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Church Calendar

Sunday Bible School
10:00 a.m.

Worship Services
11:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

Thursday Bible Classes
7:00 p.m.

RADIO PROGRAM
Sunday at 2:30 pm
WMCA 570 AM

A Friendly,

Christ-Centered,

Bible-Believing

Church.

In Gear With THE POVERTY OF THE CHURCH **The Minister**

The Bible is the best book in the world. The Bible is settled in its source, sure in its promise, satisfying in its contents, guaranteed in its guidance and sanctifying in its influence. To this book I go for a message, Matthew 9:37 says, **THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTEOUS, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW. THE POVERTY OF THE CHURCH,** I hear someone saying, brother preacher, I dare you to talk about poverty because we live in the richest country that civilization has ever known. This is the day of plush houses, with plush carpet so thick you can hardly walk on it, sleek, stereophonic, air-conditioned cars, and plastic money to buy whatever our hearts desire. I hear somebody else saying, brother preacher, the church has more members than ever before, the church is taking up more money than it ever did before, we have better and larger church buildings with padded-cushioned pews, air-conditioning, computers and fax machines. Don't talk to us about the poverty of the church, talk to us about the accomplishments of the church.

You see, **earth has no poverty to equate to the spiritual poverty.** As long as my Lord gives me strength, I must tell men and women that Jesus said, **MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE...** As long as the Lord gives me a voice, I must sound my trumpet and tell my brothers and sisters that it is better to have a starved stomach, than a starved soul. As long as Jesus is my Leaning Post, I've got to tell the world; take the world, but give me Jesus. Even though your mink coat is so long and heavy until you can barely walk, I must talk about the poverty of the church.

THE HARVEST IS PLENTEOUS, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW. Jesus saw the need for workers and the church needs workers today. Jesus saw the worst kind of poverty; poverty that food stamps cannot help, poverty that welfare cannot help, poverty that urban renewal cannot help...the poverty of the church-- **NO LABORERS TO DO THE WORK.** This is not a shortage of money, intelligence, of members, but a

shortage of laborers. In the church today, there is a great shortage of men, preachers, elders, deacons, teachers, song leaders, personal workers. Loose living brings about the poverty of the church. In spite of the poverty of the church, my mind is made up that I am going to stay with Christ and his glorious church. Eugene Lawton



49th NORTHEASTERN YOUTH CONFERENCE **April 7-9, 2017**

Theme:
I SHALL NOT BE MOVED!

John 6:66-69

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

Support
SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Attend the 48th Annual NATIONAL DINNER DAY
SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Dr. Edward Robinson, Guest Speaker

NEWARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Eugene Lawton, Minister;
Iris Kuku, Coordinator
Donation — \$40.00

DR. EDWARD ROBINSON,

Professor of Religious Studies and History at **Southwestern Christian College,** Terrell, TX will be our speaker. **Our goal is to raise \$30,000.00** and the tickets are \$40.00 per person. **Sister Iris Kuku** is the coordinator. Church, we must **WORK HARDER** and **GIVE MORE** in order to reach this goal. Plan to attend this great event.



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

UPCOMING EVENT...



FAMILY SEMINAR
March 12-15, 2017

Hear
Dr. Howard Wright
Atlanta, GA

Family and Friends Sunday will be Sunday, March 12th and we want 100 visitors. Invite your family and Friends.

The COLLEGIATE HEARTS PROGRAM is sponsored by the Newark Church of Christ –Youth Committee. The purpose of this program is to provide ongoing spiritual encouragement to our college students (both home and away). This program provides boxes which contain school supplies, toiletries, non-perishable food items, church bulletin, etc. We will be sending these "care packages" in February. Therefore, we are asking for monetary donations and cards of encouragement for our students. We are asking **each family to write one card of encouragement** to a student. Your spiritual words of encouragement would be so inspirational to our students. The deadline is Sunday-February 26th. Please see **sister Mimi Toney**.



SICK LIST AT HOME Donald Worth, Arizona Greenlee, Jearleen Richardson; Rosalie Naylor, Mary VanPelt; Juanita Lane; Harriett Green; Sheila Smith

HOSPITALS **Edna Wiley**—Hamilton Park Health Care Facility, 525 Monmouth St. Jersey City, NJ; **Catherine Taylor**—White House Nursing Home, 560 Berkley Ave., Orange, NJ; **Mamie Greenwood, Robert Williams**—South Mountain Reh. Center, Vauxhall, NJ; **Bertha Kornegay**—Boniventure Nursing Home, 655 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth, NJ; **Brunish Best** —Waterview Center, 536 Ridge Road, Cedar Grove, NJ; **Annie King**—New Visita Nursing, 300 Broadway, Newark, NJ

SICK VISITATION Group 2: B. Coleman, R & G Jackson, W & ?C. Paton



OUR 2017 CHURCH THEME...

