

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



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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!

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!

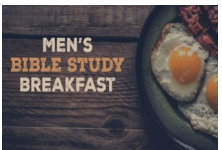
Sunday Morning Encounter Worship
April 2nd, 2023

- ♦ **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** on Thursday, **APRIL 13th** for a fellowship meal. For more details, please see Mrs. Donna Hartley. Our 2nd LIFE Group—a **12-week study** on "**Killing Kryptonite**" continues @ the Cook's home [5:30pm - 7pm]. POC for this LG Study is Brad Cook. Thank you for praying for this important area of ministry that will help us all to spiritually grow even deeper in our spiritual journey North with Christ! ...G³! ☺ 
- ♦ **Cleaning Team:** Our **Cleaning Team** for the **2023 ministry season** has asked for some extra help with Stu's limitation post his surgery. Let's all help out by keeping our church campus clean each week! ... G³! (Colossians 3:23-24) 
- ♦ **ELT's Quarterly Meeting:** Our next quarterly **ELT ZOOM meeting is April 26th**.
- ♦ **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 to serve: **Saturday, April 29th**
- ♦ **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!



Upcoming Ministry Events & Intercessory Prayer Targets

- ♦ **Outreach Ministry—Our next Outreach meeting will be on Wed. evening, April 19th @ 6:15pm! [Date Change]**
- ♦ **Welcome Team Ministry (WTM)** — If you would like to serve with WTM, please see Team Leader **LeAnne Cook**! Thank everyone who serves & shares free, friendly smiles!
- ♦ **Radiant Women's Ministry** — Our next meeting is on **Tuesday, April 18th @ 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 **Saturday, April 15th @ our NewSong Campus from 8:30am to ~10am**. Invite a friend & share in this timely Bible Study fellowship for helping grow men into godly, valiant Warriors for their families, for our church and for the community where we live & serve! ...Coram Deo!
- ♦ **Prayer Points** — Please be praying for NewSong as we continue to ascend higher up the Mountain of God on our journey North! Pray for growing opportunities & ministry needs on our journey together such as our Student Ministry Leader search, our new mission base/home search and His anointing upon each ministry we undertake!©... G³!



"... Will you ever follow Christ at a distance?" When Peter first faced that situation, he arrogantly proclaimed that he would never disown / deny Jesus, telling Jesus, "Lord, I am ready to go with You to prison and to death!" (Luke 22:34) Even though Jesus prophetically told Peter that he would deny Him three times that very night, Peter would not listen to this truth—the reality of what surely was to take place on that same night. After Jesus' arrest that night, Peter, and all the disciples would desert Jesus and flee in fear for their lives. (Matthew 26:56) Peter did later return, following Jesus from amongst the crowd, **"at a distance."** (Luke 22:54) Sadly, a growing number of Christians today seem to be walking in the same shoes as Peter. They don't want to get too close to Jesus as others might think of them as a **"religious zealot / fanatic."** Some fear for their job security should they be **"too Christian"** amongst a culture that is rapidly, and unabashedly, denying any and all elements of Christianity. Others fear a strain or awkwardness in their relationships with family, friends, neighbors or the general public if they were to live out their faith boldly. One of the most disastrous lies dispersed by the devil is that we can live out our Christian faith as an **"effective silent witness!"** That's a spiritual impossibility! In today's message, we will look more closely at the heart shift in Peter's life that led him to deny Jesus three times as was prophesied. But alas, Peter's life story didn't end with these tragic denials ... there was a **"rest of the story"** to be lived out! \o/ ...G³! *Pastor David*



Jesus looked at Peter and prophesied, "Between now and tomorrow morning when the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times, declaring that you don't even know Me." Luke 22:34 ^{Living}



faith and finances

Sunday: Mar 26th, 2023 Offering: \$934.00 \o/ FirstFruits Giving!
[\$2,550.00—Weekly Goal] Last Sunday's Attendance: 42
Faith Building Fund Offering (new): n/a Balance: \$15,694.00

Please make GIVING a special prayer target each week for NewSong Church!
"HONOR God with EVERYTHING you own; give Him the FIRST the BEST"