

March 2015



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WE BELONG

1 March: Lawrence Hirsch - Jesus the Jewish Rabbi

8 March Skill #3 - Be real about your dark side: Confession James 5:16, 1 John 1:5-10

15 March: Skill #4 - Take each other's worries to God: Prayer James 5:13 - 18

22 March: Daniel Bullock Skill #5 - Carry each other's load: Burden Bearing Galatians 6:2

29 March: Skill #6 - Heal broken relationships: Forgiveness Coll. 3:13

EASTER

GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU IS REAL TODAY

THURSDAY COMMUNION - 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY - 10AM

EASTER SUNDAY - 9AM, 11AM & 5.30PM



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Baptism & Membership

On Sunday 1st February, Craig Adam was welcomed into Membership at Blackburn.

On Sunday 8th February, Leiser and Laura da Silva were welcomed into Membership at Blackburn.

On Sunday 15th February, Darren and Fiona Haymes were welcomed into Membership at Blackburn.

On Sunday 23rd February, Michael, Melinda and Hamed, members of the Persian Community, were Baptised by Pastor Sam.

Croydon Campus

Our Croydon Campus has had a great start to the year with many people visiting for the first time and now joining a small group

We had a great morning as we dedicated our 'Everyplace Mission' to the Lord and prayed over each other to be 'encouragers'

Our Women's morning tea is gathering momentum - it's at Tam & Phil Gaudion's house at 23 Spriggs Drv Croydon on Mondays at 9.30am - a chance for women of all ages to connect over coffee, bring a craft activity if you have one

In term 2, we are lining up to run a mainly music group on Tuesday mornings and also an Alpha Course - both at the EMPART building in Croydon (14 Railway Cres Croydon) not far from the Croydon Station

If you'd like to be involved in either mainly music or the Alpha Course, or to be a part of our teams for setup/packup or serving at our Sunday services, please contact Phil Gaudion on phil.gaudion@newhope.net.au or call 0402 017 774

It's so good to have such a great team - these guys not only serve so faithfully to setup and pack up at Croydon but they follow Jesus in the workplace too - Sandy is a teacher, Alex a solicitor, Aaron a building foreman, Nick a student and Glenn works for Telstra



God Bless,
Phil Gaudion - Croydon Campus Pastor



OUR 12 GLOBAL PARTNERS

- 2 in Africa (Phil and Carol Short in Niger, Brad and Rachel Sinclair in Kenya)
- 2 focussed on Indonesia (Rod and Helen Bensley in Papua, Dean and Sara Rompis in Aceh)
- 2 in Thailand (Marcus and Michelle Rice, Muana and Villy)
- 2 working with YWAM (Nik and Sarah Matthews in Melbourne, Miranda Hocking-Smith in Townsville)
- 4 National Directors of mission organisations (Heather Coleman/GIA, Noddy Sharma/OM Simon Longden/Pioneers, Richard Beaumont/Entrust)

Join others in adopting one of them, maybe with your NewHope Group. (Contact Danny Hunt at the church office).

Use NewHope offering envelopes from the auditorium doors (tick Mission box), or Pushpay online (tick the Global box) to support them.

Prayer cards for each are available from the NewHope Global board adjacent to the lift. Monthly prayer points from all our partners are available from Rosanna Seah rosannaseah@optusnet.com.au

EVENTS THIS MONTH

1. Annual Pioneers Event

Simon and Joy Longden are NewHope Global partners working with Pioneers. Fred Dimado (former Director of Pioneers Africa and now Assistant International Director) will speak, and there will be a panel to answer questions. Friday 13th March at 7.30pm at Melbourne School of Theology, Wantirna. RSVP to info@pioneers.org.au or 1800 78 78 89 (\$10 includes supper).

2. Global Interaction (GIA) Dinner at NewHope

Rod and Helen Bensley, Heather Coleman, and Muana and Villy are all NewHope Global partners working with GIA. Come hear exciting stories of what God is doing around the globe at a GIA Dinner. Wednesday 18th March at 7pm at NewHope. RSVP to Belinda by 5th March bwaterhouse@globalinteraction.org.au or 9880 6161 (\$25 collected on the night).

Enquiries about NewHope Global:

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



Seniors on Tuesday

A relaxed morning tea and 'Thought for the Day' in the Community Events Room. Bring your friends!

Tuesday 14th April 10.30am-12noon.

Come hear Allan Demond share about his week in Israel with a World Vision team this March.

