

As a Christ-birtherd faith community,
NewSong's spiritual HEART is to ...



... invite all who would like to join us on a *spiritual journey North* together with Jesus! Multiple references in scripture to "*North*" imply our traveling / walking / living toward the direction of the one true God, our loving Creator God! "*Journeying North*" means that as God's people, we are to be journeying together with one another up the holy Mountain of God—growing in our faith / trust in the Lord and drawing ever closer to Him & one another with each new day! We gladly welcome YOU to join us on this blessed *journey North*!

First Time Guests to our *Encounter Worship Services*:

We invite you to worship with us as the Praise Team leads us in praise & the Holy Spirit speaks to us through a timely, Biblical message. Please fill out the Connect Card located in your worship folder and bring it to the back table (closest to the fire extinguisher) after the service for a gift as a "Thank You!" for being our honored guest!

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Please eMail us (Newsonglenoir@gmail.com) or text Diane Reid at 828-514-4072 for additional information and/or prayer needs.

We pray you have a blessed week journeying North with Jesus!



Welcome to



*"He has given me a **New Song** to sing, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see what He has done and be amazed. They will put their trust in the Lord."* Psalm 40:3 ^{NLT}




Let us each prepare our hearts to enter into this sacred time of corporate worship together with great expectancy and in full obedience to His Spirit's leading!



Sunday Morning Encounter Worship
October 22ND, 2023

- ◆ **Worship:** Our weekly **Sunday Morning Worship begins @ 10am**. Our 'renown' **Hebrews Café opens @ 9:15am & begins closing @ 9:55am**. A pre-worship countdown & video begins around ~9:50am. **Worship Team meets @ 9:25am for our Devotion & Prayer Time!**
- ◆ **Children's Ministry:** Children's ministry available **TODAY during** the message time!
- ◆ **Student Ministry [Grades 6-12]:** *Continue praying* for the ELT approved & posted **Part-time Student & Children's position** for NewSong Church! 
- ◆ **Praise Team (P/T):** Meets **Tuesdays @ 5:30pm & Sundays @ 8:30am**. Please see our P/T Leader, Brad Cook for more information on how **YOU** can serve too!
- ◆ **LIFE Groups:** Our **S.W.I.M. Life Group** (LG) will meet @ **6:30pm** each Thursday. For more details, please see Mrs. Donna Hartley. Our 2nd LIFE Group Bible Study - "**Book of John – Verse By Verse Study**" meets on Wednesdays @ 5:30pm-7pm. Please see  Brad Cook for any questions on this Life Group Bible Study. Thank you all for our expanding Life Groups & for each of the participants to grow deeper in Christ Jesus! ...G³! ☺
- ◆ **Cleaning Team:** Thanks to all of our **FY 2023 Cleaning Team** for doing a great job! Let's all help out by keeping our church campus clean each week & cleaning up following our worship services & meetings! (**Colossians 3:23-24**) 
- ◆ **ELT's Quarterly Meeting:** Our next qtrly **ELT ZOOM mtg is Wednesday, November 15th**.
- ◆ **Room at the Table [R@TT]:** This is such a wonderful multi-church outreach ministry to local families facing great needs in their life journey. See Brad Cook if you feel the Lord leading you to help serve each 5th Saturday—our next date: **DECEMBER 30th**!
- ◆ **VENMO:** NewSong uses the **VENMO** app for our platform for **electronic giving** to support the missions & ministries. Simply download the app from  **Venmo.com**, set up your account, make your settings **private** & then choose "**NewSong-Lenoir**" to give! Thanks to all who so faithfully share & invest in the Kingdom work of NewSong Church!

Upcoming Ministry Events & Intercessory Prayer Targets

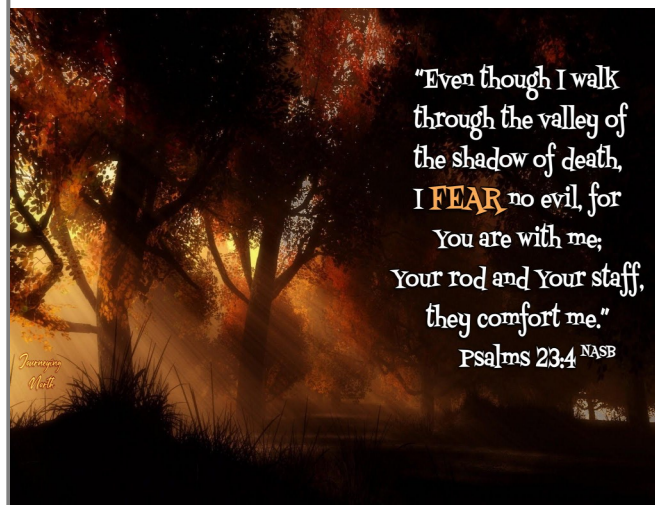
- ◆ **Outreach Ministry**—Our **next Outreach Team planning meeting** will be on **Tuesday evening, Nov 14th @ 6:00 pm!**
- ◆ **Welcome Team Ministry (WTM)** — If you'd like to serve with WTM, please see Team Leader **LeAnne Cook!** Thank everyone who serves & shares friendly smiles!
- ◆ **Radiant Women's Ministry** — Our next meeting is on **Tuesday, Nov. 21th @ 6:30pm**. Come join us in this growing, vibrant ministry. Invite a friend, bring a friend & let's grow together in Him!  Please be praying for our co-leaders for Radiant -

