

# June 2014

## New Hope News



**2014 WATCHWORD**  
God said, "Let there be light";  
and there was light.  
Genesis 1:3

**New Hope  
Moravian Church**

### **Delays, Setbacks, & Failures: The Back Door to Success**

"What is faith? It is the confident assurance that something we want is going to happen. It is the certainty that what we hope for is waiting for us, even though we cannot see it up ahead. Men of God in days of old were famous for their faith " Hebrews 11:1-2 (TLB) (NLT).

It's been said that if you want to hit home runs you've got to be willing to strike out. Top batters in baseball have all struck out many times, but it doesn't keep them from trying. And most people who have succeeded in life have also struck out many times. Perhaps today you are feeling like you have struck out, but you just cannot throw in the towel. Well, for sure, you are not alone.

For example, did you know that Walt Disney went broke seven times and had a nervous breakdown before he became successful? At age 40 Henry Ford was broke. Thomas Edison failed more than 6,000 times before he could get an electric light bulb to work; as a child, one of his teachers even called him a dunce. Abraham Lincoln was well known for his many failures but became one of America's most beloved presidents. And Albert Einstein and Werner von Braun both flunked courses in mathematics. History is filled with similar stories.

The reason these people all succeeded is because they didn't quit; they refused to give up. They believed they could succeed and they stuck with it until they did. As the old saying goes, "Quitters never win and winners never quit!" So, if you and I want to hit some home runs spiritually, we must get out there and flex our spiritual muscles. We need to plant our feet beside our firm foundation (Jesus), and keep on swinging and trying. This is true in all aspects of our lives. When the going gets rough and things begin to get tough; we must refuse to cave in. For we have the greatest encourager, anyone can have. We have our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ cheering us on. Isaiah 54:17 states, "No weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and this is their vindication from me," declares the LORD.

Scripture also states in Psalm 25:3, "No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame." God is on your side; He loves you. Therefore, we must keep on keeping on. We must refuse to give up! Eventually we, too, will win if we "keep the faith" and never give up. Furthermore, if you are genuinely seeking to do what you know God wants you to do, there will always be a way to do it. Faith says, "With God's help I'll find the way and I'll keep on trying!" With God even the impossible is made possible... With God all things are possible!

Remember, too, the only real setback or failure is not to get up one more time when we strike out or get knocked down. Remember, God always has something valuable for us to learn. In fact, delays, setbacks and failures are often our greatest teacher, a blessing in disguise. The key issue is to follow your God-given passion and potential, and don't allow delays, setbacks or failures to stop you. So, what is faith? Not giving up hope! Don't ever give up... Remember God is with you all the way! (Portions of this article taken from "Daily Encounter" Acts Devotional-September 23, 2013).

In Christ Service,  
Pastor Betty

## SUMMER MUSIC AT NEW HOPE

Summer is almost here and the choirs of New Hope will take a break from rehearsals during the months of June, July, and August. But the offertory during Sunday Morning services will continue with the Chancel Choir singing on some dates and volunteers sharing their musical gifts on others. The month of June is covered as well as the July 6<sup>th</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup> communion services. The following dates are open for offertory:

July 13<sup>th</sup>  
July 20<sup>th</sup>  
July 27<sup>th</sup>

August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
August 17<sup>th</sup>  
August 24<sup>th</sup>

August 31<sup>st</sup>

Please check your schedules/calendars and volunteer your musical gift for one of these dates. Instrumental pieces as well as solos, duets, trios or quartets are all possibilities. Please let me know which date you choose. Also, I'll be happy to help you choose something, if needed.

Have a blessed and safe summer,

*Phyllis Little*

Music Director



Please join us in celebrating  
Phyllis & Harvey Little's **50th** Anniversary  
Sunday, June 22nd from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Mt. Bethel UMC Fellowship Hall  
9042 NC 127, Hickory, NC

We are proud to celebrate and honor  
Phyllis and Harvey's 50 years of marriage.

Jason, Tashia, Jack & Ross Little  
No gifts please.

