



**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.

## *March 2020... the Contact ... Vol. XLII Issue 3*

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*Joshua 1:2 "Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel"*

*Can you imagine being in Joshua's position? God is calling Joshua to lead his people into the Promised Land after the death of Moses. We can only imagine the stress, fear, and anxiety that Joshua must have felt. After all, Moses was the great deliverer of Israel, leading the people out of Egypt. He was the law giver having received God's Word from Mt. Sinai. He was the loving intercessor between God and the people. Now, Joshua is now responsible for taking Moses' place and leading Israel to conquer the Promised Land. If there was ever a moment where an individual needed to trust God and seek his encouragement, it was this moment.*

*But there is good news, God is always gracious and generous to his people. While the statement "Moses my servant is dead" could potentially cause great anxiety, Joshua 1:2 offers a greater and more powerful encouragement as the Lord declares to Joshua, "I am giving the land to you and to the people of Israel." If God has a purpose for our lives, He is going to provide all that we need to fulfill that purpose. This is the clear implication in Joshua 1. Repeatedly, the Lord's provision is emphasized. V. 2 "I am giving." V. 3 "I have given to you." V. 6, "I swore to their fathers to give them." V. 11, take possession of the land that the Lord your God is giving you." V. 13, "The Lord your God is providing you a place of rest and will give you the land." V. 15, "the Lord your God is giving them." The Lord is a gracious giver.*

*This encouragement is not exclusive to Israel, but for all of God's people. In 1 Corinthians 1:5-6, Paul thanks God that in every way He has enriched the Corinthians in all speech and knowledge, even as their testimony about Christ was confirmed. If you read 1 and 2 Corinthians, you know the many problems the Corinthian church had, yet, Paul is clear in his prayer that God gives them all that they need as His church.*

*Now matter what circumstances we are facing; we have two choices. We can either focus on our problems and hardship "Moses is dead," or we can focus on the faithfulness of God "I am giving." At New Hope, I pray that in all things, we will trust the Lord, seek his provisions and experience the full sufficiency of the Lord Jesus.*

*Pastor Jason*

### *Thank You*

*Dear New Hope Baptist Church Family,*

*Thank you for the phone calls, thoughts and prayers during our Dad's (Melvin Herrin) funeral. The flower arrangement you sent to the funeral home was beautiful! We greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness and consideration during this time.*

*Love, Connie Boger, Randy and Steven Herrin*

*Dear New Hope Baptist Church Family,*

*It was so nice of you to provide a meal for our family. You made our day so much easier by delivering the food after the funeral. It was nice to be able to spend time with the family without worrying about preparing dinner. Also, we enjoyed the food for days! Especially the sweet potato casserole! Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness!*

*Love, The Melvin Herrin Family*



**Calendar of Events**

**Standing Weekly Schedule**

**Sunday**

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

**Tuesday**

**H<sub>4</sub>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<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday**                      **10:00 a.m.**  
**H<sub>4</sub>F (Clothes Closet/Food Pantry)**

**Monthly Schedule**

**March 1st**

**Joe Morris**

**11:00 AM Service**

**March 8th**

**Daylight Savings Time begins**

**March 11th**

**Choir Practice**    **6:30 PM**

**March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Baby Shower for Tabatha Brown**

**March 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Eggs/Candy due**

**March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Communion**

**Fellowship Meal/Church Council Mtg**

**Birthdays for March**

- 3/6    John Yandle
- 3/10   Courtney Morton
- 3/20   Debra Hart
- 3/24   Rebecca Hubbard
- 3/31   Mackenzie Cooperwood

**Nursery Volunteers**

<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Deacons</b>
<b>Becky Hubbard Jack Smith</b>	<b>3/1</b>	<b>Jim Hartis</b>
<b>Christine Smith Hannah Smith</b>	<b>3/8</b>	<b>Laney Emanuel</b>
<b>Erin Black Jack Smith</b>	<b>3/15</b>	<b>Don Jordan</b>
<b>Leah Jordan Hannah Smith</b>	<b>3/22</b>	<b>Jeff Smith</b>
<b>Becky Hubbard Jack Smith</b>	<b>3/29</b>	<b>Gerald Freeman</b>

