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PASTOR'S LETTER: PERSEVERING WITH HOPE

There is a proverbial axiom that states, "all good things come to those who wait." Its obvious intention is to teach that "patience is a virtue" and that positive outcomes often require time and consistent effort or, perseverance!



(Or am I thinking about the tortoise and the hare fable?) In any case, if there is a process in place – like the pastor search process – it encourages people to trust the process, even though the outcome is not yet clear. While the exact phrase does not appear in the Bible, the principle is deeply rooted in Scripture. For example, Psalm 27:14 states "Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!"

Be aware that waiting is not a "passive inactivity" but the "active activity" of faith and trust – which will allow for growth, wisdom, and spiritual maturity to develop while anticipating God's promises. Perseverance also grows through prayer and community. Romans 12:12 calls Christians to rejoice in hope, remain patient in affliction, and be constant in prayer, while Hebrews 10:24–25 urges believers to encourage one another toward love and good works. When we are tired, God often strengthens us through His Word, His Spirit, and His people. James reminds believers that testing can produce steadfastness and maturity (James 1:2–4). Paul gives the same hope in Romans 5:3–5, where suffering leads to endurance, endurance character deepens forms character, and hope because God's love is at work in His people.



The Bible also calls us to keep our eyes on Christ. Hebrews 12:1–2 pictures the Christian life as a race that must be run with endurance, looking to Jesus as the source and perfecter of faith. This means perseverance is not powered by human strength alone. It is sustained by the Lord who goes before us, walks with us, and renews us. Isaiah 40:31 promises renewed strength for those who hope in the Lord, and Galatians 6:9 encourages believers not to grow weary in doing good, trusting that a harvest will come if we do not give up. So, when the process seems long and feels heavy, we do not press on because we are strong in ourselves. We persevere because God is faithful. Hebrews 10:36 reminds us that endurance is needed as we continue doing God's will and wait for His promises. Thus, in every road traveled, our hope is not in the ease of the road, but in the steadfast love of the Lord who carries us forward.

GOD
is
Faithful

Therefore, pray and thank God for His unfailing love and faithfulness. In every season of life, God is our refuge, strength, and hope. When challenges seem overwhelming and our hearts grow weary, we remember that He is always with us. Ask God for the gift of perseverance: the strength to continue when the path is difficult and courage to trust Him when we cannot see what lies ahead. Ask God to teach us to remain steadfast in faith despite when discouragement "comes-a-calling."

Because, we are to run the race God has set before us with endurance, confidence, and joy. May our lives, both as an individual and as a church bring glory to His name and be a testimony of His sustaining grace.

~Pastor Kube

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SERVICES

9:15 am Sunday School ~ 10:30 am Worship

welcome

Sunday, September 6
Lord's Supper

Sunday, September 13

Sunday, September 20

Wednesday, September 23
Potluck & Prayer Service (6:30pm/7:30pm)

Sunday, September 27

CHURCH OFFICE:

804.550.9601 and office@newhighland.org

Monday—Friday, 8:30am—12:30pm

The church/office will be closed for Labor Day.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THROUGH GIVING

Because of you faithful giving, our church was able to cover essential utilities and custodial, lawn care, and maintenance costs.

- Number/Impact: Lights, air conditioning, clean and safe facilities sustained all month
- Result/Outcome: Our building remains a welcoming place for worship and ministry.

"My God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:19

Thank You!

Your faithfulness makes ministry possible. Every dollar you give helps advance God's kingdom through our church.

DEACONS ON CALL — SEPTEMBER

Ed Williams 804.514.5916
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PASTOR SEARCH TEAM UPDATE

God has been faithful in directing potential candidates toward our ministry opening and allowing us to hold several initial interviews. The team has designed a thorough and intentional process to help us best assess each candidate's specific skill sets and areas of passion. We trust God to continue leading our conversations and deliberations so that we bring on the right person for this exciting chapter in the life of our church. Please continue to uphold the Pastor Search Team in your prayers. Thank you.

PASTOR SEARCH

NOTE OF THANKS

It was such a joy to celebrate together all that God did this summer in and through Macey Hutto. Thank you so much for all that you have poured into Macey to help form her into who she is today. We are thankful for your Church and the opportunity to be connected in what God is doing around the world.



