

The Weekly Church Bulletin  
**NEWARK CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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**MINISTER: DR. JERRY HOUSTON**



Our 2025 THEME...  
**WITH GOD ON OUR SIDE,  
 WE CAN THRIVE IN 2025!**

Philippians 3:13,14

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## THE NEWARK CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES DR. JERRY HOUSTON & DEBORAH HOUSTON

Welcome to Dr. Jerry and sister Deborah Houston. We are extremely delighted that they made the decision to make Newark Church of Christ their new church home. We have been anticipating their arrival and are excited that the time has finally come. **We look forward to our journey together as we strive to lead the lost to Christ and keep the saved saved.** We have the utmost confidence that the shepherd will keep the flock here well-fed so we can go out into the world and make disciples for Christ. We thank God for keeping this congregation alive and thriving as we at Newark Church of Christ welcome, the Houstons!

**Dr. Jerry Houston** is a native of Shreveport, Louisiana, and he began his Christian journey in the summer of 1980 while serving his second term in United States Army in the Washington, D.C. area. He married Deborah Houston on August 23, 1986. Alongside the respected ministries of brother and sister Houston, no ministry is closer to their hearts than that of their two daughters, Amber Symone and Janae Lyndsey. They believe their ministry starts at home in order to ensure a legacy of faithfulness to God and His people. Dr. Houston is a huge Dallas Cowboys fan. He and his wife both love music, roller skating, and movies.

**Deborah Houston** is a devoted Christian, wife and mother! She is also a certified foodie. Deb is all about #faith-family-fellowship. Deb was born and raised in the ghetto of Philadelphia, PA. She travels across the world encouraging women to embrace the totality of the women that they were created and destined to become with the understanding that they were "Created By GOD—for God!". Deb believes in her purpose of Revolutionizing The Inner Woman To Move Beyond The Pain Of Her Past In Embrace Her Power & Purpose.

**YOU CAN CONNECT TO OUR WIFI  
 ANYWHERE IN OUR BUILDING** at any of the **NCOCGWIFI** user names.  
 The password is **Acts2:38**

Support  
**SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**

Attend the 56th Annual  
**NATIONAL DINNER DAY**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025—2pm**

Keynote Speaker  
**Minister Branden Mims**  
*Greater Metropolitan Church of Christ  
 Kansas City, MO*

**NEWARK CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 Gia Bethea, NDD Coordinator  
 Donation — \$40.00

**BRANDEN MIMS**, Minister of Greater Metropolitan Church of Christ, Kansas MO will be the guest speaker. **Our goal is to raise \$35,000.00** and the **tickets are \$40.00 per person.** Church, we must **WORK HARDER** and **GIVE MORE** in order to reach this goal. Plan to attend this great event.



**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP AND TRAINING BREAKFAST**

The date is **Saturday, February 8, 2025, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the church dining hall.** The men of this congregation are asked to make a donation of **\$5.00 per person.** There will be great fellowship and encouragement. You may **give your donation to Andre hart, Kevin Williams or Luis Arias.** Brother Terrance Wood is in charge.

**55<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
 NORTHEASTERN  
 YOUTH CONFERENCE**  
**April 11-13, 2025**

Theme:  
**CREATED WITH A  
 PURPOSE!**  
 Ephesians 2:10

**Get ready young people for a great  
 time in the Lord.**

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Church  
 Calendar

Sunday

Bible School

10:00 am

Worship  
 Service

11:00 am

Thursday  
 Bible Classes

6:00 pm

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 more info.

A Friendly  
 Christ-Centered,  
 Bible-believing  
 Church



**THE FOODBANK ITEM IS A CAN OF MEAT FOR THIS MONTH.**



**SICK LIST AT HOME** Curlie Hooper, Sharon Carter, Romni Ellis, Erma Sanders, Rayfield Sanders, Corinthians Williams  
**HOSPITALS** Fitzgerald Lawton—Ashbrook Care & Rehab. Center, 1610 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains NJ; **Fannie Broughton**—White House Nursing Home, 560 Berkeley Ave., Orange NJ; **Hattie Burney**—Kessler Rehab, 1199 Pleasant Valley Way, W. Orange NJ; **Paul Richardson**; **Aniyah Walker**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2025**