**WE CAN ALL ADMIT THAT WE GET FRUSTRATED – IT'S GOOD THAT WE BE REMINDED THAT WE DON'T KNOW SOMEONE'S CIRCUMSTANCES...ONLY GOD DOES.**

**HEAVENLY FATHER, HELP US REMEMBER THAT THE COUPLE WALKING ANNOYINGLY SLOW THROUGH THE STORE AISLES AND BLOCKING OUR SHOPPING PROGRESS ARE SAVORING THIS MOMENT, KNOWING THAT, BASED ON THE BIOPSY REPORT SHE GOT BACK LAST WEEK, THIS WILL BE THE LAST YEAR THAT THEY GO SHOPPING TOGETHER.**

**THANK YOU, LORD!  
YOUR CHILD**

*NHBC on mission for the Lord...*



## ***Easter Egg Hunt Preparation***

*It's that time again, folks. Collect those huge bags of candy and those plastic Easter eggs and bring them to church by Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. At that point, if you are willing to take some of these eggs and stuff them with candy, please contact the church office at 704.537.6340. Please try to purchase the regular size eggs and small individually wrapped candy pieces.*

### **For those that ask – here is your recipe**

#### **Teresa's long lost Lasagna Recipe**

1lb. Hamburger	½ teaspoon dry oregano
½ teaspoon sage	¼ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon garlic salt	10 oz. lasagna noodles
½ cup chopped onion	3 cups cottage cheese
½ cup chopped celery	½ cup Parmesan cheese
½ cup chopped carrots	2 beaten eggs
16 oz. Can tomatoes	2 tablespoons parsley flakes
6 oz. Can tomato paste	1 lb. Mozzarella cheese
1 teaspoon salt	¼ teaspoon pepper

Cook hamburger, sage, onion, celery and carrots until hamburger is lightly browned. Drain off fat.

Stir in tomatoes, tomato paste, salt, oregano and first ¼ pepper.

Simmer uncovered for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally while that is cooking.

Cook the lasagna noodles by package directions, then drain noodles well. (I used pre-cooked noodles)

Combine cottage cheese, Parmesan cheese, eggs, parsley flakes and remaining pepper.

Place half the noodles in a greased 9x13 baking dish.

Spread half the cheese filling, half the mozzarella cheese and half the meat sauce.

Repeat the layers.

Baked uncovered for 30 minutes @ 350 degrees.

Let stand 10 to 15 minutes before serving.

Enjoy!

## ***Baby Shower Luncheon***

*for*

## ***Tabatha & Colby Brown***

***Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:00 noon***

***Tabatha is the daughter of Richard and Karen Davis and the granddaughter of Annette McCarver.***

***Go to [babylist.com](http://babylist.com) ~ insert Tabatha Brown ~ to see her registry***

*Dear Church Family,*

*It is with loving and humble hearts that we have ask Carolyn to put this in our March Contact.*

*The love that ALL of you have shared with us whether it was food, many delicious desserts, birthday cards, phone calls, the precious visits, running errands, and we know many more than just these and with the biggest and most needed - the prayers - we know the Lord heard every one of them. We love each and every one of you and I truly love my church. Thank you for trusting me with your prayer needs and I know God will appoint another prayer warrior to continue this very important ministry. You have encouraged us - you have carried us as the Lord instructed and we so appreciate it - more than you can ever imagine.*



*We love you all  
Betty and all my family*



Move those clocks forward one-hour  
Saturday night, March 7<sup>th</sup>

**Joe Morris**

*In Concert here ~ March 1<sup>st</sup> ~ 11:00 AM.*

*Joe is returning to share with us his wonderful voice. Joe was with us before to share his wonderful voice. Let's invite our family and friends.*

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

***We will observe the Lord's Supper during our AM service***

***We will enjoy the fellowship of one another at our informal luncheon.***

***The main course will be baked spaghetti. Everyone can bring those delicious desserts ~ salad and rolls will be provided.***

***Immediately following the luncheon, we will have our church council meeting. We will be focusing on the months of May, June, July and August.***