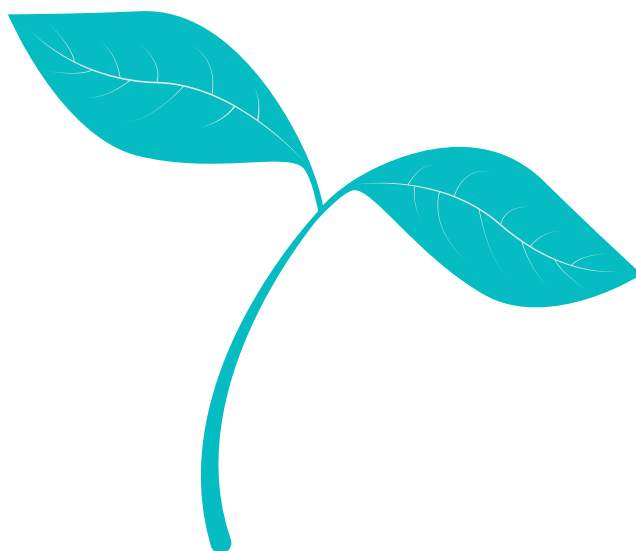


# **GROWTH TRACK**



**STEP 1:**

**KNOW NEW HOPE**

# **Growth Track**

## **Step One**



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# ***Our Story***







New Hope Church was founded in 1995 by Pastor Karew and Marilyn Manns. Its origins started in a small church building on Wayne Street in Kenton, Ohio. Over time the ministry birthed a vibrant Young Adults ministry with an intense passion to reach their city.

Pastor Karew and Marilyn eventually passed the baton of leadership to their son-Pastor Jason and his wife Meg. Since their leadership, the church has outgrown its first building and officially became a "portable church" in September 2008. Over the years, the church has held services at the Kenton Middle School and other church buildings within the area. Currently, services are being held at the local theater while construction for their new church building is underway.





New Hope Church's vision was clear: Jesus had been misrepresented to our world and it was time to do church in a way that points people to the simple life-changing truth of what He offers humanity...the FREEDOM of a NEW LIFE. By creating a church experience that is life giving and practical, people from all walks of life began to discover God in a fresh way.

In 2012, New Hope Church purchased property on Pattison Ave. They have since converted the property into New Hope Ministry Park, which houses a fully-equipped Homeless Shelter, church offices, and several other ministries. This property also includes the site of the future New Hope Church building.



New Hope Church is seeing hundreds of people impacted every week. God continues to rescue people and lead them into a new life of FREEDOM in Jesus. By focusing on providing dynamic environments where people can experience God's presence, building relationships through small groups, reaching the next generation, and pointing people to Jesus, we are seeing spiritual climate of our city change with one life at a time.

# NEW HOPE CORE VALUES

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GOD & HIS  
LEADERSHIP

WE ARE

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TO GOD, HIS  
WORD, AND TO  
OTHERS

JESUS IS THE

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THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY

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GO ABOVE & BEYOND

WE ARE

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WE ARE ALWAYS LEARNING

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# MISSION

*New Hope exist to*

**\_\_\_\_PEOPLE TO THE LOVE OF  
CHRIST, MAKING THEM STRONG,  
CONFIDENT, AND MATURE BELIEVERS  
ALLOWING THEM  
TO \_\_\_\_IN THEIR  
PERSONAL LIFE'S  
MISSION OF  
PROSPERING HIS  
KINGDOM**



# Everyone has a spiritual journey.

We have broken down this journey into 4 steps:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

1st and foremost we want everyone to Know God.

## How do I know God?

First, you must be introduced to God. Once you have been introduced to God, it is only a matter of a few simple components to know Him.

These components consist of Admitting, Acknowledging, Accepting, and Asking

1. \_\_\_\_\_ that God has not been first in your life, and ask Him to forgive your sins.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

2. \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus died to pay for your sins and that He rose from the dead and is alive today.

"If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved." Romans 10:9-10 (NLT)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ God's free gift of salvation.  
This cannot be earned. Our relationship with God is not restored by anything we do, but on the basis of what Jesus already did for us!

"For it is by grace, through faith-and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-not by works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

4. \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ to come into your life and the be the Lord of your life.

