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# CELEBRATING NEWHOPE CROYDON

**3** April Good Friday: A New Humanity Eph 2:15, 2 Cor 5:17

**5** April Easter Sunday: Take hold of eternal life 1 Tim 6:12, Eccl 3:11, John 6:40, 2 Cor 4:18

**12** April: Skill #7 - Avoid Cliques and Prejudice: Acceptance Romans 15:7, 12:16

**19** April: Skill #8 - Find your gift and use it: Service 1 Peter 4:10, Eph 4:16

**26** April: Skill #9 - Keep each other on track: Correction Col 3:19, James 5:19-20

# EASTER

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GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU IS REAL TODAY

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THURSDAY COMMUNION - 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY - 10AM

EASTER SUNDAY - 9AM, 11AM & 5.30PM



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## Chinese Services

Come and join us on Saturdays at 6pm in the Auditorium  
Contact [james.lin@newhope.net.au](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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?

Ask for a Baptism or Membership Application Form today. Contact the Church Office on 9890 7999 or [info@newhope.net.au](mailto: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](mailto:danny.hunt@newhope.net.au) for information. Our classes include the biblical meaning of baptism and what it means to be a Christian.

**Communion in April will be held on Thursday 2nd  
(not Sunday 5th) in the Community Events Room 7pm**



## **OUR ADOPTED UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUP**

There are over 17,000 distinct people groups. A people group is a grouping of individuals who are connected by shared language, religion, ethnicity, class or caste, situation or a combination of these.

More than 40% of the world's people groups have limited or no opportunity to hear the good news of Jesus Christ in ways that make sense to them. In recent years Global Interaction (Australian Baptists' international cross-cultural agency) have focussed on 9 unreached people groups. One of them is the Ethnic Thai, which NewHope adopted as our unreached people group in 2001.

Our NewHope Global partners Muana and Villy lead the Global Interaction Ethnic Thai team. The team is working in two locations, one rural and one urban. They seek to disciple believers who will become faithful witnesses within their communities, as well as identifying, equipping and empowering future leaders.

The Ethnic Thai are experiencing many changes including urbanisation, globalisation and influences from alternative spiritualities. Although many Thais will say they are Buddhist, most are nominal in their faith, with some practicing a cultural mix of both Buddhism and Thai folk spirituality. Christianity has spread among Thailand's minority peoples but is yet to fully impact the majority who are ethnically Thai.



## **ANNUAL FREE ACTIVATE MISSIONS CONFERENCE**

This year's theme is What Will It Take?

See full program (speaker and electives) and register at [activateconference.org](http://activateconference.org)  
Friday night and Saturday 1st - 2nd May at Melbourne School of Theology, 5 Burwood Highway Wantirna

### **Enquiries about NewHope Global:**

Please contact Danny Hunt at the NewHope office on [danny.hunt@newhope.net.au](mailto: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 last month. Cost \$2.50. Enquiries to Danny Hunt or John Fearn-Wannan.

### **BLOKES GROUP**

Refreshments and a chat every 3rd Tuesday. 21st April 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 11th May 12-2pm in the Community Events Room. Bring your friends! David Spittler from Asylum Seekers will be speaking. Cost \$12.50 (first time free). RSVP to Jenny or John Fearn-Wannan.





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, Alpha 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.

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

Have you done Alpha? - 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 Alpha - 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](mailto:chris.groszek@newhope.net.au) or (Croydon) Phil Gaudion on 0402 017 774 [phil.gaudion@newhope.net.au](mailto:phil.gaudion@newhope.net.au)

## Croydon Campus



NewHope Croydon is excited to be starting a Mainly Music program at 'Empart' in Croydon on Tuesdays from April 14th at 10am till 11.30am

For information or to sign up - contact [families@newhope.net.au](mailto:families@newhope.net.au) or call the office on 9890 7999  
There are limited places - \$5 per session

**mainly  
music<sup>®</sup>**

We are inviting all our Croydon family, small groups and guests to join us for Alpha, Tuesday nights from 7pm till 9pm - also at 'Empart' 14 Railway Cres Croydon.

