



## How Do I Become a Christian?

**Great question!** It's one I've been asking the last 36 years of my life. I want to be a better student of Jesus. No matter what you've done, you can start to be a lifelong learner on the way with Jesus today. We're all in the same boat. *Romans 3:23* reminds us: "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

I need a Friend and Leader, a Savior and Lord, to help redeem my past, guide my present, and secure my future. You do, too. *Ephesians 2:8-10* tells us: "God saved you by His grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago." There's no "secret formula." We simply say "Yes!" to Jesus and we enter into a process to become the masterpiece God already sees in us. Perhaps you could pray like this:

*"Dear God, thank You for the gift of grace through Jesus Christ. I say 'yes' to Him today. Thank you for the way He offered Himself on the cross for me! Help me become the person You say I am, O Lord. Amen."*

If you've made the commitment today to follow Jesus, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Lobby to pick up your "Yes!" Bible & information.

~ Pastor Jamie

P.S. Join 500 others who receive my daily devotion via email. Sign-up at [findnewhope.com/soap](http://findnewhope.com/soap)



## PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER (James 5:16)

A complete list of members in the hospital, assisted living/rehab/nursing homes and serving our country in the Military is sent out on our Church prayer chain every week.

### To Submit Prayer Requests

Use a Prayer Card from the pew rack and place completed card in the Lobby's Prayer Box, call 813-689-4161, or email your requests and updates to [prayer@findnewhope.com](mailto:prayer@findnewhope.com)

**Receive Regular Updates on Prayer Concerns and Praise Reports by Email**  
sign-up on our website, [findnewhope.com/prayer](http://findnewhope.com/prayer)

**Join the Prayer Team in the Prayer Chapel (behind the Sanctuary)**  
Sundays at 7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am; Mondays at 9:30am

**To Receive the Pastor's Daily Devotion (S.O.A.P.) Every Morning by Email**  
go to: [www.findnewhope.com/soap](http://www.findnewhope.com/soap)

# NEW HOPE

United Methodist Church

"One Church, Two Languages, Three Locations"  
[www.findnewhope.com](http://www.findnewhope.com)



July 2, 2017

## Patriotic Sunday

*Welcome! Thanks for worshiping with us today.*

The Bible's "one another" commands provide a picture of how we are to support, encourage and love each other. Jesus told His followers how we treat one another shows the world to whom we belong.

- In a high-tech but low-touch world, people can't help but notice when a group of people exhibit such loving relationships...
- Producing a yearning and even an anticipation to experience the same in their own lives.
- Worship becomes a priority.
- People actually look forward to coming together.
- Developing a strong relationship with Christ and with one another is our foundation, the source of our strength, and our motivation!



*Our Mission is to make more and better followers of Jesus Christ.*

### Monday FUNdays are HERE!!

Join us from 6:00-8:30pm on select Monday Nights for fun with the entire family! Pick up a flyer from the info wall to learn more.

Visit [www.findnewhope.com](http://www.findnewhope.com) and click on the banner for more information on our revised Vacation Bible School format.

Upcoming Monday FUNday nights:

July 10  
July 17  
July 31

Attention Parents of Rising 7th & 8th Graders

Passage Orientation to be held

July 16, 12:15-1:15 pm in the Garage

Contact [chris@findnewhope.com](mailto:chris@findnewhope.com)  
to learn more.

### ~ Summer Nights at The Table ~

Join us each Wednesday night during the summer immediately following The Table. This is a time of laid back summer fun in addition to our regular mid-week worship experience.

Here's what's coming up:

**July 12** - Yard Game Night

**July 19** - Karaoke Night

**July 26** - Movie Night

**Just stay after The Table and have  
some summer fun!**

### Exploring Membership Luncheon

The Christian faith is as much about belonging as it is believing. To learn more about our church's emphasis on mission and ministry, and your role in it, attend our luncheon in the Social Hall on **July 16th at 12:15pm.**

### The Blood Mobile Returns!

Next Sunday outside Logan Hall

*Give the gift of Life!*

### I am a Church Member

Pastor Jamie's new, six-week sermon series begins next Sunday. It's an in-depth look at the Bible's teaching on what it means to be a part of the body of Christ.

The companion book, "I Am a Church Member," is available on the Patio for \$5 beginning today.

## LOVE ONE ANOTHER

**(1 John 4:11)**

*The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and...*

## BE HOSPITABLE TO ONE ANOTHER (1 Peter 4:9)

**Invite Someone to Worship With Us - Online!** Our complete 9:30 and 11:00am services are viewable at [findnewhope.com](http://findnewhope.com) - just click on the homepage's "Worship" button.

### Invite a Friend to Church Next Week!

Most new members say they visited our church because someone invited them personally. When was the last time you invited a friend, neighbor or co-worker to worship with you? Pick up an invite card at the Welcome Desk in the Lobby this morning to keep handy in your purse or wallet!

### Invite Your Hispanic Friends

As one church, in two languages, we offer Hispanic worship and ministry experiences during the week. Invite your Spanish-speaking friends to check us out! For more information, write [Roberto@findnewhope.com](mailto:Roberto@findnewhope.com)

## SERVE ONE ANOTHER (Galatians 5:13)

### See Our Weekly Mission Insert

It's green for "Go!" Discover upcoming opportunities to serve others outside the church. Offers lots of opportunities to be the hands, feet, and voice of Christ!

**\*\*Please note that the church office will be closed on Monday, July 3rd  
and Tuesday, July 4th.\*\***

**For the week of June 18, 2017:** Total in Worship = 1130 ... Serving in Mission = 117

### **Tithes & Offerings: (Fiscal Year Began July 1st)**

Received Income YTD	1,751,074.00
Total Expenses YTD	1,761,834.00
Fixed Asset Purchases YTD	87,311.00
"Building For God's Future"	1,211,577.00
Endowment Fund*	51,691.00

**\*For more information about donations to the Endowment Fund  
call the Church office at 689-4161 or email [endowment@brandonchurch.com](mailto:endowment@brandonchurch.com)**