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Dr, Quientrell L. Burrell, Jr.



2024 Church Theme: Building Bridges— Building Lives" Acts 17:23; I Corinthians 9:16-23



NEW HOPE NEWS

Rev. Dr. Quientrell L. Burrell, Jr., Pastor

"Bridge Builders" Message from the Pastor

Grace Mercy and peace be unto you from God our father and Jesus are Lord and Savior, "Joy to the world. The Lord is come, let earth receive her king." God's goodness and grace have afforded us the privilege to see the 12th month of the year. As we look retrospectively at this year, and the many things that have transpired, we can all attest that if it had not been for the Lord on our side, we certainly do not know where we would be. Many of those who started out this year, are not here today, yet God has kept us. All glory and praise to our God!

Several topics and events this year made national news, one of which included the 2024 presidential election. While many were dissatisfied with the outcome, many were not. Many people were excited in hopes of a greater America. What is required in this hour is not simply a greater America, but a greater faith, a greater commitment to the things of God, a greater determination to persevere, a greater understanding of the Word of God.

This next season is about a greater relationship with God and our fellow Christians. While others are preparing for a great America, I'm asking God to prepare the body of Christ for that Great Day. That day is a day where many will not be able to stand. While a new world leader and commander in chief will take to his new office, I find consolation in the fact that God changes not. He is the same yesterday, today and forevermore. God is our refuge and strength. God is a very present help in the time of trouble.

Last month we celebrated the God of the harvest, and expressed our gratitude for God's bountiful blessings. This month we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In the midst of oppression and persecution, our Savior was born. In the midst of religious superiority and nationalistic terrorism, our Savior was born. Into an unjust, unfair, unequal, and unethical society, with an intention and divine purpose. Jesus rocked the boat and was clear as to why He came, to seek and save the lost. Therefore make time, or take time to share the message of our messiah. Spread the word. God tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born. Tell it from the roof top, tell it in the valley low, tell that Jesus is born.

Once again, use this time to cherish family, friends, and those who matter greatly to you. Also remember those who are less fortunate than we. We are still praying for our brothers and sisters in the western part of our state. Might, I ask take this opportunity to thank each of you for all you have done in the kingdom to glorify God, and edify the body of Christ. You sacrificed much and labor of love has benefited our congregation and community. Continue to shine the light of Christ everywhere you go. I pray this Christmas season will bless your life, and that all who are connected to you be blessed as well. I'm looking forward to a new year with God as the captain of our ship. We know we will be covered by His mighty grace and protection. I urge you to be steadfast and unmovable, not wavering in your faith, but trusting wholly in Him, the author and finisher of our faith.

I pray the Christmas and any additional holidays you may celebrate this month be a time of great joy and peace. Until next year, may God continue to bless you.

In God's service,



Pastor Q



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Superintendent

Kay Whitley

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Doris Robinson

Teachers:

Adult Class

Kay Whitley

Singles Class:

Min. Gregory Stokes

Join us each Sunday morning (virtual) at 8:30 am for the teaching of God's Word.

Classes are available for the entire family.

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Adult Class Teacher: Kay Whitley at (704) 598-9601 The Adult Class will begin at 8:30 am and the zoom number is: ID#: 878 0625 6702 (301) 715 8592 PC: 852769 December 1 A Noble Family Tree Ruth 4:9-17; Luke 3:23, 31-32 December 8 A Very Fine House II Samuel 7:4-17 December 15 Get Ready! Luke 1:67-80 December 22 Luke 2:1-16 Breaking News! December 29 Luke 18:35-43 A Miracle in Jericho

Singles Class: Please join via teleconference 8:30 am - 9:30 am Dial-in#: (319) 527 2769 Access code: 880208 **Teacher:** Min. Gregory Stokes



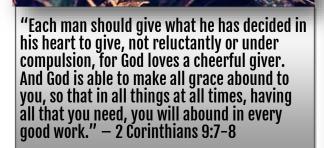
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WEDNESDAYS

7:00 PM

(LIVE STREAM)





Sunday December 15th CHRISTMAS SWEATER There will be an **Ugly Sweater** Contest. The uglier the better!

Sunday mornings at the same



Sunday, December 15, 2024 Immediately after morning worship services. Members are asked to provide desserts. Thanks so much for your support.

ANNUAL CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

7:00 PM (VIRTUALLY)

Zoom: Meeting ID: 868 0203 4906

Passcode: 917091

+301 715 8592



NEW HOPE WOMEN'S MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO JOIN US ON OUR Page 3

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Enjoy a time filled with good food, fellowship, games, and gifts. Bring a gift valued at \$5.00

Registration: Phone/Text: 704-534-1054 Email: blspaulding@msn.com Deadline: Sunday, December 15

DECEMBER 21 | 1-4:00 PM

MARGARET BROWN HOUSE 1015 MARGARET BROWN STREET







Building Bridges—Building Lives Minister Diane Blount

Building Bridges changing lives may just be the link to the future that they desperately need. Helping others to overcome the smallest obstacle to you, but it may be a mountain to them. Sometimes when you try and fail so many times you just give up and say what's the use. So my hope and prayers are for us to be in the right place at the right time in the community to aid and assist others. The closer we get to Him the clearer our purpose will become to us.

Since I have been a caregiver for my husband I have had so many to reach out in love to extend numerous acts of kindness. From Pastor Burrell and his family, to the Deacons and Deaconess, Trustees members of the Ministerial staff, the Willing Workers and many others, have built bridges by checking on us and we greatly appreciate it.

Paying it forward through acts of kindness and love, prayers and many inspirational messages mean so much more than you will ever know. If it's all God, it's all good.

Hat's off to the Nation.

Míníster Díane Blount



Church Flow "Sisters Styling" (L-R) Betty Baker Deborah Cathey Rev. Josietta Johnson







Mission Statement:

"To make disciples, bringing them into an authentic relationship with Jesus Christ. Engaging believers through free spirited worship, outreach, study, and fellowship. Offering new hope, in a new day, for a new life.

Ephesians 1:18 "having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you." ESV



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The New Hope Family extends heartfelt sympathy to:

The Townes Family and niece Ms. Lynnette Simpson, in the loss of Sister Wildreth Towne.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mid-Day Bible Study on Wednesdays @ 12:00 pm
- Wednesday Nights Bible study@ 7:00 pm (live stream)
- Sunday, December 15th Annual Christmas Dinner
- Monday, December 16th Annual Church Meeting @ 7:00 pm (virtual)
- Saturday, December 21st Women's Ministry Christmas Party @ 1:00 pm-4:00 pm at the Margaret Brown House
- Wednesday, December 25th Christmas Day
- Tuesday, December 31st Watch Night Services at 10:00 pm



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