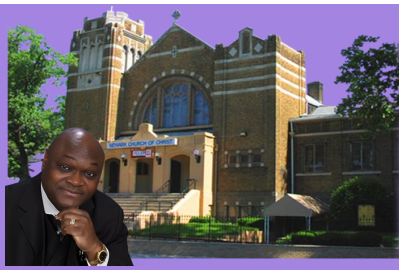


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Our 2025 THEME...  
**WITH GOD ON OUR SIDE,  
WE CAN THRIVE IN 2025!**  
Philippians 3:13,14

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## WHEN YOUR HOME BEGINS TO DISINTEGRATE

William Lyon Phelps said, "The highest happiness on earth is in a marriage. Every man who is happily married is a successful man even if he had failed in everything else. And every man whose marriage is a failure is not a successful man even if he has succeeded in everything else." Would we dare disagree with Mr. Phelps when we consider that the two words, **"DIVORCE GRANTED" are repeated more than 1,000 times each day?** Every conscientious Christina must ask the question, "What can I do to prevent homes from being shattered and families separated?"

**SIGNS OF DECAY FOR WHICH ONCE SHOULD WATCH** 1. **BREAKDOWN IN COMMUNICATION.** 2. **FINANCIAL PROBLEMS** can and do become a very pressing tension builder. 3. **SEXUAL INCOMPATIBILITY** occurs with the loss of love and affection for one another. 4. **INTERESTED IN MATERIAL THINGS** more than a sincere dedication to the family. 5. **EXCESSIVE ARGUMENTATION, RESENTMENT, IRRITABILITY** and **TEMPER** as an expression of resistance toward life and one another. 6. **A SPIRITUAL DECLINE** in interest toward Christ and His church. Certainly there are many other symptoms, but these are some of the common ones.

**SPIRITUAL RESOURCES CAN BOLSTER A DISINTEGRATING FAMILY.** A Christian family does not just happen. It is a matter that requires constant and concentrated effort. 1. The number one resource is God and His word. The study of His will and its application to one's life is the great help. 2. Go to Bible Classes and worship regularly. More than simply attendance, involvement with attendance, involvement with dedication through commitment will be your aid. 3. The family altar or home devotionals. 5. Sometimes after you have done all you can and know, you may need to turn to the minister or elders for counseling. **PHILOSOPHY SAYS, THINK YOUR WAY OUT. INDULGENCE SAYS, DRINK YOUR WAY OUT. But Jesus says, "I am the way out."**

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ANYWHERE IN OUR BUILDING** at any of the **NCOCGWIFI** user names.  
The password is **Acts2:38**

*New Year's Eve  
Worship*

**GOODBYE 2025, WELCOME 2026!**  
**THE NEW YEARS EVE SERVICE** will be Wednesday, December 31st. Join us in the dining hall for **fellowship and refreshments at 9PM** followed by a **Singing Fellowship at 10 PM**. We'll hear an **uplifting word starting at 11PM** into the countdown and **bring the New Year in at 12AM**. Plan to attend the last service of the year. **Our choral groups will be singing.** We want to baptize some souls during the last service of 2025. **Sister Karen Mitchell is in charge of refreshments**, see her or sister Henrietta Green to make a donation. You must be present for an uplifting time.

### SEASON'S GREETINGS

**MAY EACH OF YOU HAVE A VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON  
AND MAY GOD GRANT YOU HIS RICHEST BLESSINGS FOR A  
WONDERFUL 2026!**

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10:00 am

Worship Service  
11:00 am

Thursday  
Bible Classes  
6:00 pm

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**THE FOODBANK ITEMS ARE RICE, CEREAL, MACARONI, ETC. FOR THIS MONTH.**



**SICK LIST AT HOME—**

Curle Hooper, Sharon Carter, Romni Ellis, Erma Sanders, Rayfield Sanders, Shea Parker, Patricia Mills, Hattie Burney