Service Administrator	Michael Graves
Announcements	Reginald Bendolph
Invocation	Ryan Johnson
Song Leader	Andre Hart Sr.
Scripture	William Davis
Prayer	RC Jackson
Sermon	Dr. David Lane
Administer/Prayer Requests	Michael Graves
Response Assistant	Christopher Lacey
Lord's Supper/Offering	Luis Arias
1—J. Raney, 2—B. Cannon, 3—C. Barclay, 4—S. Whitaker	
Leadership Announcements	Terrance Wood Sr.
Benediction	Clarence Holley
Attendance Manager	Tia Grant
USHERS IN MAIN LOBBY—R. Love, J. Laudent, I. Pernel	
USHERS IN OVERFLOW AUD.—A. Bygrave, J. Nicolas, R. Bendolph	
USHERS IN ELEVATOR ENTRANCE—C. Holley	
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Camera	Azuriah Grant
Computer	Janet Kahiga
Assistant	Stina Ross

**THE LADIES' VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY/ PRAYER MEETING** will meet **Saturday, February 8, 2025 at 10:00 am ONLINE** and sister **Felicia Mensah** is the teacher. Every sister is urged to attend this informative class. **Meeting ID: 702 372 9447** or dial in by phone **at 301 715-8592**.

**NEW DISCIPLES' DINNER** The date is **Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 2:00 pm, downstairs in the fellowship hall**. This is designed for the **24 persons who were baptized or placed membership with this congregation in 2024**. You must register for this dinner with sister **Tonya Jones** or call the church office and leave a message. **This luncheon is complimentary for disciples** who are new to this congregation and \$20.00 per person for all others.

**LADIES' BIBLE CLASS WORKSHOP** The date is **next Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 in the dining hall** immediately following service. The theme is: **COVERED (Ps. 5:12), CARRIED (Is. 46:3,4) & COURAGEOUS (Eph. 6:20): A WORKSHOP FOR CONQUERORS!** Plan to be present for a spiritual uplift. **Sister Mikki Taylor is in charge**. Get ready ladies for a great time in the Lord.

**SAVE THE DATE for BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM** The date is **Saturday, February 15, 2025, 4—6pm** on the theme, **Reimagining MLK's Blueprint For Your Life**. Sisters **Terry Davis** and **Patricia Price** are in charge.

**SUNDAY LADIES' BIBLE CLASS** The next Sunday Ladies' Bible Class will meet on **Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**, downstairs in the dining hall **immediately following the morning service**. All sisters are invited to attend. Bring a snack if you like. **Sister Mikki Taylor is the teacher**.

**THE NEWARK MARRIAGE CLASS IS HOSTING A MARRIAGE CLASS SOCIAL** The date is **Saturday, February 22, 2025, 2:00—5:00pm**. **There will be food, games and fellowship for the couples** and it is suggested that everyone wears comfortable clothes and shoes. **The cost is \$10.00 per person**. **RSVP with brother or sister Andre or Ondrea Hart by February 12th**. Flyers are available in the front foyer.

**GET READY FOR OUR FAMILY WORKSHOP** with **DR. HOWARD WRIGHT, Minister Emeritus of Camp Creek CofC, Atlanta GA**. The date is **Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> through Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Keep your calendar open for this great event.

**PLACED MEMBERSHIP** Welcome to **sister Crystal Josiah**, 72 Lanark Ave., Newark NJ 07106, 704 819-2460, who placed membership with us on last Sunday from Sugar Creek CofC in Charlotte NC. **RESPONSES ON LAST SUNDAY** S. Trent, R. Bendolph, R. Richardson, D. Perez, D. Carter, P. Restrepo and P. Terry **were restored**. T. Davis, B. Mitchell, E. Butler, G. Graham, R. Moriah, M. Graves, L. Thames and G. Jones **requested prayer**. **ONLINE REQUESTS** C. Conerly, Adrian Compres, H. Smalls, V. Branch, P. Price, J. Arias, J. Nowell and O. Josiah

**RESPONSES FOR 2025** 96 Restorations/Prayer Requests, 1 Placed Membership

**WELCOME VISITORS, WE ARE SUPER DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY, COME AGAIN SOON.**



**CALENDAR OF SERVICES**



Bible School  
Worship  
Bible Class  
Website

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.  
Thursday, 6:00 p.m.  
newarkchurchofchrist.net

Cable Television in Jersey City  
Sunday, 7—7:30pm & Tuesday, 9—9:30pm, Channel 190

**We had 148 in attendance in the 11 am service on last Sunday, January 26, 2025.**