

HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TINTON FALLS, NEW JERSEY



NOTES OF HOPE



A monthly publication to keep us informed.

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Our Mission Statement

We believe that God has gathered this congregation and staff at this time and place in order to:

Introduce people to the enduring love of Jesus found in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Invite them to become part of the family of God

Instruct them in the scriptures, God's word to us

Involve them in the ministry of the church, according to their gifts

Inspire them to go into the world, making disciples of others

SAVE THE DATE

Hope Presbyterian Church 3rd Annual Dinner and Silent Auction

Saturday, November 7
from 6:00pm to 8:30pm

We need committee members and Silent Auction items
email noliviero@aol.com or call 732-571-3378

BOOKS AND MORE

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31 Hope Church

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11 Cindy Lane, Suite 5
Ocean Twp., NJ 07712

Directions: Take 35 S go right on Park Ave., make right at first light Cindy Lane

OPEN Mon—Fri 10am—5:00pm

Adopt A Highway

Adopt-A Highway clean-up is here again. We are scheduled for Sunday, November, 15th, at 1:00. Come and join your friends from Hope and enjoy the fresh brisk air and colors of Fall. All you need to bring are a smile and comfortable walking shoes and gloves.

Sign up in the narthex for a fun experience with your friends from Hope. Any questions please see Fred Bauch.

November Stewardship Prayer

Loving God, we come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all we are and all we have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help us to do your will. We are listening, Lord God. Speak your words into the depths of our souls, that we may hear you clearly. We offer to you this day all the facets of our lives, whether it be at home, at work, or at school – to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy. Give us the wisdom and insight to understand your will for us and the fervor to carry out our good intentions. We offer our gifts of time, talent and possessions to you as a true act of faith, to reflect our love for you and our neighbor. Help us to reach out to others as you our God have reached out to us. Amen.

How's our giving so far?

Income			
Month to Date September 30, 2009		Year to Date September 30, 2009	
Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Actual
\$9,013.00	\$6,413.00	\$81,115.00	\$73,432.00
	-\$2,600.00)		-\$7,683.00)
Expenses			
Month to Date September 30, 2009		Year to Date September 30, 2009	
Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Actual
\$11,750.00	\$8,609.00	\$105,750.00	\$90,663.00
	-\$3,141.00)	0	-\$15,087.00)

To date, our income based on pledges and other giving is down by \$7,683.00. This means we have had to take from our savings to make up the difference. This is a big shortfall and based on current giving trends and what we have left to pay on per capita and such, we may have to take a total of \$12,000.00 to \$15,000.00 by end of year.

Our expenses are a budget estimate of possible spending, not absolute spending. We have done well in that we have spent less than predicted by \$15,087.00.



ON SALE FOR CHRISTMAS OR JUST BE CAUSE.....

HOPE CHURCH SHIRTS AND HOODY'S !!!

Now through November 8th....we are offering T-shirts, polo shirts, sweatshirts and Hoodys for the Holidays. These are 100% cotton great quality shirts and Hoody's with our church logo (see above) either embroidered or silk screened on the front. On the back you may have one of our stewardship slogans, or just keep it plain. There are all sizes available.

This is a great way to represent Hope and show your support for your church. I've worn my t-shirts out (I have the Are you a Re-gifter and the BIBLE - Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth slogans) and get chuckles from people who ask about Hope. What an opportunity it gives to witness!!

Attached is an order form that can be brought to church, or mailed with your check payable to Hope Presbyterian Church with 'shirt order' on the memo line. Our address is P.O. Box 1054 Eatontown, NJ 07724

If you have any questions please feel free contact myself, Scott or Judy McGuire.

Thank you for your support ~

Cyndie Van Bavel
Stewardship Ministry Chairperson

HOPE CHURCH "SPIRIT-SHIRT" ORDER FORM

<i>NAME:</i>	<i>PHONE:</i>
<i>CASH OR CHECK #:</i>	<i>AMOUNT:</i>

	Cost	QTY	Size	Logo	Total
Short-sleeve Crew Neck T-shirts (Silk-screened logos; front & back)					
Heather gray w/ burgundy logo	\$12.50				
Burgundy w/ white logo	\$15.00				
Long-sleeve Crew Neck Sweatshirts (Silk-screened logos; front & back)					
Heather gray w/burgundy logo	\$30.00				
Burgundy w/ white logo	\$30.00				
Short-sleeve Polo Shirts (Embroidered church logo-front only)					
White w/ burgundy logo	\$30.00				
Burgundy w/ white logo	\$30.00				
Long-sleeve Cardigan Hoody (Embroidered church logo-front only)					
Heather gray w/burgundy logo	\$45.00				
Burgundy w/ white logo	\$45.00				

