

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



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... 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 17TH, 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) meets @ **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 will be in Jan. 2024**.
- ◆ **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 last 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, Jan. 9th @ 6:00 pm** 
- ◆ **Welcome Team Ministry (WTM)** — There will be a **meeting on Dec. 31**, after the worship service. 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 at the **1841 Cafe in Lenoir**. 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 ministry leaders— **Carol Shore & Traci Haltom**! ☺ 
- ◆ **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 **third 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 always solidly anchored deep in His Holy Word and planted into our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit! ... G³!



Today we continue with Pt 2 of our mini-message series entitled "**The True HOPE of CHRISTmas**." Last Sunday we were introduced in Luke 2 to a senior man of faith, Simeon whose life witness so beautifully reflected his faithful obedience to "**watching and praying**" in a spirit of true **HOPE** for the first Advent (first coming) of the Messiah – Jesus! In Pt 2 today, we continue our study of the Biblical **HOPE** that Simeon demonstrated in trusting and believing in the divine promise given to him earlier in his life by the Holy Spirit that he would not die until he physically saw the Messiah, and we see that promise fulfilled in this series' main text. This same **HOPE** which Simeon demonstrated is to be a vital part of each of our daily lives and it is a necessity to having an obedient faithwalk with Jesus! It is that Biblical **HOPE** which anchors our faith & trust in God and which carries (spiritually tows/pulls) us forward as we continue climbing higher up the Mountain of God in our journey North!

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! Thank you so very much for journeying North together! I pray that our worship experience together will be spiritually transformative and life-changing with true **CHRISTmas HOPE** filling each of our hearts and lives!

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



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Sunday: Dec 10th 2023 Offering: \$2,051.00 First Fruits Giving!
[\$2,550.00—Weekly Goal] **Last Sunday's Atndance: 46**
Faith Building Fund Offering (new): \$300 Balance: \$18,924.00

Please make **GIVING** a **Special Prayer Target** each week for NewSong Church with **EVERYTHING** you own; give Him the **FIRST** the **BEST**!"