Cost \$2.50.

Enquiries to Danny Hunt or John Fearn-Wannan.

Blokes Group

Refreshments and a chat every 3rd Tuesday. 17th March 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.



Communion Helpers

Sharing in Communion is one way that we worship God together. We currently have a pressing need for a small team of people to help out with the preparation of communion elements for our morning services at Blackburn each month.

If you're interested in serving in this way, please contact Anthea Hill for more details, via email (anthea.hill@newhope.net.au) or the church office.



Have you ever asked the question,
“What is life all about, really?” - or has anyone asked you that question? Have you ever been asked,
“How does your faith help you to deal with ...?”

Alpha helps people to consider these questions in the context of the Christian faith. It doesn't make assumptions or impose rules. It is not about 'right' answers - it's about people asking the questions and unpacking them together.

The Alpha Intro Dinners are happening on Tuesday 14th April 2015 (Croydon) and Wednesday 15th April (Blackburn)

Continuing after the Intro Dinners, The Alpha Course will run at NewHope (Blackburn) in Term 2 on Wednesday nights, from 7pm to 9pm. The Alpha evening includes dinner, a presentation of around 30 minutes and small group discussion time.

An Alpha course will also be run by the Croydon team on Tuesday nights at the 'Empart' building in Croydon (7pm til 9pm)

Have you done the Alpha Course? - it's a great way to discuss the BIG questions of Life. Maybe you can think of a friend, family member or colleague who would like to do a course - so why not invite someone along to the intro dinner? The most important thing to remember is that it is about the fact that the invitation is made, not the response you receive. So, what have you got to lose?

Alternately, if you feel you are up to it, consider joining us on our leadership team? We need a strong team to help our guests to feel welcome and help them to demystify the Christian faith.

If you'd like to know more? Contact (Blackburn) Chris Groszek on 0427 069 069, or by email at chris.groszek@newhope.net.au or (Croydon) Phil Gaudion on 0402 017 774 phil.gaudion@newhope.net.au



DISADVANTAGED KERRIMUIR KIDS OFF TO A GREAT START!



Thanks to your generosity, NewHope has once again been able to meet ALL the requests from Kerrimuir Primary School to the Whitehorse Community Chest Kids in Need Program. \$3800 has been donated to the Chest to support 11 Kerrimuir children across all year levels that are experience disadvantage of some kind.

The Children & their families

Some families in our community are really struggling. Whether parents are dealing with chronic illnesses, low income, asylum seekers, disability, mental illness and/or in some instances, addiction, the outcome is that they are unable to provide all of the support their children need. Other children are living in the foster care system or with grandparents.

The Whitehorse Kids in Need program

Providing that little bit extra to help these children, combined with the support of their school and teachers, is what the program is all about. It's grassroots. It's back to the basics. It's allowing the school and teacher to, firstly, identify a child in need, and secondly, what that child needs to make a difference in their lives. The program provides funding for items such as books, swimming lessons, excursions, uniform (with school logo so they fit in), shoes, personal hygiene products, school camp. The school itemises what activities or items they wish the child to receive and commits to spending that money on the child.

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, contact New Hope Community Care & Counselling on 9897 3288 or email: nhcc@newhope.net.au We also facilitate the PREPARE / ENRICH Pre-marriage and relationship program <http://www.prepare-enrich.com.au/for-couples/>

Courses4Life

Woman to Woman

A course for emotional and spiritual healing, designed to assist women to overcome the challenges of life. This program shows participants how to free themselves from the past and focus on the future. It will also provide strategies and skills to make positive changes in life choices and relationships. Hosted by trained facilitators in a confidential environment over 10 weeks / sessions. The course will be held on a Tuesday or Wednesday evening (day to be confirmed) second term. Cost \$80. For more information and to register your interest contact nhcc@newhope.net.au or call 9897 3288.

ESL@NewHope needs help to grow!

Our Sunday morning English classes are extremely popular. We want to meet the growing demand and add some extra classes including an ESL Bible study for many students who are keen to study God's Word. The new classes will run from 11.00-12.30 on Sunday mornings at NHCC, 522 Middleborough Road.

To add classes we urgently need some more team members:

- Class leaders with some teaching or ESL experience - for either 9.00 or 11.00
- Class assistants who may have no training or experience but would love to help people learn English - for either 9.00 or 11.00
- Bible study leaders willing to train and run or help with ESL Discovery Bible Study groups - at 11.00.
- Bi-lingual Chinese and English speakers are also needed to assist low level learners - for either 9.00 or 11.00

This is a ministry we are sure you will thoroughly enjoy being part of. It's a very happy team and we'd love you to join us. If you are interested or would like more information ring Marilyn Burke 0412 989 646 or 9884 8343 or email esl@newhope.net.au.

