GOOD HOPE
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
153 YEARS TAKING **HOPE** TO THE WORLD

FEBRUARY 2025

ACTIVATE YOUR YES GOD!
DON'T LET YOUR NO GET IN THE WAY OF GOD'S YES FOR YOUR LIFE

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
PERSONS WITHOUT SHELTER TRAINING

TRIBE TALK
A KINGDOM CONVERSATION
FEBRUARY 22ND

ROOTED & GROUNDED
DAILY DEVOTION
AN EXPRESSION OF FAITH THAT FOSTERS SPIRITUAL GROWTH

On January 11, 2025, Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church hosted the "Activate Your Yes God! Conference." Author, Kim Hardy was the keynote speaker and facilitator, and in a hands-joined approach with our Senior Pastor, Dr. D.Z. Cofield, we will continue to explore and put into practice what it means to "Activate Your Yes God!" throughout this year.

During the conference and in her book Activate Your Yes, Kim Hardy said that we probably already know that our faith is being tried and tested, but that doesn't make it any easier. Whether you recognize it or not, God is sending you a divine invitation. It's an invitation to live out your faith in Him that results in bearing beautiful, Christ-like fruit. (Galatians 5:22-23)

God sends us an invitation daily. And every day, God waits for us to respond by saying Yes to Him. Yes, I will follow. Yes, I will love you. Yes, I will draw near. And Yes, I will obey.

Kim Hardy encouraged us to listen to God's voice and follow His leading and promptings. There is no greater joy and peace in life than pleasing God. Remember, faith pleases our Savior. (Hebrews 11:6)

Pastor Cofield is teaching us ***"How To Activate Your Yes God!"*** by emphasizing the importance of these four crucial points. Remember:

1. **You need to make sure you hear when God is speaking to you.**
2. **You need to make sure you go where God wants you to go.**
3. **You need to make sure you do what God tells you to do.**
4. **You need to realize your Yes God can help others say Yes to God.**

Ask yourself: How do you think your life would be different if you activated your "YES GOD" more? What will you do this week, this month and this year to activate your "YES GOD" to help yourself, and someone else grow spiritually?

ROOTED & GROUNDED

GREAT SEED - GOOD SOIL - MUCH FRUIT

Daily Devotion:

AN EXPRESSION OF FAITH THAT FOSTERS SPIRITUAL GROWTH

(ACTS 2:42, 46)

Scripture is more than words on a page—it is the living Word of God, a guide to knowing Him and living in alignment with His will. Acts 2:42, 46 paints a picture of the early believers, devoted to learning, fellowship, and worship. They understood the importance of grounding their lives in God's Word.

An expression of faith practiced daily through devotion to Scripture transforms our hearts and minds. Through regular reading, we discover God's character and promises. By meditating on His Word, we allow it to shape our decisions and attitudes. Applying Scripture to our lives equips us to walk in obedience and faith, even in challenging times.

Rooted and Grounded enhances this transformation by offering tools, guidance, and community to deepen your daily devotion. It helps believers establish consistent habits of reading, meditating on, and applying God's Word. Through structured devotions, reflective journaling, and group discussions, participants are encouraged to explore Scripture in a meaningful way.

This discipleship culture nurtures personal growth but also fosters a sense of accountability and shared purpose. By connecting with others on a similar journey, you are inspired to stay committed and empowered to live out biblical truths in your daily life.

As 2 Timothy 3:16-17 states, "All Scripture is God-breathed" and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."Rooted and Grounded" helps make this truth a reality, turning daily devotion into a transformative and life-giving practice.

If you're looking to try something besides your standard dinner and a movie this Valentine's Day, consider some pathways you may not have traveled before. Here are five that we recommend to get you started, but you can certainly tweak them to your liking!

1. Visit a Botanical Garden - If you're a fan of flowers, you'll love them even more in a verdant environment. Don't forget to stop and smell the roses!
2. Create a Photo Album - Take a step back in time to when "photographs" were all the rage. Blend your digital technology by printing pictures and making a photo album you can have and hold.
3. Write an Old School Love Letter - (with New School flare!) Choose the perfect stationery, writing instrument and fill it with the words that only you could say. You can create an indelible memory!
4. Create a Beautiful Breakfast for Someone You Love - Because Valentine's Day isn't just for couples! Include the family and friends that are simply near and dear to your heart.
5. Seize the Opportunity for Reflection-Affection - Make sure to indulge in some self-care to love the skin you're in. Whether spa time, a phenomenal meal or just relaxation, give yourself the royal treatment. You deserve it!

Remember to celebrate this day of love - we can certainly use more of it all year round! Happy Valentine's Day, Family!

LIVE Your Healthiest LIFE

Have a healthy **Heart Month**.

While medical milestones have helped us understand numerous health issues, heart disease remains the leading cause of death in the nation. In 2019, over 874,000 people lost their lives to cardiovascular disease according to the "2022 Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics Update." However, there's hope!

Heart disease can be significantly countered with understanding, prevention, and timely treatments. This truth has inspired this year's theme: "Reclaim Your Rhythm." The American Heart Association noted that after the COVID-19 epidemic, many faced physical and emotional distress that impacted their wellness. Years after that trauma, AHA wants people to reclaim their mental and physical health.

DEI DO EVERYTHING WITH INTENTIONALITY

In recent weeks, it seems that many things have been called into question with regards to the capacity, intellect and even motivation of certain groups of people. Some would be led to believe that competency is limited in its distribution. Nevertheless, historical facts and current trends say otherwise. Specifically, communities of color have an exceptional record for being an integral and remarkable part of the fabric of America through faith, literacy, arts, math & science, education, engineering, healthcare, agriculture, technology, inventions and so much more.

