

PARTNERSHIP

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More than just a church membership, it's a Partnership!

Whenever two or more people join together for a common cause, a **partnership** is formed.

In a partnership each individual shares the same vision and passion. They are willing to work with one another, in collaboration and cooperation, in order to achieve their goals.

At New Hope we are passionate about the mission that God has given us: to know Jesus as our Savior and to make His love known to others. Because of this, we have chosen to invite others to join us as **ministry partners**, rather than simply becoming church members.

If you desire to be part of an authentic community of men, women and children who are committed to following after Jesus; learning to love God completely, love one another correctly, and love their neighbors compassionately - then we invite you to join us.

Partners who live, love and lead together ...

When you partner with New Hope you'll be part of a body of believers who:

- PRAY regularly for one another.
- GIVE joyfully and sacrificially to minister to one another.
- SHARE their lives with one another.

You'll also have the opportunity to...

- SERVE in your area of spiritual giftedness.
- EXPERIENCE the Kingdom of Heaven here and now.
- LEAD and to elect those who lead.

The power of unity and commitment ...

Partnerships are powerful because of the **unity** and **commitment** of each member.

In choosing to partner with New Hope Church you are affirming:

- Your testimony of faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.
- Your desire to grow upward in love for God, inward in love for your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, and outward in love for your neighbor (for the lost of Baldwinsville, Central New York and the World).
- Your trust in the Holy Scriptures as God's inspired Word.
- Your commitment to pray regularly for the needs of your brothers and sisters in Christ, in particular those from this body of believers (New Hope).
- Your commitment to participate regularly in corporate worship with this body of believers.
- Your commitment to give joyfully and sacrificially of your time, talents and financial resources to edify, encourage and equip this body of believers.
- Your commitment to share your life with others by investing relationally through Biblical fellowship (i.e. Life Group, Affinity Group, etc.).
- Your commitment to participate annually in the nomination and election of Elders and Governing Board members, and, if elected, to serve this body of believers with integrity.
- Your readiness and willingness to follow Jesus Christ in obedience demonstrated in public baptism.

New Hope's Leadership Promise:

The pastoral staff and elected leaders of New Hope Church are entrusted with protecting, leading, equipping and caring for the corporate church body and those who have entered into ministry partnership (membership).

Therefore we promise to:

- Prayerfully seek God's will and direction for New Hope Church.
- Provide foundational Biblical teaching and counsel.
- Equip each ministry partner for the work of the Gospel.
- Provide care and assistance to ministry partners in need.
- Steward the material resources of New Hope to the best of our ability.
- Lovingly exercise church discipline according to the scriptures for the good of the one disciplined and the health of the church body to the glory of God.