"To all who received Him, He gave the right to become children of God. All they needed to do was to trust Him to save them. All those who believe this are reborn!-not a physical rebirth resulting from human passion or plan-but from the will of God."  
John 1:12-13 (NLT)

"Listen! I stand at the door an knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in..." Revelation 3:30

## By praying a simple prayer you can become a follower of God and truly get to know Him

*"Dear Jesus, thank you for creating me and for loving me, even when I've ignored you and gone my own way. I realize I need you in my life, and I'm sorry for my sins. I ask you to forgive me. Thank you for dying on the cross for me. As much as I know how, I want to follow you from now on. Please come into my life and make me a new person inside. I accept your gift of salvation. Please help me to grow now as a Christian. Fill me with the power of your Holy Spirit and empower me to be a witness for You. In Jesus Name-Amen."*

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10:13

Accepting what Jesus has done for us and how much God loves us is the first step in Knowing God. Next, we have to continue to develop our relationship with Him which takes us to your next step in your spiritual journey.



Once you have asked Jesus to be Lord over your life, the next step is to mature your relationship with Him.

## Real Christianity is about relationship, not religion.

Once you've decided to be a follower of Jesus, then you are ready to make it public by being baptized.

Water baptism is the example Jesus set, and we follow this example to publicly share new life in Him.

\_\_\_\_\_ is a process.

At New Hope, we help others carry out this process through our Next Steps.

# WHAT IS NEXT STEPS?

**Next Steps is New Hope's discipleship pathway. It is designed to guide and encourage members of New Hope to continually mature in their relationship with Christ and to produce healthy relationships within the New Hope Church family.**



# How Next Steps Works

PROCESS OF YOUR  
SPIRITUAL MATURITY

# CONNECT

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- *GROWTH TRACK Step One*
  - *An online presentation to help introduce new members to New Hope Church*
- *GROWTH TRACK Step Two*
  - *Assist new members in discovering what their personality style is and what spiritual gifts they possess through a series of short personality questionnaires.*



# CONNECT

- *SMALL GROUPS*

- *A group of people to do life with: laugh, mourn, celebrate, and remind us that we are not alone*
  - *"so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. 26 If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. 27 Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." 1 Corinthians 12:25-27 (NIV)*
- *Godly, life-giving relationships where we can be honest about our past and met with grace so we can find freedom and heal.*
  - *"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16 (NIV)*
- *A group of people who will push us to better ourselves and to keep growing in our life and walk with God*
  - *"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)*

# GROW

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- *GROWTH CLASSES*

- *Classes formulated around spiritual growth*
- *These classes include*
  - *New Believers*
  - *Spiritual Gifts*
  - *Holy Spirit*
  - *Fruits of the Spirit*
  - *and more*

- *Mentors/Coaches*

- *Members committed to the spiritual and practical growth of an individual*

# SERVE

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- *Teams*

- *We encourage every person who attends New Hope to find their place in the ministry. We have many Serve Teams to choose from and are always adding more*
- *To serve on a team or within a ministry, you must:*
  - *Complete Growth Track Step One*
  - *Become a member of New Hope Church*
  - *Complete Growth Track Step Two*
  - *Complete at least one Growth Class*

- *Ministries*

- *New Hope operates through ministries and the serve teams that carry out the work of those ministries.*

# LEAD

- *Leadership Track*
  - *A series of leadership classes designed to equip members who wish to lead in any capacity at New Hope Church*
  - *Requirements for Leadership Track:*
    - *Complete Growth Track Step One & Step Two*
    - *Must be a member of New Hope Church for at least one year*
    - *Complete at least two Growth Classes*
    - *Vetted by Pastor and/or Staff*
- *Opportunities for Leadership*
  - *New Hope desires its members to continually mature and develop within their walk with Christ, and their purpose. For this reason, we have several leadership opportunities to help equip, empower, and encourage*
  - *Leadership Opportunities:*
    - *Classes*
    - *Teams*
    - *Small Groups*



During your maturity process, you'll \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and eventually \_\_\_\_\_ your God-given purpose. You have gifts, talents, and personality traits that God wants to use to reach people who are far from Him. In Growth Track Step Two, you will learn more about those gifts, talents, and personality traits.

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:10

Eventually you are going to be given opportunities to operate in your purpose. We encourage every person who attends New Hope to find their place in the ministry by using their gifts and talents.

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all." 1 Corinthians 12:4

"Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers.

Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ." Ephesians 4:11-13 (NLT)

You will find a list of Ministries New Hope has to offer followed by a list of Serve Teams that carry out the work of those ministries on the following page.

