

A Note from CMT

Dearest friends,

Hello! We pray that you are well. In this amazing time and place, we are beyond thankful for the ability to stay in touch with you. While New Hope is closed for gatherings, the Children's Ministry Team will send you an email with our Sunday School Lessons to share at home with your children, music recommendations to sing and dance with your children, our Bible Verse of the month, and tips on how to stay focused on Christ in such a time as this.

We are only an email, text, or call away if you need us. If there is any way we can help you during this time, please let us know. Know that we are praying for you dear brothers and sisters. Remember – God is with us. He loves us. He has only good plans for us.

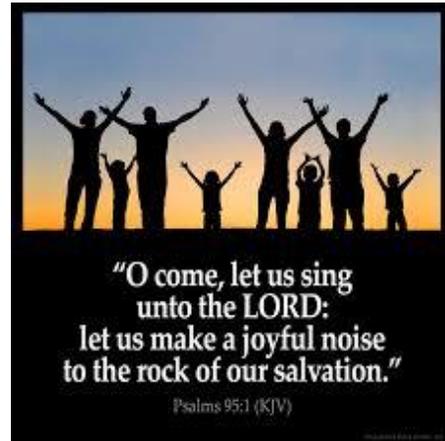
May God bless you and keep you,
The Children's Ministry Team

Tips from the Table

Start your day off right. Set your breakfast table with plates and napkins, glasses and silverware. Light a candle. Add place mats, flowers, some delicious and nutritious breakfast foods and drinks. Oh! Don't forget your Bible. When you start your day as a family, with the Lord, you are setting the tone for how your day will go. If we are in God's Word, we will continue to know God, His wonderful promises for us, and His expectations of us. God will lead our day. With that will come peace and hope.

You have probably read articles on "How to Talk to Children about the Coronavirus" but we wanted to share this great one from a Christian perspective.

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/children-coronavirus/>



Music challenge!!

Below you will find links to music videos that I think you will enjoy. They are fun songs with hand motions to learn. They are a great way to worship and praise the Lord and add some exercise to your day!

Please take a video or short clip of the kids/family doing the hand motions and singing along to the songs and I will take those clips and make a compilation video to share with everyone! I can't wait to see yours! Please send videos to Mrs. Takas: takas@newhopeworship.com

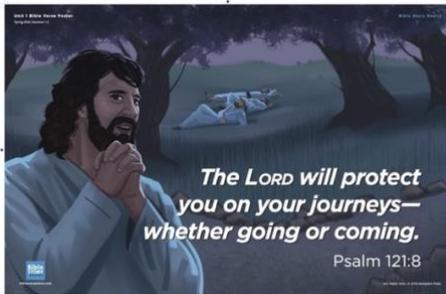
- My Hope Is In The Lord
<https://youtu.be/tJePCzTaQo4>

- Whole Lotta Change
<https://youtu.be/pbTIBN0jUMc>

FaithKids@Home

For the next several weeks, we'll be sharing a link to an online family worship experience! These videos are around 20-25 minutes long and include a great message, fun worship songs and reflection/prayer time! We hope your family will join us in this awesome opportunity to worship at home! https://youtu.be/WA_wS8OeiUs

Bible Verse of the Month



Sunday School Lessons

Preschool through 3rd grade:

You'll find Sunday School Sessions 4 & 5 in the attachments. The entire lesson is included but there are many sections that you likely won't be able to do at home. Hopefully you can pick out a couple of things that you can do. Even if you just read the Bible Story and discuss it with your child. If you have access to a printer, you can print the activity/coloring page at the end of the lesson.

Pre-Reader: Purple, Red and Blue Fish.
Reader: Orange, Yellow, and Green Fish.

Session 4: In the Garden, [Matthew 26: 31-56](#)

Session 5: Peter, [Matthew 26:57-58, 69-75](#)

4th & 5th grade:

In the Sunday School Lesson for this week, Jesus takes Peter, James and John (some of his closest disciples) up on a mountain and his glory is revealed there. You can read about it in Matthew 17: 1- 13

Can you think of other important events in the Bible that happened on a mountain? Perhaps, the delivery of the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai? Or the Sermon on the Mount?

This story comes at a point of change and transition in Jesus' ministry. The week before he was teaching and healing and feeding a crowd of four thousand. Not much later he would be moving on to Jerusalem where his triumphant entry would be followed by his trial and death...

In the Transfiguration story, Jesus' face "shines like the sun" and he meets with Moses and Elijah, Old Testament "greats". Peter is so excited he wants pitch some tents and stay on the mountain, although he does get a bit scared when a voice from a cloud announces "This is my Son, whom I love, with him I am well pleased. Listen to Him" But Jesus gets the disciples up, tells them not to be afraid and brings them back

down the mountain to reality. The special memories of the glowing mountain top experience will help the disciples as they face difficult times when Jesus dies. Later in his ministry Peter remembers this special time (see 2 Peter 1: 16-18).

Here is a video using Lego figures to help you remember the story and our Bible verse: **"But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said, "Don't be afraid. Matthew 17:7**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sT-S1E3gsVI>

We are thinking of you and hope this message of trusting in Jesus and not being afraid is helpful.

Blessings to you and your family,
Mr and Mrs. Whittington



Be sure to check out New Hope Children's Facebook page and website! Feel free to contact any of the Children's Ministry Team at Tate@NewHopeWorship.com, Warren@NewHopeWorship.com, and Takas@NewHopeWorship.com if you have any questions or concerns.

