# Welcome to New Hope Church

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



GIVE ONLINE

**NEED PRAYER?** 

**NEWS & GIVING REPORT** 

# **Leadership Nominations**

Nominate candidates for elders, property council, church clerk/vice-clerk, audit and nominations committees. Submit recommendations by February 13. Annual Business Gathering: May 15. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/nominations.

## **Membership Class**

Sundays, February 20–March 6, 5pm, Zoom. A 3-session overview on the history, mission and ministries of New Hope Church. New member recognition: Sunday, March 27. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/membership.

## **Upcoming Bible Studies**

*Raised Together: Colossians* by Gloria Furman for women begins February 23. *Galatians* precepts study by Kay Arthur for men and women begins February 28. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/women or newhopechurchmn.org/men.

# **Transformation Prayer Training**

February 25 & 26, Sandberg Chapel. Learn powerful skills for healing emotional pain, renewing the mind, and breaking out of sins and strongholds. Cost: \$20. Register by February 18. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/prayer.

## **IF:Gathering Women's Conference**

March 4 & 5, Ministry Center. A two-day simulcast for women all over the world to be equipped to go and make disciples. For all women (middle school on up). Register by February 24 at newhopechurchmn.org/women.

## Ways to Give

Thank you for your generous giving to New Hope Church. You can give through the NHC App, by check or online at newhopechurchmn.org/give.

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# galatians

# DEFENSE Galatians 1:16

# CONNECT

1. Why is the gospel good news? Try to summarize your answer in 1–2 sentences.

# **GOING DEEPER**

- 2. Read Galatians 1:11–12 out loud. Based on Paul's defense, what accusations had been leveled against him? How would you rephrase these accusations in today's language?
- 3. Read Acts 26:12–17. What "mission statement" did Jesus give to Paul? Where do you see this expressed in Paul's writings in Galatians 1?
- 4. Read Luke 4:16–30. What point was Jesus making? Why did this enrage the people of Nazareth? Out of all the messages Jesus could have preached, why do you suppose He chose this one?
- 5. Read Galatians 2:6–10 aloud. Why does Paul take care to explain this to the Galatians? Why does it matter?
- 6. Read Revelation 7:9–10. How is Paul's defense of the gospel necessary for this to happen?

# ACTION

- 7. What is your gospel story? Tell your story as simply as you can, focusing it around the thought: "This is what Jesus has done for me." After each story, praise God together for what He has done.
- 8. If you don't have a gospel story, begin yours today. Pray with your group to receive Jesus as your Savior and yield your life in service to Him. Receive His life. Then embrace your newfound brothers and sisters in your group, those you will live with forever in the kingdom of God.
- 9. How does your gospel story provide a way for non-Christians to understand the power of Jesus? Who can you share your story with who needs to hear about Jesus and His power to work in their life?

DISCUSSION GUIDE

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