# Connect

## **Recovery Groups for Men & Women**

Men: Mondays @ 7:00 pm

Women: Mondays@ 7:00 pm

Find freedom in Christ. Whatever the issue you may be facing these groups will provide the perspective, accountability and encouragement you need to find the victory that you are looking for. For more information, contact Mark Hampton at aahaasoberliving@gmail.com for the Men's Group and Eileen Vreeburg at wannabprov31@hotmail.com for the Women's Group.

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# Voice of Hope





# **Hope Fellowship**

**Turning Seekers of God into Servants of Jesus** 

# **SCIENTISM**

Many folks are familiar with Stephen Hawking, who just recently passed from this life into the next. He was quite possibly the world's most renowned scientist and a promoter of what could be called "scientism". Miriam Webster's Dictionary defines scientism as – "an exaggerated trust in the efficacy of the methods of natural science applied to all areas of investigation (as in philosophy, the social sciences, and the humanities)". In other words, all that exists is the natural/material world and all we need to know about anything can come from scientific discovery including new definitions of morality. Morality is presented as coming from the herd mentality of humanity as we figure out what works best for ourselves as we evolve. Hawking would have us believe God doesn't define anything for us since He doesn't exist. My question is this; What made Steven Hawking and other scientist of his ilk think they can behave like a prophet telling us that science has declared God dead? What gives a scientist the right to behave like a priest telling us how we should live our lives? Especially in light of the fact that not one of them has a "non-twilight zone" answer to how the material world began. If folks

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think the Bible has some stories that are hard to believe, they should hear some of the theories about how folks like Hawking explain the origin of the material universe.....truly twilight zone! I take this as an opportunity to remind you that it's very reasonable to believe that the true and living God of the Bible brought something in to nothing by his power and will. It is also very appropriate for the many scientists in various disciplines who believe in God to continue to discover the wonders of his creation and marvel at what God has made. Science has not done away with God nor replaced Him as "scientism" would have you believe. When scientists see themselves as priests of a new order, may God help us......and that's exactly what's happened.

Ben

## **Adventure Camp**

July 16-20, 7-9 pm

Join us for Adventure Camp 2018!

Shipwrecked... Rescued by Jesus!

There is a place for each of you to serve using your gifts and talents! You won't want to miss this fun packed week of sharing Jesus!! Watch for volunteer sign ups or email Lisa Wood at matthew19-14@integrity.com



## Men's Prayer

Sunday @ 8:00 am

Men, join pastor Ben in his office to pray for our community and Hope Fellowship.

#### **Prayer Group**

Monday @ 10:00 am

A group meets at the Roemish home for prayer each week . For more info contact or if you need directions contact the church office @ 425.432.5114.

## **Email Prayer Chain**

Become a prayer warrior by signing up to receive email prayer requests. To join the email chain or to share a praise\prayer request contact Sue Babb: ssbabb74@q.com.

# Women

## Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays @ 9:30 am & 7:00 pm

Join us for the Bible study, "Christianity, Cults, and Religions." How is Mormonism different than Christianity? When Jehovah's Witnesses say they believe in Jesus, what do they believe about him? What do I say to a friend or co-worker of another faith? This study explains the history, background and beliefs of the largest world religions and cultic groups, including Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Mormonism and more. The cost is \$20 for class and materials. Childcare is provided



September 28th—30th

Save the date for the retreat!!



#### April 14th @ 9:30 am

This will be a time to get connected with other women at Hope. Sometimes you just need some old fashioned good advice from your girl friends. Bring your favorite brunch dish to pass and favorite mug for your coffee.

#### **Sewn in Love**

#### April 28th

We will be making cloth knapsacks that will go in the Operation Christmas Child show boxes for Christmas. If you are not a seamstress but want t participate, there are several steps in the process of making the knapsack that do not require sewing. This knapsack will allow the children to have a place to carry their new gift and belonging after they open their box. Contact Sue Mueller at lcmskm@comcast.net.

