

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



**TRUE
NORTH**

... 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
December 3RD, 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! Let's aim to be a "**Second Mile Church**" for Christ ...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, in December TBD**.
- ◆ **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: **Saturday, 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, Dec. 5th @ 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 **Christmas Fellowship** is on **Tuesday, Dec. 19th @ 6:00pm**. We plan to eat out, Location TBD. 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 - Traci Haltom & Carol Shore! ☺ 
- ◆ **Warriors for Christ Men's Ministry** — There will be no **Breakfast / Bible Study** for our **Kingdom Warriors** for the month of December due to holiday schedules. We will resume with a new Bible Study on "Elders & His Church" in January 2024. 
- ◆ **Children's Ministry Meeting** — Our next meeting is **Tuesday, February 6th, 2024 @ 6:30p.m.** Hope to see everyone there!

Welcome to **NewSong Church's Encounter Worship** and the **first Sunday of Advent!** We are so very thankful that you have chosen to join us today and we pray that God blesses you in a most personal, life-changing way as together we lift our praises to Him and receive a timely message from the Lord which is anchored solidly in His unchanging Word and planted into our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit! ... G³!

Today we will be hearing the concluding segment [Pt 4] of this timely and powerful message series from the Lord on His command for all believers to be "**Watchful (Alert / Awake) and Prayerful**" (**Luke 21:36**) of His Second Coming! Throughout this series, God has lovingly walked us through numerous scriptures that point to the spiritual urgency of our being "**watchful and prayerful**" as His returns draws ever closer with each passing moment! Between now and that divinely appointed time to which no man knows, believers are to live out their lives as a testament to the reality that Jesus' first coming (First Advent) was real (i.e. His virgin birth in a manger, His sinless life of 33 years culminating in His crucifixion, His death upon the Cross of Calvary as


atonement (payment) for our sins and His glorious resurrection three days later early on that first Easter Sunday morning, leaving His grave clothes behind in an empty tomb! If our lives (i.e. our choices, our character, our love, our words & our actions; **1 John 3:18**) do not bear witness to Jesus being genuinely real to us with our faith / trust diligently watching for / expecting His promised Second Coming, than the watching world around us will certainly not be ready when Jesus fulfills His promise and returns in His Second Advent! So let's open our hearts today to listen to His Holy Spirit speak to us through the ministry of the lyrics of our praise songs, through our prayers together, through Christ-centered media, through a Biblically-based message and in every moment shared together during today's Encounter Worship!...Selah!

eThank you so very much for journeying North together up the slopes of the Mountain of God! I pray today that our worship experience together will be spiritually transformative and life-changing!

... Coram Deo to each of us!
~ Pastor David, **Jeremiah 3:15**

*"When the Son of Man comes,
He will be like lightning flashing
from the east to the west
(He will be seen by everyone)."
Matthew 24:27^{EXB}*

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Sunday: Nov 26th 2023 Offering: \$1,169.00  **FirstFruits Giving!**
[\$2,550.00—Weekly Goal] **OCC- \$570 Last Sunday's Attendance: 57**
Faith Building Fund Offering (new): n/a Balance: \$18,624.00
Please make **GIVING** a **Special Prayer Target** each week for NewSong Church
with **EVERYTHING you own**; give Him the **FIRST** the **BEST**"

* PRAYER FOCUS *
DON'T MISS
CHRISTMAS...
FOCUS ON
JESUS!
STUDY LUKE 2:1-21