NHCC Monthly Morning Prayer Meeting

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

CAP Money Course

FREEDOM MARCH

CHRISTMAS CREDIT CARD
BILLS LOOMING?

TAKE CONTROL OF
YOUR FINANCES.

SIGN UP FOR
THE MARCH
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.



VENUE NEWHOPE
DATE MAR 11, 18, 25
TIME 7:30 - 9:30PM

Budget. Save. Spend.

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 -



To register:

Email: courses4life@newhope.net.au

Phone: 9897 3288

PALM SUNDAY – MELBOURNE WALK FOR JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES

Planning has started for the 2015 Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees on Sunday 29th March, commencing at the State Library, corner Swanston & Latrobe Streets, Melbourne. There will be music from 1.30pm, speakers from 2 – 2.30pm, and then the crowd will walk down Swanston Street to the Queen Victoria Gardens (opposite the National Gallery of Victoria) where there will be more music, speakers and activities.

Last year an estimated 8,000 people attended from various faith groups, community organisations and unions. Many Australians are deeply concerned about the harsh and unjust treatment of asylum seekers and refugees. Participating in the Palm Sunday Walk for Justice is a way for people to demonstrate their concern and compassion, and to show the Australian Government that they do not approve of the current policies. The key messages associated with the Walk for Justice for Refugees will be: Seeking Asylum is a Human Right, and close detention centres on Manus Island and Nauru. Further details email nhcc@newhope.net.au.



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.



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.

New NewHope Prayer – Walking Group

Connect with others in a relaxed environment, and enjoy a new and refreshing way to grow closer to God. Pray, reflect, worship and support others in outdoor settings that incorporate a time of walking. All are welcome of any age to join at any time.

Monthly on the last Saturday of the month between 8.30 am and 11.30 am.

Primarily at parks in the Surrey Hills, Blackburn and North Blackburn vicinity, and indoor venues if adverse weather.

Enquiries: Priya deMel 0416 763 651 or priya.demel@aapt.net.au, Viv and Peter Siede 0418 390 184 or vivpetesiede@gmail.com, or Sandra Lemke at the church office.

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





Come and INVADE the space

A space where preschool children and their caregivers can enjoy time in a fun, safe and creative environment. Drive our fleet of Little Tikes vehicles, jump on the bouncy pillow and hide in the tents and tunnels.

Mondays and Fridays
Community Events Room 9:30am - 1:30pm

Middleground Cafe will be open for great coffee, food and drinks

Only \$5 per child (12mths or over)

Call 9890 7999 for more info



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

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



This term at NewHope Kids, we've put our detective hats on as we search for the truth about what we believe. Each week we have a different faith question to explore. Here's what's coming up next:

28th Feb/1st March – Who is the Holy Spirit?

7th/8th March – What is Prayer?

14th/15th March – What is Communion?

(This week we'll be having a special time of communion together. Please feel free to see Alicia Demond or Cathy De Witt if you have any questions)

21th/22th March – What is Easter all about? (Bring a friend day!)

28th/29th March – An Easter Party and our last weekend for the term (Bring a friend day!)

Please be praying for these important, foundational lessons and keep the investigations going at home by chatting together, praying together and spending time in God's Word!

Here's an App that might help – "The Bible App for Kids"
This is a free Bible experience for your kids with animated stories and interactive games and activities. You can find more information at www.bible.com/kids.



God bless,

Alicia, Chris and the team

Term 1



<http://shift.newhope.net.au>

Week 1, Friday 6/2

Youth Launch Treasure Hunt

7-9:30pm @ Church

FREE

This year kicks off with an epic treasure hunt for glory.
Small group V Small group

Week 3, Friday 27/2

Expand

7-9.30pm @ church

Free

The youth band is back for the first time this year!
Games, prizes and an inspiring message.

Week 2, Friday 13/2

Pool Partys

7-9.30pm

\$5

6 pool partys at 6 locations! BBQ dinner and plenty of fun. Addresses will be given out at the Treasure Hunt on week 1. Email Lance for any details.

Week 4, Friday 13/3

Chocolate Night

7-9.30pm @ Church

\$5

Chocoholics get in training now. This Will Be. Amaze!

