



THE HIVE

Bees are pretty amazing creatures. And they're certainly industrious or they wouldn't have earned their 'busy' nickname. If you spend a little time learning about them, you'll notice that each plays a very significant role in their colony. The survivability of the group depends on each member dedicating their life to the role they were created to fulfill. The same is true for us. There is a lot we can learn from how these little creatures live that can help us focus on what's important and live up to our full potential.

This Weekend - We Beelong Together

FIRST TIME GUESTS

We promise we're not going to make you stand up in front of everyone or track you down, but we'd love to know you were here today! Simply fill out your communication card in the seat back in front of you and check the "First Time Guest" box. On your way out, stop by Guest Services at the front doors and get your FREE welcome gift. **We're glad you are here!**

**WE'RE
SO GLAD
YOU JOINED
US TODAY!**

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CHURCH

We are always honored when people choose to do church with us. New Hope is for anyone who wants to seek God - from those exploring whether or not God even exists, to committed Christ-followers. Wherever you are, you'll find we are committed to do whatever it takes to show everyone the love of Jesus and help them establish a relationship with Him. We are casual, laid-back, and far from perfect. **ALL are welcome!**

5 THINGS TO KNOW

Each week, we will post "5 Things to Know" for the week. This will typically include classes, info, and upcoming events. We also will give you dates to save as early as possible, so that you can get them on your calendar and be able to plan for them. Be sure to check out the entire program and visit newhope.org for everything. Here are five things to know this week:

1. Did you know that we have specific sites for both our **Children and Student Ministries** where you can find resources and tools to assist your child? **Check out nhckidstime.com for preschool through 5th grade and nhctakeover.com for students in 6th grade through 12th grade.**
2. Life can be tough, but you don't have to go through it alone. We want to remind you of two ministries that can help you as you navigate the tough times: For those 18 years old and older, we have **Celebrate Recovery (CR)**. CR meets Friday nights at 7 pm. You can reach out to CR at celebraterecovery@newhope.org. For students in middle and high school, we have **The Landing**. The Landing meets every Tuesday night at 7 pm. You can reach The Landing at info@thingscansuck.com.
3. **Did you just get back from college?** If so, check out Lifebound; the young adult group for those who recently graduated high school up through your 20's. We meet on Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 8:30 at New Hope Church.
4. **Prayer changes lives, strengthens the weak, and touches the very heart of God.** We have a wonderful ministry of prayer warriors that are here to pray with you. If you need prayer for anything, we are here for you. **Simply send an email to prayerteam@newhope.org and your prayer will be delivered via e-mail to the members of the Prayer Team and kept confidential.**
5. **Takeover, the Student Ministry for students in 6th through 12th grade,** will **NOT** meet this Sunday, May 13th. Take this time to love your mother. **For more information, please visit nhctakeover.com.**

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Regardless of where you're at in
Motherhood, (moms, expecting moms,
stepmoms, aunts, sisters, grandmas, and
aspiring moms) we honor every lady.

God bless you!

New Young Couples Group

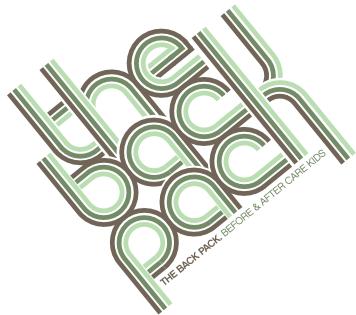


New Young Couples Group led by Tim and Jessica Woodcock is looking for a couple or two to join our small group in Lake Ridge. We meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 pm. We currently have 11 kids aged 2-12 who hang in our basement. More kids are welcome, but please know that it may get noisy and we may be interrupted at times. We are in the middle of a study called, Community. We start telling our personal stories this week, Tuesday, May 15th, so it's a great time to jump in! Contact Jessica for more details at Jessica.Woodcock@newhope.org.

Ice Cream Fundraiser

*Proceeds to support outreach
projects in Nicaragua*

**NEW HOPE CHURCH
SUNDAY
MAY 20th
after the
11 am service**



Do you have a child at any of the South County School Pyramid elementary schools (Halley, Laurel Hill, Lorton Station, Newington Forest, Silverbrook, and Sangster) and are in need of before or after school care? If so, why not check out our Back Pack program right here at church? We invest in the hearts and

minds of young children through fun and rewarding activities to help them grow and mature so they may be better prepared for full and rewarding lives. Check out thebackpackonline.com or pick up a brochure at Guest Services. Registration for the 2018/19 school year is open now.

BAPTISM INFORMATION MEETINGS



Whether you're a new follower of Jesus or someone who's been growing in their faith for a while, this might be the perfect time for you to take this very important step. Baptisms will be celebrated during all three services the weekend of June 16th & 17th.

Please plan to attend an orientation meeting immediately following one of our services the weekend of May 19th & 20th. Adults will meet in the auditorium and those under 18 will meet in the large room upstairs. If you have any further questions or cannot make one of the meetings, please email us at baptism@newhope.org



TAKEOVER

Summer camp for rising 6th graders through graduated 12th graders. Join us June 24-29 at Watermarks in Scottsville, Virginia.
Register at bit.ly/2018watermarks.



The Adoption & Foster Care Connect Group will meet Saturdays during the 5:30 service for four weeks. Meeting dates: May 12, 19, we'll take off for Memorial Day weekend, June 2, and 9. You are invited to join us if you are a potential, waiting or current foster or adoptive parent. If you've thought about adoption or foster care, come join us to explore if God is leading you and your family to foster or adopt! Email karenna. rowenhorst@newhope.org to sign up or with any questions.

YUP- EVEN THIS BIKE!

YOUR USED BICYCLE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN NICARAGUA



New Hope Church and the Silo Center, in partnership with Nica Bikes, are collecting bikes of any size and any condition. **Collection weekend is June 9th and 10th.** The bikes are shipped to Nicaragua where young Nicaraguans are trained in repairing and selling the bikes as a small business. The bike shop profits have also helped fund the orphanage and a thriving church in the community.

NicaWorks has been doing evangelism and discipleship in Nicaragua since 2004. What began as a small bike shop at the Casa Bernabe orphanage has grown into a large enterprise touching many parts of this extremely poor nation. Get the full story at nicabikes.com





2018 FOOD FIGHT
THE NATION'S FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER



THANK YOU NEW HOPE CHURCH
3,034,584 Meals • 8,313 Kids Fed



WE ❤ OUR VOLUNTEERS

Our volunteers are the very best! There's no way we could keep New Hope running without the help of these special people. **This week, we'd like to thank Kaci Williams.** Kaci serves on our Children's Ministry Check-in Team to assure everyone is welcomed, checked in and safe. Thanks Kaci for being awesome and setting an example for all of us to serve!

There are many opportunities to serve at New Hope. **We NEED you!** **If you ready to serve, please email Carol Ann and let her know at carolann.gregoire@newhope.org.**

Do you know about the Holland Connect group? No, we're not a tour group. **We're the special needs children, students and adults of New Hope Church and their families.** Many in the special needs world are aware of a story written nearly 30 years ago about travelers expecting a vacation in Italy who end up in Holland instead. It's an unexpected jolt, but not without its own beauty and quiet victories.

We invite families touched by special needs to join us for lunch May 20th, after church in the Game Room upstairs. We'll get a chance to talk with senior staff and to discuss together about how New Hope can impact the lives of its special needs people. Our families will eat together (no childcare) but we will have toys to occupy them. Please RSVP by email to hollandconnect@newhope.org, so we can prepare enough food. Let us know of any dietary restrictions. We're looking forward to meeting you!



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