Without a doubt, strong rhetoric from numerous leaders - and even stronger knee jerk reactions - have caused a massive upheaval in cultural norms. Nevertheless, these same communities also possess a resiliency and determination that are unfeigned and a trademark of their ability to thrive in the worst of conditions. With that said, it is importsnt to remember that regardless of how antagonists may view any single individual or collective community, we are made in the image of God.

He is the Chief Architect of immaculate design, and He has never made a mistake. Be reminded that we cannot be reduced in value by the limited perceptions of the misinformed because **God said in His Word that we are "fearfully and wonderfully made."** Be intentional in your efforts to bear the image of Christ. Strive for excellence. Create the standard. Advocate for the voiceless. Be exemplary - even in the face of opposition. And know that the gift you have in relationship with Him is incomparable to anything this world could offer. Never forget to Whom you belong. It is priceless. ***#DoEverythingwithIntentionality***

Resiliency and determination

BLACK HISTORY IS AMERICA'S HISTORY

Celebrating Black History Month encourages us to reflect on the struggles, triumphs, and enduring spirit of Black individuals. It fosters a greater understanding of the rich cultural heritage and the profound impact that Black Americans have had on shaping the nation. By remembering and celebrating these heroes, we not only honor their legacy but also inspire future generations to continue the pursuit of equality and justice for all.

The commemoration also acts as a call to action, reminding us to advocate for a more inclusive society where the achievements and contributions of Black individuals are recognized and appreciated year-round.

UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEER

LEAGUE ADMINSTRATION

- ONLINE REGISTRATION
- SCHEDULE GAMES
- ORDER SUPPLIES
- PARENT COMMUNICATION

UPWARD BASKETBALL CELEBRATES 20 YEARS!

Join us as we learn to play with purpose during the UPWARD Basketball and Cheer season for children ages 4 yrs - 6th grade. Guests and beginners are welcome! For information, email Jeremy Williams at jwilliams@goodhope.org and indicate "UPWARD" in the subject line.

REGISTER TODAY!

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR: PERSONS WITHOUT SHELTER TRAINING

As Salt & Light God commands us in the Bible to love our neighbors as we love ourselves We're excited to invite you to a special gathering on February 22nd as we set our sights on how to help our brothers and sisters who may be in crisis. Join us for time filled with delicious food, meaningful connections, and together, we'll explore how we can make an impact with Love Your Neighbor as we prepare for what's ahead and how we can help change the world by helping others.

Food: Lunch Provided (rsvp)
Contact Minister Chris Johnson
832 834 5522 cjohnson@goodhope.org

FEBRUARY 22ND
10AM - 1PM

MEN OF HOPE SUPER SERVICE WEEKEND

MEN OF HOPE ARE CALLED TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY ON SUPER SERVICE WEEKEND AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8TH**, FOLLOWED BY A **SUNDAY SUPER BOWL WATCH CELEBRATION PARTY**.

A Tribe Called Hope Presents

Tribe Talk
A Kingdom Conversation

THE VUE
3015 N MACGREGOR WAY
FEBRUARY 22, 2025
2PM TO 5PM

AUTHENTIC CONVERSATIONS AROUND LOVE, DATING, AND RELATIONSHIPS.

A tribe

Light Food and Beverages served.

Come join The Tribe and panelists **February 22nd from 2pm to 5pm** in The Vue as we engage in authentic conversations around love,dating, and relationships. We are bringing the Word of God to the core of it all with real, live, and honest experiences from our diverse panel. Get ready for ***"Tribe Talk"***.

COUPLES EXPERIENCING GOD

Join us Sunday, March 23rd at 10:00 am in the "Center for Hope", 2nd floor, in Rm 219; as we begin our new series, "Couples Experiencing God"

Perhaps you and your spouse have been believers for many years, but your Christian life has become dry and you both long to refresh your walk with God.

JOIN US EVERY 4TH SUNDAY AT 10AM

SCAN TO REGISTER

Would you like to experience the presence of God in your marriage and establish a more deeper meaningful relationship with your spouse? Then join us for "Experiencing God for Couples". Sunday March 23rd at 10 am. The cost is $10 per person for the workbook.

The Marriage Enrichment Ministry Presents

National Marriage Week
VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION

In the "VUE"

Sunday, FEB. 23rd from 11:30 am to 1 pm

Come celebrate with us

Enjoy a Sweet Treat and a Divine Word of Inspiration

Use the link below to register

https://goodhope.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/560/responses/new

The Good Hope Marriage Enrichment Ministry invites all married and engaged couples to join us for fun, food, and fellowship as we celebrate National Marriage Week. This is also a Valentine's celebration of companionship with the one you love.

SCAN TO REGISTER

2025 FEB EVENTS

THE WOMEN OF HOPE WILL BE HOSTING MONTHLY WELLNESS SATURDAYS

The Women of Hope will be hosting monthly Wellness Saturdays where participants will have yoga lessons, prayer, journaling, and an introduction to discipleship opportunities. The event will take place every 2nd Saturday of the month beginning February 8th, 2025 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

ATLAS BY JEN LEWIN
FEBRUARY
DAILY
DISCOVERY GREEN

FREE EVENT

HOUSTON BALLET – IN THE NIGHT
FEBRUARY 27TH
ALICE AND GEORGE BROWN THEATER AT WORTHAM

FREE EVENT

GOOD HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY
All Audiences:
8AM & 10AM

Call
(713)-524-6578
for details

WEDNESDAY
WORSHIP IN THE WORD

Via Streaming: 7PM
Featuring:
DR. Elliot Mallory-Greene

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