



New Hope News

News and Events of New Hope Baptist Church

On Sunday Morning we will be singing the hymn, "The Lily of the Valley." I thought you might be interested in the history of this beautiful hymn:

In 1881, Charles Fry was inspired by the imagery in the Song of Solomon.

"I am the rose of Sharon, the lily of the valleys.' Like a lily among the thorns, so is my darling among the maidens. Like an apple tree among the trees of the forest, so is my beloved among the young men. In his shade I took great delight and sat down...He has brought me to his banquet hall, and his banner over me is love." Song of Solomon 2:1-4 [NASB]

After reading these words of scripture, Mr. Fry sat down and wrote about a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus. Those words became the hymn, The Lily of the Valley. The song was first published in the Dec. 29th, 1881 edition of The War Cry, the Salvation Army national magazine. Mr. Fry declared he had found a friend in Jesus. He compared the "Beloved" in Song of Solomon to Jesus as the lily of the valley. One commentary explains "Undoubtedly, this lily of the valley symbolizes the sweetness, purity, fruitfulness, humility, and healing qualities of Jesus Christ. Fry could see only in Jesus all he needed to be cleansed and be made fully whole. He declared that Jesus was his comfort in sorrow and in trouble because Jesus has told him to roll every care on Him for He cares. Jesus is indeed "the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul."

So who was Charles Fry?

He was born May 30, 1838 in Aldersbury, Wiltshire, England as William Charles Fry. He followed in his father's footsteps and became a bricklayer by trade. However he was a versatile musician, playing the violin, cello, piano, cornet, and harmonium, and leading an orchestra and band at the Wesleyan chapel in Alderbury.

Mr. Fry did not like the abuse he saw heralded at the Salvation Army when they established a ministry in 1878 Salisbury, where the Fry family lived and worked. Mr. Fry and his three sons offered to serve as bodyguards for the Salvation Army workers.

The next day the four men arrived with their weapons. These weapons consisted of two cornets, a trombone and a small tuba. In between fighting off the troublemakers, the Fry men played. Their music attracted crowds for the preachers. This was the first Salvation Army Brass Band.

Mr. Fry and his sons continued to work for the Salvation Army and it was during this time that he wrote the Lily of the Valley.

Ira Sankey stated in his autobiography, "Mr. Fry is one of the leaders of the Salvation Army in London. In addition to writing the words, he also set the hymn to music, and later arranged it to slower time and published it in Gospel Hymns."

The tune was adapted from the song *Little Old Log Cabin*.

Charles Fry died the year after writing his popular hymn on August 24, 1882 in Park Hall, Polmont, Stirlingshire, Scotland.

<http://dianaleaghmatthews.com/the-lily-of-the-valley/>

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Dear Friend,

Thank you so much for the great support at Whiteville United Methodist Church on Wednesday afternoon. It was so comforting to see so many of you in the congregation for the Lenten Service. You will never know how much it meant to me to see you there.

I praise God for you daily.

See You Sunday!

Pastor D



100%
of your gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering*
supports North American missionaries.

NATIONAL GOAL: \$70 Million





NHBC Outreach Ministry

**Monday Evenings
7:00 PM**

Please let Pastor Darrin know of any prospects that we may visit. These can be family members without a church home, friends, and neighbors.

Walk to Jerusalem



The Walk to Jerusalem is an imaginary walk that encourages walkers to increase physical activity, spiritual growth and cultural awareness through a virtual tour to Jerusalem.

Anyone can participate regardless of your age or physical fitness level. All types of exercise will count, even day-to-day walking around.

The distance from Whiteville, NC, to Jerusalem, Israel, is 6,166 miles!

Get your Walking Shoes on it is 6,166 Miles from Whiteville, NC to Jerusalem, Israel and we need to be there by Easter.

Sunday Morning Sermon Series



February 25 – What Difference Does the Cross Make?

March 4 – What Difference Does Christ Make?

March 11 – What Difference Does the Cost Make?

