

Missions Quarterly

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At ~~New Hope Baptist Church~~ we serve...

...TO ENCOURAGE

1 Peter 4:10 - Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

...WITH GRATITUDE

1 Samuel 12:24 - But be sure to fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.

When we focus on all that God has done for us, our service can flow from a heart of gratitude, not from a feeling of obligation or duty.

...HUMBLY

Philippians 2:3-4: Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. 4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

...TO GLORIFY GOD

Matthew 5:16 - In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

...IN LOVE

John 13: 34-35 - 34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."



Life by the Spirit...

¹³You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. ¹⁴For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself" – Galatians 5:13-14



Being a part of Missions at New Hope are opportunities to spend time with people who serve and with whom we serve.



New Hope Baptist Church (NHBC) works with the West Suburban Company Pantry (WSCP) to host the monthly Mobile Drive Thru Pantry, usually every first Tuesday of the month. While WSCP provides the food, we provide the volunteers. In addition to Rob Bryant from WSCP, there are 16 NH members that comprise the Mobile Pantry Team (MPT).

The MPT works closely together to prepare advertisements, organize the food delivered by WSCP, review the preorders by families, deliver the orders to the cars, manage the traffic outside the Church, provide information about WSCP, and invite families to attend Services at New Hope.

Annually since April 2018, an average of 277 households, which included 928 adults and children, received food via the WSCP Mobile Drive Thru Pantry at New Hope. The success of this Missions' Ministry is dependent on the 16 servants who consistently came together this year to serve others.

The Missions Team wants to thank each of them for the fellowship, laughter, and commitment to serving others.

Following are the names of the MPT:

Harold & Pat Branch
 Jewell Fregia
 Greg Herbert
 Cheryl Huffman
 Remonia Jamison
 Wanda Jordan
 Jan Lewis
 Latreavette McCline



Debra Pounds
 Jasper Redmond
 Al Seaton
 Claire Stewart
 Greg Walker
 Valerie Washington
 Kevin Williams

Ephesians 2:10:

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

WSCP State of the Pantry Ceremony (09/2023)



Inside WSCP Pantry



WSCP Volunteer Appreciation Lunch in April 2024

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (SELF-CARE) MINISTRY

Missions collect self-care items for the women rebuilding their lives through the programs available at Guardian Angel Community Services in Joliet and Lifespring: Shelter and Restoration for Women (under Wayside Cross Ministries in Aurora). Our members, family, and friends generously donate.



Daybreak Shelter, Joliet, IL

Daybreak Shelter operates 24-hours a day, 365 days a year and provides emergency housing, and supportive services to individuals and families who are homeless. Some participants in the program are in need of short-term housing, as a result of a situational crisis. Others need support services as they work to reestablish permanent housing.

New Hope serves every 3rd Sunday at the Shelter. We are always in need of volunteers to assist in our efforts. You can cook, serve or provide monetary donation.

Upcoming Dates: July 21, August 18, September 15, October 20



Isaiah 4:6: "There will be a shelter to give shade from the heat by day, and refuge and protection from the storm and the rain."



Starting in November of every year, we have an Angel Tree to select students and their families from a local school to bless them with Christmas gifts.



In the summer months, NHBC collects school supplies for the upcoming school year for local elementary and middle schools.

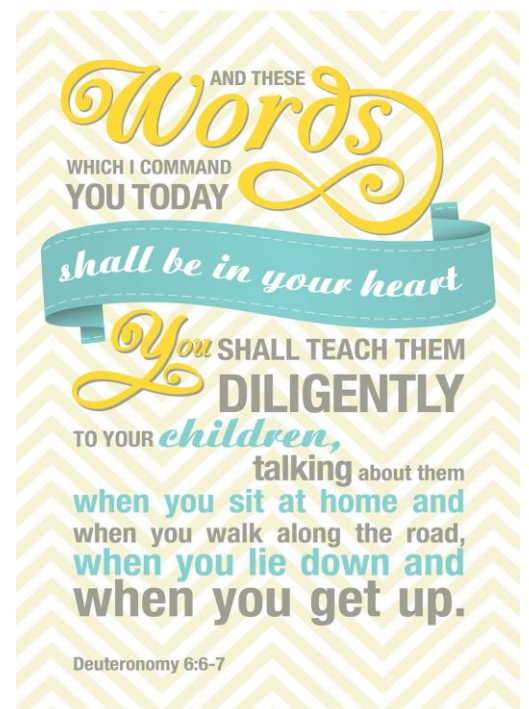
Education is improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it.

~Marian Wright Edelman

COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS

Missions sends care packages to our college bound students to provide encouragement, support and to let them know they are in our thoughts and prayers while they are in college.

Lord, I ask that your peace that surpasses understanding falls on college students as they navigate the anxieties of life. Teach them to lean on you when things get crazy and chaotic and help them to understand that you have everything under control – even when it doesn't seem like it. Amen.



*Now faith is confidence
in what we hope for and
assurance about what we do not see. ~ Hebrews 11:1*

Hope starts with food...

Feed My Starving Children® is a Christian non-profit committed to feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals specifically formulated for malnourished children, and we ship these meals to distribution partners around the world. This past month some of NHBC members, families, and friends served at the Feed My Starving facility in Aurora. We will plan another session soon. Please join us! It was a fun time to fellowship while we packed for the hungry.



**Galatians 6:9 "Let us not become weary in doing good,
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."**

If you would like more information about NHBC Missions Team and have additional ideas to serve please send an email to salvation@nhbap509.com.