TOO BLESSED TO BE STRESSED!

1 Cor. 10:13

Every Member is CHALLENGED TO LEAD ONE SOUL TO CHRIST.

THE BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM Will be **Saturday February 25, 2017, at 6:30 p.m..** The theme is: **We've Come A Long Way.** Plan to attend. The coordinators are Terry Davis, Karen Mitchell and Gussie Gillis.

RESPONSES ON SUNDAY S. Trent and P. Taylor were restored. D. Henderson, P. Price and G. Matthis requested prayer.

RESPONSES FOR 2017 51 Restored/Prayer Requests, 1 Placed Membership

BROTHER WESTON PATON WILL PREACH THIS SUNDAY NIGHT. *Every member is encouraged to be present to hear this man of God.*

NEW CONVERTS' DINNER Will be **next Sunday, February 26, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. at the Ramada Plaza Hotel.** This is designed for the 31 persons who were baptized in 2016. You must register for this dinner with sister Gail Jackson or call the church office. **Every person baptized in 2016 is urged to attend this complimentary luncheon.**

THE NATIONAL DINNER DAY for Southwestern Christian College will be **Sunday, March 5, 2017, and Dr. Edward Robinson**, professor of Religious Studies and History at Southwestern Christian College, as the guest speaker. **The ticket is \$40.00 per person.** Please see sister Iris Kuku or anyone of the SWCC Willing Workers to get your ticket.

NEW ADDRESS LEON & TRACEY GOBOLD, 3495 Eddie Court, Marion, SC 29571 - 843 423-4466

DR. ROBERT WOODS PASSED On February 8, 2017 in Villa Rica, GA. He travelled with the legendary Marshall Keeble as "a boy preacher". He was the minister of the W. Monroe St., church, Chicago for over 40 years. He was a national evangelist and shall be missed by the brotherhood. We extend condolence to his wife, **sister Sara Wood and family.** Brother Lawton attended the funeral service on Saturday, February 18, 2017 in Chicago at the Chatham Avalon church. Pray for the family.

WELCOME VISITORS, WE ARE SUPER DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY, DO COME AGAIN SOON. THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE THIS PLACE!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2017

INVOCATION

SONG DIRECTOR

SCRIPTURE

PRAYER

SERMON

LORD'S SUPPER

NARRATIVE

1-C. Ward, 2-Q. Ford 3-R. Shipman 4-S. Toney, 5-E. Mitchell 6-P. Taylor

FRONT RIGHT PEWS—Z. Peterson, B. Coleman, W. Paton

FRONT LEFT PEWS—K. Williams, E. Mensah, G. Jones, M. Canady

REAR RIGHT PEWS—W. Wright, C. Holley **REAR LEFT PEWS**—W.

Paton, A. Hart, Jr. **ELEVATOR**--B. Shipman **NIGHT SERVERS**--B.

Johnson, M. Canady, S. Carter, Q. Ford

OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

USHERS

INSIDE USHERS

OVERFLOW AUD. USHERS

A.M.

M. Graves

And. Hart

B. Johnson

T. Wood

E. Lawton

RC Jackson

P. Taylor

RC Jackson

N. Bourne

P. Taylor

W. Gardner

W. Wright

G. Hunt

M. Coleman

P.M.

And. Hart

T. Wood

R. Johnson

W. Paton

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E. Mitchell

T. Wood

K. Williams

B. Johnson

N. Bourne

T. Wood

Z. Peterson

COMING EVENTS

**NATIONAL LECTURESHIP
WILL BE IN ATLANTA, GA.**

The date is **June 2-8, 2017** at the **Downtown Marriott Marquis Hotel in Atlanta, GA.** **Dr. Orpheus Hayward** is the host minister. Visit www.nicoc2017.com for more information.

THE AREA-WIDE SINGING FELLOWSHIP Will be here at **Clinton Avenue on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.**

Everyone is encouraged to be present to hear some great gospel singing.

CHURCH LIBRARY *Is open every Sunday for 20 minutes immediately after the 11:00 a.m. service.*

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE—newarkchurchofchrist.org
YOU WILL FIND IT INFORMATIVE AND INSPIRATIONAL. TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT IT.**