(Brian@go2hope.org / 224-381-3651); 3) mail your offering to our financial PO Box (PO Box 937, Lake Villa, IL 60046); or 4) request from Brian info about electronic giving. Thank you so much for your continued support of Hope!

#### Small Groups

Life was never meant to be a "lone ranger" journey. God has made us all with a relational need to be known and to know others. We believe that the best way to go deeper in these relationships is through our small groups. Most all of our small groups continue to meet via Zoom and/or in-person meetings. For more info, ☑ on your welcome card or contact Wayne at wayne@go2hope.org. Current small groups:

Clements' home group—Meets

7pm on Mondays

- Stewarts' group on heaven—2<sup>nd</sup>
- and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday evenings Griffin's home group—Meets
- Thursdays 7pm
  Young families' home group— Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays at 6:15pm
- Saturday Morning Men's group— Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month at 8am

#### Tuesday Morning Women's Coffee Connection

Hope women meet every Tuesday at 9am. Now meeting at Daisy's Artish Cafe in Lake Villa (216 N. Milwaukee Ave.)! We get together to have coffee, smoothies, lattes, tea, a choice of some great breakfast pastries, and just have a great time! For more info please contact Dawn Roitblat (dawnroitblat@gmail.com).

## Calendar (see www.go2hope.org for more)

- Every Sunday Morning—8:30am Prayer & ministry time; 9:15am Connection time; 9:30am Video replay of the Saturday evening worship service (Zoom mtg. ID#: 287 775 281 Passcode: 019752)
- February 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Friday Morning Prayer at 9:30am (Zoom mtg. ID#: 823 3258 1259 Passcode: 021144)
- February 26<sup>th</sup>—Congregational Meeting immediately following the worship service
- New Outreach Cohorts—Once a month for one hour either in-person after our worship service or via Zoom!



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Propaganda

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum tells how the Nazis effectively used propaganda to win the support of millions of Germans in a democracy and, later in a dictatorship, to facilitate persecution, war, and ultimately genocide.

In 1924, Adolf Hitler wrote that propaganda's "task is not to make an objective study of the truth, in so far as it favors the enemy, and then set it before the masses with academic fairness: its task is to serve our own right, always and unflinchingly." Today we can tend to either be oblivious to the influence of propaganda, or we think of propaganda as a tool used by those who oppose the political party to which we adhere. Scripture, however, warns us that as believers, we are being bombarded with a far more dangerous propaganda by an enemy that is far more sinister and powerful than any devious human being on this planet.

So how do we protect ourselves from this fatal propaganda? Let's talk about it....

Wayne Okamoto, pastor

February 12, 2022

### Are you new?

Welcome to HOPE

We're so glad you took the time to visit us this evening! Perhaps you're just beginning to explore spiritual things. On the other hand, maybe you have known God for many years. Either way, we invite you to join us as we travel together in life's spiritual journey to get to know the God of the universe!

### What to expect

As we worship God, you may see people express their love for God in different ways. Some people are more expressive and like to clap their hands or even raise their arms. Others feel more comfortable worshiping quietly. But please don't feel compelled to do anything! Feel free to participate in worship or just sit back, relax, and observe.

### No strings attached

If you are a guest with us today, please don't put anything in the offering box except your orange welcome card. This service is our gift to you!



## Worship Order

Welcome & prayer

Worship

#### **Reminders & Announcements**

**Message:** Spiritual Propaganda Living Confidently as a Child of God (part 4) Pastor Wayne Okamoto

(pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are dismissed prior to the message\*)

Final song

#### \*Our Children's Ministries:

Our children are dismissed for their classes just prior to the message. They will be meeting downstairs (nursery/ preschool/kindergarten and elementary).

Welcome Cards

We'd like to encourage everyone to fill out a welcome card. If you're visiting with us this evening, please fill out a card & place it in the offering box in the back. Then pick up a free bag from our resource table!

### Helpful guidelines regarding the pandemic

**Masks:** In light of Governor Pritzker's current statewide mask mandate, we highly encourage you to wear a mask. If you need a mask, please pick one up on our welcome table in the lobby.

Not feeling well?: If you are not feeling well, we ask that you stay home. In addition, if you attend our worship service and later test positive for COVID-19, please contact Wayne or an elder ASAP.

### Our Mission Statement

To honor God by helping people become Christ-followers who grow, connect, devote, & serve. For more info about Hope, check out our website at www.go2hope.org.

# Next Steps

Would you like to take a next step in your spiritual journey? Consider joining a small group! It's a great place to connect with others and grow in your relationship with God. Another option is to meet someone one-on-one for what we call "discipleship" or "spiritual mentoring." It's like having a spiritual trainer to help you grow and develop spiritually. For more info, just check the box on your orange welcome card.

# Upcoming Events

#### **Hope Congregational Meeting**

We will have a congregational meeting on **Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**, 6:25-7:25pm immediately following the worship service. We will be discussing a very important recommended proposal by the elder board regarding our Sunday worship venue search. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend, although you must be a member in order to vote. We encourage you to attend in person if possible; however, if you cannot, we will have an online Zoom option. Please plan to join us!

# Reminders

# Sunday Morning Prayer & Ministry Time

Grow. Devote. Connect. Serve.

Join us for a time of sharing, prayer, & ministering to one another via Zoom! **Sunday morning 8:30-9:15am**, just prior to our Sunday Zoom connection time: Meeting ID: 287 775 281; Passcode: 019752

#### Sunday Zooming!

We host a 15-minute open, unstructured Zoom time for everyone at Hope to connect with one another **each Sunday at 9:15am**. We encourage all of you to join us! In addition, for those who missed our Saturday worship service, we will replay a recording of the service beginning at 9:30am on the same Zoom channel. Zoom mtg. ID: 287 775 281; Passcode: 019752

### Offering Info

You can give to the Lord & to Hope four different ways: 1) during our inperson worship service, drop your offering in the offering box in the back; 2) request pre-stamped envelopes from Brian Clements

Our Mission

To help people become Christ followers who grow, devote, connect, and serve. We are so glad you joined us today! Let us know if we can do anything to serve you.