

## Vision for Expansion

Prompted by the news that the building New Hope has been using rent free for the past seven and a half years has been sold, it is time to share with you the vision God has given us for the future of this ministry. Over the past couple of years, He has been planting seeds of an expanded vision for New Hope to include *retreats*, in order to take groups of people through the New Hope materials in a shorter amount of time. This would allow the people to know what's in the materials, not only benefiting from it themselves, but to be more quickly equipped to use the materials to help people in their own ministries or outreaches. God is also giving us an understanding of the great impact day and night prayer and worship can make on not only a ministry, but on society. A great longing of our hearts is to also include a New Hope Prayer & Worship Room where continuous prayer and worship will take place.

### Good Stewardship:

The ministry of New Hope was birthed in July 2001. Now, over ten years later, it is well-established, having proven our commitment, faithfulness, and good stewardship. The local mission work of New Hope Counseling Center will always be our first priority. We will expand our borders to include the New Hope Retreat Center and New Hope Prayer & Worship Center as the Lord provides.

### New Hope Retreats ministry:

- To train and align servants of the Lord—Warriors of the King—as God desires to see His Kingdom increase and advance.
- Who ministers to the ministers? Whose mission is to the missionaries? These servants of God need places to be able to go to for refreshing and renewal—even revival.
- Three to six day Retreats (week or week-end) for the different ministry areas we cover. We take them through a condensed form of the New Hope three-phase series, providing revival, renewal, and refreshing as they apply it themselves personally, while at the same time training them how to use the materials to teach and help others:
  - Discipleship Training Retreats
  - Small Group Leaders Training Retreats
  - Full-time Christian Service Workers Retreats
  - Biblical Counseling Training Retreats
  - Marriage Retreats
  - Personal Renewal Retreats for Individuals
  - Teens...the possibilities are endless with God
- An intimate setting, no more than 12-15 reservations each Retreat.
- Opening and closing Worship Service with music and commitments at the beginning of the Retreat and as they depart.
- Providing training and equipping, then the NH Ministry Kits and Materials are made available to them for purchase at the end of the Retreat. Come in—get trained—go out:
  - Go out and bring others into the Kingdom.
  - Go out and help free people who are lost in life-controlling problems.
  - Go out and help the hurting.

- Go out and make Disciples.
- Go out and train up the Body of Christ.
- Go out and affect the Kingdom.

- Home-cooked meals provided and served family style in the main dining room area.
- Other things that could be incorporated later:

- Guest cabins on the grounds.
- Book Store/Coffee Shop.

The biggest thing we want to announce is that we believe the Lord doesn't want us to begin by asking people for money. We believe He wants us to ask you to join us as we pray for Him to give us the land and money that is needed. Even though He does work through people, we need to look to *Him only* as our *Source*. We don't yet know what exactly that means, but we believe it has to do with looking only to Him and then obeying whatever He reveals He wants us to do each step of the way. We want to follow His instructions on *what* we are supposed to do and *when* we are supposed to do it.

God bless *you* for all that you have done for this ministry. We look forward to partnering with you in even greater ways in the days ahead to make an even greater difference for the Kingdom of God.

**Whether you sign up to be on our Building Project Prayer Warriors Team or not, we are asking everyone who receives this letter to please unite with us in this Prayer:**

*Father God,*

*We come to You in praise and thanksgiving. You are Creator God, Who created everything from nothing. You alone have raised up and guided this ministry from Your call to where it is today. When seemingly impossible situations arose, we have seen You bring about solutions that were beyond what we could ask or think. Over and over You have demonstrated Your faithfulness as our Provider! Our joy overflows!*

*Now we come to You, Lord, not in anxiety or distress, for we know Your goodness, but with anticipation, for the next step. For we know we have a hope and a future! The Retreat Center and Prayer & Worship Room would be a mission work that could affect the world. You have sent people to us to speak words indicating Your plans for our future. We look to You to fulfill Your plans and bring them to pass, for we know they are impossible for us to accomplish without You. This is too big for us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are upon You. You are the God of the impossible!*

*We come before You, united and asking in faith, for You to do all that You want to do, in and through this ministry. "Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give glory, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake" (Psalm 115:1). We ask this in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. To Him be all glory, honor, and praise! Amen. Amen.*