

As a Christ-birthed 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

March 10TH, 2024

- ♦ **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  **LIFE GROUPS** 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 those serving on our **FY 2024 Cleaning Team!** 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 TBD (will re-schedule)**
- ♦ **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, March 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 **March 12 @ 6:15 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 **Mar.19th at 6:30pm**. Come join us in this growing, vibrant ministry. Invite a friend, bring a friend & let's grow together in Him. 
- ♦ **Warriors for Christ Men's Ministry** — Our next **Breakfast / Bible Study** for our Kingdom Warriors will be on **Sat. Mar.16th at 8:30am**. Our Bible Study will be on (Pt 2B of) "**Elders & His Church**" 

- ♦ "**Adventure Kids**" Children's Meeting — Our next meeting is **Tuesday, May 7th, 2024 @ 6:30p.m.** Hope to see everyone there at this vital meeting!

Prayer Target: Cook family
Please enjoin hearts together as we pray & support their missionary calling to Belize!
(Acts 1:8, Isaiah 6:8, Matthew 28:19-20)

BELIZE

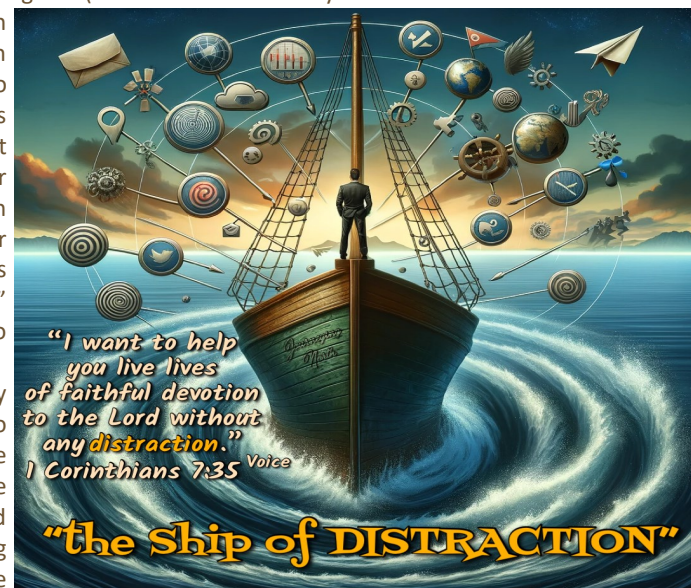
Welcome to **NewSong Church's Encounter Worship** and our faith journey through 2024! We are so very thankful that you have chosen to join us today and we pray that God blesses you in a most personal, life-changing way as together we lift our praises to Him and receive a timely message from the Lord which is anchored deep in His Holy Word and available to be planted into our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit! ... G³!

Today we are continuing our powerful message series, "**Burning the Ships,**" with the first installment on the fourth and final ship of this message series - the "**Ship of DISTRACTION!**" Our culture today is filled with more **DISTRACTIONS** than perhaps in all of recorded human history. From cell phones that instantaneously tell you the weather in the most remote parts of the globe (but which often hits mysterious "**cellular black holes**" and drops the signal / call when you're just talking with someone across town) to unceasing 24/7 news cycles to social media apps that can easily re-design our identity and provide us with a global platform for far more than just the previous "**15 minutes of fame**" which many longed to achieve years ago!

DISTRACTIONS have greatly damaged our ability to effectively communicate with others and they have crushed the accepted societal norms of being civil, respectful and polite

to others, even when we disagree! We so many **DISTRACTIONS** while we drive today that — **SQUIRREL!!!** [ref: 'Dug' from the movie, *UP!*] — place us and others at greater risk for accidents that can result in harm, or even death! All of these types of **DANGEROUS DISTRACTIONS** lead us to be fragmented as they pull us apart in numerous directions, leaving the once whole "US" now battered, weakened and often distant in our personal relationship with Jesus and one another! We need to **RENEW** our **FOCUS** upon **JESUS** and the things that matter **MOST** [Hebrews 12:1-2]! Only then can we effectively set ablaze this powerful and most dangerous last ship that we will be studying — the **Ship of DISTRACTION!** May we at NewSong — as His people / His Church — obediently seek to become the Kingdom people who **BELIEVE** His **PROMISES** and **freely choose daily** to **sail** with **Christ** at the **helm of our hearts** upon the **SEA of FAITH!**

~ Pastor David & Traci Haltom, Aaron
[Jeremiah 29:11-13; Isaiah 43:18-19]



faith and finances

Sunday: MAR 3RD 2024 Offering: \$3,579.00 First Fruits Giving! G³!
[\$2,550.00—Weekly Goal] **Last Sunday's Attendance: 61 (with #3 online)**
Faith Building Fund Offering (new): \$100 Balance: \$19,624.00
Please make **GIVING** a **Special Prayer Target** each week for NewSong Church with **EVERYTHING** you own; give Him the **FIRST** the **BEST**"