## List of Ministries

Care	Youth
Celebrate Recovery	Kids
Aesthetics	Nursery
Worship	Operations
Assimilation	Safety
First Impressions	

## List of Serve Teams

Altar Workers	Nursery Leader
Prayer Team	Nursery Check In
Life Events	Nursery Helpers
Next Steps	Youth Volunteers
Small Groups	Youth Food
Class Leaders	Kids Church Leader
Set Up	Kids Church Check In
Tear Down	Kids Church Helpers
Cleaning	Kids Church Snacks/Packets
Parking	Kids Church Worship
Security	Kids Church Audio/Visual
Greeters	Worship Band
Ushers	Worship Vocals
Coffee & Donuts	Worship Audio/Visual
Admin	

**When you operate in your purpose, you are part of someone else's story. You impact others. You \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.**

**This is the greatest hope we have for our members: that each person finds freedom in the Hope of Jesus Christ and they share that hope with others.**

# PURPOSE

WORSHIP GOD

AND

SERVE OUR  
COMMUNITY

## Scripture

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We believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the infallible, immortal, verbally-inspired Word of God-the final authority for faith and life.

(2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21)

## Jesus Christ

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We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God. He was man without ceasing to be God at anytime and was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin, Mary, in order to reveal God and redeem sinful man. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ accomplished our redemption through His death on the cross which was a representative substitution-sacrifice and that our justification is made sure by His literal and physical resurrection from the dead.

(John 1:1-2; Romans 3:24; 1 Peter 2:24; Ephesians 1:7; 1 Peter 1:3-5; Hebrews 7:25; Hebrews 9:24; 1 Peter 4:5; Romans 14:9; 2 Timothy 4:1)

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God. Now as High Priest, He fulfills the ministry of intercessor and advocate. We believe in the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ and that He will judge both the living and the dead.

## Trinity

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We believe in one triune God, eternally existing in three distinct personalities and yet one in essence- Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; a co-eternal being. Having the same attributes, character, and perfections, the Lord God is one God. (Matthew 28:19; Isaiah 48:16; Isaiah 9:6)

# OUR Beliefs

FOR A FULL LIST  
VISIT OUR  
[WWW.KENTONCHURCH.COM](http://WWW.KENTONCHURCH.COM)

## The Holy Spirit

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We believe the Holy Spirit is on Earth and convicts the world of sin, of righteousness and eternal judgement. He is the supernatural agent in regeneration, baptizing all believers into the Body of Christ, indwelling and sealing them unto the day of redemption.

(John 16:8-11; 2 Corinthians 3:6; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; Romans 8:9)



## Man

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We believe man was created in the image of God but fell to sin and is therefore lost and that only through regeneration by the Holy Spirit can salvation and spiritual life be obtained. (Genesis 1:26; Romans 3:23; Romans 5:12; Ephesians 2:1-3)

## Salvation

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We believe salvation is the gift of God, brought to man by grace, and is received by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, whose precious blood was shed on the cross at Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins. (Ephesians 2:8-10; John 1:12; Ephesians 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19)

## The Church

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We believe that the church, which is the espoused bride of Christ, is made up of all born-again believers which are those who through saving faith in Jesus Christ have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit and are united together in the Body of Christ of which Christ is the Head. (Ephesians 1:22-23; Ephesians 2:19-22; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; 2 Corinthians 11:2)

## Communion

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The Lord's Supper (communion) is a memorial service, setting forth in sacred and symbolic manner the death of the Lord Jesus Christ. All true believers and only true believers should share in it. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

## Baptism

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We believe water baptism by immersion, soon after accepting Christ as personal Savior, is a testimony of death to sin and resurrection to a new life. (Acts 2:41; Acts 18:8)

# OUR Beliefs

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R WEBSITE:  
NNEWHOPE.COM



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## WHAT IS THE NEW HOPE MINISTRY PARK?

The ministry park is a 5 acre facility on Pattison Ave that houses various community service organizations, our Homeless Shelter & Clothing ministries, the Church offices, and the future site of our church building.

## HOW IS THE WORK AT NEW HOPE CHURCH FUNDED?

At NHC, we practice tithing for the support of Christ's Body, the church, as God commands. We recognize that giving 10% of our income is the Biblical standard for giving.

*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." Malachi 3:10*

*"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:19-21*

## WHAT IS NEW HOPE'S ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE?

Led by: Lead Pastor

Advised by: Staff

Guided by: Board of Directors

Carried out by: Serve Team



# WHAT'S NEXT?

## **CONGRATULATIONS! YOU HAVE COMPLETED GROWTH TRACK STEP ONE: KNOW NEW HOPE**

We have done our best to inform you what New Hope is all about and better acquaint you with New Hope Church. Now it is your time to decide if you want to make New Hope your home.

## **BECOME A PARTNER WITH NEW HOPE CHURCH**

If you have decided that New Hope is the place for you and want to become a New Hope Member, then fill out our Partnership Covenant on the next page. Once completed, submit the form to the Next Steps Director or any Next Steps Team Member.

