

February 2015



WE BELONG

1 February 9am, 10am (Croydon), 11am & 5:30pm 'The Power of Two' Matt 18:20

8 February 9am, 10am (Croydon), 11am & 5:30pm 'We Belong to the Body of Jesus' 1 Cor 12:1-31

15 February 9am, 10am (Croydon), 11am & 5:30pm 'We Belong to the House of God' Eph 2:11-12

22 February 9am, 10am (Croydon), 11am & 5:30pm 'Skill #1: Be There for Each Other' Rom 12:10

Chinese Services

Come and join us on Saturdays at 6pm in the Auditorium
Contact james.lin@newhope.net.au for details

Persian Services

Come and join us on Sundays at 1pm in the Main Hall
Contact sam.farbod@newhope.net.au for details

Come & Connect

For our visitors and recent newcomers - relax and enjoy coffee and muffins after the morning services in the Cafe. If we can help you with anything, just ask one of the welcome team.

Want to Know More?

We are a community where our mission is to Love God, Love Others and Serve the World.

For detailed information on any article printed in this issue visit www.newhope.net.au

Ready for the Next Step?

We would love to hear from you! Visit an iSpot after the service today.

Join a Small Group!

Connect with others by joining a Small Group.
Collect a brochure from reception, contact

small group leaders directly or speak with Sandra Lemke at the Church Office on 9890 7999 or via email sandra.lemke@newhope.net.au for further information.

Prayer Opportunities

Prayer requests can be sent weekly to a select prayer group at NewHope by either:

Email: prayer@newhope.net.au or phone: 9890 7999. Please complete Weekly Prayer Request Card and leave in box at the main Auditorium Doors. Phone the Church Office to book for Healing Prayer Ministry - available Monday 7.30pm and Wednesdays 9.30am and 1pm. Prayer is also available at the front of the Auditorium after each service.

Want To Become a Member or Baptised at NewHope?

Join Us!

Ask for a Baptism or Membership Application Form today. Contact the Church Office on 9890 7999 or info@newhope.net.au or visit an iSpot and speak with someone from our welcome team.

Baptism Class

We offer classes upon request, either one-on-one or in a group.
Please contact the Church Office or email Danny Hunt via

danny.hunt@newhope.net.au for information. Our classes include the biblical meaning of baptism and what it means to be a Christian.

Baptism & Membership

On Sunday 18th January, Elizabeth Shalders was welcomed into Membership.

Croydon Campus

At our Croydon campus in 2015, we will be running the **Alpha Course in term 2** - we want to give you plenty of notice now so that as MANY of you as possible can attend (as a replacement for your term 2 small group meetings) - this is such a great opportunity to invite that person who you know, but also, we know it will also build stronger community across us all as we eat together and discuss the topics - so be in prayer now for your family and friends and ask the Lord to lead you to that conversation - and see what happens!

Kids Church - is back on Sunday Feb 8th. Chris Somers will head up senior kids leaders with Martin and Amanda Carruthers leading our junior kids team - we will have a time of commissioning them on Feb 8th at the start of the service with all our children! We are planning for that day to be a special BBQ after the service as well - a great chance to invite another family to kids church.

Women's morning tea - for women of all ages - whilst many of you have young kids, Tam sees an opportunity to unite women of every stage at our house on Mondays from 9.30am - with a heart to connect those on the fringes of our community. Please consider who you may invite to this casual relaxed time - it's back on Monday Feb 9th.

Men's morning prayer time - every Wednesday morning at 6am, our home address of 23 Spriggs Drive is open for men to gather in prayer - its always a great time to refresh and focus on God and what he would have for us mid-week - let me know if you are interested on 0402 017 774 so I can confirm with you if we are NOT on.

God Bless,
Phil Gaudion - Croydon Campus Pastor



For Mothers of preschool children

Come along and study the bible with other mums in a relaxed environment while the kids play around us.

We meet every Wednesday at 10am in the Main Hall, starting from 4th Feb.

Contact us at seedlings@newhope.net.au for more info.

Older Adults

Seniors on Tuesday

A relaxed morning tea and 'Thought for the Day' in the Community Events Room. Bring your friends! Tuesday 10th February 10.30am-12noon. Come hear Silvia Marshall, our NewHope office manager, share her story of surviving the civil war in El Salvador. Cost \$2.50. Enquiries to Danny Hunt or John Fearn-Wannan.

Blokes Group

Refreshments and a chat every 3rd Tuesday. 17th February 9.30-10.30am in Seminar Room 1. Enquires to Chris Pittendrigh.

Indoor Bowls

Every Wednesday morning from 9am in the Community Events Room, including refreshments and a 'Thought for the Day.' Enquiries to Don Aeschlimann.

