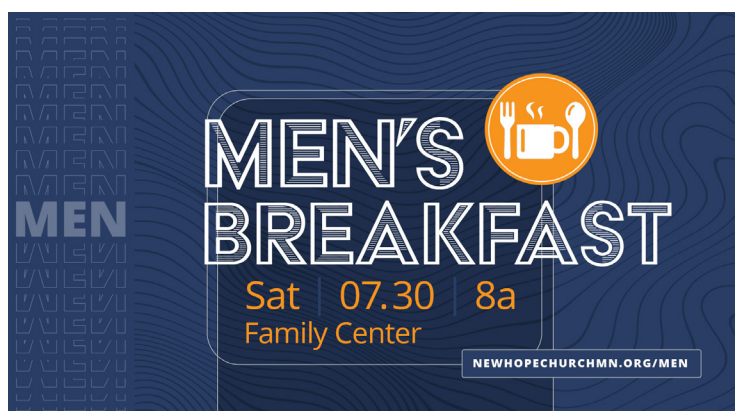


# Welcome to New Hope Church

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.



GIVE ONLINE

NEED PRAYER?

NEWS & GIVING REPORT

### Volunteer: Hope Kids Day Camp

July 18-21. It takes a team to put on Day Camp. We have a number of roles to fill from crafts and games to connecting with a small group of students. Come make waves with us! Sign up at [newhopechurchmn.org/daycamp](http://newhopechurchmn.org/daycamp).

### School Supplies Drive

July 24-August 21. Help kids in our community get a good start to the school year. Drop off donations at the Reception Lobby. For donation list and link to the Amazon Wish List, visit [newhopechurchmn.org/communitypicnic](http://newhopechurchmn.org/communitypicnic).

### Fireside Coffee Shop

Sundays, 8:30-10:30am, main level. Enjoy a handcrafted beverage with friends. Not a coffee lover? Try the new summer lemonade!

### Men's Breakfast

Saturday, July 30, 8am, Family Center. Come for breakfast and hear Pastor Jon Ditty share how you can lead yourself, your wife and your family well. Register by July 24 at [newhopechurchmn.org/men](http://newhopechurchmn.org/men).

### NHC App

A great resource for everything NHC—give, join worship gatherings and learn about upcoming events. Download the app from the App Store or Google Play (New Hope Church MN).

### 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](http://newhopechurchmn.org/give).

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# DISCUSSION GUIDE

July 17, 2022



## MARY Acts 12:12

### CONNECT

1. Who, through their faithful obedience behind the scenes, has been catalytic in your faith journey with Jesus?

### GOING DEEPER

2. How do you honestly think you would respond to real persecution? What are the fears that you have? What does Scripture say about God's provision in the face of trials?
3. What is a hardship or trial that you may be facing that God wants to use to further His kingdom purposes and make you more like Jesus?
4. What would it look like to make earnest prayer an instinctual response to unexpected hardship rather than a last resort? How might that change your perspective/heart attitude?
5. When have you seen the undeniable power of God on display? Do we believe that He can still work miracles like this? What are seemingly insurmountable obstacles for us that are not intimidating to the Lord?

### ACTION

6. Do some research on the persecuted church via NHC's ministry partner [Voice of the Martyrs](https://www.voiceofthemartyrs.org/). Take some time to pray for sisters and brothers around the world who are undergoing trials and tribulations for the cause of Christ.
7. What are distractions or excuses that derail you from being with Jesus and following His command to preach the gospel to all nations (The Great Commission)? How might the Lord be calling you to greater availability and obedience right where you are now (with your family, neighbors, NHC, etc)?