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## Events On The Calendar

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## Sundays

10:00 AM Live Service

To watch online: Click Here

June 15<sup>th</sup> Pat Johnson will continue the series on John starting at Chapter 16, Verse 16 Read ahead.

## Community Festival Update:

Due to a number of factors, it was decided on June 3<sup>rd</sup> to cancel the Community Festival this year. The plan at this point is to hold it in 2026 but start the planning earlier, in late 2025 or early 2026.

Look for updates later this year and keep this event in your prayers.

# Wednesdays

Come join us...All are welcome! We meet at Hope each week

June 11th 6:30 pm:

Men and Women Together: Studying the book of 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel

June 18th 6:30 pm:

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June 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm:

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July 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 pm:

Monthly prayer night for our church and community

## Service Opportunity

I'm reaching out from the Abundant Life Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Oak Grove, MN.

I work with the youth at this church. The youth of the church are planning a service weekend on June 27 and 28. They are looking to serve people in the area by doing volunteer work like yard cleaning, easy painting projects, helping out other churches, etc.

If you know <u>of any people</u> that are in need and/or if you could help, connect and let us know.

Thanks.

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# Last Sunday's Sermon Highlights

Review Previous Message – John Part 21–6/1/2025 By Pat Johnson

Watch: https://youtu.be/aigGB7sdPJk or Read:

https://www.hopeccnews.org/HNL/Vol170HopeCCNewsletter.pdf#page=2

This week: Turn in your Bibles to John 15, verse 18 and follow along:

#### Introduction

#### **Setting: The Upper Room**

- After the Last Supper; Jesus washes the disciples feet
- Disciples were told of His upcoming betrayal, denial, and departure
- Promise of the Holy Spirit
- I AM the vine and branches = Stay connected....ABIDE, BEAR FRUIT
- Love one another, keep His commands
- The fruit is the sign of a healthy relationship with the Lord.

#### 1. John 15:18-25 Persecution Explained

Vs 18 "World" = thinking and living without God...The World will hate you because of Jesus. See I John 2:15-17. The world is full of pride and selfishness...Opposition / Rejection / Hatred ...Don't take it personally. Vs 22 & 24, "Without Sin"...Many may not have known about sin, but now that Jesus is here, we are without excuse. See Romans 2.

See Acts 9:4 There has always been a history of Antisemitism / Anti-Christian --- Since the fall. Satan at work! The hatred of Jews and Christians is going on to this day. But don't be troubled.

#### 2. John 15:26-16:4 Don't be Stumbled

Our dual citizenship, heaven and earth means that God has our back. VS 26, The Holy Spirit was being sent to testify of Jesus. He is the Spirit of TRUTH. Because of that believers will testify. If what we say does not testify of Jesus it is not of the Spirit. VS 16:2, They will put you out and kill you thinking that they are doing God a service. See Acts 7. Martyrdom of most of the original apostles would follow.

#### 3. John 16:5-15 The Work of the Spirit

Jesus would leave but it was for our advantage for the indwelling of all believers by the Spirit.

The Spirit will **"Convict"** the world = to expose, refute, and convince.

Conviction of Sin = Why? People reject Jesus, the remedy for their sin problem is being refused.

Conviction of Righteousness = Jesus perfectly fulfills God's purpose...They have refused that righteousness.

Conviction of **Judgment** to come = all people must answer. It was decided at the cross. Jesus was the victor. The question will be "What did you do about Jesus?"

#### The Work of the Spirit

The Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth. NOT on His own authority = but the **Trinity** in action. This filters out the untruthful heresies/false teaching. From this we got the New Testament plus more to this day. Whatever is revealed, it will always be in line with revealed Scripture. In sync. There is no "New Truth". That is where cults come from. This will always glorify Jesus!!!

#### **Realities:**

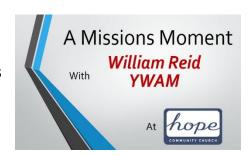
- √ "Abiding" means ongoing relationship
- ✓ Persecution and opposition will happen
- ✓ The Holy Spirit is working in the world
- ✓ The Holy Spirit should be working in us
- ✓ Understand and rely on the Holy Spirit

Watch the whole sermon to get every detail!





William Reid with "Youth With A Mission" gave us a report on his recent scouting trip to Tunisia to see how short and long term teams could impact the area.





## Food For Thought

Judas had the best adviser, counselor, leader, motivator, teacher, pastor... yet he failed.

You can blame the church, the pastor, the leadership, the worship, and the people, but if you refuse to change your heart, attitude, character, and actions, the problem is you.

## A Little Humor

If a package of bacon isn't resealable, it contains one serving.

That's just science, I didn't make the rules.