Prime Timers

Come enjoy lunch on Monday 2nd March 12-2pm in the Community Events Room. Bring your friends! Medibank Private CEO George Savvides will be speaking. Cost \$12.50 (first time free). RSVP to Jenny or John Fearn-Wannan.



It's time for a brand new year of NewHope Kids!

We can't wait to see you on 7th/8th February for our first week back. This term we are putting on our detective hats and getting out the magnifying glasses as we search for the truth about what we believe.

Kids, don't forget to bring your Bibles and also be on the lookout for your "Detective Notes" which we'll hand out each week so you can keep the investigations going at home!

Parents, it is a privilege to partner with you as we seek to shine the love of Jesus into these young lives. You are always welcome to visit any one of our services across the weekend. Come and see what your child is learning, meet their leaders and join us in worship. We'd also encourage you to consider helping out as a prayer intercessor. If you'd like more information, let us know. We'd love to chat!

We are looking forward to a great year ahead!

God bless,

Alicia, Chris and the team





Niger Update

From our NewHope Global partners Phil and Carol Short:

As reported in the media, on 16th-17th January churches and homes belonging to Christians were attacked and burnt down in Zinder, Goure and the capital city Niamey. Some believers sheltered at the police station. Many were left with only the clothes they were wearing when they had to leave. One person said, "Don't be upset about our things. It is a privilege and a joy to suffer for the name of Jesus."

The next day they met together to praise and worship God at the police station. It reminded us of the accounts of the believers in Acts, as the early church faced persecution. They have decided to fast and pray for their community that many will turn to Jesus!

Please join them and us in praying that God will use the events of the past few days for His glory. May He strengthen the faith of His people, as well as draw many to Himself through their testimony, witness and faith. Please pray for the nation of Niger.

Prayer Points

Rosanna Seah is continuing her great work collating in one document monthly NewHope Global prayer points from all our partners. If you want to join others using these email rosannaseah@optusnet.com.au

NewHope Global Board

Please take any of the literature on the corridor board near the lift.

Enquiries about NewHope Global:

Please contact Danny Hunt at the NewHope office on danny.hunt@newhope.net.au or 9890 7999

Women's Ministry

Bowl your Mum over

We are having a Mums 'n Sons (4 years and up) bowling night coming up in 2015.

Sons come and bowl your mum over by joining her to bowl over the pins!!!

Date: Friday evening 20th February

Time: 6:30pm

RSVP: 11th February

Where: AMF Bowling Forest Hill

Address: Level 3, Forest Hill

Chase Centre, 270 Canterbury
Road, Forest Hill

Cost: \$25 per person

Cost includes: 2xgames; shoe
hire: snacks

Please pre-pay at Church Office



Ladies Craft Group

Ladies Craft on Thursdays

All welcome.

Come along and bring a craft project you are working on or join in a board game.
Make friends, build relationships.

Begins on Thursday February 5th at 10am in the Community Events Room.

Further enquiries to Cathy De Witt on cathy.dewitt@newhope.net.au or 9890 7999.

25+ Combined Bible Study

Please join the 25+ community for a combined bible study on Wednesday 25th February, starting at 7:30pm in the function room.

The evening will involve fellowship, worship and a conversation about how small things can make a big difference.

Bring a snack to share for supper - Tea and Coffee provided.

If you wish to receive more information - please contact Kat Haden on kat.haden@newhope.net.au



Christmas is Giving

Thank you for your generosity to assist those financially struggling at Christmas. \$5,390 was received in supermarket vouchers and donations to distribute to others, as well as toys and other gifts. Additional stock in the food pantry was also distributed to some of our partners and those who dropped in for assistance.

The smiles and relief on recipient's faces cannot be fully expressed here but for those of us privileged with the task of sharing your gifts, we were constantly humbled and moved. Entrusting recipients where possible with vouchers to choose what they really need and would use versus a food parcel, brought them such joy. They were also able to choose a gift from a basket of goodies the women's ministry had provided and if they needed toys for their children they had the option of selecting from the toys NewHope Kids had donated for other children.

A story: On selecting a toy for her child a mother shared how that day her son was graduating from Primary School. Earlier that day the boy had said; "Mummy will I get a gift when I graduate?" His mum was aware most children would receive a gift from their parent(s), but couldn't afford it. She was excited that she now could give him a gift on his graduation day. On hearing her story and given the generosity of NewHope, the mum was encouraged to go back into the room with toys and select another one for Christmas.

