Welcome to New Hope Church

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



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









GIVE ONLINE

NEED PRAYER?

NEWS & GIVING REPORT

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.

Africonnect

Sunday, February 27, worship gatherings. Wear your African attire in honor of Black History Month.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, February 27, 6:30pm, Ministry Center or livestream. Learn about the proposed changes to NHC's bylaws from the Revision Committee and the proposed update to Article 9 in our Statement of Faith to follow the EFCA's 2019 change.

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.

Live on Purpose Class

Sundays, March 6–27, 10:30am, Sandberg Chapel. Identify and value the dynamics of your personal make-up, understanding that you have a unique design that is ideal for the mission God has called you to achieve. Register by March 3 at newhopechurchmn.org/events.

myNHC

Sign up for myNHC—our database for connecting with each other. Be sure your information is current to continue receiving communications.

Get the most current information at

newhopechurchmn.org



galatians

DIVISION Galatians 2:11–21

CONNECT

1. When has someone confronted you about a sin, helping you turn from it? Share a few stories.

GOING DEEPER

- 2. Read Galatians 2:11, then Galatians 2:3–5. What was the goal of the false believers (v4)? How had Cephas/Peter fallen victim to their scheme?
- 3. How would this scheme have destroyed "the truth of the gospel" (v5)? See Galatians 2:18–19.
- 4. Read Galatians 2:12–13. Why did Cephas/Peter withdraw from the Gentiles? What kind of sin was this? How did it lead so many astray?
- 5. What do you think Cephas/Peter was feeling when he separated from the Gentiles? How might he have justified his sin?
- 6. How do you suppose the Gentiles in the church felt when Peter and the others drew away from them? When have you felt excluded in church? How did that make you feel toward the church?
- 7. Read Galatians 2:14. What was the basis of Paul's rebuke to Peter? How did the truth of the gospel inform Paul's rebuke?
- 8. Years after this encounter, Peter wrote his letters. Read 1 Peter 1:14–19 and 1 Peter 2:12. Did Peter receive Paul's rebuke? Pray together that we would all have soft hearts to receive rebuke whenever our sin is keeping others from the gospel of Jesus Christ.

ACTION

- 9. There are many divisions in society. Which ones do you see affecting New Hope Church the most? How can we begin addressing them?
- 10. Imagine that the church became a place of compelling unity, a place where love overcomes all the divisions of society, resulting in a unified, diverse, compassionate body of believers. How would this prove the power of the gospel to the watching world? Why then must we work toward this?