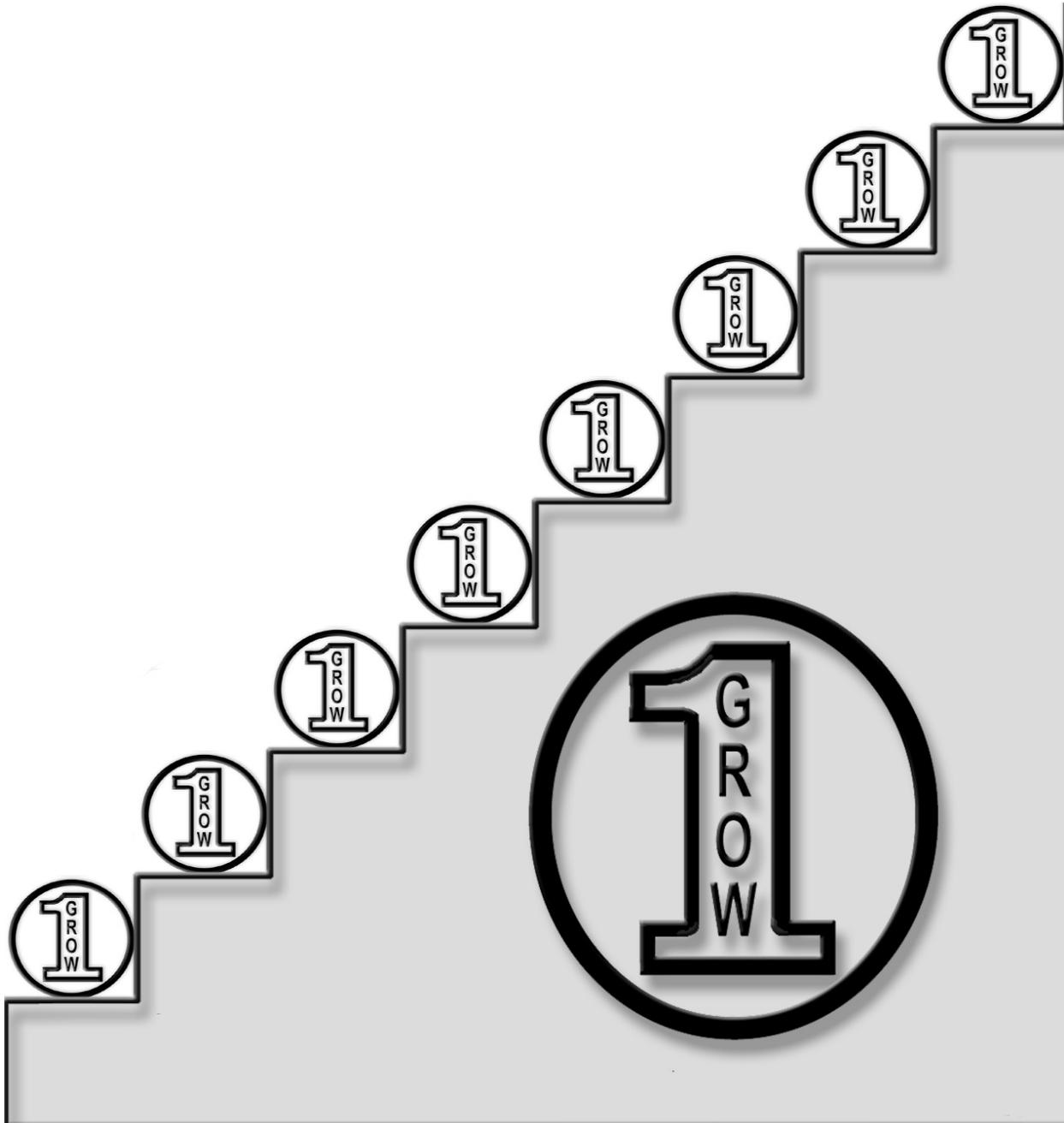
Total Amount Due:

Sizes: Child--- Small, Medium, Large Adult--- Medium, Large, 1XL, 2XL*, 3XL*

* Additional \$5 charge applies to these sizes

Logo A: Are you a Re-gifter? Logo B: You can do it---God can help! Logo C: BIBLE

It's coming!!!!
November 22, 2009
Grow 1 Sunday



HEALING SERVICE TO BE HELD AT HOPE CHURCH

The act of healing was extremely important during Jesus' earthly ministry: we have accounts of Him forgiving sins, casting out demons, and curing diseases of the mind, body and spirit....all various types of healing. And Jesus instructed His disciples to go out and do likewise.

He (Jesus) called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. These twelve he sent out, charging them, "Preach as you go, saying, 'The Kingdom of heaven is at hand.' They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them. Matt. 10:1, 7-8a, Mk. 6:12-13

Just a few years after Jesus' death, about 48 A.D., James the brother of Jesus wrote his letter to the Christian church. His purpose was to teach them the practice of Christianity. It was his belief that if we have real faith, we will show it by acting like Jesus modeled. The following quote from the book of James describes one of these practices:

Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. Ja. 5:14-16a

We are charged to pray for each other. We are charged to confess our wrongdoings, mistakes, and hurts. We are charged to pray for forgiveness and healing.

Today, as in the early church, many Christian churches have continued this practice of laying-on-of-hands and anointing with oil and prayer. This is done not to fulfill some sort of magic formula, but as a means of calling on the healing power that comes only from God through His Holy Spirit....this same God who loves each one of us unconditionally and is always working to accomplish His good purposes in our lives.

One of the emphases this year among your Session has been to focus on ways that we, as a part of the Body of Christ, can shape our ministry more closely to that of Jesus. Our Service for Healing was birthed out of this concern to be authentic. Our Service will include a special time to receive prayer for healing through the laying-on-of-hands, and special music will be provided during this time so folks can also pray quietly in their pews. As always, any prayer concerns are held in strictest confidence.

Our Prayer Team is urging you to prayerfully consider attending this service. (**January 10, 2010**). And feel free to invite anyone you know who may be interested in receiving prayer, also. And – as always – to God be the glory! (More info to follow as we get closer to the event.)

November Birthdays

- 2 Doris Godfrey
- 8 Steven Buckley
- 8 Arlene DePolo
- 12 Jennifer Van Bavel
- 13 Ricky Crutchley
- 15 Paul Baker
- 15 Max Schmardel
- 16 Jessica Cotton
- 18 Daniel Buckley
- 18 Rose Leadbeater
- 20 Ginny Catenaro
- 21 Ernest Watts
- 21 Micah Patrick Cotton
- 27 Tammy Weiss
- 27 Charlie Carson
- 29 Nancy Oliviero
- 30 Bianca Marie Boker