



# NEW HOPE

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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*"Outwitted!"*  
*Pastor Donald Hawkins*

Sunday, December 21, 2014

*Christmas Eve*  
*Candlelight Service*  
4:00 & 6:00 PM



## TODAY

**To Our Visitors - WELCOME!** We are very happy you have come to worship with us today. We invite you to stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer to pick up a Visitor Brochure that will help acquaint you with New Hope. Visitor cards are available in the pew rack if you would like to leave a record of your visit. If ever we can serve you, please let us know. Thank you & may God bless you.

There is a **Nursing Mothers Room** available in Room 140 next to the first floor women's restroom.

If you are **new to the church** and haven't had an opportunity to get acquainted with Pastor Weaver, you are invited to join him on the **west end of the foyer** during Sunday School for an informal time of refreshments and sharing.

**Celebrate Recovery** Interviews at 5:00 p.m. in Room 212. Step Studies at 6:00. Questions? Contact Di Jaehnel.

Don't miss tonight's performance of **Two From Galilee** at 6:00. Childcare will be provided for nursery through preschool aged children.

According to the tax law, all **year-end giving** must be in the office or **postmarked** by December 31 to be included as 2014 giving. The church office will be open Wednesday, December 31, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thank you for your faithfulness!

## NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

**Thank you** for all the prayers and visits during Sky's surgery and recovery. She has done wonderfully. We know this is because of all the prayers and healing touch from our Lord! —Denny & Dawn Larson

**Thank you** from my family and myself to the pastors and church family for all the prayers, cards, love, and kindness regarding the passing of Paul. God is good and I honestly could feel the prayer support and I am so thankful to belong to such an awesome church. —JoAnn Willcockson

**Thank you** to everyone who donated at the Blood Drive. We had 16 who donated; 3 were first time donors. Thanks to Papa John's for the free pizzas and Jason Randolph for the Outback coupons. Our next blood drive will be Wednesday, February 25.

In an effort to make the process of **picking your children up from Kids Church** more efficient, we will be experimenting with a different check-out procedure. We appreciate your patience.

**Updated Pictorial Directories** are now available at the Events Center. Three choices: (1) All new directory in binder, \$10; (2) All new directory not in binder, \$5; (3) Fall 2014 updated photo & address insert only, free. We have a limited supply on hand; we will take orders when they are gone.

**Celebrate Recovery** meets many needs of those with hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Check out our table in the foyer in the month of December. We need nursery workers, a sound person, assistants for K-5th grade, a lead person for the kitchen, and a bass player. Pray about what you can do.

## NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

**Pastor Don Hawkins' Wednesday night class** is cancelled and will resume in January.

New Hope **Volleyball Leagues** begin in January! This is a great opportunity for fellowship and exercise. The competitive league plays on Thursday nights and is \$25/person, which covers the cost of a referee. Tuesday night rec league - no cost as teams share the responsibility of refereeing. **Sign up** online; space is limited.

**Opportunity to Serve the Lord:** We have an opening in the cleaning ministry that needs to be filled. Contact Julie Spencer if you'd be willing to serve the Lord in this ministry.

**Scan Away Hunger** - For just \$2.80, you can provide a nourishing meal and care for a homeless or hungry man, woman, or child. Hand a paper plate (available at the Events Center) to a checker at a participating Hy-Vee and say "I'd like to Scan Away Hunger." Each time the checker scans the code on your plate, \$2.80 will be added to your bill.

Announcements for the December 28 bulletin must be submitted to the office by noon on Tuesday, December 23. Announcements for the January 4, 2015 bulletin must be submitted to the office by noon on Tuesday, December 30.

## THIS WEEK

**Ladies' Monday Bible Study** will not meet this week.

**Men's Prayer for Our Nation** - Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Ladies' Tuesday Morning Prayer & Share** will not meet this week.

**INTERCESSORS** will not meet this week.

The **church office will close** at noon on Wednesday, December 24 and reopen on Monday, December 29.

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** - Wednesday, December 24, 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

## COMING SOON

**Next Sunday morning** don't miss Pastor Weaver's New Year's message, *Life One Day at a Time*.

**There will be no Sunday School on December 28, and no Wednesday night services on December 31.**

**Young Adult Party** (ages 23-35) Friday, January 9 in the Student Campus Auditorium. This will be an adults only event. Save the date!

**Book Buddies** are reading *Angels Walking* by Karen Kingsbury and will meet in New Hope Java from 6:30-7:30 p.m. for our discussion on Monday, January 12. Please join us. Questions? Contact LindaLee Lovelace.

## COMING SOON (continued)

**Iowa Wild Hockey Game** - Join us for this all-church outing on Saturday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. at Wells Fargo Arena. Iowa Wild will be playing Lake Erie Monsters. Tickets are \$17 each. **To order tickets, pay at the Events Center.** Deadline is Sunday, January 11. Make checks to New Hope. Questions? Contact Don Labertew.

**Men's Breakfast** - Saturday, January 17, 8:00 - 9:15 a.m. in the Student Campus Chapel. Our speaker will be Jan Mikelson. Please **sign up** online or at the Events Center.

**New Hope Talent Café** - Friday, January 23, 7:00 p.m. in the Student Campus Chapel. This is the place to share the talents God has given you or come and enjoy the talents of others in a relaxed coffeehouse atmosphere. Bring a friend, enjoy some treats, and be blessed with fellowship and talent. Please sign up for talent, serving, or providing baked goods. **Sign up** online or call the church office. All proceeds from food sales will go to Speed The Light. Questions? Contact Troy McBroom.



## YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**New Year's EVE EVE Party** for all high school students on Tuesday, December 30. Meet us at Sky Zone from 7:30-10:00 p.m. Cost is \$20. If you plan to go, **sign up** online. All students must fill out a waiver form available at the Events Center or online at [www.skyzone.com/desmoines](http://www.skyzone.com/desmoines). *All signature and initial spots must be filled in.* Payment must be given to Pastor Luke TODAY.

Ski Trip for all high school students to Afton Alps in MN - February 6-7. Save the date!