# Men



#### Saturday, June 9th

Men— annual fishing trip from Westport WA on the "Tornado". We have spots for 20 men. The cost is \$155 and we will be meeting at church at 3am Sat. to head to Westport. Each fisherman needs to bring his own lunch and any food they want to eat. The cost covers the boat, tackle, gear and fishing license. There is a tip at the end of the trip for the deckhand and the skipper that is not included in the \$155. We should arrive back in Maple Valley by 7pm Sat. night. Registration is first to pay gets a spot. You can pay online at Hopefellowship.net and click on the men's ministry page.

# Men's BREAKFAST

#### April 28th @ 8:00 am

Men! Come on out to enjoy the company of other men feasting on a good breakfast to get their Saturday started. We'll also be hearing another great story of how God has done His work in the life of a man among us.

## Men's Group

#### Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm

Join Pastor Ben and other men at Hope for a 6-week study on the Holiness of God.

# Youth

## **Easter Egg Hunt Help**

Stuffing Eggs: March 30th @ 6:30 pm

Egg Hunt: March 31st @ 8:30 am

All youth are encouraged to help with our annual Egg Hunt. This is a community outreach event and help is needed stuffing eggs on Friday and setting up and running the hunt on Saturday.

## **Youth Band Concert**

#### April 27th

Family and friends, join us for a Youth Band Concert. The youth involved in the youth band will be performing. Come see what they have been learning.

# **April 2018**

Easter
Mix 56
Awana Cubbies Event Awana Trek Event
Baptisms Newcomers Lunch
Mug & Muffin
Mix 56

Women's Recovery Group

7:00 pm

21	Women's Cooking
25	Senior Lunch
27	Youth Band Concert
	Men's Breakfast
28	Sewn in Love
	Awana Sparkies Event

#### Schedule TUES SUN Men's Prayer 8:00 am 9:30 am Women's Bible Study Youth Sunday School Men's Group 9:00 am First Service 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study 10:45 am Second Service Young Adult Group 6:00 pm Third Service WED MON 6:30 pm Youth Group 10:00 am Prayer Group **THUR** 7:00 pm Men's Recovery Group

6:30 pm

**AWANA** 

# Spotlight

# Easter Eggstravagnaza

#### March 31st @ 11:00 am

Join us for an exciting time of getting to know our neighbors. There will be an egg hunt that begins right at 11:00 am. Stay after the egg hung for a carnival of fun. There will be a bounce house, a giant slide, hot dogs, a candy cannon, and lots more. This is a great time to invite friends and neighbors.



#### **Prayer and Praise**

#### March 30th @ 6:30pm

Join us for prayer mixed with praise. Would you consider fasting that day? Fasting is a time for you to cry out to God and tell him he is more important than food.



#### **April 1st**

Join us on Easter Sunday at our regular times of 9:00 am, 10:45 am, and 6:00 pm. Easter is a time when many people who do not attend church are more willing to attend, which makes this a great time to invite others to join you as we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus.

# Connect



#### **April 8th**

If you have made a decision to trust Jesus with your life and have not made a personal decisions to be baptized, it is time. There will be several people being baptized. If you want to join them or just want to talk about the possibility, let Pastor Ben know: bengdavis1@comcast.net.



Are you already a member of a Small Group? If not and you are interested in making some friends and growing deeper with God here at Hope Fellowship, Small Groups are the place to be. Being part of a Small Group is a great way to feel more connected with other believers at Hope. For more information, please contact Pastor Jeff by email at jeffsmith@hope-fellowship.net.



#### April 8th after 2nd service

If you have just been to Hope once or you have been attending Hope for months, we want to invite you to join Pastor Ben and Pastor Jeff for the newcomer's lunch. Come and get to know the Pastors and hear how you can be involved in the life of Hope Fellowship. This is a great to ask questions and just become better connected to everyone at Hope. Childcare will be provided.



#### April 25th @ 12:30 pm

You are invited to join us for a Senior Adult lunch. The potluck meal is superb, the fellowship is amazing, and don't forget the wonderful singing.