



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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'Twas the night of Jesus' Birth...by Felicia Mollohan

1
'Twas the night of Jesus' birth, when all through the town
Not a creature was stirring, not even a cow
The animals were munching in their stable where
They hoped that the Savior would soon be there.



2
The sheep were all nestled down for the night
While the shepherds made sure that all was just right
Everyone thought that it was just the same
As every other boring Bethlehem day.

3
When out in the sky there arose such a light
The shepherds couldn't look 'cause it was so bright
There was a beautiful angel up in the sky
The shepherds just couldn't figure out why



4
The shepherds were scared and they covered their eyes
The angel told them in a manger there lies
A baby - the Savior - was born tonight
In the town of David which was nearby



5
The shepherds went off to where the baby lay
They knew they would see the Savior this day
More rapid than eagles, they ran so fast
To see the Savior—they didn't want to be last

6
Now Peace! Now Joy! Now Everlasting Life!
On Goodness! On Love! God's One and Only Son!
To the city of Bethlehem! To the door of the stable!
Let's hurry now and be on our way!

7
From the dry desert sand, the magi they came
Following a star, they didn't know it's name
So over the dunes they came from the east
This long journey they didn't mind in the least!

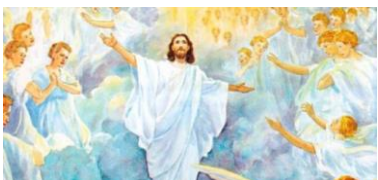
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And then in a twinkling, the star just stopped
So in each door they simply popped
To wonder about the Christ child born today
In the city of Bethlehem, so far away

9
They saw His mother sitting by his bed
With Joseph softly rubbing His sweet head
Their hearts were both filled with great joy
Of the birth of this very special boy.

10
His eyes-how they twinkled! His dimples - how merry
His cheeks were like roses, His nose like a cherry!
As his visitors awed - He simply laid
On His mouth there developed a smile
As though He wanted them to stay awhile
He had a sweet face and a little round tummy
He kept looking up and smiling at His mommy

11
It truly was a "Silent Night" in that stable
And they laughed to themselves, whoever was able
Each couldn't believe where he was
This is so much better than meeting Santa Clause

12
They spoke not a word, but wanted to give more
Than what they had, but they could only adore
The wisemen gave gold, frankincense & myrrh
And the animals warmed Him with their fur
As they all left that place - so holy and mild
They couldn't do anything but smile
They had just seen the Savior - the Christ child



Merry Christmas to all - and to all....A good life!

NHBC on mission for the Lord....



Smith - Morton

Courtney and Colby
Along with their parents
Jeff & Teresa and Dana & Pam
invite you to join them on
Saturday
December 14th at 10:00 AM
As they are joined in marriage
through
Jesus Christ
New Hope Baptist Church
Charlotte, NC



Piedmont Singing Men
Christmas Concert
Sunday, December 1, 2019
4:00 PM

Invite everyone you know to join us for this special event.

Nursery Volunteers

Nursery	Date	Deacons
Leah Jordan Hannah Smith	12/1	Gerald Freeman
Becky Hubbard Jack Smith	12/8	Jim Hartis
Christine Smith Hannah Smith	12/15	Laney Emanuel
Erin Black Jack Smith	12/22	Don Jordan
Leah Jordan Hannah Smith	12/29	Jeff Smith

Calendar of Events

Standing Weekly Schedule
Sunday

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.

Tuesday	
H ₄ K (Children's' Ministry)	6:30 p.m.

Wednesday	
Adult Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Friday	
Open Gym	6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

1 st and 3 rd Saturday	10:00 a.m.
H ₄ F (Clothes Closet/Food Pantry)	

Monthly Schedule

December 1st
Piedmont Singing Men
4:00 PM

December 7th
Aldridge/Hartis SS Class
Christmas Dinner
Jimmie's Restaurant
3 to 5 PM

December 8th
Deacons Mtg
4:00 PM

December 14th
Wedding
of
Courtney Smith
&
Colby Morton

December 22nd
Christmas Family Luncheon
Immediately following the AM
Service

December 25th
Office Closed

January 1st
No Wednesday night study

Birthdays for December

12/14	Linda Norton
12/16	Jane Allen
12/28	Wanda Hartis Erin Black
12/29	Frank Norton



Special Olympics Comes To Charlotte and NHBC



What a wonderful time was had by all in serving over 50 young people on Saturday, Nov. 2nd that were in Charlotte for the relay games. What a joy to listen to their stories. They were so appreciative of NHBC for the wonderful job done by all the volunteers. What a blessing they all received. Thank you, Jeff Smith and all the hands involved. Job well done!!!!

Happy December New Hope Baptist Church! We have been brought into the season of re-birth because God has provided us His son, Jesus Christ. If only we would place all of our cares and worries at the feet of Jesus what a different life we would lead!

Books have been my constant companion since I was a child and learned how to read. The story in a book has comforted me more than anything else over time. The story of our savior has provided us hope. Share it with someone this December who may not know of God's promises.

Let all who know you hear you exclaim how glorious this time of Christmas is for a savior was born to give us a new hope, the pathway to God through our savior Jesus Christ. Merry Christmas!

Blessings this season!

Elaine Isaacson

Volunteer

New Hope Library Coordinator

News from the Clothing Closet

What a truly beautiful day...

Our last client left the building a little after 1 pm.

Thanks so much to the volunteers from University Hills Baptist, Idlewild Baptist, our folks from New Hope Baptist, a new friend of Leah's, and my dear friend Linda. Thank you for showing Christian love and kindness to bring happiness and joy to our community as we help meet their clothing needs.

There were so many smiling faces as we helped 43 families with 12 being new to the closet.

Two weeks ago, we had 39 families with 16 new clients.

Zoraida Madera is asking for prayer over a custody battle.

God bless you all as we continue to build relationships with our community as they reach out to us.

Love in Christ,
Becky