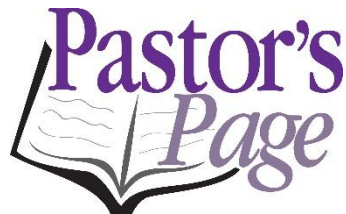




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Hope is a person's greatest resource. Hope is an emotion and a pattern of thinking. Hope is more than a wish. You may have heard the quote, "Where there's life, there's hope."

Many in the journey of life lose hope due to many factors such as loss of loved ones, loss of health, natural disasters, and economic losses.

We are remembering the death and resurrection of Jesus during Easter. If we go back to after the death of Jesus and before the resurrection, Jesus disciples had lost hope. They thought the crucifixion of Jesus ended all their hopes.

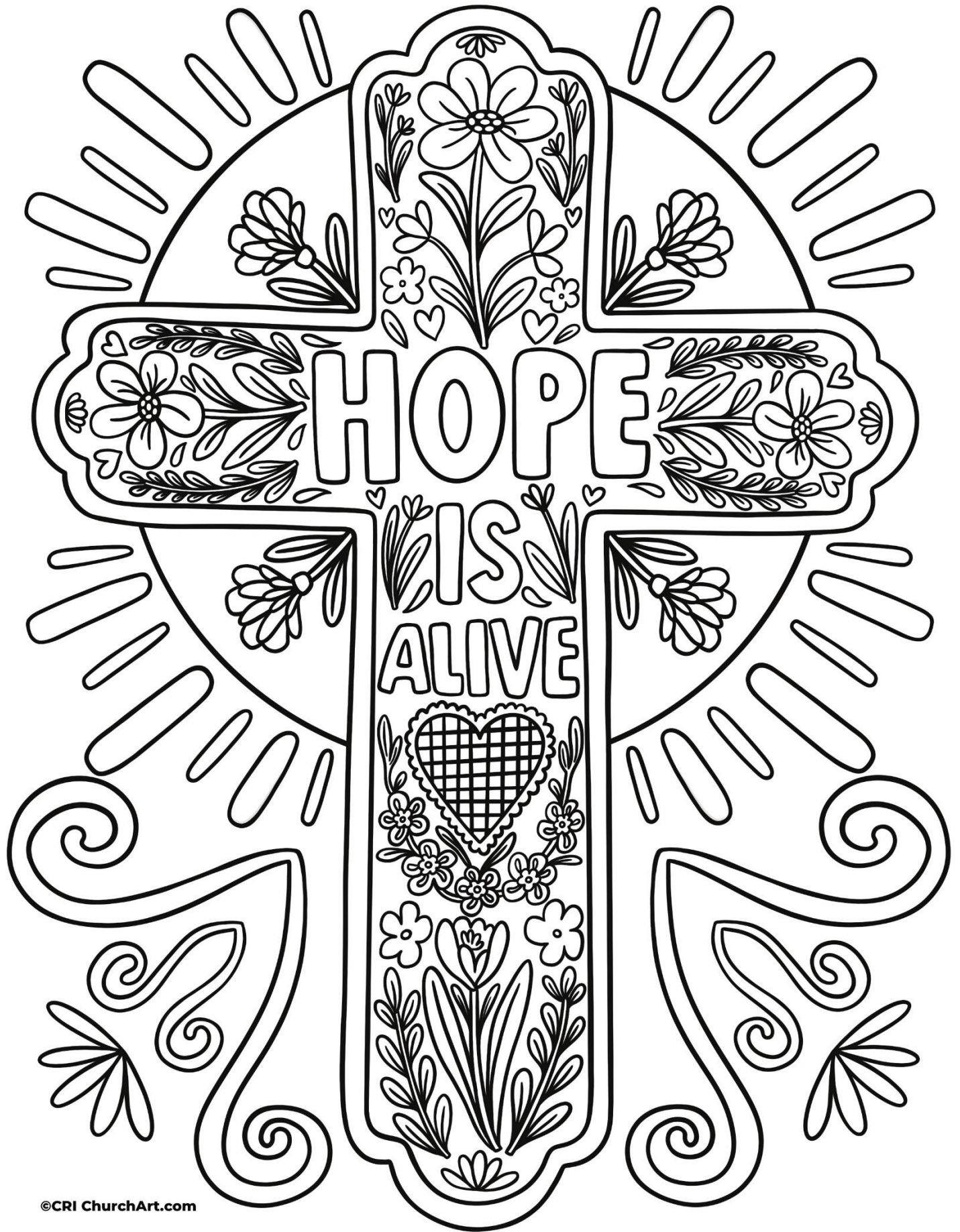
But the resurrection of Jesus changed their thinking and emotions from despair to hope. Maybe you have lost hope because of depressing news.

I pray that the reality of the resurrection of Jesus with the promise of resurrection to the followers of Jesus will bring the blaze of hope to your soul. I will end with the promise of Jesus to His followers.

"I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live even after dying. John 11:25"

Pastor Tony

A Call to Fasting and Prayer
(1st Thursday of every month)
Prayer Gathering for Revival & Spiritual Awakening
DATE/TIME: Thursday, April 2 at 12 noon
PLACE: Union Baptist Association
(and then the first Thursday of every month)



To My Church Family and Friends,

It has been one full month since YOU called Tony Medlin to be the Pastor of YOUR church. In last month's newsletter, I published Tony's 6-month goals for our church. With his leadership and your support, we are off and running!

