

May 2018

Dear Friend,

Each year, we take a special offering called **Future + Hope**. The offering received during this time is the practical provision that allows us to keep our facility and ministry tools up to date.

Since we first began in 2013 we have dreamed, stepped out in faith, and trusted God for all we needed to accomplish His vision. God has been so faithful to provide for us as a church over these last five years. We thank you for trusting Him together with us, and for joining us as we press forward into 2018 and beyond.

New Hope continues to grow, with over 1,400 people attending one of our four weekend services each week! We are experiencing the "growing pains" associated with an aging building and outdated or failing equipment. Future + Hope is designed to help improve our facilities so we can better serve our community and communicate the love of Jesus more effectively.

Previous years' Future + Hope funded projects have included men's and women's bathroom renovations, bike rack installation, upgrading of technical items such as amplifiers, and outfitting of the kitchen with larger capacity equipment. Even simple "building block" tools such as tables and chairs may not seem like a big deal at first glance, but are mission critical to ministry here.

This year we are hoping to tackle some key projects that include:

- Additional classrooms and office space
- Replacement of all microphones for worship services
- Storm Water Treatment (flooding of parking lot)
- Campus tables and chairs

On the weekend of **June 9**th **and 10**th we will again take the Future + Hope offering during our weekend services. This is an opportunity for all of us to invest in the ministry needs that allow us, as a church, to continue to do what we do.

It is our hope that you have already been prayerfully considering your involvement in this endeavor and we invite you to simply pray and ask the Lord how you are to be involved and then to walk in obedience.

## The NEXT Step of Faith...

We believe that God has significant plans for New Hope and therefore we're **ALL** invited to dream BIG! We recognize that a church building constructed 43 years ago and a gym that was built in 1915 would be in need of critical structural repairs and updating, and that requires more than a once-a-year offering. We are announcing the **Building a Future + Hope Campaign** that will allow for focused strategic giving that we can all be a part of. This will help ensure that our campus continues to serve our church and our community well into the future. We will be sharing detailed plans and additional information with you in upcoming weeks.

What makes New Hope so special is who we are as a family, and together we experience the excitement of joining with Jesus in reaching our community. Our church facility continues to be a powerful instrument for changing lives. Thank you for helping make it even more effective in doing so.

It is our greatest joy to serve alongside each of you.

Sincerely.

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\*Specific details about F + H can be found online at <u>www.newhopeeugene.com/f+h</u>

