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AUGUST 2025

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BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE
COLLECTION TIME
JULY 1 - SEPT 1

WOMEN AND HOPE
CELEBRATE WELLNESS AWARENESS MONTH

WOMEN OF HOPE CELEBRATE WELLNESS AWARENESS MONTH

Alicia Dugar Stephenson is a nationally recognized author and yoga teacher who also serves as a Rice University yoga instructor and alumna, will be continuing wellness sessions Good Hope MBC. She is currently serving at the forefront of a unique yoga initiative that connects the Rice campus with the broader Houston community. In partnership with local nonprofits and Rice's Center for Engaged Research and Collaborative Learning, Stephenson co-launched a pilot program that offers culturally informed yoga teacher training and community wellness sessions — all while gathering data that could inform the future of inclusive wellness education.

She is excited about bringing this initiative to the Women of Hope. "For me, this project is deeply personal," said Stephenson, who was diagnosed with lupus as a freshman in college. "I didn't know how to cope at first, and yoga became a lifeline. Now, I get to help others through life groups and wellness sessions — especially those who've felt unseen — find support and healing by making a spiritual connection."

We are blessed to have Alicia serve as Rooted and Grounded Facilitator and the Wellness Coach for the Women of Hope. She offers Wellness classes every second Friday of the month in the Center for Hope from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. She inspires women of all ages to learn to appreciate the gifts and talents along with teaching them how to better take care of themselves. There is no cost for participating but the benefits are priceless. If you would like to know more about the wellness sessions, please contact tcofield@goodhope.org

ROOTED IN CHRIST, GROUNDED IN LOVE

ACTS 2:42, 46; 2 TIMOTHY 3:16–17

Ephesians 3:17 – "...that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love..."

Paul prays that believers would be **"rooted and grounded in love,"** giving us a picture of deep, lasting faith. Here's what that means — in life and in Scripture:

Rooted in Christ
Being rooted in Christ means drawing your life, strength, and identity from Him.

Rooted in His Word
Psalm 1:3 — Like a tree by water, we flourish when nourished by Scripture.
Example: Jesus used Scripture in the wilderness (Matthew 4).

Rooted in Relationship
John 15:4 — Abide in Christ; He is the vine, we are the branches.
Example: Mary chose time with Jesus over busyness (Luke 10:42).

Rooted Through Trials
Colossians 2:6–7 — Remain strong by continuing in Christ.
Example: Paul found strength in Christ, even in prison (Philippians 4:13).

Grounded in Love
To be grounded in love means standing firm in God's love and letting it shape how you live.

Grounded in God's Love for Us
1 John 4:19 — We love because He first loved us.
Example: The prodigal son welcomed home in love (Luke 15).

Grounded in Love for Others
John 13:34 — Love one another as Christ has loved you.
Example: Jesus washed the disciples' feet (John 13:5).

Grounded in Unity
Ephesians 3:17–18 — Love binds the church together.
Example: Early believers shared life and needs (Acts 2:42–47).

When we are rooted in Christ and grounded in love, we don't just survive — we thrive, bear fruit, and become agents of transformation in the world around us.

Let this be the prayer for our church:
"Lord, deepen our roots in You, and ground us in Your love, so that we may grow strong and fruitful for Your Kingdom."

HONORING YOUR PROMISE TO GOD AND YOUR SPOUSE A MARRIAGE CONFERENCE FOR STRENGTH, RENEWAL, AND COMMITMENT

Join us Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., for a powerful time of teaching, restoration, and encouragement as we focus on what it means to build a marriage that reflects God's unbreakable covenant. This is a free-conference designed to help couples rediscover the sacred promise they made—not only to one another, but to God. Through biblical teaching, heartfelt worship, and real-life testimonies, you'll be equipped to strengthen your relationship, overcome challenges, and walk in unity, purpose, and love.

Let your marriage reflect God's faithfulness—because what God joins together, no one should tear apart.

Prioritizing SUPER SENIOR PARKING

Whether sage wisdom that stands the test of time or surreal compassion for the many they love like children (and grandchildren) of their own, our **Super Seniors** are among the greatest treasures gifted to the Body of Christ! Often serving as anchors for both new and seasoned believers, their presence also leaves a profound impact, paving the way for those who will follow in their footsteps.

BIBLICAL COUNSELING

The Biblical Counseling Ministry would like to present our Class of 2025 graduates! On June 28th, we celebrated our 6th graduating class since 2008 - bringing the total to 55 graduates who have completed the 4-year long extensive training program taught by Dr. Darrell Rose, Lead Servant and Director of the Maturity Team. Members from Friendship Community Bible Church also joined the program and graduated with us! Using the Word of God as authority and truth, the graduates have learned key skills and biblical knowledge to guide, equip, support, admonish and comfort people in need in the church and in the community. Congratulations graduates!

