



January 2015



FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE BISHOP – DANIEL W. HAMPTON

HOPE FOR THE NEW YEAR TOUCHING THE KING IN 2015

There is always excitement when we think about something new: a new home, a new automobile, a new job, a new acquaintance, a new born, newlyweds, and especially now as we are getting ready to enter a New Year. The wonder, the uncertainty and the excitement of what this New Year will bring is the question we find ourselves asking now. As in times past, none of us have the answer to that question now. Only time will reveal the answer, but I can say with assurance that the same Lord and Master who brought us to where we are today is still in charge and our steps are directed by Him. **His performance in our past gives us great assurance of His ability to take care of our future.**

No doubt the New Year will bring new challenges. For some it will be economics, for others it will be a physical condition, some may face domestic issues and for many it will be times of change. We are living in changing times, some good and some not so good, but with the

changes and challenges there is Hope. Hope that is steadfast and sure, hope that does not fade away, hope that is everlasting and hope that will prevail.

(Romans 15:4) "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scripture might have Hope."

(1 John 3:3) "And every man that hath this Hope in Him purifieth himself, even as he is pure."

Understanding these principals, may we face this New Year and live in such a way that our Hope will be so evident that 1 Peter 3:15 will become a daily occurrence. **"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the Hope that is in you with meekness and fear."**

Our theme in West Virginia this New Year is **TOUCHING THE KING IN 2015**. Whatever

challenges this New Year may bring our way, I am certain that our King is more than able to give us the victory over it. As you read Mark 5, you will find the desperation of three different individuals who needed to touch the King or be touched by Him. The man with an unclean spirit, Jairus's daughter and the anonymous woman with the issue of blood all needed a touch. Their deliverance came in different ways. The possessed man was delivered when he ran to Jesus, and the Lord spoke and commanded the unclean spirit to come out. The woman was delivered when she came up behind Jesus and touched his clothes. Jairus's daughter was raised from the dead when Jesus took her by the hand and said, "I say unto thee, arise."

May our focus this New Year, regardless what may come our way, be to **Touch the King**. If we do, the miraculous will happen, deliverance will come, promises will be fulfilled, victories will be attained and the church will vibrantly live.

Michael S. Weaver
State Youth &
Discipleship Director



LAUNCH OUT INTO THE DEEP!

It has been said that mediocrity is just the best of the worst and the worst of the best. Is that what you want for the New Year? If not, be willing to leave the comfort and safety of where you are and go where God wants to take you. In Luke Chapter 5 we find the story of the disciples fishing all night and catching nothing. Jesus told the disciples, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a Catch." What do you want for the New Year, the same as you have always gotten, or something from the deep, new and exciting? I challenge you to trust God and allow Him to guide your nets to the Deep!

1 Corinthians 2:9 "But just as it is written, 'Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and which have not entered the heart of man, all that God has prepared for those who love Him.'"

God has great things in store for your church ministries, your ministry and your life! Step out and become involved in new ministries, involved in state ministries, involved in your community, involved in what God has for you, and see what is drawn in your nets!

2015 Launch out into the Deep!

MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT

*We would like to extend congratulations to the following men and women in their
ADVANCEMENT IN RANK:*

Exhorter

*Jordan Dingess
Kayla Dingess
Justin Phillips*

Ordained Minister

*Kristen Dingess
Thomas Fife*

Ordained Bishop

*David Mason Carter
Kenneth Clark
Jody Lucas*



WVCOG Junior/Teen

Talent Festival

April 25, 2015
Princeton COG



REGISTRATION DEADLINE
MARCH 25, 2015

REGISTRATION & INFORMATION AVAILABLE
ONLINE @ WWW.WVCOG.COM



MOUNTAINEER MINISTRIES

We want you to know that every Tuesday morning during our staff meeting we pray over your prayer requests that are listed on the returned Mountaineer Ministries envelopes. We would also like to hear any testimonies that you may have. We appreciate your faithfulness and support, and we are here for you!

2015 STATE PRAYER CONFERENCE

TOUCHING THE KING



GUEST SPEAKER:
RICH BOWEN
Senior Pastor,
New Hope Church of God

JANUARY 14-15, 2015
FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER
BECKLEY, WV

REGIONAL MINISTRY TRAINING CONFERENCE ↑ UPLOAD

MARCH 21
2015

PARSONS COG
9:00 A.M.

Youth
Children
Discipleship
& More

Lunch Provided!

More Info Coming Soon!

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Mill Creek/Peck Mills COG

Bishop JD Wall

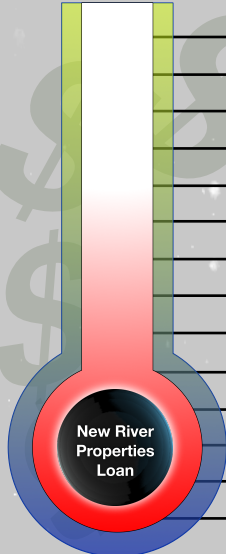
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THE REDUCTION OF 2 % BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 SHOULD BE SENT WITH THE SEPTEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT LISTED "OTHER" DESIGNATED AS NRDR WITH THE AMOUNT OF MONIES TO EQUAL 2 % OF THE TOTAL MONTHLY TITHE.

"We Can Do It!" Project

Monthly payments on mortgage:
Payments shown are for
November 2013 - December 2014.

TOGETHER,
 WE CAN SEE THIS
 CHALLENGE
 BECOME A REALITY.



WHY PAY THIS MORTGAGE OFF?

The New River Debt Reduction Plan does not add any extra cost to the local congregation and is a fair way for each congregation to participate in the elimination of the New River Properties Mortgage and save thousands of dollars in interest.

The 2 1/2 % Home Missions is the fund from which the mortgage is paid. With the reduction of funds, the 2 1/2 % fund is being eliminated, leaving no fund to pay the mortgage.

In an effort to eliminate the mortgage on the property housing the New River Ranch Children's Home Ministries and the New River Ministry Center (Campground), the ministers passed in a special called ministers meeting that 1½ % reduction of funds to the State Office beginning September 1, 2012 and the 2% beginning September 1, 2013 continue to be forwarded by the local church to the State Office designated as New River Property Debt Reduction, NRDR.

It is understood that this is a volunteer measure to be considered by the local church and that our church government operates as a democracy where we all support the decision of the body.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

January: Scripture – 2 Corinthians 5:15

- 5-6Encounter 2015 - Fayetteville, NC
- 14-15State Prayer Conference - Family Worship Center, Beckley
- 19.....Martin Luther King Day - STATE OFFICE CLOSED
- 23-25Midwest Winterfest - Indianapolis, IN
- 30-2/1Premier Winterfest - Ocean City, MD

February: Scripture – Psalms 42:1

- 6-8SYNC 2015 - Pigeon Forge, TN
- 8Black Ministries Awareness Sunday
- 27-3/1Amplify Middle School Retreat - Chattanooga, TN

March: Scripture – Ecclesiastes 3:1

- 5-7FOCUS Children's Ministry Leadership Training Conference - Knoxville, TN
- 13-15Smoky Mountain Winterfest - Knoxville, TN