Serving together,
Brittany Mann
Teach Beyond Church Relations

NOTE OF THANKS



Just wanted to say 'thank you' to everyone who called, texted, sent cards, and prayed for me while recovering from my surgery. It means the world to me to have such a loving and caring Church family. So thankful for all of you and for God's healing.

Love and blessings, Carol Evers

GROW GROUP SIGN-UPS



Signups for our new line-up of fall Grow Groups are this month, with opportunities for a range of age groups and interests. Look for the signup sheets at the "Grow" table in the foyer starting

September 6th. Groups will meet from October-December.



*The Faithfulness of the Lord
endures forever*

SUBMIT YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS



- 1) Main & CLC Foyer Prayer Boxes
- 2) Contact Prayer Team (804-550-1562)
- 3) Contact Church Office (804-550-9601)
- 4) Online at newhighland.org/prayer/

SEPTEMBER 27. AGES 4 through 6th grade



FUTURE CHURCH TEAM MEETING

The Future Church Team will have its quarterly meeting for team members on

September 27th from 12:00PM-1:30PM.

Team members are asked to bring a snack if needed.

We will be discussing the 2027 Action Plan.



YOUTH NEWS

LiTE Nites continue to meet each week throughout the summer Sunday evenings from 7-8:30pm.

Spread the word—invite your friends and join us for a great time of fellowship and fun!

Contact Paul or Lori Rozecki if you would like to help with this ministry!



The Day School

AT NEW HIGHLAND

We're back! We are so excited to begin the 21st year of The Day School. We have 70 students and 13 staff members this year. Will you pray for each person entering the Day School doors this year to be blessed by their time at NHBC? We still welcome your partnership to help us provide items from our wish list for our classrooms.

<https://a.co/07LPpjKk>



Thank you for your support!

The Day School admits students of any race, color, gender, creed, and national or ethnic origin.



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RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

NHBC is currently hosting monthly blood drives for the Red Cross. There is an extreme need for blood at this time.



**American
Red Cross**

**Blood
Services**

The next drive is Wednesday, September 16

from 1 pm to 6 pm in the CLC.

All blood types are needed and are being tested for COVID-19 antibodies.

Appointments are required.

Go to www.redcrossblood.org to register or call 1.800.RED.CROSS (1.800.733.2767).

Future dates 10/19/26 & 11/11/26

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

September Envoy — August 15

Bulletin — 12 pm Tuesdays

MoHope DRY GOODS

DONATION REQUESTS FOR SEPTEMBER:

- Beans
- Cereal
- Pasta
- Peas
- Rice
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Peanut butter
- Sugar



We will be delivering the August collection to MoHope on September 1.

We are also collecting PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS to be used when we distribute Moments of Hope lunches. Donations can be left in the box at the Missions Table

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Kelly Caddell | 22 Liz Yates |
| 7 Deanna Lawson | 22 Elaine Narron |
| 16 Nicole Holmes | 23 Matthew Dixon |
| 18 Cory Peay | 25 Wendy Miles |
| 18 Bennett Porter | 26 Brian Purdy |
| 19 Luke Harnden | 26 Sunny Breck |



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



Earl & Kelley Phillips



Roy & Linda Peay

Alma Hunt

Offering for Virginia Missions

September 6-27, 2026

AUGUST BENEVOLENCE

643.00

SEPTEMBER MISSION PROJECT

Alma Hunt Mission Offering

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

September 14 at 6:30 pm

ACTS 2:43-47

August 2

August 9

August 16

August 23

Attendance

Sunday School	39	44	45	45
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WORSHIP

Online # of Households	4	7	3	2
In-Person (10:30 am)	89	108	102	119

Budget

Weekly Need	6,384.02	6,384.02	6,384.02	6,384.02
Weekly Receipts	7,225.21	9,998.00	10,375.92	2,170.00
YTD Goal	197,904.62	204,288.64	210,672.66	217,056.68
YTD Receipts	183,478.05	193,476.05	203,851.97	206,021.97

Designated Gifts

298.00	2,625.00	125.00	400.00
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