**ORDER OF WORSHIP  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025**

Service Administrator	Reginald Bendolph
Announcements	Bryce Cannon
Invocation	Sip Whitaker
Song Leader	Cornelius Clark
Scripture	Gregory Hunt
Prayer	Anthony Bygrave
Sermon	Jerry Houston
Administer/Prayer Requests	R.C. Jackson
Response Assistant	All Available EIT
Lord's Supper/Offering	Andre Hart Sr.
1—C. Barclay, 2—D. Carter, 3—R. Richardson 4—I. Pernell	
Leadership Announcements	Terrance Wood
Benediction	Clarence Holley
Attendance Manager	Tatyana Arias
USHERS IN MAIN LOBBY—K. Williams, C. Barclay, R. Bendolph	
USHERS IN OVERFLOW AUD.—C. Hamilton, A. Bygrave, C. Lacey	
USHER IN ELEVATOR ENTRANCE—C. Holley	

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**Multimedia**

Nyla Camillo, David Kahiga, Clara Ellis,

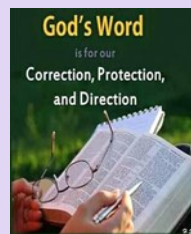
**SAVE THE DATE, 56<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NORTH-EASTERN YOUTH CONFERENCE**

The dates are Friday—Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>—April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, hosted by Newark Church of Christ. Stay tuned for more information.

**THE NEXT SUNDAY LADIES BIBLE CLASS—**

"SUBSTANCE" with sister Mikki Taylor, will meet Sunday, January 11, 2026 in the church fellowship hall immediately following the morning service. The cost for the prix-fixe lunch is \$5.00 per sister. Please see sisters Lacreasha Chamba or Daphne Best by January 4th, to make your payment. All sisters are encouraged to attend this Bible class.

**HOSPITALS— Fitzgerald Lawton—Ashbrook Care & Rehab**, 1610 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains NJ; **Fannie Broughton—White House Nursing Home**, 560 Berkeley Ave., Orange NJ



During the last two months of the year, it is **HARVEST TIME FOR SOULS**. Our goal is 50 baptisms for the year and we are trying to reach that goal. **Let us work harder during Harvest Time in order to reach our goal.**

**THE SICK VISITATION MINISTRY** will be visiting **Autumn Lake Healthcare**, 234 Chestnut Street, Union NJ on Tuesday, January 6th at 2pm. Sister Terry Davis is in charge.

**THE YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY VISION BOARD PARTY**

The date is Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 2026, 6:00—9:00 PM at the Newark Church of Christ in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is **\$10.00 per person** which covers supplies & refreshments. Please **RSVP to Aiyona Wood or Terrence Best Jr. by Sunday, January 4th, 2026**.

**NAOMI'S CIRCLE SISTERS BRUNCH**

The date is Saturday, January 17, 2026, 11:00am—3:00pm in the church dining hall. **Naomi's Circle is designed to equip and empower women to serve in various capacities within the church through mentorship, training and spiritual development.** This is a ticketed event designed as a Ministry Service job fair for Newark sisters only. The cost is **\$15.00 for buffet-style brunch** and you must **register on Eventbrite by Saturday, January 10, 2026**. Flyers are available in the front foyer.

**TWO BAPTIZED ON LAST SUNDAY** Welcome to Xavier Garcia, 474 Ave. A, Bayonne NJ 07002, 272 430-2222 and Patricia Cannon, 1017 New Hope Circle, Baltimore MD 21212, 443 202-5986 who were baptized on December 21, 2025. Oh Praise His Holy Name! **RESPONSES ON LAST SUNDAY** J. Arias, M. Fay, C. Mills, Y. Enos, T. Scott, L. Davis, S. Hinton and C. Samuel were restored. K. Dixon, J. Lauredent, L. Thames, I. Booker, G. Jones, H. Boone, C. Cole, G. Graham, L. Chamba, T. Grant, J. Kahiga, T. Whitley, D. and S. Chisolm requested prayer. **ONLINE** P. Terry, J. Robinson, H. Smalls, A. Houston, T. Wesley, C. Ellis and L. Arias

**RESPONSES FOR 2025** 47 Baptized, 982 Restorations/Prayer Requests, 12 Placed Memberships

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

**CALENDAR OF SERVICES**

Bible School Sunday, 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Sunday, 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Class Thursday, 6:00 p.m.  
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Cable Television in Jersey City  
Sunday, 7—7:30pm & Tuesday, 9—9:30pm, Channel 190

**We had 257 in attendance in the 11 am service on last Sunday, December 21, 2025**