The Alpha Free Invitation Dinner is on Tuesday April 14th from 7pm  
For more info or to sign up visit [www.ispot.newhope.net.au](http://www.ispot.newhope.net.au) or email [phil.gaudion@newhope.net.au](mailto:phil.gaudion@newhope.net.au)

God Bless,  
Phil Gaudion - Croydon Campus Pastor



## **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 Wednesday evenings throughout second term. Cost \$80. For more information and to register contact [nhcc@newhope.net.au](mailto:nhcc@newhope.net.au) or call 9897 3288

## **DINNER TONITE**

John Fearn-Wannan, hugely supported by Jenny, has been coordinating the catering for Dinner Tonite for years. They plan to step down no later than June and are seeking a successor to train up asap. The role requires leadership & management with 4+ cooking/kitchen teams in place (you don't need to attend every week), menus and food ordering to organise and participating in the leadership team. Be part of a large outreach community serving 150 meals each week where there is never a dull moment and a lot of fun! Interested or know someone who may be? Email [dinnertonite.newhope@gmail.com](mailto:dinnertonite.newhope@gmail.com) or chat to one of the team.

## **NHCC Monthly Morning Prayer Meeting**

Wednesday 8th April 7.30 – 8.30am at the house, all welcome.



## **Following Jesus and fishing for people**

Are you a follower of Jesus?

Do you have friends who don't yet know Him?

Do you want to share your faith with them but lack skills or confidence to do so?

If so, then this is the training course for you!!

Join with others to learn how to tell YOUR STORY (in 2 minutes), GOD'S STORY, and how to facilitate DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDIES. Very interactive and lots of practise opportunity.

Saturdays 2:30-4:30pm May 9th, 16th & 23rd. Led by Swee Lau

Jesus said "Follow me and I will teach you how to fish for people."

Registrations and inquiries to Robyn Stokes [robyn.stokes@optusnet.com.au](mailto:robyn.stokes@optusnet.com.au)  
0406 607 310.



## **Prayer on Wednesday Special Event**

Wednesday 1st April 7-8pm in the Function Room we are joining together in prayer with Operation Mobilisation workers including the Australian Director, our NewHope Global partner Noddy Sharma. Come hear stories of what God is doing in other places! All welcome.

Prayer on Wednesday continues every Wednesday 7 - 8pm, normally in the Prayer room. Enquiries to Danny Hunt in the church office.



## Healing Worship

### Thursday April 9th, Community Events Room, 8-9pm

Our worship causes God to draw near and it is in His presence that we can experience His healing touch. If you are seeking healing for yourself or for another, please join us at 8pm in the Community Events Room to worship and pray together.



For further information contact Lynette Martonyi, 9877 2427  
or Kevin Bridger, 9876 0882



## 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.

## **Baby Massage**

Thursday April 30th

11am for 45 minutes - Seminar Room 1

Join a small group of mums with babies under 12mths for a relaxing and educational session of Baby Massage. We're hoping it will help reduce crying time, improve sleep and reduce stress! Come and try. Oils included. \$5 per family.

More info and Bookings contact Rachel: [families@newhope.net.au](mailto:families@newhope.net.au) or call the church office 98907999

## **Baby Rhyme Time**

Friday mornings starting April 17th for 6 weeks

11am for 20 minutes

All babies under 12mths with their 'Big People' are invited to have some fun with songs and rhymes. Please join us in a safe, encouraging environment where you and your little one can connect and have some fun together.

Sessions will be held in the PlaySpace behind the NewHope Café so bigger siblings are welcome to come too, for a bounce on the castle and a drive in our fleet of Little Tikes vehicles.

Café service available

\$5 per family

More Information contact Rachel at [families@newhope.net.au](mailto:families@newhope.net.au) or call the church office on 98907999





Holidays – See you in “adult” church!

NewHope Kids is on holidays for the term break. There will be no program on Sunday the 5th or Sunday the 12th of April but children and their families are encouraged to attend church together!

We love welcoming the children as an important part of our church family.

Parents, here are some ideas for holiday time worship:

- In the car on the way there – ask “why do we go to church each Sunday?”
- In the car on the way home – ask “what was one thing that stood out to you at church today?”
- For younger kids – bring a bag of “church toys” that are set aside especially for Sunday worship.
- For older kids – encourage them to bring their Bibles and a special worship journal. Help them find verses and follow along during the service.
- For parents – model a positive worship experience yourself! Talk with your children and share your own reflections and learnings.
- Children’s talks & activity sheets are provided throughout the holidays too.

