

# June 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)



*I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me." —Isaiah 6:8*

God did not direct His call to Isaiah— Isaiah overheard God saying, “...*who will go for Us?*” The call of God is not just for a select few but for everyone. Whether we hear God’s call or not depends on our commitment and desire to hear God’s still small voice to us. It depends on where we are spiritually. “*Many are called, but few are chosen*” (Matthew 22:14).

Recently, while going through some paperwork from my Seminary days, I found this declaration and commitment of a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ; it was penned by a young Pastor in Africa and tacked to a wall in his house. As I read his declaration, I was reminded of God’s great love and devotion toward us; His compassion and loyalty toward us. I was reminded of God’s sustaining power and strength; His encouragement in our times of doubt and fear; His faithfulness during our times of struggles and trials (even COVID). Hopefully, we will never have to experience the persecution this young Pastor endured (day after day). Yet, he kept the faith! He determined to be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ, no matter the cost. Committed and unwavering each day, he lived this declaration of deep faith, despite his circumstances.

## *My Commitment As A Christian*

*I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of Jesus Christ. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away, or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secure. I'm finished and done with low living, sight walking, small planning, smooth knees, colorless dreams, tamed visions, mundane talking, cheap living, and dwarfed goals.*

*I no longer need preeminence, prosperity, position, promotions, plaudits, or popularity. I don't have to be right, first, tops, recognized, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I now live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, lift by prayer, and labor by power.*

*My face is set, my gait is fast, my goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way rough, my companions few, my Guide reliable, my mission clear. I cannot be bought, deluded, or delayed. I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the adversary, negotiate at the table of the enemy, or meander in the maze of mediocrity.*

*I won't give up, shut up, let up, until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, preached up for the cause of Christ. I am a disciple of Jesus. I must go till He comes, give till I drop, preach till all know, and work till He stops me. And when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me - my banner will be clear!*

Where are you today in your unwavering faith as a Christian? Is your discipleship commitment just a couple of hours on Sunday during Sunday worship; or do you spend quality time with God each and every day? Do the words of this Pastor's declaration resonate with you? Are you "all in" with Christ Jesus? God desires that we walk closely and steadfast with Him on our journey of faith. As summer is fast approaching, I pray you will take the time to rest in your Savior Jesus Christ, the Chief Elder of the Moravian Church. May you cherish with all your heart the sacrifice Jesus' made for you and for me... Our God is a personal God, and He desires that we as His disciples be fully committed to Him in all our ways! So, this summer, let's strive to deepen our walk and journey with Christ together. Let's love one another with the love of Christ Jesus in all our words and our deeds. Let's be fully committed to God and one another.

Let each of us respond to God's invitation, with sincere and committed hearts, by saying "Here am I! Send me." Let us say, "Lord, I am Yours, use me as You desire! I am Your servant."

Blessings,  
*Pastor Betty*



Dear New Hope Saints,

Due to the changes in the protocol for Covid-19 from the State and CDC, the Taskforce recommends the following changes for worship at New Hope. These proposals have been 100% approved by the Board of Elders.

New Hope members and friends will continue to be able to 1) worship inside sanctuary, 2) worship in the parking lot through our transmitter, and/or 3) worship via YouTube on the video.

These are the changes for inside worship.

- Temperatures will **not** be taken or the Covid questions asked.  
A temperature station in the vestibule will be available if members want to check their own temperature.
- Wearing a mask is **optional** inside the sanctuary or outside.
- Singing & responses in the liturgy is allowed with or without a mask.
- We will continue to observe social distancing.

These changes will take affect Sunday, June 6 as we continue to ease our way into a post pandemic worship experience. Please be mindful if trends change, we will respond according to the circumstances.

In Christ Service,

Pastor Betty  
Board of Elders  
COVID-Task-Force Team

**CORRECTION**

Please update your directory with the correct cell number:

**Anita Scism  
336-413-4797**



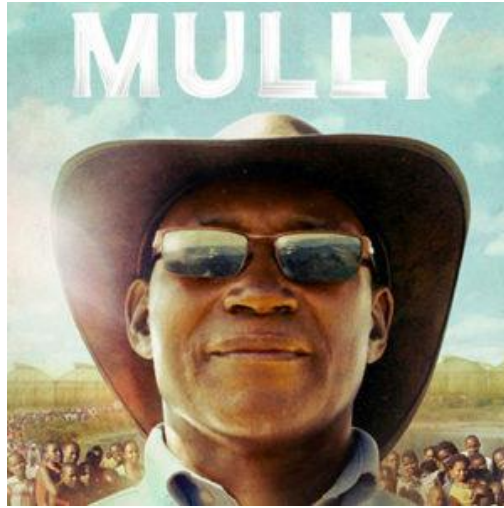
### ECCCM Golf Tournament

A team from New Hope participated in the benefit golf tournament held by ECCCM on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Members of the team were Mark Bumgarner, Steve Bumgarner, Dan Greaser and Tom Schultz. Our team tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place in the church division. The weather was beautiful and it was a successful fundraiser!



### **New Hope Summer Camp Begins June 15<sup>th</sup>!**

**They're excited to start  
"Exploring God's Word"!**



## A Special Event for New Hope

There will be a special viewing of the movie “Mully” Sunday, June 6 at 1:00 in the comfortable setting at Carolina Caring conference room. We will follow the current guidelines used at worship. Light refreshments will be provided.

