

Our vision at New Hope Baptist Church is:

to be a multiethnic family of faith,
united by God's grace,
remaining faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ,
growing in obedience to God's Word,
and
sharing the Gospel with a distinctive witness in word and deed.

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2 Timothy 2:8- "Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel"

Considering Timothy's impressive spiritual resume, it is fascinating that Paul would instruct him to remember Jesus. In Philippians 2:20-22, Paul commends Timothy with high praise, "For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. But you know of Timothy's proven worth, how as a son with a father, he has served with me in the Gospel."

Timothy was a genuine Christian, a devoted minister of the Gospel and a sacrificial servant of the church. If a Christian could arrive at the point in spiritual maturity where they no longer needed to be told, "Remember Jesus," it would have been Timothy. His entire life was about Jesus. His greatest desire was to honor the Lord Jesus. Yet, Paul wrote to him, "Remember Jesus."

Why? Because we cannot afford to take our eyes off Jesus. He deserves our constant focus, and we need him. As Christians, we never move beyond Jesus. In a person's physical development, growing in maturity is viewed as becoming more independent and being able to take care of oneself. But in a Christian's spiritual development, growing in maturity never means becoming more independent, as if we can take over the walk of faith in our own power. Rather, growing in spiritual maturity means a deepening dependency on the Lord Jesus. This is why, we must remember Jesus.

V. 8 could be translated, "Keep always in mind, Jesus Christ." Our attention needs to be set on Him always. When you wake up in the morning, I hope you do with praise and thanksgiving to Jesus. When you lie down in the evening, I hope you do with praise and thanksgiving to Jesus. As you go through your daily activities, I hope you do with praise and thanksgiving to Jesus. We are here because of Jesus. We have eternal life because of Jesus. Our greatest purpose is to serve Jesus. Our greatest motivation should be to please Jesus in all that we do. At New Hope, I pray that our lives are testimonies of Paul's instructions "Remember Jesus."

Pastor Jason Smith

Deacons on Call

June 6

Jeff Smith

June 13

Gerald Freeman

June 20

Don Jordan

June 27

Jim Hartis

Calendar of Events

Standing Weekly Schedule
Sunday

Sunday School

9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship

11:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m.

Join us on Facebook

1st and 3rd Saturday

10:00 a.m.

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Birthdays for June

6/9
Eric Ferdinand
6/12
Thane Black
6/13

Rachel Smith 6/20

Joyce Privett

6/24

Mary Usher

6/25

Ron Hyatt

It's finally here....

It's been a long time and due to the restrictions being lifted, we are scheduling a





Saturday, June 12 at 5:00 PM

This is a wonderful time to make your way back to the fellowship of New Hope Baptist Church. Everything will be provided so all you have to do is come. Of course, one of your special desserts would be awesome. And maybe a grape salad.

Church Council Meeting

Sunday June 27th

3:00 PM

We are ready to get back to our schedules here and now is a wonderful time to add some new ideas. Anyone is eligible to attend and all of your ideas are needed. Come and let's get the work of the Lord back on track along with new ways to serve Him.