March 18 – Youth and Children's Sunday

March 25 – What Difference Does the Crying Make?

April 1 - EASTER – What Difference Does the Celebrating Make?

When do things make all the difference? When we are moved to laugh or cry, when we are celebrated or sacrificed for and when we believe.

Columbus County Spring Revival

March 11 – 14

Riegelwood Baptist Church

Sunday Night – Youth Pizza Blast @ 5 PM

Rev. Dwight Martinez – 6 pm

Monday Night – 7 pm – Rev. Rodney Evers

Tuesday Night – 7 pm – Rev. Tim Moore

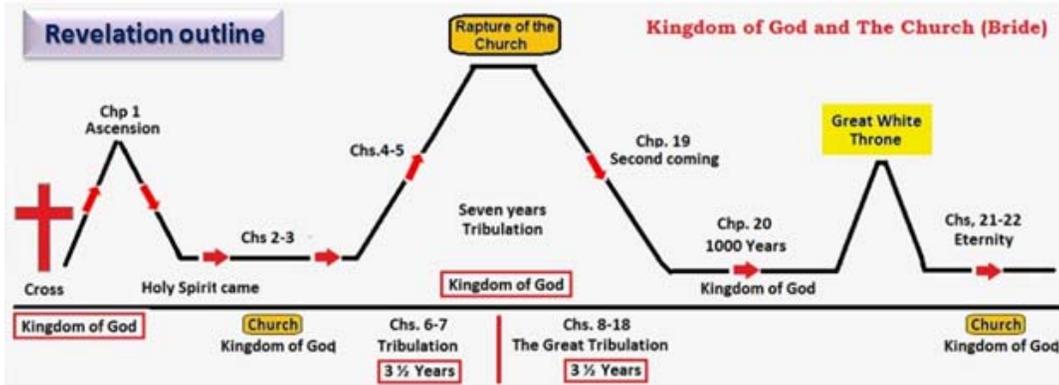
Wednesday Night – 7 pm – Rev. Ed Taylor

Special Music by Local Church Choirs

Sponsored by the Churches of the Columbus Baptist Association

Sunday Evenings @ 6pm

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Studying the Book of Revelation

Monday Morning Bible Study 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

This is a repeat of the Bible Study we have on Sunday Evening. If you are unable to attend on Sunday Evening, come join us on Monday Morning.

YOUTH
SUNDAY

Sunday, March 18

Backpack Pals Ministry

Thank You For Your Support!!

If you would like to donate any of the items, you may bring them to church and place them in the pink tote beside the office door. If you would like to donate money instead of items, we will be glad to purchase the needed items.

You have helped to provide

240 bags of Food

So Far this School Year!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

If you choose to donate money, please mark "Backpack Ministry." You can also give online, just click the "Backpack Ministry" icon at www.nhbcwhiteville.com



Teen Valley Ranch in Plum Tree, NC

You can help Send-A-Child-to-Camp or Sponsor a Child either by marking your check for that purpose or giving online and checking the "Youth Camp" tab. Thanks for all of your help and support to send our Kids to Camp this year.

**** Online Giving** is now Available on our Website at www.nhbcwhiteville.com. Just click on the Online Giving and you will be taken to a secure site. Thanks for being faithful and generous givers to the Lord's Work here at New Hope Baptist Church.

The mission of New Hope Baptist Church is to proclaim the good news of God's Love, which is the gift of His Son Jesus the Christ, and minister to the community through the power and leadership of the Holy spirit, that all people may come to believe in Jesus as their personal Savior.

Our Worship Services are recorded each Sunday and are posted on our Website usually by Tuesday. If sickness or vacation kept you from being able to attend church, this is the perfect opportunity for you to catch up with the events of New Hope Baptist Church.

www.nhbcwhiteville.com

Just look for the Sermon Tab

Security Team Update:

Just a reminder that during our Worship Services, the only open entrances will be at the Welcome Center and the Sanctuary Door. Our Security Team will be on stand-by to open other doors as needed.

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