Girls

7&8 - The Shields Family

9&10 - The Schumann Family

11 & 12 - The Norsworthy Family

Boys

7&8 - The Taylor Family

9&10 - The Van der End Family

11&12 - The Jones Family

ALSO IN 2015!



Year 7 Camp

20th - 22nd February



Year 11 & 12 Camp

30th March - 2nd April

Return your permission forms ASAP to secure a spot!



DAYSHIFT JESUS

How can we be assured Jesus is who he says he is?
A series on the character of Jesus and how his life influences us today.

Sundays:

8/2 1/3

15/2 15/3

4:00 - 5:30pm at church

Bring \$5 for dinner and don't miss church 5:30 - 7:30pm every week!

For inquiries, contact our Assistant Pastor:

Lance Blythe

lance.blythe@newhope.net.au

0439 377 168



See Andrew or Fiona Beveridge for a Camp form



Weekend Getaway

Are you overworked and exhausted? Join the 25+ community for a casual weekend getaway at The Briars on the Mornington Peninsula. This is a great opportunity to take some time away from your busy schedules, relax and enjoy time with friends.

The cost is only \$80 per person for 2 nights accommodation - with dinner on Saturday night and breakfast included.

Please RSVP as soon as possible so we can finalise numbers.

The accommodation is cabin style so BYO sleeping bag, doona, pillow.

When: Friday the 24th April from 3pm until Sunday 26th April.

Where: The Briars - 450 Nepean Hwy Mt Martha 3934

BBQ

Please join us for a casual BBQ in the park on Sunday 22nd March at 1pm. This will be a great opportunity to meet others in the 25+ community and enjoy the afternoon together.

The BBQ will be held at Ronald E Gray Reserve Nunawading - Enter from Outlook Drive.

BYO meat and drinks, plus a salad or desert to share.

For further information or to RSVP contact Kat on 0403 148 997 or kat.haden@newhope.net.au



Giving to Building for God's Glory

We are just using the last stock of the current version of our Giving envelope. Please note that the next batch will have a reference to BUILDING FOR GOD'S GLORY as well.

In the meantime, if you have put down on the PLEDGE CARD that you are giving CASH / CHEQUE for Building for God's Glory pledges, for now please use the SPECIAL GIVING/PAYMENTS section and write down BFGG(TDF) if you pledged tax deductible giving to Building for God's Glory or just BFGG if you pledged non-tax deductible giving to Building for God's Glory.

Please ALWAYS fill out your name at the bottom section of the envelope if you give to Building for God's Glory - irrespective if you want a tax deductible receipt or not. We are tracking the pledges according to the commitments made in October 2014.

If you have any questions about Building for God's Glory, please e-mail me at surette.southwood@newhope.net.au

Please ensure that you have set up your payment plans if you have opted for direct deposits or credit cards.

Just as a reminder, the bank accounts are:

BFGG (Tax Deductible)
A/C NewHope
BSB 033-113
A/C 16-8273
REF: NAME + BFGG

BFGG (Non-Tax Deductible)
A/C NewHope
BSB 033-113
A/C 11-7695
REF: NAME + BFGG

Notice Board

Book Launch Date Change

The book launch of “Freedom at Stake” by Dr Howard Fearn-Wannan has been postponed from 6th March to Friday 12th June.

Catalyst for Justice (Baptist World Aid Australia)

Join others wanting justice for those enslaved, exploited and the poor. Check out resources. Sunday 1st March 2pm at Beaumaris Baptist Church, 223 Balcombe Rd Beaumaris.

Church Unite Prayer

Prayer gathering resulting from Melbourne churches combined Church Unite event last October at Melbourne Convention Centre. Tuesday 17th March 7.30-9.30pm at Crossway, 2 Vision Drive East Burwood.

Hellenic Ministries Lunch

In support of Christian outreach in Greece. Saturday 21st March 12-3pm at Crossway, 2 Vision Drive, East Burwood. Johnathan Macris speaking. \$5 cost includes Greek lunch. RSVP 6th March to Patricia Karagiorgos 0412 681 284 or pat.kara@optusnet.com.au

Belgraves Heights Convention Events

1. Follow That Man Men’s Conference Friday and Saturday 22nd-23rd May. Speakers include NSW Police Commissioner.
 2. Songs of Praise Sunday 24th May 2.30pm.
 3. Easter Convention Friday to Monday 3th-6th April.
- More details for all events at www.bhc.org.au

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