

(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

Offering Summary for 2021			
	Needed	Given	+ / (-)
Dec	\$13,910	\$13,165	(\$745)
YTD	\$168,270	\$157,038	(\$11,232)

### Calendar (see [www.go2hope.org](http://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 4<sup>th</sup>**—**Friday Morning Prayer** at 9:30am (Zoom mtg. ID#: 823 3258 1259 Passcode: 021144)
- **February 11<sup>th</sup>**—**Evening or Worship & Prayer** at 7pm
- **New Outreach Cohorts**—Once a month for one hour either in-person after our worship service or via Zoom!



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# Welcome to HOPE

January 29, 2022

## 1 John 2:3-11

<sup>3</sup> Here’s how we can be sure that we know God in the right way: Keep his commandments.

<sup>4-6</sup> If someone claims, “I know him well!” but doesn’t keep his commandments, he’s obviously a liar. His life doesn’t match his words. But the one who keeps God’s word is the person in whom we see God’s mature love. This is the only way to be sure we’re in God. Anyone who claims to be intimate with God ought to live the same kind of life Jesus lived.

<sup>7-8</sup> My dear friends, I’m not writing anything new here. This is the oldest commandment in the book, and you’ve known it from day one. It’s always been implicit in the Message you’ve heard. On the other hand, perhaps it is new, freshly minted as it is in both Christ and you—the darkness fading away and the True Light already blazing!

<sup>9-11</sup> Anyone who claims to live in God’s light and hates a brother or sister is still in the dark. It’s the person who loves brother and sister who dwells in God’s light and doesn’t block the light from others. But whoever hates is still in the dark, stumbles around in the dark, doesn’t know which end is up, blinded by the darkness.

1 John 2:3-11 (The Message Paraphrase)

## Are you new?

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

Guest worship leader:  
Missy Yamamoto Mols

### Reminders & Announcements

**Message: Knowing that You Know**  
*Living Confidently as a Child of God*  
(part 2)

Pastor Wayne Okamoto

(pre-K through 5th 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 in separate classrooms (nursery/preschool/ kindergarten; 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](http://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

### Evening of Worship & Prayer

On Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm we will be meeting here at Liberty, in the lower level (enter on the south side of the building) for our monthly Evening of Worship & Prayer. Afterwards we'll spend a little time reconnecting and having dessert. We would like to invite everyone to attend and, if you're so inclined, to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Please join us!

## Reminders

### Sunday Morning Prayer & Ministry Time

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 in-person 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.*