

**October 2020**  
**New Hope Moravian**  
**Church**

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**2020 Watchword**

"If I understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing."  
(1 Corinthians 13:2 NIV)



*"Seeking... A Life of Spiritual Success God's Way"*

*"Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do" Joshua 1:7NLT.*

Many years ago, God gave His people, the ancient Israelites, a specific goal, and formula for both personal and spiritual success. The goal was to claim and possess the Promised Land which, in time, became the country we know today as Israel. Yes, the Israelites did wander around for forty-years. Yet, God remained faithful; He protected them, and He provided for them.

If we want to be successful—as Christians, in the eyes of God, we need to challenge ourselves and not play it safe but TRUST Him to make a way for us. We need to discover our God-given purpose and goal in life. We need to be sold-out and committed to our God-given purpose. As we do this, we need to be sure to live in harmony with God's biblical instructions and principles for living a wholesome life.

Far too many people in our world today, drift through life allowing "life as it happens" to determine their future, rather than specifically seeking God's clearly defined direction for their abundant Christian life. As Christians, it is imperative we avoid sinful words and actions; we must avoid going our own way. God's Word defines clearly "the way, and the truth and the life" John 14:6 NIV. We just

need to be obedient and follow the example set-forth by Jesus Christ. Then our life will be more clearly defined not by our control but through “God’s Eternal Plan” for our life.

Psychologists have been telling us for years, if we want to be successful, we need to set well defined goals. Victor Frankl, the Viennese psychiatrist, says "not having a goal is more to be feared than not reaching a goal."

What is your purpose and goal today? If you want to be truly successful both personally and spiritually, seek God’s plan for your life; seek Jesus Christ in all your ways. As Henry Blackaby states in his book, Experiencing God, “Find where God is already working in your life and then join Him there.” Let go and let God lead you to His clearly defined life of purpose. Let God help you set your goals! Be open to His leading, and His placement of circumstances, people and places, to help you reach your goals.

The first step in discovering your life’s purpose and goal starts with prayer (spending daily time with God). Then put your prayerful thoughts and goals on paper; be specific. Always remember: Godly success is the ability to formulate a worthwhile purpose and goal. Then (do not) try to go it alone; employ all of God’s powers for the achievement of that goal.

Jack Canfield, author of the Chicken Soup for the Soul series states, "If you are clear where you are going and you take steps in that direction every day, you eventually have to get there." If I head south toward Florida and take five steps a day, eventually I have to end up in Florida. So today, prayerfully decide God’s purpose for your life, write it down, and each day, do something that moves you closer toward this purpose and goal.

*In Christ Love and Service,  
Pastor Betty*

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**Just in time for the holiday season!**

New Hope will have a limited amount (55) freshly made **Apple Crumb pies** available for members to pick up Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> following service. The pies are made with Brushy Mountain apples, frozen and ready to bake. The pies are \$10.

Pies are available for members and their friends ... however, members need to place the pre-order and pick up all pies.

Please pre-order your pies by emailing or calling/texting Jane Bumgarner.

[janebumgarner@gmail.com](mailto:janebumgarner@gmail.com) or cell (828)639-0061

## Chicken Pie Update

Sadly, New Hope will not be making our wonderful chicken pies until possibly the Spring of 2021 due to COVID-19 and our need to safe distance.

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Sipe's Orchard Home's motto is "Preparing children and youth for their best future". They serve youth who are homeless or who have aged out of foster care and have no viable placement. This co-ed program provides the resources and support the youth need to complete education, find and keep a job, establish a support network outside the program, manage their finances, and learn the many soft skills necessary to live successfully on their own. They also have a preschoolers program.

To help support Sipe's, we ask that you purchase antibacterial wipes, toilet paper, paper towels and copy paper. You may bring these to church **starting in October**. We will also be collecting a love offering, which we always do on Mission Sunday, October 11. Members not attending could mail checks to the church.

Mr. Jamie Brown, CEO of Sipe's Orchard Home, will be our guest speaker on Mission Sunday.

We are also in the process of planning a Day of Service at Sipe's Orchard in October. More on this later.

During these stressful times, Sipe's Orchard Home's services are needed as much or more than usual. Let's continue our support for this agency now, as we have done in the past.

Thanks for your support,

Mission Committee



**BOARD OF  
WORLD MISSION**  
of the Moravian Church • North America



The Board of World Mission’s Moravian Disaster Response (MDR) fund stands ready to be of assistance whenever and wherever a disaster strikes and impacts Moravians around the world. This year we have been incredibly busy with an extensive hurricane season and the Covid-19 pandemic. To date in 2020, we have sent aid to our Moravian brothers and sisters in Wilmington, NC (Hurricane ); to the Eastern Congo (flooding ); to over 55 Moravian congregations and agencies in the US and Canada to assist with expenses related to adapting worship and church administration due to Covid-19; we have sent Covid-19 aid to Cuba, Peru, and Honduras. All told, we have sent out over \$80,000 to people who have experienced some truly unfortunate circumstances. So much more needs to be done, and we cannot extend this compassionate help without your help. Please visit our website at [www.moravianmission.org](http://www.moravianmission.org) for more details on what is happening around the world and how you can help send relief.

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Lee Industries Presents  
**Safe Harbor’s 2020**  
**Celebrate the Harvest Annual Fundraiser**  
**“...Inspired Hope...”**

This year’s Celebrate the Harvest will be recognizing past graduates –  
 “Where are they now?!”

Please join on this VIRTUAL journey and to hear and see the impact your support can make!

The date and time is **Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. The event will only be 45 minutes long.** The entire event will be streamed virtually over the internet where you and your family and friends can join.

Please watch this short video for insight on what you can expect.

<https://vimeo.com/425707270>

How you can help:

Simply join and invite others to do the same!

