# 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**

#### Everyday Catalysts: Character Stories from Acts

June 19–August 7. This summer, we'll look at some everyday women and men doing everyday things that were incredibly significant in spreading the good news. See how prayer, generosity, breaking down barriers, teaching, hospitality and acts of courage have a ripple effect—even to our cities and world today. Watch at newhopechurchmn.org/messages.

#### **Hope Kids Day Camp**

July 18–21, 9–11:30am. *Make Waves*. Catch the wave as we join in amazing worship, play games, make crazy crafts and learn the Word of God and the ripples that wave leaves. For age 4–grade 5. Cost: \$25/child. Register by June 30 or sign up to volunteer at newhopechurchmn.org/daycamp.

#### **Need Prayer?**

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## DISCUSSION GUIDE JUNE 26, 2022 CHARACTER Stories FROM ACTS

### PHILIP Acts 8:3-8

#### CELEBRATE

1. Describe a time when you were moved out from your comfort zone to sharing the gospel (i.e., vacation, traveling, out of your home)?

#### CONNECT

- 2. Read 2 Kings 17; Ezra 4; and Nehemiah 4. What elements of Israel's history led to a hatred of the Samaritans? How does the gospel message overcome such entrenched divisions?
- 3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12–26; Galatians 3:23–29; Ephesians 4:1–6; and Colossians 3:1–11. What does the Bible say about unity in the church? How would you describe the basis for your unity with other Christians?
- 4. In what ways can you actively preserve the spiritual unity that already exists among believers?
- 5. How does Jesus' interaction in Samaria (Jn. 4) overcame social constructs?

#### CONTRIBUTE

- 6. What may be some fears or concerns about sharing the gospel?
- 7. Read Romans 10:14–17. Why is evangelism and sending missionaries important in fulfilling the Great Commission?
- 8. What kind of pressures do you face that prevent you from sharing your testimony with others?
- 9. When the believers were scattered to different geographic regions, they did not cease to evangelize. How can you make the most of the opportunities to evangelize where you are today?