If you need more time decide or want to better acquaint yourself with our church, we understand. Feel free to take your time before committing to membership. If and when you decide to make New Hope your home, let a Next Steps Team Member or Staff Member know and we will get you connected with all New Hope has to offer.

If New Hope is not a good fit for you, we encourage you to find a church family to become apart of in your community. Thank you for attending our Growth Track class. We wish you the best of luck in your spiritual journey.

## **LOG ONTO [WWW.KENTONNEWHOPE.COM](http://WWW.KENTONNEWHOPE.COM) TO TAKE OUR GROWTH TRACK STEP TWO: KNOW YOUR DESIGN**

## STATEMENT OF FAITH:

- I have repented of my sins and accepted Jesus Christ into my heart and am now living my life for Him.
- I believe Jesus Christ is exactly who He claimed to be. He lived for the sole purpose of dying for our sins. He was crucified and arose after three days and is now at the right hand of the Father making intercession for us.
- In accordance to scripture, I have been/will be baptized by submersion to personally identify with the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. This was/will be my public expression of my commitment to become a disciple of Christ.

## STATEMENT OF DEVOTION:

- I submit to the authority of the infallible and inerrant scripture.
- I will foster my spiritual growth through regular devotion to the scripture, prayer, and fellowship. This growing relationship will be evident through my regenerated life of glorifying Jesus.
- I agree to faithfully support the church through the use of my time, talents, and treasures. God desires for me to be generous and expects me to give of myself cheerfully. 2 Corinthians 9:7 says, "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
- I will not function in leadership or be a member of any other church.
- I agree to refrain from sexual immorality such as: any sexual activity outside the sanctity of marriage (e.g. cohabitation, pornography, fornication, adultery, and homosexuality.) We define marriage as a union between an adult male and an adult female. I also agree to refrain from illegal use of drugs, drunkenness, and other sinful acts as the Bible, my Pastor, and my conscience directs.
- If I sin, I will confess my faults and seek help to overcome them.

## PARTNERSHIP:

- New Hope Church defines Partnership as anyone who attends regular church services, gives faithfully to the Vision, agrees with the New Hope close handed theologies, and has completed Growth Track Step One: Knowing New Hope.
- Partners are encouraged to be active in services and other events hosted and/or endorsed by New Hope Church/
- Partners may be removed from official membership if they purposely violate any of the closed handed theologies. Partnership removal will be handled by the Senior Pastor if the need arises.

*Here at New Hope, we seal a covenant by a signature. This is not to be considered a legal binding document, but instead an oath to God and the other party. Your signature represents your pledge determined from each party's oath. By signing, you agree that you are faithfully supportive of this ministry.*

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## WAYS TO GIVE



MAIL



AUTOMATED  
GIVING



ONLINE



DURING  
SERVICE



TEXT

### ONLINE GIVING

1. GO TO WEBSITE  
WWW.KENTONNEWHOPE.COM
2. CLICK **DONATE** TAB AT  
THE TOP OF THE HOME PAGE
3. UNDER "WAYS YOU  
CAN GIVE", SELECT  
**ONLINE**
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INFORMATION

The screenshot shows a web browser at the URL https://kentonnewhope.churchcenter.com/giving. The page has a navigation bar with links: Home, Give, Groups, Check-In, Events, Log In. The main content area is titled 'Give' and includes a dropdown menu for 'General' with a note 'This discretionary money can be used where it's needed most' and a '+ Add another' button. Below this is a 'Frequency' dropdown set to 'One time'. There are input fields for 'Email', 'Name' (split into 'First name' and 'Last name'), and a 'Continue' button. The footer contains 'Terms of Service', 'Privacy Policy', 'New Hope Church', 'kentonnewhope@gmail.com', and the phone number '(410) 576-1882'.

### GIVE VIA TEXT MESSAGE

1. TEXT **GIVE** TO  
**84321**
2. FOLLOW THE PROMPTS
3. REGISTER YOUR CREDIT  
OR DEBIT CARD  
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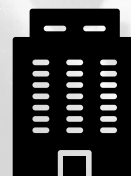
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# REVIEW

1. WE WANT EVERYONE TO \_\_\_\_\_
2. WE ARE ALL ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_
3. WE HONOR \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_
4. WE ARE COMMITTED TO OUR \_\_\_\_\_ & OUR \_\_\_\_\_
5. WE OPERATE IN \_\_\_\_\_
6. WE ARE \_\_\_\_\_

**WE ARE NEW HOPE  
CHURCH**



