

Welcome to New Hope Church

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

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UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

FOR WOMEN

ELIJAH by Priscilla Shirer
WEDS • JAN 5 • AM & PM

FOR MEN & WOMEN

PRECEPTS: JUDGES
MONS • JAN 3 • PM

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\$41,204



GIVE ONLINE

NEED PRAYER?

NEWS & GIVING REPORT

Home for Christmas Message Series

Sundays, December 5–26. We all long for home, especially in a season of weariness and separation. Come home for Christmas and celebrate the arrival of the promised child. Watch at newhopechurchmn.org/messages.

Christmas Eve Gatherings

Friday, December 24, 2:30 & 4pm, Worship Center or livestream. "Make room" for the birth of our king. From the manger to the cross to the empty tomb, King Jesus is still on the move! Visit newhopechurchmn.org/christmas.

Upcoming Bible Studies

Judges precepts study by Kay Arthur for men and women begins January 3. *Elijah* by Priscilla Shirer for women begins January 5. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/women or newhopechurchmn.org/men.

Need Prayer?

Share requests and pray for others on an interactive prayer wall. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/prayerwall.

News & Giving Report

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Ways to Give

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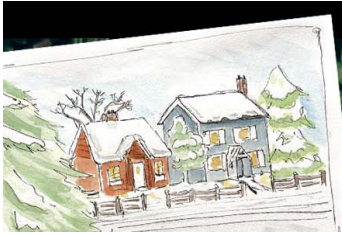
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Discussion Guide

December 12, 2021

NAZARETH'S PROCLAMATION Luke 1:26–38, Matthew 1:21

CONNECT

1. When did God do something that seemed impossible in your life? Share one or two stories around the group.

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2. Read Luke 1:26–30. What does it mean that God “favors” Mary (1 Samuel 1:17–20, Genesis 18:3)? What happens in a person’s life when God favors them?
3. Consider Gabriel’s promise in Luke 1:31–33. What would this mean for Mary? How would this change her life? What was she sacrificing to accept God’s will for her life? What would she gain?
4. Out of all the promises in Luke 1:31–33, which promises did Jesus fulfill in His first appearance? Which will He fulfill in His second coming?
5. Gabriel promised impossible things—that Mary would conceive supernaturally, that her child would be the Son of God, and that even Elizabeth conceived in her old age. What basis did Mary have to believe that these things could come true? Why does Elizabeth’s pregnancy give Mary confidence?
6. Read Luke 1:35. Where do you see all three members of the Trinity present in this verse?
7. Read Luke 1:38. Why was it important for Mary to choose to accept God’s plan for her life? Why is it important for you to choose to accept God’s plans for you?

ACTION

8. Talk around your group. God has plans for every one of us, but often we fear submitting to them. Does anyone in your group feel fear about doing what God is calling them to do? If so, pray for this person and encourage them.
9. Likewise, if anyone has no idea what plans God might have for them, take time to pray with them and ask God to begin revealing these plans.