So mark your calendars!

## Church Council Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

You might ask “What is Church Council?”

Following our regular worship service, the church family of New Hope will have their annual congregational meeting in the sanctuary. During this gathering, we will receive the upcoming 2021 budget that has been submitted by the Stewardship and Commitment Committee and approved by the Board of Elders. Also, to be presented is a slate of candidates to fill the upcoming Board of Elders slots whose term is expiring at the end of this year. The floor will also be open for any nominations. An election of new board members will take place. Our Board of Elders, with Pastor Betty serving at the Chairperson, is led by our Chief Elder – Jesus Christ.

**Please plan to stay for this important brief meeting.**

In Christ Service,  
The Rev. Betty A. Helms  
New Hope Board of Elders

## Sunday Services: Tune into FM 87.9 for New Hope’s service over the airways!

This gives people who choose to stay in their car an option to listen to the service on their car radio. This also gives us the ability to conduct a service if the weather is bad. Pastor Betty and the music can be under a shelter or inside the church building and broadcast to people parked in the lot.

Congregation participation is a vital part of worship. The Board of Elders approved singing and responding to responsive reading. With this in mind, please follow our safety precautions of masking and safe distance (at least 6 feet). The use of our FM transmitter has been a great addition for those worshipping in their cars. Steve Larson will continue to read the congregation response in the liturgy, and we may participate following the above mentioned guidelines.

**Restrooms in the church are open** before, during and following Sunday worship. The Board of Elders do ask that you enter through the main front doors to use the restrooms. We also ask that only one family at a time use the restrooms. Please sanitize your hands as you enter and exit the restrooms, masked and practice social distancing.

# New Hope Service is on YouTube

Click on the link below

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

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

- Once the link takes you to the 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!

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**ECCCM**  
Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministry, Inc

**Volunteers mean everything to ECCCM operations!** ECCCM is using social distancing measures, as well as requiring masks. Food pantry has been redesigned to allow for greater distance between workers, and they’re scheduling no more than 10 people at any given time.

**In order to maintain a safe number of volunteers at a time, please call Christina to schedule volunteer hours.  
(828)465-1702 Ext 123**

### **Current Needs:**

**Empty 1-dozen size egg cartons** – Styrofoam or cardboard-paper type.

Greatest need is **Financial Contributions**

To make an online contribution: <https://www.ecccm.org/donate/>

ECCCM thanks you!!

## *Mark Your Calendar for October*

**Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** – ECCCM Workday

**Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>** – World Wide Communion

**Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** – Mission Sunday

**Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>** – **Board of Elders Meeting** via Zoom, 6:30 pm

**Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>** – **November Newsletter Articles due to Office**

**Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>** –



### *October Birthdays*

- 8<sup>th</sup> – Craig deBlois
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Mark Helms (Pastor Betty's son)
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Terry Ellis
- 25 – John Prevatte
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Dan Greaser
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Will Simpson

## Pray Every Day October 2020

1. Because you are penitent and humble, I have heard you. Pray for Michael and Brenda Brent, Croatia.
2. I have come to call sinners, not the righteous. Pray for Charlie and Vickie Brent in TX.
3. Proclaim the mighty acts of Him who called you out of darkness. Pray for Safiatu Braima in Serria Leone.
4. Sunday-Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Pray for Moravians in Peru.
5. Recieve all my words in your heart. Pray for the Thiessens in Mexico.
6. There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit. Pray for the Teshes in Kenya.
7. I have come as light into the world of darkness. Pray for Ahuas Clinic in Honduras.
8. Let no one deceive you. Your life is in Christ. Pray for Armando Rusindo Foundation and Cuba.
9. In the Lord, your labor is not in vain. Pray for Justin Rabbach (BWM).
10. The Lord spoke, and it came to be. Pray for the Sineaths in Campus Outreach.
11. Sunday-Oh Lord, You are my God. I praise You. Pray for Annie B Missions (Star Mt).
12. You are my Lord. I have no good apart from You. Pray for Steve & Ann Marx (MAF).
13. Think of us as servants of Christ. Pray for the Harrisons with Greek University.
14. Fear God and keep His commandments. Pray for Julie Tomberlin and the Unity Womens Desk.
15. Turn from your evil ways and wicked doings. Pray for the Hoffmans in HIV/AIDS Ministry.
16. Jesus Christ will strengthen you to the end. Pray for Brian and Heather Marx (MAF).
17. Be doers of the word and not hearers only. Pray for Jenna and Andrew Craver in Alaska.
18. Sunday-Sing to the Lord, bless His name, tell of His salvation. Pray for Alan and DeeDee Iobst in France.
19. The Lord sets the prisoner free. Pray for Kevin and Charity in the Middle East.
20. God has made times that are good and times that are not. Pray for Dr. Benno and Teresa Marx.
21. Power comes from God, not from us. Pray for Moravian volunteers.
22. The span of my years is nothing before You. Pray for Adopt A Village in Tanzania.
23. I will make with you an everlasting covenant. Pray for those still suffering loss due to disasters.
24. Do not neglect the gift that is in you. Pray for Moravian ministers and for churches needing them to bring God's word.
25. Sunday- Follow Me! Pray for the food programs taking care of those needing good nutrition.
26. He who is in you is greater than he who is in the he world. Pray that our country will turn back to God.
27. He is one beside whom there is no other. Pray for all those suffering from the COVID-19 virus.
28. Jesus Christ is the foundation that is laid. Pray for the leaders of our churches and our country.
29. Keep the commandments of the Lord your God. Pray for medical personnel serving in the war against Covid-19.
30. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching. Pray for PEC members and other church leaders.
31. You are my fortress and my refuge. Pray for Police and Fire Fighters everywhere.





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