

Newsletter

May 18, 2017

NEW HOPE
HILLSIDE

This Sunday:

We are hosting Ephesians again, and listening to Paul's words on how to live out God's big vision of bringing everything back into unity. If you have time, revisit the last [sermon on Ephesians](#), or maybe even read the entire letter of Ephesians and notice what sticks out for you.

New NHH Leadership Team Members Needed

We are seeking 3 members of the community to join the volunteer Leadership Team (ie church council). Qualifications and experience are sought in the areas of church governance, human resources, strategy or planning and finances. A candidate does not need to possess all the above qualifications to be considered. Prior volunteer board or church council experience are assets, but not required. Most importantly, any candidate(s) should have a commitment to the vision and mission of NHH and a passion to make a difference in our community. To nominate someone from our community, please contact Pastor Heather Cowie heather@newhopechurch.ca. Deadline for nominations is **June 4th**.

Men's Group Meeting

The next men's group meeting will be a breakfast gathering on **Saturday, May 27th, 8 - 10 am** at the home of Rich & Sheri Braaksma (3 Gateway Drive SW). There is no formal subject of discussion but we do expect at least one topic of interest to emerge while munching on the breakfast fare.

All men are invited but please be sure to confirm your attendance with Rich at richlymade@gmail.com or [403-770-2945](tel:403-770-2945).

Because summer time usually finds us all busier than normal, this may be the last meeting until fall.

New Name for New Hope Hillside

New Name Announcement coming soon! Mark **May 28th, 2017** on your calendar and make sure you are here to find out our church's new name.

Commuter Challenge

NHH is encouraging members to participate in the National Commuter Challenge **June 4-10**. It's a fun event where you get to change the way you commute to church.

Register all your commutes to show that NHH cares for Creation. Participation is a fun way to care for Creation, improve your health, reduce stress and pollution, as well as to save time and money!

Follow these 3 easy steps to register:

1. Go to the [Commuter Challenge website](#)
2. Select "Alberta", "Calgary"
3. Provide your contact info and register with "New Hope Hillside"

Encourage your friends and family to register in this great event to join over 35,000 participants and 2,000 organizations that participate every year!

Book for Pastor John & Fran

You can write a farewell message to John and Fran in the book at the info table until the end of May.

World Renew in South Sudan

Message from WR Director Kenneth Kim:

South Sudan, the youngest nation in the world, is in the headlines today for the wrong reasons. Torn apart by conflict, severe hunger and famine are the words being used to describe the current reality there.

Five million people are going to bed hungry and it is the weakest - the young children and the elderly - who are suffering most. The increasing number of deaths is proof of the severity of the crisis. Millions of South Sudanese families have left their homes in search of safety with little more than the clothes on their back. In so doing, one problem is traded for another. Hunger stares them in the face.

For the South Sudanese who have fled to Uganda, World Renew has built 770 communal latrines. Now World Renew is supporting a program in Koch county to prevent deaths from malnutrition. Mothers who have walked for miles with their malnourished children are able to receive assistance and therapeutic feeding for their children.

This is a beginning. But the crisis is only growing and we must expand our efforts quickly. [Please give generously*](#) to support families in crisis in South Sudan!

Happenings in Our Community at Large

King's Fold Urban Contemplative Prayer Evenings

For the next Contemplative Prayer Evening King's Fold Urban will be leading an experience of Lectio Divina. Lectio Divina (divine or sacred reading) is a way of reading and praying the scripture that reminds us it is God's living word. It is an invitation to listen with the ears of our heart. We read the Scripture not to analyze it or because we want more knowledge, but from a desire for communion with God. Lectio Divina invites us to enter into the Scripture and to allow it to enter into us, to experience how God might be touching our lives through it in a personal way.

Location: Crossroads Community Church (912 - 19 St NE, Calgary)

Date: Thursday, June 1st

Time: 7:00 pm (Sanctuary open at 6:30 for silence)

Cost: By Donation

Lantern Community Church Seeking Bookkeeper

The Lantern Community Church in Inglewood is looking for a new bookkeeper to take over for their outgoing bookkeeper at the end of May. The position is roughly 7-10 hours per week and pays \$20 per hour. You can contact Steve Ward for more details stephenaward@gmail.com.

Nursery	Agnes C, Claire P & Annie V	Welcome Team	4 - Ken & Linda B, Natasha M
KiDZ PS/K	Alisha E & Amber R	Set Up Team	4 - Silas & Becky W, Michelle F, Raz M
KiDZ Grades 1-3	Jackie R	Info Table	Blaise R
KiDZ Grades 4-6	Julie C	Tech Team	Morgan E, Dan L & Jared P