April will be a busy month in our church (as every month should be).

March 29th-Choir Cantata and Communion

April 5th-Easter Service, Breakfast, Sunday School, Worship Service

April 12th-DISCIPLES BOOT CAMP New Sunday School class for those not currently in Sunday School

April 18th-Josh Hunt training for Sunday School teachers and workers at Indian Trail First Baptist Church

April 19th-Josh Hunt will speak during our Sunday School hour and Worship service.

I ask each of you to be in prayer without ceasing for all these upcoming services and events in our church. Invite family, friends, and all the unchurched, especially for our Easter services.

Your evangelistic efforts have been fruitful. In the last year 11 Jesus followers have joined our fellowship, 6 have made professions of faith and been baptized, and 1 has made a profession of faith and will be baptized this month.

Glory Be TO GOD!

My love and appreciation to all of you,

Roger James



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Baptism – Sunday, April 12th



Disciples Boot Camp

New Sunday School Class on basics of following Jesus. The class starts on Sunday, April 12th from 9:45 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

This class is for all who are not in Sunday School.

Please sign up on the bulletin board or in Adult Sunday School Classes. Thank you!

Disaster Relief Training

Saturday, April 25th from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in Mooresville, NC

Please make plans to attend if you need to renew your certificate or train for your 1st Basic Training Certificate. See Freddy Griffin if you have any questions. Thank you.

Nursery & Children's Church Schedule



Date	Nursery	Children's Church
4/5	Hannah & Hunter Napier	No Children's Church
4/12	Dawn & Kelcey	Kerri Collins & Joyce Griffin
4/19	Chloe & Jacob Griffin	Janel Griffin & Roger Haigler
4/26	Doris Walden & Rhylan	Cindy James & Teddy Griffin



The following items are needed for our Food Ministry.
Your donations help tremendously.

- 4/5: Snack cakes individually wrapped (ex. Little Debbie)
- 4/12: Can of corn
- 4/19: Pack of Ramen noodles or individual boxes of cereal (8 pack)
- 4/26: Can of pasta

April Fellowship Hall Clean Up: Prophecy Class

FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVATIONS

REMINDER...If you or your Sunday School Class wants to use the Fellowship Hall, please be sure to schedule with Sheri. Thank you.

**Children's Easter Celebration
and
Pizza Party
Wednesday, April 1st
6:00 p.m.**

April issues of *Mature Living*,
Home Life, and *Our Daily Bread*
are in the vestibule for pick up.

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK

Wednesday, April 1st at 9:00 a.m. at Peachland UMC



Ten Commandments - Murphy, NC Trip

April 13th-April 15th

We plan to leave around 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. and stop for breakfast at Biscuitville.



APRIL Birthdays

- 1 Amanda Griffin
- 2 Addison Paige Jordan
- 4 Jacob Collins
- 5 Shelby Hutson, Wendy Phifer
- 6 Elijah Crowe
- 7 Charles McRae, Phyllis Simpson
- 8 Emma Griffin, Michael Knight
- 9 Linda A. Edwards, Melissa A. Smith, Clinton Oster
- 10 Linda G. Edwards, Tanner Griffin, Jay Walker
- 14 Frances Knight
- 15 Reagan Mullis
- 17 Danny Phifer
- 18 Ayla Dermid, Joey Estridge
- 19 Madalyn Zambarda White
- 20 MacKenzie Newsome
- 22 Colton Whitley
- 24 Jessica Hilton, Maddison Hilton, Murphy Gordon
- 25 J. Ronald Edwards, Abby Graham, Andy Graham
- 27 Kelcey Griffin
- 28 Helen Elizabeth Hilton
- 29 Kathy Starnes
- 30 Dakota Riggins Norris, Dalton Riggins

MAY FIRST WEEK HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1 Susette Kimrey, Alyssa Napier
- 2 Matthew Austin Hilton
- 3 Carlos Figueroa, Mott Simpson
- 5 Dale Frankenberg, Joe Little
- 7 Penny Edwards



APRIL Anniversaries

- 8 Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Griffin
- 12 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Knight
- 26 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Jordan
- 29 Mr. & Mrs. Gil Collins
- 30 Mr. & Mrs. Teddy Griffin
- No first week of May anniversaries

UBA Spring Session at Multiply Community Church

DATE: April 28th

TIME: Meal: 5:30 p.m.; Session: 7:00 p.m.

Sermon: Dr. Brad Kelley, Pastor

at Shiloh Baptist Church

WMU Meeting

Saturday, April 25th Gather at 9:30 a.m. and meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.

in Billy's Sunday School Classroom

Please don't forget to turn in your updated Church Membership Information Sheet and email an updated picture to austingrovebaptist@windstream.net.

Thank you! Sheri



EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 5th

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service

7:15 a.m. Breakfast

8:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:00 a.m. Worship



Save the Date for VBS

Monday, June 8th

through

Thursday, June 11th



Bible Quiz

According to Matthew's account, something remarkable happened to the earth on the day Jesus was crucified and again on the morning when Mary Magdalene and the other Mary visited the tomb. What occurred on both days?

- A. There was a flood on both days.
- B. There was an earthquake on both days.
- C. There was a huge fire on each day.
- D. There was complete darkness on both days.

Answer: B (Matthew 27:51; Matthew 28:2)

