

We all need to be praying for God's mercy and favor over our nation right now. We need to "humble ourselves and pray and seek (His) face and turn from (our) wicked ways" so that God will hear us, forgive us and heal our land (2 Chron. 7.14).

We also need to pray for our body at NHCF, for our church as a whole and for the individuals among us who are facing their own trials:

- <u>Jerry Stumbaugh</u> ~ for relief from an allergic reaction to medication, and for his blood sugar to lower.
- Krystal Rodman ~ a young nurse and mother in Wisc, pray for her health and safety as she nurses her hospital patients.
- > **Betty Lowry** ~ for new strength and well-being as she continues in-home dialysis.
- Cliff Dyrud ~ as he voluntarily quarantines himself, and for wisdom as he ministers to his granddaughter.
- **Bob Shelton** ~ who is facing possible further heart surgery.
- > Cathy Parry ~ soon to have cataract surgery.
- Cindy Banker ~ for the discovery of her MIA father's remains and closure for her years of distress.
- Bill and Carol Ulrich ~ for Carol to recover completely from lung infection, and for Bill in hernia surgery.
- Sam Flores ~ in his new job as a gatekeeper at White Mountain Summer Homes and for some health issues,
- Tom Wallis and Ron Hall recovering from knee surgeries.
 Kate Hilton ~ Wanting to attend her mother's 100th "B" Day but keep away by air travel quarantines.
- Our baptismal candidates -- Mike Monk and Wilda Disbro, wanting to be baptized on Easter Sunday, April 12th.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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or Whom:	Need:	
Contact: Yes	No Telephone	

WHAT WE BELIEVE

- > We believe in the bible as God's inspired and authoritative Word, our only rule for faith and practice.
- We believe that Jesus is virgin born.
- We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the God-man, fully God and fully man.
- We believe in the Cross of Christ and His blood atonement for the sins of the world, that whosoever believes in Him by faith shall be saved through God's grace.
- We believe in the bodily resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the grave, the first fruits of those to come.
- > We believe in the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.
- > We believe in the presence and the power of the Holy Spirit.
- > We believe in the Church, Christ's living body.
- We believe in "believer's baptism" as an act of obedience to Christ and the initiation into the body of Christ.

MISSION STATEMENT

"To do things Jesus' way, by Jesus' teaching, and for Jesus' glory."

LIFE VERSE:

"Bear one another's burdens and thus fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

PHILOSOPHY OF MINISTRY:

New Hope Christian Fellowship is an independent body of believers, who have found comfort in biblical love, fellowship & spiritual unity

We practice New Testament Christianity in adherence to the Word of God, in faith, in obedience, and servanthood. We are dedicated to that which blesses the Lord Jesus Christ and lifts up His commandments, especially to love one another.

Church Staff

Reverend Tom Brown, Pastor
Pastor Jim Powell, Assoc. Pastor/Worship leader
Terry Lowry, Elder ~ Bill Bujnowski, Deacon
Kelly Moore, Deacon ~ Lee Copeland, Deacon ~
Chris Lewis, Deacon ~ Lora Slater, Secretary
John Greer, Media ~ Ron Hall, Custodian
Tami Powell, Nursery and Kitchen
Loretta Stumbaugh, Prayer and Finances

NEW HOPE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



Days of Quarantine

April 5, 2020, Day 21

PALM SUNDAY

We are claiming Easter, April 12th for the return to our services!

989 Cheney Ranch Loop / PO Box 1831 US 260 & Cheney Ranch, Linden Worship Service: Sundays, 10:30 AM

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April 5, 2020

By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

(John 15.8-11)

"The joy of the Lord is (my) strength" (Neh.8.10)

Church has been suspended by Presidential request and Governor Ducey's mandate.

Offering \$2,425.00

Please continue to give your tithes and offerings during this unfortunate hiatus in the life of our church.

Mail them to: NHCF P O Box 1831 Show Low, AZ 85902



Our Plan

Given the restrictions placed on us by our governing authorities, we might feel defeated. It is especially difficult for we believers who have freely gone to church for many years without restraint. Besides, it's our right as Americans to have freedom of religion and to peacefully assemble ourselves (Article 1, the United States Constitution).

Your church leadership have struggled with the dilemma of following the orders of men over against the biblical mandate of God. It is much like Peter and John, who being questioned by the rulers of Israel, said, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge" (Acts.4.19. Later, Peter spoke for them all saying, "We must obey God rather than men" (5.29).

After prayer, conversation and a word of the Lord received by some of us, we gave up the idea of meeting as a church body. Instead, we have produced sermons and Bible studies and posted them to our YouTube channel. We are also videoing abbreviated worship services each week, beginning with Palm Sunday, and posting those on our channel also.

For the sake of our fellowship, which is so important to the life of our church, we are regularly phoning and texting each other. We are also visiting one another as it is appropriate, and several homes have been opened for small group Bible studies and prayer, where we are trusting God for His protection and blessing.

As said last week: "Our responsibility as believers is to persevere in the Lord, knowing that He is our health and well-being" (Rom.5.3-5).

<u>Schedule of Church Events have been</u> postponed until further notice.

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Worship Service: 10:30 AM
Shepherding Group Wednesday, 6:30 PM in the church
Women's Bible Study: Thursdays, 10:00 AM
Men's Saturday Breakfast: 7:00 AM
Jail Visits: Saturday 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Waiting

The authorities have added more time to our quarantine, extending it to the end of April. They have also tightened the restrictions, strongly mandating that we stay home, only going out for necessary things, like food. This adds to our distress, and it puts our churches in jeopardy, losing the faithful stewardship of God's people in attendance, service and offerings. Pray God's mercy.

Stay Connected

******* Stay connected to your church *******
Call and text others; pray for one another, watch our YouTube channel, and please read your Bible every day. We need to know how you're doing and if you have any needs. If you are timid about communicating, call Pastors Tom or Jim. They listen and offer encouragement.



Be Baptized

We're encouraging you to be baptized.
When they asked Peter "What shall we do?", Peter answered:
"Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus
Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you shall receive the
gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2.38). Jesus Himself gave us the
example, being baptized by John in the Jordan (Matt.3.13-17).
It's not an option; it's a command (Matt.28.19).