

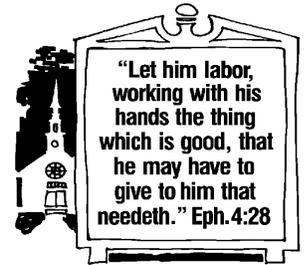
# The New Hope Vision

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## 2021



### PASTOR'S CORNER



The first month of the new year has passed with new events taking place. We have a new president in the White House and the COVID-19 vaccines are being administered to the most elderly. This is a timely blessing since there was a spike in cases after Christmas gatherings. Due to the expected spike in cases, we cancelled in-person services for a few weeks until the surge began to dissipate and several of our elderly members were inoculated. Hopefully, we can now enjoy corporate worship in a greater degree of safety, especially for our most vulnerable.

In lieu of the cancelled worship services, Pastor Bobby produced videos of our preaching the Word of God, that it might still go out to the church members and many others as God directs. We plan to continue and enhance the video streaming during our in-person services to reach the sick, shut-in, traveling members and vacationers. In general, preaching to the maximum number of listeners possible with the Word.

The pulpit search committee met to evaluate a candidate for the position of interim pastor beginning this Spring. There was unanimous agreement on the prospective candidate and the committee's proposal will be presented to the church at a called business meeting soon.

I began a sermon series on "Jesus' Farewell Discourses" on the 24<sup>th</sup> that will continue for several weeks. These messages cover Jesus' final teaching, encouragement, and commands to His disciples before going to the Cross.

These discourses were foundational for the Disciples involvement with the infancy of the Church. I look forward to what God will teach us in these coming weeks and months of 2021.

#### **Romans 13:11-14 (NASB)**

<sup>11</sup> *Do this, knowing the time, that it is already the hour for you to awaken from sleep; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we believed.*

<sup>12</sup> *The night is almost gone, and the day is near. Therefore let us lay aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.*

<sup>13</sup> *Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy.*

<sup>14</sup> ***But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.***

In His Service,  
Pastor Darryl

#### Notes:

There was not a January newsletter printed for January.

Church will resume in-house meetings on January 31st. According to the Pastor's Corner, plans are to continue the streaming for the near future.

On February 14th, there will be a called business meeting.

Special prayers are needed for Wayne Willis.

He has been in the hospital several weeks and is now home recuperating.

Marty Willis is also in need of prayer. He has been diagnosed with Bell's Palsy. Pray that he will recover quickly.

## From Associate Pastor Bobby Frisbee

One month down eleven to go and the 2021 year will be gone forever. I don't need to remind you of that, but how will this upcoming year be different for you, your spouse, your children, and grandchildren. For myself, it seems more important to focus on God's word and what it says, family, and cutting the rest out. My job outside of the church is as a butcher. Each day I go into work, take a large piece of meat known as a Ribeye Loin, and I cut it into Ribeye Steaks and Rib Roasts. In this process, I have to "trim the fat" to make it more appealing to the customer. That's exactly what we need to do in our Christian faith, we need to "trim the fat" in all areas of our lives to help our fellowship with God grow, to help that become the most important area in our life. Once we do this, we will see a transformation. One that helps our quality of life, puts our priorities in the correct order, reduces stress and anxiety, and brings a tremendous amount of joy in our life. So how will you "trim the fat" in your life? Laura and I look at ways to cut out the non-essential stuff, like television and technology. We focus more on spending time with the kids, having discussions, playing games, going on adventures, and reading the bible together as a family. I'm sure no matter what you do to further your fellowship with God, whether it be on an individual level or as a family. You will see the benefits from it.

*Psalms 51:10-12(NIV)10Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.11Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.12Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.*

## A Daily Prayer

Whatever happens today, dear Lord, help us remember that you are present. If we find ourselves in the shadows of disappointment or rejection or pain, let us see your comforting light. If we're in the radiant light of success or acceptance or wholeness, may we acknowledge your providence and grace. Wherever we are, grant us the assurance of your nearness. Amen.

## February Birthdays

12 Laura Penny  
19 Marcus Beeks Sr.  
23 Connor Chisenhall



## February Anniversaries

14 Glen & Anna McLawhorn

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## Celebrating Love

For 80 years, a couple in Ecuador was an exceptional example of marital love. Julio Cesar Mora Tapia, 110, and Waldramina Maclovía Quinteros Reyes, 104, were wed on February 7, 1941. Until Julio's death last October, they were reportedly the world's oldest married couple. Their large family includes nine great-great-grandchildren!

Good News Network recounts: "Julio Cesar fell in love with Waldramina's beauty, her conversation, and her big heart." Meanwhile, she found in him "a poet with a young spirit." The couple says the formula for a lasting marriage is "love + maturity + mutual respect," as well as patience, compassion and hard work.

That calls to mind Paul's words, often read at weddings: "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth" (1 Corinthians 13:4-6, ESV).

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## The Soul of Christianity

A Christ-centered life does not mean a life in which one sings hymns, reads Scripture and edifies his neighbors by hanging texts on the walls. One does not become a Christian by doing a good deed a day, nor by go-getting for religion, nor by engaging in economic and political reform movements, even though these things are done from the noblest of human motives. A Christian is one who, believing that Christ is the Son of God, has that Christ-life in his soul.

—Fulton Sheen