

# Welcome to New Hope Church

A Christ-centered community for all peoples, moving toward Jesus and taking others with us.

## NEW HERE?

We'd love to get to know you.  
Fill out the New Here form.



## CONNECTION EVENT



SUNDAY JAN 23  
5PM FAMILY CENTER

[newhopechurchmn.org/lifegroups](http://newhopechurchmn.org/lifegroups)

## Care Seminars



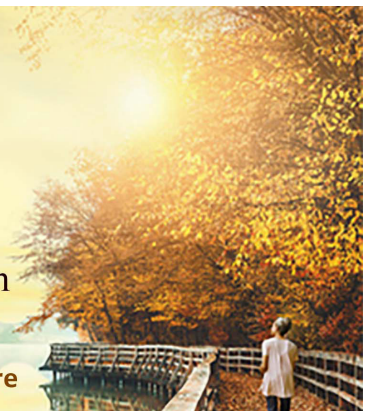
**Seniors & Scams: Who Can You Trust?**  
Thursday, January 27, 6:30–8pm

GRIEF SHARE

## LOSS OF A SPOUSE

January 22 • 9–11:30am  
Sandberg Chapel

[newhopechurchmn.org/care](http://newhopechurchmn.org/care)



GIVE ONLINE

NEED PRAYER?

NEWS & GIVING REPORT

### Student Summer Ministry Trips Info Meeting

Sunday, January 9, 12pm, The Café. For parents and students. Learn more about the upcoming Challenge Conference (July 3–8) and the student ministry trip to Czech Republic (July 11–26).

### Disability Ministry Donations

Collection dates: January 16–30. Donate new or gently used gifts for Bingo nights. Drop off at collection box near the reception desk. Visit [newhopechurchmn.org/disabilities](http://newhopechurchmn.org/disabilities).

### Life Groups Connection Event

Sunday, January 23, 5pm, Family Center. Interested in finding out what Life Groups are all about? Come for dinner, connection and an opportunity to sign up for a six-week Life Group. Register at [newhopechurchmn.org/lifegroups](http://newhopechurchmn.org/lifegroups) by January 16.

### Wednesday Nights

Enjoy community over a delicious meal served in The Café from 5:15–6:15pm (\$6 or \$4/10 & under). Programming for men, women, students and children at 6:30pm.

### Care Seminar: Seniors & Scams

Thursday, January 27, 6:30–8pm, Sandberg Chapel. Learn how to protect yourself or the seniors you care for from scams such as Medicare fraud, contests, mail fraud. Register at [newhopechurchmn.org/care](http://newhopechurchmn.org/care) or 763-536-3215.

### Campus Improvement Workday

January 29, 9am–3pm. Lunch included. For all skill levels. Painting, sanding, replacing ceiling tiles, cleaning, etc. Sign up at the lobby table on January 9 or online. Come for the day or only a few hours as your schedule permits.

Get the most current information at  
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# Discussion Guide

January 9, 2022

## **GENEROSITY** Hebrews 13:5

### **CONNECT**

1. Money is one of those topics that can make those attending church uncomfortable. Why is that? What has been your experience with churches and money?

### **GOING DEEPER**

2. Read Hebrews 13:1–6. Notice that there are two kinds of love mentioned in these verses—love for people and love of money. Why is one to be cultivated and the other avoided? What are the ways in which these get confused in our own lives and the world in which we live?
3. What are some root causes of infatuation with money? For help, consider Proverbs 16:8, 21:5, 22:16; Matthew 6:25 and Mark 4:19.
4. Read Malachi 3:10. What two financial principles for God's people may be found in this verse and why do these principles matter? See Exodus 36:5 and Luke 6:38 for additional clarity.
5. The Apostle Paul says in 2 Corinthians 9:6 that whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. He also says in 1 Timothy 6:9–11 that those who long to be rich fall into all kinds of temptations that we should flee from. How do disciples of Jesus reconcile these two verses?
6. Consider 1 John 3:16–18 and Acts 4:32–37. Taking their cues from Jesus, Christians throughout time have been exceedingly generous people. Why does this matter and how might you be as well?

### **ACTION**

7. If you had to encourage the people of New Hope Church to be generous to God's work, what would you say? What would be your "ask" and your "why"?
8. James 1:5 states, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him." Take time to pray for wisdom about being financially generous to God and His work. Rooted in the generosity of Jesus, ask Him to increase both your desire and your doing in this regard. Trust Him to help you, remembering the promise of Hebrews 13:5 where God says, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."