Term Two – see you on 18th/19th April

NewHope Kids starts back on 18th/19th April and we’ll be continuing our detective series with some more great questions, such as “What is the Bible?”, “What is worship?” and “What is the church?” We can’t wait to see you then!

God bless,

***Alicia, Chris and the team***



# TEAM 2



**JUNIOR HIGH** YRS  
7-9

## WEEK 1

## EXPAND NIGHT

Friday April 17

**FREE!** 7-9:30pm @ Newhope.

Jesus changes lives. He brings a message of hope for us to hear today! Youth band, speaker, Tons of Give aways and fun.

## WEEK 2 FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Friday May 1 7-9:30pm **FREE!**

Mirrabooka Reserve

80 Holland Rd. Blackburn South

Awesome night full of games,  
lots of prizes and a bbq with  
our mates from the soccer club

## WEEK 3 Double UP

Friday May 15

**\$5** 7-9:30pm @ NewHope.

Everything is better when  
doubled. Bring a friend, double  
up and have twice the fun at  
this night full of action!

## WEEK 4 Small Group Night

Friday May 29

Whatever you want to do as a  
small group. Your leaders will  
contact you for more details  
about this one. Call Lance if  
not sure what you are doing.

## WEEK 5 EXPAND

Friday June 19

**FREE!** 7-9:30pm @Newhope.

Jesus changes lives. He brings  
a message of hope to us to  
hear today! awesome Youth  
band, speaker, Tons of Give  
aways and plenty of fun.

**SENIOR HIGH** YRS  
10-12

## YOUTH ALPHA

This runs every Friday @ NewHope

from 7-9pm in the Function Room

April 17, 25 May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

June 12, 19 **Gold** coin donation.

Inviting a generation to explore  
life, faith and God



## DAYSHIFT Prayer

Sundays

April 19 - May 3, 17, 31 - June 21

Exploring the blessing of a two way conversation as  
we walk with God in a busy world

4-5:30pm **\$5** Dinner

Don't miss the evening service everyweek from 5:30pm

Enquiries contact: lance.blythe@newhope.net.au

0439 377 168

# NEWHOPE

## YOUNG ADULTS

YOU'RE



INVITED

18TH MARCH - WORSHIP NIGHT  
MAIN HALL 7:30 TO 9:30

25TH MARCH - SMALLGROUP NIGHT  
SEE YOUR GROUP LEADERS

1ST APRIL - COMBINED STUDY  
CER 7:30 TO 9:30

15TH APRIL - WORSHIP NIGHT  
FUNCTION ROOM 7:30 TO 9:30

22ND APRIL - SMALLGROUP NIGHT  
SEE YOUR GROUP LEADERS

29TH APRIL - SMALLGROUP NIGHT  
SEE YOUR GROUP LEADERS

6TH MAY - COMBINED STUDY  
FUNCTION ROOM 7:30 TO 9:30

13TH MAY - COMBINED STUDY  
FUNCTION ROOM 7:30 TO 9:30

**T** YOUNG ADULTS CAMP

10TH - 12TH APRIL



YOUNG ADULT ENQUIRIES  
ANDREW OR FIONA BEVERIDGE  
YOUNG.ADULTS@NEWHOPE.NET.AU



## 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/duona, pillow.

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

**Where:** The Briars - 450 Nepean Hwy Mt Martha 3934







## 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](mailto:anthea.hill@newhope.net.au)) or the church office.



# *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.

## **ANZAC CENTENARY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY**

43 million Scripture booklets were given out to soldiers during World War 1 by Scripture Gift Mission. For the Anzac centenary a replica of the Gospel according to John given to each soldier has been reproduced. RSL clubs, armed forces chaplains, churches and others will be distributing them to mark the centenary. You can too! They can be ordered or donated at [www.australia.sgmlifewords.com](http://www.australia.sgmlifewords.com)

# 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.

# 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](mailto:surette.southwood@newhope.net.au)
- Mail to PO Box 255, Kerrimuir 3129
- Copy can also be obtained at [www.newhope.net.au](http://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