Our 2025 graduates are: Sis. DaShonda Cormier, Sis. Montecella Flaniken, Bro. Larry Lewis, Sis. Datasha Malone, Bro. Terry Malone, Sis. LeVerne Sampson, Sis. Elizabeth Stevens, Sis. Jerah Thomas

Because of this truth, The Good Hope Family seeks and welcomes opportunities both to appreciate and treasure them. Our latest effort? Specialized parking that places them just a few steps from the front door. Why? Because honoring them is one of the best ways we can show that we love them.

Though a quick step may be an action we take for granted, as our Seniors age, traversing extended pathways can be among the most difficult (and at times, painful) endeavors in a day. Whether paired with special equipment or because of respiratory challenges, a shorter path can ease considerable obstacles on a beloved trip to the House of God.

With this in mind, we've allocated spaces designated just for them that will make a long, passage from the parking lot a thing of the past, and we couldn't be more excited about it! Please join us in welcoming our **Super Seniors (75 years or older)** to take advantage of this initiative designed with them in mind. It's our privilege to prioritize their care with love at the forefront. Let's celebrate our **Super Seniors**. Be blessed, Family!

DISCIPLESHIP *through*

Church Discovery 301 Lunch & Learn

Sunday, August 17
12 Noon
Center for Hope

Discover **your ministry SHAPE** in preparation to serve others:

- with L.Y.F.E. groups
- with family/friends
- individually

You are cordially invited to discover how God has specifically shaped you to be Salt & Light in today's world. Each of us has been uniquely created with gifts, passions, and a purpose—and now is the time to uncover how your design fits into God's divine plan.

Join us for a powerful afternoon of spiritual growth, community, and discovery as we deepen our roots and grow stronger together in faith.

We look forward to you joining us as we strive to be Rooted & Grounded in Christ!

Come ready to grow, connect, and walk boldly in the calling God has placed on your life!

UPWARD

2025 SEASON
SEP 2 - OCT 25
*EARLY BIRD: $45
$55 AFTER 8/26/25

SCAN ME

4 YRS - 5TH GRADE
BEGINNERS WELCOME!
*FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

FLAG FOOTBALL & CHEER

Join us for the 2025 UPWARD Flag Football and Cheer season where children ages 4 years to 5th learn to "play with purpose" both on and off the field. Guests and beginners are welcome!

scan to register:
https://goodhope.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/606/responses/new

Back To School

Supply Drive

TRU

COLLECTION TIME
JULY 1 - SEPTEMBER 1

Join us as we prepare to equip middle and high school students with the tools they need to succeed! From July 1 through September 1, we are collecting new school supplies to be distributed to students in December 2025—just in time for the spring semester.

Requested Items Include: #2 Pencils & Pen, Folders, Loose-leaf Paper (wide ruled), Binders, Highlighters & Glue Sticks, Scissors, Markers, and Colored Pencils

Let's make a difference together! Your donations will directly support students who need a fresh start mid-year. Every item helps build confidence, readiness, and success.

Distribution will be December 2025

MEN OF HOPE EVENT

Fellowship, Lunch, Movie and a Word

Calling all men to come out August 9, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to enjoy a discussion about manhood and Discipleship as we watch the movie, "The Forge."

TRU
YOUTH MINISTRY

GAME NIGHT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 2025
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

GAME TRUCK CARD- BOARD GAMES - REFRESHMENTS

$5.00 admission

GOOD HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
5015 NORTH MACGREGOR WAY
HOUSTON, TX 77004
713-524-6578

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
FEEL FREE TO JOIN ALONE OR BRING ALONG YOUR FRIENDS

TRU Youth Ministry Back to School Game Night!

Get ready to kick off the new school year with fun, food, and friendly competition at our Back-to-School Game Night!

Date: Friday, August 8th
Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Cost: $5.00
Location: Cofield Youth Center Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church

We're bringing the heat with games, prizes, music, and more! Whether you're a board game master, a video game pro, or just in it for the snacks and vibes—there's something for everyone.

Bring a friend and double the fun!

This night is just for teens—come hang out, laugh loud, and make memories before school starts.

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CULLEN MILITARY ACADEMY

SCHOOL YEAR: 2025-2026
GRADES 6TH & 7TH ONLY

- CHINESE MANDARIN COURSE
- DYAD ENRICHMENT
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- TUTORING SUPPORT

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2025 EVENTS

GENTLE YOGA SOUND MEDITATION
AUGUST 11TH,
6:00 PM TO 7:30 PM
DISCOVERY GREEN

FREE EVENT

FLEA BY NIGHT
SATURDAY AUGUST 16TH,
6:00 P.M.
DISCOVERY GREEN

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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