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Please Notice This



There will be no Wednesday Dinners over the Summer.



Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to place
Sanctuary flowers in honor or memory,
The available dates are
June 11th, June 25th, July 9th

USHERS OF THE WEEK	DEACON OF THE WEEK
<u>Group 6</u> Winston Smith Corey Zeigler Ross McClenithan Clay Newman Kole Robertson	<u>June 4th - June 10th</u> Kord Robertson 781-5383 <u>June 11th - 17th</u> Johnny Tramell 781-0444

COUNTING COMMITTEE - JUNE 2017
Maurice Henderson, Alma Durrance, Debbie Wheeler

WEEKLY CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

<u>Sundays</u>	
9:30 A.M.	Media Center Open
9:45 A.M.	Sunday School - Education Building
11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship Service - Sanctuary
5:15 P.M.	Handbell Rehearsal - Bell Room
6:30 P.M.	Evening Worship - Sanctuary
<u>Wednesdays</u>	
7:00 P.M.	Wednesday Night Live (TUPOS) - Sanctuary G.A.'s, R.A.'s, Mission Friends - Kids Bldg. Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study - Ed. Bldg.

New Hope Baptist Church

To Know Jesus & Make Him Known

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH, 2017

Morning Worship Service

350 *The Church's One Foundation*
Scripture Reading - 1 Corinthians 13:1-3
Forever Reign
HIZ KIDZ MESSAGE
I Will Praise - Beth & Choir
208 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*
God of Miracles
THE POWER OF LOVE - Ephesians 5:25-27
280 *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

Evening Worship Service

204 *Glorious is Thy Name*
Invocation & Welcome
203 *His Name Is Wonderful*
406 *The Solid Rock*
Worship Through Testimonies & Prayer
411 *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*
DEVELOPING A HEART FOR GOD: LIFE LESSONS
FROM THE LIFE OF DAVID - 2 Samuel 22
280 *Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross*

CHURCH AT THE CROSS PRESENTS...
ALSO KNOWN AS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CENTRAL FLORIDA

THE 12TH ANNUAL
Sensational
CELEBRATION

MATURE ADULTS
2017

Est. Cost: \$200 p/person conference & hotel
(food is additional)

ANNUAL OFFERING 2017
EVERY GIFT, EVERY SIZE
WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR
ONE MORE CHILD.

"...use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."
1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)

CHRIS' COLUMN

Last week eminent scientist and atheist Ricard Dawkins was on NPR discussing religion and terrorism. Dawkins believes that religion plays a major role in terrorism, he believes religious beliefs are motivating enough to drive people to do terrible things. He is in one sense correct but let's think for a moment about religion as a fundamental set of beliefs about right and wrong and the origins of the universe and then make clear every human being has these beliefs and bases their decisions upon those beliefs. Everyone has some foundation by which they initiate or respond to circumstances or stimuli. This seems reasonable regardless of what we call it, we all have particular ways in which we view the world. Dawkins even admitted that while religion, one's belief system, seems to be the cause, most religious people wouldn't dream of doing such a thing. There were no statistics presented as to what belief system is responsible for what and how many atrocious acts against humanity. Essentially Dawkins does two things: first he lumps all religions together which is akin to lumping all vehicles together even though they vary from a Lamborghini to a Yugo (do those things still exist?). Second, Dawkins is saying, without saying it, all religions are violent and religious people just aren't serious about their beliefs or phrased another way, religious people aren't motivated enough to carry out their belief system in reality to its fullest extent.

Such statements make some interesting points and call into question the atheistic worldview. It is obvious to anyone with a brain that all religions are not the same; just as not all adherents practice to the logical end all of their religion's belief system. If so Islam would be much more violent than it is and Christianity would be much more focused and peaceful than it is. However, the interviewer, who is no friend to religion, Scott Simon seemed in agreement but noted something interesting several times: "it seems to me, truly, every theater of suffering I've ever been to, there is a dauntless nun, priest, clergy or religious person who was working very selflessly and bravely there for the good of human beings. And I don't run into organized groups of atheists who do this." Again, Simon said, "But I do wonder, am I just not seeing the world correctly to see large numbers of well-motivated atheist lending their lives to trying to better the world? Or they're - if I might put it this way, are they more concerned about just being right intellectually?" And again, "I'm struck by how many religious people I've seen around the world who are trying to do something to relieve suffering." Are you just trying to be intellectually right as well? Are you trying to be like the Jews who had God, but lorded it over the people that didn't?

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- June 6th Rickey Dick
- June 7th Melanie Henderson
- June 8th Seth Lambert
- June 8th Kimley Paige Newman
- June 9th Nikki Graham
- June 9th Cassidy Abbott
- June 9th Melissa Crider

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- June 5th Edward & Joan Terrell 63 Years!!!
- June 6th David & Beth Radford
- June 9th Hugh & Libby Bradley



Welcome to the Knight Family
Doug, Sharri & Kayla



**Kingdom Giving
Kingdom Living**

REPORT FOR WEEK OF SUNDAY, 5-28-2017

Sunday Services Wednesday Services

SS Enrollment 218	Adult Bible Study 7
Members Attend..... 91	Students21
Visitors Attend.....4	GA/RA (elementary).....
SS Total..... 95	Mission Friends(pre-s)... >23
Nursery 16	Nursery..... 0
Morning Worship..... 117	Leaders.....10
Evening Worship 44	Total.....54
	<u>Giving Record</u>
Tithes & Offerings \$2,493	
Designated..... \$100	
Budget Needs Each Week \$6,797	
Refunds & Interest 0	
Budget Needs To Date.....\$224,866	
Budget Receipts To Date\$246,513	

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Rev. David E. Radford - Minister of Music - 781-9675 (Cell)

June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 <i>Legacy Builders Missions Team</i> Appreciation Luncheon for those who helped with Shut-in Meal Ministry! Sunday, June 4 th	5	6 H&G Mtg. 7pm	7 Worship Activities @ 7PM	8	9	10
11	12 Stewardship Meeting 7pm	13	14 Business Meeting @7PM Worship activities@7PM	15	16	17
18 Father's Day	19	20	21 Worship Activities @ 7PM	22	23 Youth Scavenger Hunt @ NHBC	24
25	26	27	28 Worship Activities @ 7PM	29 Youth Bible Study @ The Pollard's 6 pm	30	July 1
2	3	4 Office closed Independence Day	5 Worship Activities @ 7PM	6	7	8

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

VACATION BIBLE SUNDAYS:
EVERY SUNDAY IN JULY!
PRE-K TO 5TH GRADE.

LEADER INFORMATION MEETING:
SUNDAY JUNE 11TH AFTER A.M. SERVICE

Legacy Builders Missions Team

Appreciation Luncheon
for those who helped with
Shut-in Meal Ministry!
Sunday, June 4th

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 5-8
PASSION CAMP @ DAYTONA

JUNE 23RD
SCAVENGER HUNT @ NHBC 5PM

JUNE 29TH
BIBLE STUDY @ THE POLLARD'S
LED BY HAILEY

Speakers: Louie Giglio, Brad Jones, Ben Stuart
Music: Passion Band & Crowder

PASSION CAMP

JUNE 5-8 2017

DAYTONA BEACH

See Corey Zeigler to sign up! - Total Cost: \$325

THIS WEEK IS
PASSION CAMP
THANKS FOR ALL THE HELP AND SUPPORT
PLEASE PRAY FOR US

No Tupos meeting
this Wednesday
because of camp!