

# NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## PENTECOST AND ME

As I mentioned in my last editorial comment, I was still not certain how I was going to pursue my quest to be a better Evangelist. During the past few weeks, I have spent considerable time with this topic. During my devotional times recently, my thoughts wander back to The Road to Emmaus and how the closeness of Jesus is so real. I have concluded that I am keenly aware that Jesus is walking with me all the time. BUT, is that the Holy Spirit? I don't think so. That Pentecostal Surge is yet to be recognized.

We live in a time of rapid response, from the death of Bin Laden to the tragedies surrounding the Mississippi Delta floods. Our world is so immense and our response time to aforesaid occurrences often times are taken in stride with little emotion and we move on. Do we allow the Holy Spirit to effect how we respond to such occurrences? In my case, I would have to say, "No."

I conclude that I am still on "The Road to Emmaus", firmly in step with my Risen Savior, but still reaching for that Rushing Pentecostal Spirit. My prayer is that I will remain open to the movement of the Spirit keeping in mind it may be when I least expect it. As I live day-by-day, my evangelist spirit is alive and I will continue to keep "Walking the Walk" and in the process I believe the Holy Spirit will guide me.

Joyce Palmer, The Editor

## NEW HOPE MEMBERS IN NEED OF PRAYERS

On a calm (no wind) Sunday this month, **Dwight Dillon** joined us for worship. He looked great and said that he is looking forward to getting out more often when the wind subsides. He thanked us for prayers and asked that we continue to keep him on our prayer list. **Leila Budnovich** continues to gain strength without chemotherapy. She will have another diagnostic test soon at which time her oncologist will map out future plans. Keep her in our prayers. Leila knows the Power of Prayer and thanks all of us! **Ingrid Moore** is doing well. She rarely uses her walker anymore and is very grateful for our prayers. Let's continue our concerns for her complete recovery!

## CHURCH CALENDAR FOR JUNE

Sunday Worship Services	9am and 11am
Sunday School	10:15am
Outreach Meeting	June 2, 7pm
<b>Breakfast/Fellowship Training</b>	<b>Jun 4, 9am</b>
Health Fair	June 5, 10am & noon
Worship Meeting	June 5, 12:15pm
Council Meeting	June 12, 12:15pm
<b>Dove Circle</b>	<b>June 14, 1pm</b>
Future Planning Mtg	June 16, 7pm
<b>Game Night</b>	<b>June 18, 6:30pm</b>
<b>FATHER'S DAY</b>	<b>June 19</b>
Future/Property Mtg.	June 22, 7pm
<i>Book Study, "Have a Little Faith",</i>	<i>June 23</i>
	<i>At 7pm &amp; June 25, 9am</i>
<i>New Member's/Visitors Luncheon,</i>	<i>Jun 26,</i>

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Appreciation Dinner at 5pm on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, August 1-5 from 9am to noon. Featuring "Pandamania" Where God is Wild About You!

Adult Retreat, September 10

## CHURCH FRIENDS &amp; FAMILY

## GEOFF AND VICKI GANNON

Geoff was born in New York, but grew up in El Paso. Vicki was born and raised in a small rural town in Iowa. God brought them together by crossing their paths while Geoff was stationed in Germany, serving in the military. After settling in El Paso, they became members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and later New Hope. They have two children: Jennifer, who was recently married and lives and works in San Antonio, and Justin, who lives and works in Las Cruces. Geoff is a Calibration Technician, working at Ft. Bliss, and Vicki is a Speech Pathologist, working at WBAMC. They celebrated their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary this past summer with a family trip to London and Munich.

Geoff currently serves the church as the Property chairperson and is on the Outreach committee. Vicki is currently the Outreach chairperson and also serves on the Church Council and the



Property committee. They both serve on the Worship committee for the second service (Joy and Grace).

Geoff's outside interests are woodworking, completing projects around the house and watching TV; while Vicki's interests are BSF, reading and counted-cross stitch.

They are warm and cordial folks and we are so fortunate to have them as leading members of our church family.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

*Recipe for a "Happy Marriage"*

*Take two happy people – separate them from their parents. Add the following ingredients in generous proportions:*

*Love  
Acceptance  
Respect  
Communication  
Patience  
Kindness  
Gentleness  
Self-control  
Commitment  
Faith  
Hope  
Truth*

*Mix together, then thoroughly sift in daily life. Strain out jealousy, arrogance, selfishness, provocation and accounting of wrongs. Bake in the trials and tribulations of life for 50 years, then celebrate when GOLDEN.*

*Submitted by: Renate Parsons*

## The Women's Breakfast

Pictured below is a group of ladies that enjoyed the pampering and posh by the men of the church during the Women's Breakfast on May 7<sup>th</sup>. George Drake was proof that a kitchen is not foreign to him. Other "experts" were Pastor Jeff, Miguel Hernandez, Norbert Brauner, Howard Swan, Geoff Gannon, David Hannah and Gery Amundson. They served French toast with fruit, bacon and the trimmings. Everyone enjoyed themselves!

