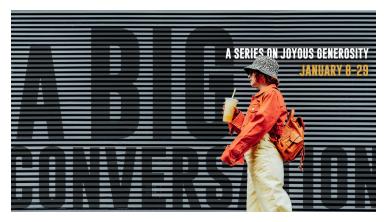
Welcome to New Hope Church

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









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NEWS & GIVING REPORT

2023 Calendar

Pick up a calendar of upcoming opportunities for winter/spring 2023 in the lobby and find a place to plug in.

A Big Conversation Message Series

January 8–29. In this series on joyous generosity, we'll learn how God's saving love can catalyze His people to joy, generosity and sharing the hope of Jesus with a broken and watching world (Deut & 1 Chron). Watch at newhopechurchmn.org/messages.

Israel Pilgrimage Info Meeting

Sunday, January 8, 11:45am–12:30pm, Family Center B. Join Pastor Matthew and Christa St. John to learn more about an upcoming trip to the Holy Land in March 2024. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/events.

Upcoming Bible Studies

2 Corinthians precepts study by Kay Arthur for men and women begins January 9. Galatians by Beth & Melissa Moore for women and Lamplighters: John 12–21 for men begin January 11. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/women or newhopechurchmn.org/men.

Wednesday Nights

Resumes January 11. Enjoy community over a delicious meal served in The Café, 5:15–6pm (\$8 or \$4/10 & under). Programming for men, women, students and children at 6:15pm.

Life Groups Connection Event

Sunday, January 22, 5pm, Family Center. Come for dinner, connection and an opportunity to sign up for a six-week Life Group. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/lifegroups by January 15.

Get the most current information at newhopechurchmn.org



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



CONNECT

1. What are some of the significant conversations taking place right now in the broader cultural arena?

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- 2. What can be reasons Christians don't wish to talk about living generously and gregariously in light of what Christ has done?
- 3. Deuteronomy 26:5 tells of the Hebrew patriarch Jacob who was a "wandering Aramean." With your phone look up the definition for "wandering." How does that definition relate to your spiritual journey?
- 4. Read Romans 5:6–9. What do these verses say about how and why God rescues us who are wandering, sinful and weak?
- 5. As God brought the Israelites to the promised land (Deuteronomy 26:9), so in Christ we have promises of hope and glory. Read 1 Peter 1:3–5. Talk about the rewards for those following Christ and how these motivate Christians today.

ACTION

- 6. Scholars suggest Deuteronomy 26:5–9 is an ancient credal statement celebrating God's rescue and reward. Write your own personal credal statement celebrating God's rescue and reward.
- 7. How might you use your credal statement to explain the gospel to another person?