RSVP to Tashia & Jason at [828-443-7640](tel:828-443-7640)



**Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**

## **New Hope Celebrates the 4<sup>th</sup> of July**

Join us at 11:00 for a special worship service as we praise our Lord and celebrate our country's independence. Our dress will be casual, shorts are fine. We ask that you wear red, white, or blue if possible.

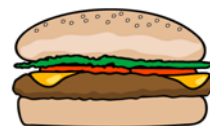
Following worship, we will gather in the fellowship hall for a cookout luncheon. A sign-up sheet for needed food items will be posted on the large bulletin board in the vestibule. There will be some fun activities following lunch. This is one church family gathering that you don't want to miss!!!

Great fellowship, tasty food, time to talk with friends and family...

*Just a really good time!*



Hot Dog



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### **Save the Date**

#### **Yadkin View RCC Women's Event/Workshop**

Location: New Hope Moravian Church  
Newton, NC

Date: August 23, 10-3:00

The women of the 5 churches that make up the Yadkin View Regional Council of Churches of the Southern Province are joining together for a day of fun, reflection, spiritual enlightenment, and fellowship.

More info to follow on the presenters that will come to our church as we host the first Yadkin View Women's Gathering. Mark your calendars today to participate and help host this awesome event! They are coming to us. Yeah!

Malissa Bumgarner  
RCC Chair

### **June Birthdays**

- 9-Mary Anna Pearson
- 13-Myrtle Corpening
- 18-Johnnie Pearson
- 22-Daniel Long
- 22-Becky Long
- 22-Lauren Sullivan
- 23-Keith Crowe
- 26-Malissa Bumgarner
- 26-Natalie Cline
- 28-Nina Cline

**“Headline News”**  
**Confirmation Sunday - 11:00 Worship - June 8th**



Sunday, June 8th, New Hope Moravian will confirm 6 of our youth who have recently completed their confirmation program, “Making Disciples”. Candidates have worked diligently with Pastor Betty and their mentors as they learn together about what it means to be a disciple of Christ and a member of our congregation. The New Hope Church family is extremely proud of these young people and greatly appreciates the guidance and dedication of their mentors. Please join us following worship for a celebratory reception in their honor. Those being confirmed and their mentors are:

Abbie Hollman, daughter of Beth and Todd Hollman – Mentor: Carolyn McDonald

Emma Hollman, daughter of Beth and Todd Hollman – Mentor: Malissa Bumgarner

Emily Grace Johnson, daughter of Amy and Jeremy Johnson – Mentor: Denise Beck

Addie Joplin, daughter of Laurie and Greg Joplin – Mentor: Pam Prevatte

Jon Joplin, son of Laurie and Greg Joplin – Mentor: Bill Biles

Donna Marie Monge, daughter of Manuel Monge and Brenda Nogales – Mentor: Margaret Schultz



**“ Wheee Doggies! ”**

**How could a Sunday School class be  
so much fun?**

The “Journey” Sunday School class invites you to join us in The library at 10:00 as we begin the series, “Primetime Moments”. Many of us watched and re-watched these comedies, The Beverly Hillbillies, Gilligan’s Island, The Lucy Show, Mayberry and The Dick Van Dyke Show, on one of the three channels that we could receive. As we were entertained, little did we know that they were teaching us values through the use of stories, much like Jesus taught using parables. Some of the topics that will be illustrated in short clips from these shows are Blessings, Trust, Unity, Grace and Forgiveness. Each lesson refers to a key scripture and reflection questions. Join us as we take a nostalgic walk and learn more about our Christian Values.

**“ Ya’ll come back now, ya hear! ”**



Baby Harper Jane Westmoreland  
Arrived May 19th, 2014  
Weighing 8 pounds and 3 ounces  
To the Proud Parents, Stephen and Lauren Westmoreland  
and Proud Siblings, Lincoln, Charlie and Tucker

**Welcome Harper, we love you already.**

*Your New Hope Church Family*



Baptism of  
Little Miss Harper  
Jane Westmoreland  
Sunday  
June 15, 2014  
@ 11:00AM Service.