Traci Haltom & Carol Shore! ☺

- ◆ **Warriors for Christ Men's Ministry** — Join us @ our next **Breakfast / Bible Study** for our Kingdom Warriors on **October 28th @ our NewSong Campus from 8:30am to ~10am**. 
- ◆ **Children's Ministry Meeting** — Our next meeting is on **Thursday, Nov. 7th @ 6:30p.m.** Hope to see everyone there!
- ◆ Please be praying for our upcoming **Caldwell County Bus Driver Outreach**. (1 Thessalonians 5:11 / Philemon 6:1) 

Welcome to NewSong Church's Encounter Worship. We are so very thankful that you have chosen to join us today and we pray God blesses you in a most personal, life-changing way as together we lift our praises to Him and receive the timely message which He has prepared for all of us! Today we continue our "*Wild Goose Chase Series*" study on the final cage – the **Cage of FEAR (Pt 3 of 4)**! The word "*FEARLESS*" is being marketed on everything today from coffee mugs to shirts to ballcaps to automobile stickers. By definition, this word simply means "*having NO FEAR!*" That is certainly encouraging and invokes a great sense of confidence, as well it should for Christians. But I believe we must be cautious not to extrapolate more from that term than is realistic. As I have shared over the past two Sundays, there are an unlimited number of *fears* in today's world, and being completely honest, I don't believe I have ever met anyone, including myself, who can say with 100% honesty, that they truly have '*no fears!*' Yes, Christ came to secure and offer you and I **TRUE FREEDOM** ... and one of the dimensions of that *freedom* lies in the realm of **FEAR** whereby, when we are *walking in His freedom by faith*, **FEAR** cannot have *dominion / rule* over us. Recall from last Sunday when I shared, "Being **FREE** does **NOT** mean that we will **NEVER** feel / experience **FEAR** again! It simply means that **FEARS** will no longer have **POWER / CONTROL / STRONGHOLD OVER US** if we **obediently** exercise our **FAITH / complete TRUST** in God!" Our **FREEDOM from FEAR** does not come by *denying* the things we are **afraid** of ... our **FREEDOM comes** solely from **Christ Jesus being in us and eternally with us!** With Jesus living in our hearts / lives, only then can we declare, with confidence and boldness, "*When* I am **AFRAID**, I put my **TRUST** in you. In God, whose Word I **PRAISE** - in God I **TRUST** and am not **AFRAID**." [Psalms 56:3-4a] Note the key word for encountering **FEAR** is "*WHEN*," not "*IF*!" At some point in each of our life journeys, we encounter *fearful moments*, even *fearful seasons* ... the loss of loved ones and/or close friends, health trials / crises, job loss, times of social and cultural chaos (e.g. like **TODAY!**), and many other times when our world is rocked / shaken down to the very foundation upon which our faith rests (Psalms 16:8 ^{NLT})! So let us all make absolute certain that our life foundation is

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"Even though I walk
through the valley of
the shadow of death,
I **FEAR** no evil, for
You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff,
they comfort me."
Psalms 23:4 ^{NASB}

built upon the immovable, unchanging, all-powerful Rock of Jesus Christ, and not upon the shifting sands of self-determination, good works, pride or any other second-rate building material that the scriptures warns us will never weather / withstand life's storms nor will it be able to stand up to God's holy and righteous judgment (Matthew 7:24-27,

1 Corinthians 3:11-15!

Shalom, and Coram Deo!

~ Pastor David, Jeremiah 3:15

*faith and
finances*

Sunday: Oct 15th 2023 Offering: \$1,748.00 \o/ FirstFruits Giving!

[\$2,550.00—Weekly Goal] Last Sunday's Attendance: 42

Faith Building Fund Offering (new): \$100 Balance: \$18,524.00

Please make **GIVING** a **Special Prayer Target** each week for NewSong Church!

HONOR God with EVERYTHING you own; give Him the FIRST the BEST"