You are asking “What is ‘Mully’ about?” The film is a documentary by actor/director Scott Haze that chronicles the life of Charles Mully, the Kenyan founder of Mully Children’s Family. **However...** this is no ordinary rag-to-riches tale. It is a true story of Charles Mully , whose unlikely stratospheric rise to wealth and power leaves him questioning his own existence, searching for meaning in life.

We hope that you will be able to join your church family for the movie – a great time for friends and fellowship!

Pastor Betty and the Board of Elders

*Sunday, June 6 at 1:00 Carolina Caring  
3975 Robinson Road Newton*

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**Join us!**

Dear New Hope Saints,

If you would like to serve on the Fellowship part of the Service/Witness and Fellowship Committee, please contact Malissa Bumgarner at [mmmtbum@charter.net](mailto:mmmtbum@charter.net). If you would like to serve on the Service/Witness (Mission) part, please contact Margaret Schultz.

Blessings,  
Malissa Bumgarner  
Hospitality Chair

Margaret Schultz  
Mission Chair

## *Update from your Mission Committee*

Seventy-six items were collected for Safe Harbor and delivered to them the end of April.

We have seen a good response to the collection for The Women's Resource Center's Pantry with a Purpose. This update was written before the last Sunday of the collection, so look for the final count in the July newsletter.

Meals on Wheels has returned to delivering meals four days a week after a year of only one delivery a week due to Covid. They welcomed Thelma and Dan Greaser as new volunteers last month! The Greasers joined several other members of our congregation that deliver meals to our community's seniors.

Thank you for all your donations and support of the organizations in our community that provide services to those in need!

Hebrews 13:16 "And do not forget to do good and share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."



### **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. We will be adding the link to the New Hope website in March.

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](mailto: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 June*

**Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>** – ECCCM Workday

**Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>** – **Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service**



**Movie Event: Showing of “Mully”  
Carolina Caring  
1:00 pm**

**Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>** – **Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service**

**Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>** – **Board of Elders Meeting** via Zoom, 6:30 pm



**Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** – **New Hope Summer Camp Begins**

**Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service**



**First Day of Summer!**



**Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> – Indoor & Parking Lot Worship Service**

**Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – July Newsletter Articles Due**

*New Hope Blood Drive  
Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup>  
2:00 – 6:30 pm  
New Hope Fellowship Hall*



*Post-Game Christian Concert  
Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Rhett Walker Band  
Hickory Crawdads game begins at 5 pm, concert  
begins immediately following the game.  
Individual Tickets \$16  
Group Tickets \$13*





## *June Birthdays*

6<sup>th</sup> – Steve Larsen  
23<sup>rd</sup> – Keith Crowe  
26<sup>th</sup> – Malissa Bumgarner

## Pray Every Day June 2021

1. No one can serve two masters. Choose today whom you serve. Pray for our country and leaders.
2. Incline your ear, and come to me. Pray for all suffering with Covid-19 virus and that all will use good judgment.
3. May the Lord give you peace at all times. Pray for the Teshes in Kenya.
4. He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world. Pray for the Sutton's with WEC.
5. He has helped Israel in remembrance of His promise. Pray for Moravian outreach in Nepal.
6. Sunday-Those who counsel peace have joy. Pray for those still suffering loss due to disasters.
7. Let me hear of your steadfast love. Pray for those struggling to provide for their families.
8. The kingdom of God is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Pray for Dr. Benno and Teresa Marx.
9. We must pay closer attention to what we have heard. Pray for Moravian ministers and for churches needing them to bring God's word.
10. For the love of God, we obey His command. Pray for Phil and Eunice Raiford.
11. "But, who do you say that I am?" Pray that our government leaders will lead the country back to God.
12. Pride goes before destruction. Pray for Brian and Heather Marx with MAF.
13. Sunday-It is good to give thanks to the Lord. Pray for Annie B Missions (Star Mt)
14. The Lord is good to those who wait for Him. Pray for Justin Rabbach (BWM).
15. Devote yourselves to prayer. Pray for Moravians in Peru.
16. By grace you have been saved. Pray for Jenna and Andrew Craver in Alaska.
17. You have tasted that the Lord is good. Pray for the Hoffmans in HIV/AIDS Ministry.
18. He will strengthen you and guard you from evil. Pray for Unity Women's Desk.
19. Woe to those who plan iniquity. Pray for the Harrisons with Greek University.
20. Sunday-Seek the Lord while He may be found. Pray for the Sineaths in Campus Outreach.
21. Come to me all of you who are weary and heavy laden. Pray for Allan and DeeDee Jobst in France.
22. The steadfast love of the Lord is everlasting. Pray for Steve and Ann Marx with MAF.
23. I will lift my hands and worship you. Pray for Kevin and Charity in the Middle East.
24. Let the Lord go with us, I pray. Pray for Charlie and Vickie Brent in Texas.
25. His truth will be your shield and buckler. Pray for Alas de Socorro in Honduras.
26. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Pray for the food programs taking care of children without good nutrition.
27. Sunday-. With God all things are possible. Pray for Armando Rusindo Foundation.
28. They are mine and I will spare them. Pray for Adopt A Village in Tanzania
29. He came to call sinners to repentance. Pray for the Thiessens in Mexico.
30. Take hold of the eternal life, to which you have been called. Pray for Safiatu Braima and the church in Sierra Leone.



## **June 2021 NEWSLETTER**

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