Church Family,  
  
Thank you so much for my sweet card, generous gift, and the fantastic college box! The support you all have given me over the years is something that I truly treasure and hold dear to my heart. I consider each and every one of you as part of my family, and I thank God for you all everyday! Your love is a blessing!  
  
Love, Rachel

**Service & Witness  
Committee**  
  
Meets Sunday, June 1st  
After Worship  
Please come join us!  
Lunch will be provided  
  
Looking forward to serving  
with you!  
  
**Karen Warren**

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★ Dear New Hope Family,  
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★ Thank you for the thoughtful care package!  
★ The sweetness and generosity of New Hope is a  
★ blessing. Leela, Brett and I are ever thankful  
★ for our church home. Again, thank you!  
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★ With love, Amanda Sain  
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## Pray Every Day June 2014

- Ascension Sunday-Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Pray for C & V - Bridges International -Texas
- The Lord is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Pray for Michael & Brenda Brent - Campus Crusade (Cru) - Croatia.
- God has destined us for salvation through Jesus Christ. Pray for George & Ruth Goff - Alas de Socorro, Honduras.
- You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants. Pray for Celeste Handy - Western Indian Ministries - NM, (entering Duke Seminary in the fall).
- God is entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. Pray for Dusty & Christin Harrison - Greek InterVarsity- Clemson, SC.
- Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Pray for K & C - Campus Crusade - Magi Land.
- The Lord redeems your life from the pit. Pray for Steve & Ann Marx - MAF- Idaho.
- Sunday – Pentecost - I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. Pray for Phil & Eunice Raiford - Indigenous Mission Today - San Juan Juquila, Mexico.
- What will it profit them if they gain the whole world but lose their life? Pray for George & The Rev. Glenna Tasedan - Labrador
- The imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises. Pray for Michael & Celia Tesh - Ray of Hope Orphanage -Kenya.
- If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins. Pray for Philip & Ashley Sineath - Campus Outreach – Wingate, NC.
- I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. Pray for Lewis & Susan Sutton - WEC, Int. - Singapore.
- Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. Pray for Robert & Anne Thiessen - Mennonite Central Committee – Oaxaca, Mexico.
- You made the winds your messengers. Pray for the Woo Family – OMF – Asia.
- Trinity Sunday - I will bring them through the fire, refine them as silver and test them as gold. Pray for Brian (pilot) & Heather (artist) Marx – MAF.
- Do not fear but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Pray for Jill Kolodziej, Dir. of Antioch, and the Antioch Servants.
- The work of God is that you believe in him whom he has sent. Pray for Ed Dehnert and Barb Weide - Alaska Bible Seminary - Bethel, AK.
- We want you to know about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches. Pray for summer missionary teams.
- God sits on high those who are lowly, and those who mourn are lifted to safety. Pray for the Unity Women's Desk [www.unitywomensdesk.org](http://www.unitywomensdesk.org)
- If you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Pray for R and B in the Sudan.
- Continue into what you have learned and have become convinced of. Pray for Justin Rabbach, Director of Mission Engagement.
- Sunday - Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me! Pray for the clinic in Ahuas, Honduras.
- I know the plans I have for you, plans for your welfare, not for harm. Pray for Safiatu and Mohamed Braima in Sierra Leone.
- Our sins testify against us, forgive us for your namesake. Pray for Ruth Snyder, Claire Wilson, and all others who are helping women to "Change Choices."
- Great is his steadfast love toward us. The faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Pray for the Likewise Aids Ministry.
- The Lord will not cast away his people. Pray for Adopt-A-Village Program, TZ.
- God will help you, the Almighty will bless you. Pray for BWM staff and directors.
- I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged. Pray for Moravian camp directors, deans, counselors, and youth.
- Sunday- Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching. Pray for Kendra Roy in Brazil.
- Light arises in the darkness for the upright. Pray for the Adopt-a-Child Food Program in Sierra Leone.