Food Pantry

Our food pantry needs your help to restock, please see the flyer with most needed and used items. Donations can be placed in blue collection bins in the foyers. Note people requesting assistance are able to choose what they need from the shelves rather than us handing out parcels. Some regular items are not on the list as we can obtain them free from Vic Foodbank (ie: Pasta). Needs vary

amongst cultural groups. If you shop for us often and need further information on current needs or can assist with specific cultural foods contact nhcc@newhope.net.au or call Community Care on 9897 3288. Below is a list of frequently and consistently needed items:

- Coffee
- Tea/Milo
- Sugar
- Milk - Longlife
- Rice - Large Sizes please
- Canned Vegetables
- Pasta Sauce (no pasta)
- Flour - S/R & Plain
- Honey/Peanut Butter/Vegemite
- Tuna in Oil
- Toilet Paper
- Soap - personal
- Toothpaste/Toothbrushes
- Baby Nappies - all sizes
- Sanitary Pads

NHCC Monthly Morning Prayer Meeting

Wednesday 11th February 7.30 – 8.30am at the house, all welcome.

Dinner Tonite Hosting Team Volunteers

So many people are starved of a listening ear and an encouraging non-judgemental word, by sharing a meal and simply being with others you can impact a life and make a difference. The Dinner Tonite Team is seeking expressions of interest for volunteers with compassionate hearts and listening ears who would like to make a one year commitment to join the hosting team. The hosting team's primary responsibility is to sit and build relationships, listening, encouraging and coming alongside guests attending the meal. Commitment is preferably fortnightly, at minimum once per month, so as to get to know the community and guests. Training is provided. For more information and to register interest email: dinnertonite.newhope@gmail.com or call Raymond on 0411 278 796

Counselling

Community Care has counsellors and psychologist services to assist you navigate and work through life's challenges, disappointments and the tough stuff. If you need a listening ear and some professional help, start the year moving forward. Contact New Hope Community Care & Counselling on 9897 3288 or email: nhcc@newhope.net.au



Pre-Marriage & Relationship Counselling

Suitable for dating or engaged couples, couples co-habiting, couples planning to marry who already have children from previous relationships, as well as those who have been married for years and are negotiating life transitions the PREPARE/ENRICH Program has assisted 3 million couples over 30 years. For more information <http://www.prepare-enrich.com.au/for-couples/> Investment, cost: \$285 per couple for 3 sessions + \$42 completion online relationship inventory. Further sessions can be arranged as required at the standard counselling price.

Contact: New Hope Community Care & Counselling on 9897 3288 or email: nhcc@newhope.net.au

Jess Groszek – recipient City of Whitehorse Australia Day Civic Award

Huge congratulations to Jess Groszek on receiving a City of Whitehorse Community Achievement Award for 2015. Jess has been a pioneer and instrumental in NewHope being aware, educated, changing our behaviour, standing up and having a voice advocating against Human Slavery and Trafficking. Jess and her passion are not only known to us here at NewHope but is also impacting our Community. Thank you for your leadership and example Jess! Well deserved!



FREEDOM FEBRUARY MARCH

CHRISTMAS CREDIT CARD
BILLS LOOMING?

TAKE CONTROL OF
YOUR FINANCES.

SIGN UP FOR
THE FEBRUARY
CAP MONEY COURSE.



CAP Money is a FREE and easy course to help
you gain financial freedom

In fact

9/10

course delegates felt they were
more in control of their finances
after doing the CAP Money
Course.



money:course

VENUE NewHope
DATE Mar 11, 18, 25
TIME 7:30-9:30pm

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WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT THE CAP MONEY COURSE

“It’s made a big difference to my
budgeting and has made saving so
much quicker and easier. I feel more
in control of my money” - Sarah -

“It’s an awesome course that
will help many people
control their money.” - Dale -

“I felt I was terrible with money.
Since doing the course, my feelings
about managing my money are now
much more positive.” - Miranda -

“Thanks for making me think and
prioritise better.” - Dave -



Ph: 1300 303 929

capaust.org

An Introduction to Healing Prayer Ministry

NewHope's Prayer Ministry Centre invites you to explore its work at an "Introduction to Healing Prayer Ministry" short course .

Come and find out about the Biblical Basis for ministry, Listening to God, Intercession, Forgiveness and more. Discover how Healing Prayer Ministry can bring freedom from past hurts and negative patterns in our lives.

Friday night February 20th, 7 pm -9.30pm, Saturday February 21st, 9am - 5pm.
Forms available at Reception. R.S.V.P. Feb 13th to Office or Jan Sprake on 9898 1946.



NewHope Prayer Ministry Centre offers 6 appointments per week.

This is your opportunity to spend an extended time in God's presence, with Trained Prayer ministers, allowing God to touch the damaged, broken parts of your life. Your relationship with Him will deepen as his love and forgiveness restore your heart, mind and body.

These free, confidential sessions are held at the Church on Mondays at 7.30pm, or Wednesdays at 9.30am and 1.00pm.

Bookings are made through the Church Office: 9890 7999.

