



**Q: DOES MY GIVING REALLY MATTER?**

**A:** All ministry that is done at New Hope Church is equipped by the faithful tithes (10% of income) and offerings (amounts decided on between you and God) given each Sunday morning by you...and by the person next to you.

The general funds of tithes & offerings make up our operating budget. To take a major step forward in vision and mission, we step out in trust and faith as we commit to a 3-year pledge. This allows us to go beyond what our operating budget can fund. Things like building our meeting space, parking facilities, building orphanages, or other large projects.

This is New Hope's 5th Giving Initiative. It is this continued sacrificial giving that allows us to take the next steps forward in vision and mission to be that safe place for kids, youth, and adults. And we'll never stop!!

**Q: WHAT ABOUT GIVING MY TIME?**

**A:** Serving in a New Hope Ministry creates a partnership with God's family to bring lost sons and daughters to the Father through Christ. But, did you know...

- Serving is a great way to get to know your church
- Serving together fosters the building of relationships
- Serving is a form of praise and worship
- Serving helps you to discover or rediscover your passions and gifts.

Could serving be your next step of community? Reach out to us through our website or New Hope App, or complete a Serve card in the chair back in front of you on Sunday morning. We'd love to help you find a ministry to serve in using your unique passions and skills!



**WHAT TO EXPECT**

Through this giving initiative.

**LIFE CHANGE** — in ourselves as we respond to God, and in our church as we continue the mission.

**SPIRITUAL GROWTH** — a shift in priorities and perspective, a change in heart as we trust and respond to God.

**SPIRITUAL RESISTANCE** — This is a bold move with clear intent to bring more Light. Expect resistance...expect to arm yourself for battle.

**AN AWESOME EXPERIENCE OF JOY** — A story of how God moved in our lives and how He led and provided for our families. The story of God's faithfulness and how He continues to grow His church here.

**HAND IN YOUR COMMITMENT CARD:**  
APRIL 1 — 30, 2022

**CELEBRATION SUNDAY:**  
May 1, 2022

**CONTACT US:**

**IN-PERSON SERVICES:** THURSDAYS @ 7PM  
SUNDAYS @ 8:30, 10, & 11:30AM

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# KINGDOM LEGACY

## GIVING INITIATIVE

2022 – 2025

... WE WILL TELL

# the Next Generation

PSALM 78:4

## THE PRAISEWORTHY DEEDS OF THE LORD,

HIS POWER, AND THE WONDERS HE HAS DONE.





## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR THOM

I am so excited that we as a church get to come together in these small groups to share, dream, and pray together about what God is doing in and through New Hope, and through our giving initiative.

I am thankful that we have been able to serve our Heavenly Father together these last 19 years, and especially these past 8 years in our new home and community. He's brought us a long way from our living room and the little wooden barn in Jordan. Through our 10 years at Jordan Public School and 8 years here at Rykert & First Street Louth, He has continued to refine the vision and mission of New Hope.

Our leadership team has worked hard to prepare this information packet for you as we prepare for what God has next for us. We have been in a season of prayer and preparation. Our hope is that you will look over this info to ensure we are all moving forward together.

I have also prepared a video message for you and your family. As you watch it together, I hope it will both challenge and bless you. It can be found on the "Kingdom Legacy" tab of our website.

Love, your pastor,

Thom Braun



## WHERE WE'VE BEEN

New Hope Church has been around for a while now, since November 2002 in fact, although we look somewhat different now than in the first days. Here's how God's been busy leading us and growing us over the years.

Starting in Pastor Thom's living room we soon grew and moved into the Jordan Hollow barn in December of 2002. A wood stove and no washrooms led us to look for a warm building (with a washroom) to meet in. We began growing in both size and discipleship which led us to look for more space. God gave us this 10-acre piece of land and we launched our "What If" Giving Initiative to purchase the land and launch our multi-site campus in the north end of St.Catharines.

Following this we launched our "Find a Way" Giving Initiative which allowed us to break ground in Spring of 2013 with a Grand Opening on November 30th of 2013.

As we continued to grow, we launched multiple services and our **I♥NH** Initiative in 2017 to make room for our NHKids ministry. This developed our second floor where our kids still meet throughout the week and on Sundays.

Finally, in October of 2020 we launched (in a pandemic) our Rooted Initiative which allowed us to pay down our mortgage, find parking, pastoral staff and grow deep discipleship roots. Any surplus from this initiative has been saved for our upcoming expansion project. Praise God!

## WHERE WE ARE TODAY

In 2020 and 2021 we have seen tremendous growth in attendance, LifeGroups, youth programs and baptisms! God has been so faithful as we have continued to preach Biblical truth here at the corner of Rykert & First St Louth. Whether it be on a flatbed trailer in the parking lot or a full house at Nativity Festivity, the gospel has been heard loud and clear.

These past two years have also grown us in resolve as we navigated a pandemic. When pressed we see what is truly inside... and as our New Hope Family has been pressed we have seen a Christ-centered, missional heart emerge. Both the pandemic and the blessed of such amazing growth has led to its share of challenges as well.

We went from 2 services to 4 services per weekend. Our Jr Youth and Sr Youth groups have run out of space each week. Kids Church classes are full! Sanctuary seating is maxed as we work hard to ensure there is room for our Fav5's and the many outreach events we hold each year. Most importantly...MANY events.



## WHERE WE ARE GOING

Since New Hope began in 2002, we have been intentional about asking God how He would use our time/talents/energy to reach the lost. We then strive to obey His leadership. Through these simple steps He continues to reconcile hearts.

Through almost two years of asking and listening, we believe there is a 3-year vision that God is calling us to. A vision of building His Kingdom Legacy through intentional, changing-lives-for-eternity Pillars of Discipleship:

### 4 PILLARS OF THE KINGDOM LEGACY INITIATIVE

- Passing on Truth
- Planting Families in Christ
- Partnering with God's Family
- Prepare His House

## OUR FINANCIAL GOALS



### VICTORY GOAL – LOBBY & SANCTUARY

#### \$2-2.5 MILLION PLEDGED

- \$1 Million in our Building Fund
- \$2.5-3 Million Mortgage



### CELEBRATION GOAL – LOBBY, SANCTUARY & NHKIDS WING

#### \$3-3.5 MILLION PLEDGE

- \$1 Million in our Building Fund
- \$2.5-3 Million Mortgage



### MIRACLE GOAL – LOBBY, SANCTUARY, NHKIDS WING & RETROFIT EXISTING BUILDING

#### \$4 MILLION PLEDGED

- \$1 Million in our Building Fund
- \$3 Million Mortgage

