

New Hope Family Church: Letter from Our Pastor - Challenging Times; 10 Points

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Wow, what a crazy set of events and challenging times. Some members seem confident. On the other hand, some others now struggle a bit, feel isolated, confused or fearful. A lot's happened. Ten important guide points:

1) AH YES, THIS MOMENT....New Hope community's job is, a.) be safe, 100% comply, support the expert's advice, b.) protect yourself, and take a break while the world rests C.) **work hard internally, to prepare well for the upcoming 7 years.**

2.) AMERICA LEADING ... Did you enjoy Pres Dunkley's message on Sunday? What did you think? Certainly, the Holy Victory of American with American and World Christianity together accepting and welcoming True Parents- on Dec 28th is a *huge* deal. The condition "was made". THIS restores the events of 2000 years ago. And allowed TM to proclaim "Heavenly America".

3) ATTITUDE....One simple almost trite key is - keeping a positive attitude! Fight off any urge to be discouraged. We stand at the edge of a new providential era. Let's self-police our own thoughts in a time when difficult feelings could come. And dispel the junk of Satan....fear, confusion, that could befuddle us.

4) WORK HARD ...Some might say, it's a time to work harder than ever! Only differently. Nourish ourselves. Reload. Study. Re-connect to each other. We have a little extra time to do just that. Support everyone with love and engagement. Be humble serve, give, forgive. The successful outcome of the coming 2027 effort is shaped by getting off on the right foot - at the start - now.

5) WHAT ELSE ...Take time. Read, pray, prepared. Reach out to your growing tribe. Just today I took time to newly reach out to sick members and extended family with whom I'd been out of touch. We can all do that. Its a time to be extra supportive. Clean your house. Throw out old stuff as Lorraine and I have done recently. Set your 2020 personal and ministry goals.

6) USE ZOOM; KEEP MINISTRIES ALIVE ... Have your ministry gathering online. Even our Boy Scout Troop 1212, unable to meet at New Hope Academy, is are considering meetings on Zoom.

7) NEW MIDWEEK NHFC SERVICE ...Conditions such as they are, NH is weighing launching a simple, but meaningful digital Weekly Service. Maybe a weeknight. With both a message and 2-way interactive component. What do you

think? The national broadcast will continue it seems . But local digital options to stay strong here in MD are needed. Sign up for Zoom! (<https://zoom.us/join>)

8) CHALLENGE OF FINANCES - PLEASE KEEP HELPING.... Thank you in advance for tithing as usual. 80% of New Hopes's finances come in at Sunday Service, now canceled. Yikes! Despite not going to Melford for a few weeks, our bills remain the same! Rent contracts at Melford, utilities, salaries, wi-fi, Insurances, etc, all remain the same! Ouch! So please offer your best gift. Thank you in advance, always.

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From your Phone- We will deploy Text-to-Give Technology shortly.

9) BUILDING SEARCH CONTINUES. ... For the moment the Glen Burnie church possibilities have been re-thought and will not happen. The search continues. Despite strong support from a majority of members, there was a portion of meaningful disapproval. That's a minority opinion and a failure of buy-in risk that, in the end, senior leaders decided we could not ignore. The issue was distance too far from central PG county, the core center of our membership. Combined with Dr. Kim's concerns it was a decision we felt couldn't take. I will share a bit more in a follow-up.

10) PRAYER & CARE FOR EACH OTHER... Lastly, Call or contact or pray for others who are distant, struggling or burdened. Health issues impact Joe T, Otmar W. Brenda M. Lydia M. Jahan S. & Rev James Stewart. **Join us nightly at 9 pm for prayer-**

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Thank you for everyone's significant effort.

**May God Richly Bless You and your Family,
Jim Boothby, Pastor**

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