Indeed he is not far from each one of us. Pray for Ed Dehnert and Barb Weide, Alaska Bible Seminary, Bethel, AK.
- 12. Surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm. Pray for Drs. Bill and Peggy Hoffman with HIV/AIDS ministry in Tanzania.
- 13. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Pray for Charlie & Vickie Brent and Family serving with Bridges International in campus ministry in TX, especially among Asian students.
- 14. Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none, and whoever has food must do likewise. Pray for Michael, Cecilia, Blessing, and Love Lydia Tesh serving in the Ray of Hope orphanage in Kenya.
- 15. Sunday. Oh Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name. Pray for the peace of Israel and the Jewish people.
- 16. God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for Kevin & Charity Manous, New Philadelphia, serving in the Middle East and for all others who serve Christ in that area of the world.
- 17. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Pray for the Likewise Aids Ministry.
- 18. The Lord knows those who are he is, and let everyone who calls on the name of the Lord turn away from wickedness. Pray for the Mission Areas of Sierra Leone and Peru and the Mission Province of Cuba.
- 19. How great are your works, oh Lord! Pray for Adopt A Village Program in Tanzania.
- 20. Outdo one another in showing honor. Pray for the Likewise Aids Ministry.
- 21. Oh Lord, what do I wait for? My hope is in you. Pray for Western Tanzania's mission outreach.
- 22. Sunday. Now begin the work, and the Lord be with you. Pray for Vani Pradhan and the Nepali Moravian Outreach
- 23. Commit your work to the Lord and your plans will be established. Pray for Annie B. Mission with Star Mountain in Palestine.
- 24. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating. Pray for ongoing outreach to rebuild homes in North Carolina through Moravian Disaster Response.
- 25. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. Pray for 15 Mission Areas and 5 Mission Provinces of the Moravian Unity.
- 26. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Pray for the Marshall Mission Outreach of the Alaska Moravian church.
- 27. Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord! Pray for the construction of a radio tower that will allow the Word of God to be broadcast into Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Guinea.
- 28. The good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations. Pray for the Moravian churches and missions in Peru.
- 29. Sunday. You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. Pray for the Armando Rusindo Mission Foundation aiding the Cuban Moravian church.
- 30. I shall do more good to you than ever before. Pray for volunteers who run soup kitchens and feed the hungry
- 31. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. Pray for Allen and Deedee Iobst in Spain.



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