

# July 2013 New Hope News



2013 WATCHWORD
"I will give them one heart, and put
a new spirit within them."
Ezekiel 11:19

### New Hope Moravian Church

#### The Regional Conference of Churches

In the summer of 2010, The Southern Province of the Moravian Church organized the Regional Council of Churches (RCC). Each RCC is a cluster of 4 to 6 congregations that are represented by 2 lay people and 1 pastor from each congregation. New Hope is part of the Yadkin View Conference along with Clemmons, Macedonia, New Philadelphia and Unity Moravian Churches. Our conference meets formally as a group 4 to 6 times per year, rotating our meeting sites among the member churches. This year, New Hope's own Malissa Bumgarner serves as the chairperson for the Yadkin View Conference.

As a new delegate to our RCC, I didn't know exactly what to expect. I had read over the official description of the main purposes of the RCC, and headed off to Clemmons Moravian with Malissa and Pastor Betty for my first meeting. All the while I wondered what a dozen or so people from 5 churches could accomplish. It turns out that five churches together can accomplish quite a lot! When you combine the resources, ideas and loving spirit of cooperation of these churches that are both large and small, it enables them to do much more together than they could separately. The most recent example of this was a Music Festival held on May 5th, at New Philadelphia. A combined choir of 86 voices, band of 41 instruments, hand bell choir of 32 and 15 member children's choir led 386 fellow Moravians in worship through their music. Yes, 386 Moravians came out on a stormy Sunday afternoon! An offering of \$1,468 was collected for Moravian missions in Cuba and Peru. Comments from those attending were how meaningful and inspirational the service was.

After such a successful event our RCC is looking into other groups with in our congregations to band together and create new joint activities. The Men's Groups are coordinating a golf outing this October for any of our women & men. The leaders of the Women's Groups, Youth Groups, etc. are being polled now to see what combined events could be planned. Watch for more details to come out later as this is the topic for our next meeting.

The RCC is also a great forum for sharing ideas about how different congregations go about ministry, and what seems to work the best. If you have an idea for mutual ministry, or there is a particular church activity or ministry about which you would like some input from our sister congregations, let Malissa, Pastor Betty or me know, and we will be happy to bring it up for discussion at our future meetings. The next meeting will be hosted here at New Hope on July 11 in the Fellowship Hall.

#### A WONDERFUL NEW ADDITION TO OUR RESOURCE CENTER

Are you looking for a good read for your vacation? Is your youth or adult class thinking about reading a book together and having a discussion? Do you need some creative ideas to add to your Vacation Bible School? Do your leaders need a little new inspiration to try something different?

Look no further than your own Moravian Board of Cooperative Ministries online library to see over 4,000 selections in various ministry categories that might help you. Go to <a href="http://resource.moravian.org">http://resource.moravian.org</a> and browse the library, which includes pictures and descriptions of many of the books available. You can even check out a resource online by creating a simple account and reserving the resource to either pick up or be shipped to you. We are also available to make recommendations for you to consider to meet your specific needs.

Visit <a href="http://resource.moravian.org">http://resource.moravian.org</a> or call Beth Hayes at (336) 722-8126.



### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION UPDATE

The committee met on Thursday, June 6. We primarily discussed plans for Vacation Bible School. We will be asking for help in the coming weeks. We will not meet in July. Please mark you calendars for July 27 for "New Hope's Got Talent" being planned by the Joplins. Be thinking of ways you can "participate."

Please contact Pam Prevatte if you have ideas or are interested is assisting with this committee.

## **Highlights from the Board**

The board met on Monday, June 10, 2013. We went over committee reports, and the plans from the committees for the next couple of months. We also discussed creating a policy for the use of the church building.

Make sure to check the newsletter and weekly updates for information on what committees are doing.

Pam Prevatte, Board Secretary



Please email the church if you would like to order a copy. Remember you will not owe anything until the books arrive.

If we order by **July 29**<sup>th</sup> we will receive a 15% discount!!



Prices are the same as last year!

Paperback-\$8.93 Hardcover-\$12.75 Large Print-\$11.05 Journal-\$10.60



### Nursery Volunteers for July and August Worship Services

Thank you for volunteering for the nursery during Sunday worship services. Your love of Christ and support of your New Hope Church family is evident by you serving others, even the youngest children of God.

Please, if you are unable to serve on your scheduled Sunday, ask another person to switch with you. If an emergency occurs at the last minute, please contact one of the following- Jane Bumgarner (h) 828-465-1543, Pam Prevatte (c) 828-455-5139 or call the church office 828-945-6714. We ask if you call Jane, Pam or the church, please do not leave a message, keep calling until you speak with someone.

