

“Bridge Builders”

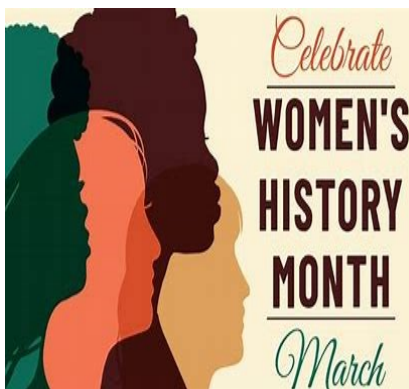
Message from the Pastor



Dr. Quientrell L. Burrell, Jr.



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



Grace, Mercy, and Peace be unto you from God our Father and Jesus our Lord and Savior.

The winds of transition have been blowing, and we have seen considerable changes in our nation, our government and society. While the winds have been flowing in our country and our world, the spiritual winds of transition are blowing as well. The gospel according to John tells us **“The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”** John 3:8. As He so often did, Jesus used nature to illustrate spiritual truth. He reminded Nicodemus that the wind blows where it wishes, and a person can hear it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes.

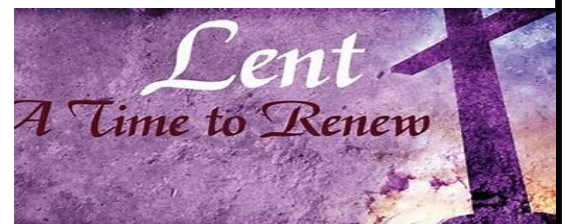
The new birth is very much like the wind. it takes place according to the will of God. It is not a power which man holds in his own control. Secondly, the new birth is invisible. You cannot see it taking place, but you can see the results of it in a person's life. When a person has been saved, a change comes over them. The evil things which they formerly loved; they now hate. The things of God which they formerly despised, these things are now the very things which they love. If there is no evidence of the new birth in your behavior, it is very difficult to prove the new birth has occurred. Just as no one can fully understand the wind, so the new birth is a miraculous work of the Spirit of God which man is not able to comprehend fully. Moreover, the new birth, like the wind, is unpredictable. It is not possible to state just when and where it will take place. Nicodemus illustrated the inability of the natural mind to enter divine things. Doubtless he was still trying to think of the new birth as a natural or physical event, rather than as a spiritual one. And he asked Jesus: “How can these things be?” It is here Jesus answered that as the teacher of Israel, Nicodemus should have understood these things. The OT Scriptures clearly taught that when the Messiah came back to the earth to set up His kingdom, He would first judge His enemies and destroy all things that offend. Only those who had confessed and forsaken their sins would enter the kingdom. The Lord Jesus then underlined the infallibility of His teaching, and yet man's unbelief concerning it. From all eternity, He had known the truthfulness of this and had only taught what He knew and had seen. But Nicodemus and most of the Jews of his day refused to believe His testimony. How many among us today are like Nicodemus?

We have been here long enough to know what scripture says, yet do not believe it in our hearts or receive it in our spirits. Nicodemus knew that one day the Messiah would come and set up a literal kingdom here on earth with Jerusalem as His capital. What Nicodemus failed to understand was that in order to enter this kingdom, there must be a new birth. I encourage child of God to hearken to the Word of the Lord. There is no middle ground, you **MUST** be born again to enter the kingdom of Heaven. While the Wind of the Spirit of God is blowing, don't simply allow to blow over you or on you, but let it blow in you. Let the Spirit fill you completely.

This month the spiritual winds will blow us into the season of Lent. Lent's 40 days represents the 40 days that Jesus spent fasting and praying in the desert before starting his public ministry. It is a solemn time for the body of Christ as it leads to passion week, the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the days are lengthened may our faith, devotion and commitment to the teachings and commandments of Jesus Christ be as well.

Because of Christ,

Dr. Q





March — “Tabernacle, Sacrifices, and Atonement”

Adult Class Teacher: Kay Whitley at (704) 598-9601

The Adult Class will begin at 8:30 am and the zoom number is: (301) 715 8592 ID#: 878 0625 6702 PC: 852769

March 2	Bound by Love	Exodus 19:1-4
March 9	Pitching a Tent	Exodus 25:1-9; 26:1, 31-37
March 16	Preparation for Service	Exodus 29:1-9. 35-37
March 23	Up in Smoke	Leviticus 1:3-17
March 30	What a Day!	Leviticus 16:11-19

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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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Please join via teleconference

Sunday mornings at the same

8:30 am – 9:30 am

Dial-in#: (319) 527 2769

Access code: 880208

Teacher:

Min. Gregory Stokes



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WEDNESDAYS

12:00 PM

(IN-PERSON)

WEDNESDAYS

7:00 PM

(LIVE STREAM)



The Charlotte Rescue Mission Sustaining Luncheon was held February 12th at the J W Marriott Hotel. New Hope has partnered with the Charlotte Rescue Mission for 25 years. The missionaries, and members have provided lunch monthly and personal items to the residents.