Retreats@NewHope

Theme: " Gratitude "

"If the only prayer you said was thank you, that would be enough."

Meister Eckhart

Saturday March 14th, 9.30am - 2.30pm

WellSpring Centre, 10 Y Street, Ashburton 3147 (Melways Map 60 D9)

An invitation to prayerfully explore and reflect on the place of gratitude in our lives.

The WellSpring Centre is a beautiful space in which to enjoy this opportunity for rest and relaxation, quiet reflection and prayer. The program includes welcome and introduction, communion together as well as plenty of free time for personal prayer and reflection. Books & art materials will be available – WellSpring has a lovely garden and there are walking tracks nearby – also shops and cafes at which to have a coffee or buy lunch.

Cost: \$10 includes morning tea - bring your own lunch.

Register at NewHope reception 9899 7999, info@newhope.net.au or at the iSpots

Prayer on Wednesday

Come join with others to pray Wednesday night 7-8pm in our Prayer room. Included each time is a focus on one NewHope ministry area, spoken to by the relevant ministry leader. Enquiries to Danny Hunt at the church office.

Bless with Bean Bags

We would like to give everyone at NewHope an opportunity to contribute to something fun and very practical.

Would you or your family consider donating a bean bag? These would be used often for a number of different events and ministries held here. The more the merrier!

If you can help they can be new or used. If they are used, please make sure they are in good clean condition and filled with beans (you may need to top them up!). If they are new - please bring them already filled.

This is a fun one which will be well appreciated by many.

Just drop them at NewHope reception.

Cathy De Witt

Families pastor



Making generosity simple



Download 'Pushpay' to Give

to give and download the
APP or scan the QR Code



In a move to support your generosity, we're implementing a new way to give.

You can give when, and wherever it suits you.

Thank-you for your support as we continue to grow and impact our community together.

Notice Board

Book Launch

On Friday 6th March at 6.30 pm, long-time Newhope member Dr Howard Fearn-Wannan, will launch his fourth novel, "Freedom at Stake". This historical novel tells of the early Scottish and French reformationist's struggles against the established church and monarchy.



SPECIAL OFFER!

A NewHope business person is making a gift to "Building for God's Glory" through his business. You can participate. Here are the details.

We will offer the NewHope community the following benefit when they visit either of our Comfort Feet and Podiatry stores in 275 Burwood Highway Burwood, or 302 Doncaster Rd North Balwyn.

If you have private health insurance with the relevant extras cover i.e. Podiatry & Orthotics (minimum \$350 cover), we will provide them with

- a comprehensive consultation (by a Podiatrist) which will include a biomechanical assessment (valued at \$120),
- a 3D foot scan using a 'state of the art' technology (valued at \$70)
- a fully customised pair of orthotics (valued at \$700)
- a complimentary pair of footwear

We will waive any out-of-pocket expenses for NewHope members.

For those who don't have private health insurance, we will still extend the same offer to them for a discounted price of \$350.

We will pledge 10% for every dollar spent to NewHope Building For God's Glory project. This pledge will be for 3 years. So as long as they come to the store to put through a transaction every year, we will honour the pledge for 3 years.

The 10% pledge will include all footwear purchased from our stores.

Giving

'Each person should give what they have decided in their heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work'

2 Corinthians 9: 7 – 8

Credit Card Authority

Please complete, cut out and send to the Church Office by:

- Placing in the offering bucket
- Scan and email to surette.southwood@newhope.net.au
- Mail to PO Box 255, Kerrimuir 3129
- Copy can also be obtained at www.newhope.net.au

Section 1: Personal Details

Title: First Name: Last Name:

Address: Postcode:

Phone: Mobile:

Email:

Section 2: Giving

(please tick)

- Ministry Fund
- Non-Tax Deductible Building Fund
- Mission Partnership Fund
- Tax Deductible Building Fund
- NewHope Care Fund

Section 3: Gift or Payment Details

Amount \$

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Once Off

Section 4: Credit Card Details

Card Type: (please tick) Visa Mastercard

Cardholder's Name:

Cardholder's Signature:

Card Number:

Expiry Date: (Receipt issued on request)

Bank Details for Electronic Giving

BSB: 033-113 (Westpac)

Account Name:
NewHope Baptist Church

Accounts:
117679 - Ministry Fund, Mission
Partnership Fund, Special Giving

117695 - Building Fund
(FTWL - Non Tax-Deductible)

168273 - Building Fund
(Tax-Deductible)

168273 - NewHope Care Fund
(NewHope Care - Tax Deductible)

Please include description of the purpose of your gift and your name for the tax deductible gifts.

Giving envelopes are available:

- iSpots
- Reception
- Auditorium Doors
- Inside 'NewHope News'
- Request a batch to be mailed out