Being a nursery volunteer is a very special role, one of great responsibility and importance, not only for our church family, but also for our extended families or guests who have little ones at worship.

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with your church.

### **July Nursery Schedule**

July 7<sup>th</sup> – Pam Prevatte

July 14<sup>th</sup> – Ann Carr

July 21st – Margie Furmage

July 28th - Carolyn McDonald

#### **August Nursery Schedule**

August 4<sup>th</sup> – Amanda Sain

August 11th – Leslie Srail

August 18<sup>th</sup> – Margie Furmage

August 25<sup>th</sup> – Pam Prevatte





# "Windows of Opportunity"

### **New Windows for New Hope**



The windows in our education wing and the fellowship hall are in need of replacement. The cost of each window is \$400. Would you consider helping financially with this project? New Hope is most appreciative for your contribution.

Please complete the information below and include it with your donation.

I would like to donate \$	toward the window replacement project
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In Honor of	
To the Glory of God (for v	windows not in honor or in memory)
I ask that my donation re	main anonymous.

#### **Pray Every Day July 2013**

- 1. I would save you that you may be a blessing. Pray for Rev. Cora Antonio & the Moravian Church in Nicaragua.
- 2. God alone is my rock and my salvation. Pray for Kernersville Moravian Church's trip to Kenya.
- 3. I have called you in righteousness, taken you by the hand and kept you. Pray for the clinic in Ahuas, Honduras; summer work teams; patients; and Benno and Teresa Marx.
- 4. Who can endure the day of His coming, and who can stand when he appears? Pray for Rev. Isai Granwell and the Moravian church in Honduras
- 5. You shall be like a watered garden, like the spring of water, whose waters never fail. Pray for Rev. Brinmore Phaul and the Guyana Moravian church.
- 6. I will praise your name, Lord, for it is good. Pray for Rev. Dr. Cortrory Jarvis and the Eastern-West Indies.
- 7. Sunday Let us not grow weary in doing what is right. Pray for Rev. Armando Rusindo in Cuba.
- 8. From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required.
- 9. Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand. Pray for Wilford & Ninfa Hodgson, Limon, Costa Rica.
- 10. Even the hairs of your head are all counted. Do not be afraid. Pray for Chaplains in schools, hospitals, and armed forces.
- 11. Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Pray for victims of disasters and for volunteers to aid them.
- 12. They shall live in safety, and no one shall make them afraid. Pray for ministers, Sunday school teachers and church leaders.
- I know that my Redeemer lives. Pray for mission trip to Bethel, Alaska through 7/20.
- 14. Sunday Make me know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Pray for the 2013 Moravian Music Festival.
- 15. Anxiety weighs down the human heart, but a good word cheers it up. Pray for Celeste Handy in New Mexico.
- 16. Do not say, "I will repay evil," but wait for the Lord. Pray for the Unity Women's Desk.
- 17. It is not the hearers of the law, but the doers of the law, who will be justified. Pray for Rev. John Italazyo in Western Tanzania.
- 18. This God, His way is perfect. Pray for the peace of Israel and the Jewish people.
- 19. I have come not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. Pray for the adopt-a-child food program in Sierra Leone.
- 20. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. Pray for Vani Pradhan and the Nepali Moravian Outreach.
- 21. Sunday -ls anything too wonderful for the Lord? Pray for Konnoak's week at Laurel Ridge & Grace Moravian's trip to PA.
- 22. Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom. Pray for Likewise Aids Ministry.
- 23. Let all those rejoice who put their trust in you. Pray for Judy Ganz, Exec. Director of the Board of World Mission, the Directors, and Staff"
- 24. Lord, grant that your servants speak your word with all boldness. Pray for Friedland's trip to Costa Rica.
- 25. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love. Pray for Ed Dehnert and Barb at Alaska Bible Seminary, Bethel.AK.
- 26. Sow with righteousness, reap with kindness. Pray for safe summer work teams.
- 27. The King of Israel is in your midst, you shall fear disaster no more. Pray for Rachael Seatvet, Antioch Servant, at Camp VanEs, Canada.
- 28. Sunday Lord, teach us to pray. Pray for Adopt A Village program in Tanzania.
- 29. Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed; nothing is secret that will not come to light. Pray for Sarah Jensen, Provincial Chair in Labrador.
- 30. Do not abandon your confidence; it will bring a great reward. Pray for the Annie B. Mission supporting a speech therapist in Star Mountain in Palestine.
- 31. Make Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. Pray for C & V and Family serving with Bridges International in campus ministry in TX.