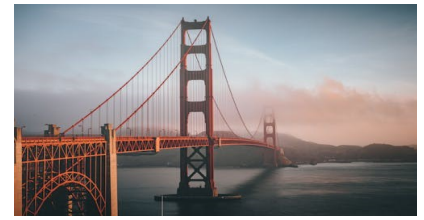
Those in attendance—L-R: Deacon Eugene Jackson, Pastor Quientrell L. Burrell, Jr., Holly Collins, Kay Whitley, Betty Baker, Dorothy Brown-Jackson, Deacon Chris Wright, and Leland Spencer.



Building Bridges—Building Lives

Elder Anthony James

“Jesus Christ is the Builder ”



So, as I sit here and reflect about building bridges and building lives. I think about Jesus Christ who is the ultimate bridge builder who connected God and humanity through His sacrifice. We were separated from heaven and from God because of sin, division and self-righteous! Jesus Christ had to come to earth to build a bridge for mankind back to heaven. When He went to the Cross and cried with a loud voice, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. The veil in the temple was torn from top to bottom. He tore down the wall of self-righteousness, sin and separation and yet it is still present in the Church body.

If we are going to be the Church of this century, we must build a bridge to bridge the gaps and divisions by showing compassion, listening to diverse perspectives, and reaching out to those who might feel excluded or dismissed. Paul tells us in Galatians 3:28- tells us that There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus”

Elder Anthony James



Thank you



Sis Annie Thompson is vying for the title of Ms. UMBA. Sister Thompson held her first fund raising on Saturday February 22nd in the fellowship hall. “Breakfast with Ms. Pat.” Sis Thompson thanks Pastor Burrell & New Hope Nation for their support.



New Hope Scholarship Committee's March Madness

Fundraiser

Sunday, March 30th

Donations to the New Hope Scholarship Fund

2025-2026 recipients.

Wear paraphernalia that represents your favorite college basketball team.

Envelopes will be available on the 30th for your donation.

Designate on the envelope which team you think will win the

NCAA basketball tournament.

Thanks in advance for your donation to help our New Hope students pursue their higher education.



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Theme: "Celebrating and Telling the Stories of Women in the Bible Called by God"

Women's Ministry

Facilitator Sister Kay Whitley

Helping Children to Cope with Grief and Loss

Sometimes children may feel like they are forgotten mourners when a person dies who is close to them. In many cases, the emphasis is placed on the adult who is mourning the loss. It may not always be the death of a loved one. It could be many different things such as a divorce between parents, relocating to a new school or neighborhood, losing a close friend or even a pet. The children will require support and loving care from the parents or significant adult in their lives. They need time to process all the changes that are taking place.

It is important that the adults patiently walk them through their feelings of sadness or anger. Make sure your explanation coincides with the age of the child. Parents should be honest about their own feelings when confronted with a loss. This will allow your child to see your grief. It is healthy for children to learn that mommy and daddy are feeling sad. By doing this, they learn that their feelings of sadness or even anger are something that adults experience as well. It is not unusual for children to try and protect their parents rather than displaying their own grief. Through their parents, they will learn that it is okay- to not be okay.

Children are more resilient than we think. The objective is to be attentive, observant, a good listener and allow children to express their feelings verbally or nonverbally. Ignoring the needs of children during this time can have a negative effect on their emotional development. Joey O'Connor states, "In the midst of pain and grief, death can be an opportunity to share much about life, eternity and God's love."

Helen Climes-Washington

Certified Christian Counselor / Certified MH Counselor

Mental Health and Wellness Ministry



Saturday, March 15, 2025

12:00 PM (Via Zoom)

Meeting ID: 882 8710 9001 Passcode: 874235

Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US

SUPPORT TEAM



Peter Ware and his team finished their Special Olympics Basketball until next season. Tournament was held at Sun Valley High School in Monroe, NC. New Hope family was in attendance. Special thanks to Deacon Chris Wright, Nancy Green and her daughter, Kanika for supporting Peter and the Mecklenburg Wildcats.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mid-Day Bible Study on Wednesdays @ 12:00 pm
- Wednesday Nights Bible study@ 7:00 pm (live stream)
- Saturday, March 8th Financial Workshop @ 11:00 am
- Saturday, March 15th Women's Ministry @ 12:00 pm
- Saturday, March 29th New Members' Class 10:00 am –12:00 pm

SHARE your VIEW



SHAPE our FUTURE



TAKE OUR ONLINE SURVEY - Scan the QR code or visit Budget.MeckNC.gov.

Mecklenburg County wants to know what services and programs are most important to you. Take our survey and help decide how your tax dollars are spent next year.



**Facebook Live at 10:00 am
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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



Yvonne Lindsey loss of husband Mr. Ronnie Lindsey

Elder Oveda and Maya Miller in the loss of mother-in-law and grandmother, Mrs. Willie Mae Smith Miller

Shannon Crawford-Conyers and Holly Collins in the loss of mother and aunt Mrs. Annebelle Hazel Crawford



*Blessings to all celebrating a
birthday in March!*
Seasoned Saints celebrating their special day:

Brenda Burrell (3rd) Yvonne Lindsey (3)
Joseph Southern (8) Debra Stith (10)
Addie May (20) Lucy Horton (22)
Brenda Campbell (24) Korrine Ramsey (25)



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