Welcome!

Our Mission

New City Fellowship exists to seek the establishment of God's kingdom rule in the lives of people from every ethnic group by **discipling** the nations in the reconciling Gospel of Jesus Christ through a clear proclamation of salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone and by doing Spirit-led deeds of justice and mercy.





Scan the QR code to the left to see more information about the current house churches. Learn the Leaders, days, times and places! Fill out the form at the bottom and they will contact you!



Worship Service and Livestream at 10:30 Am Francophone Service at 10:30 AM in the Auditorium Adult Education Classes & Blast 9 at 9:00 AM

Church Office: 114
Email and Website: no
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Contact the Pastors

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Please reserve the parking lot behind the gym for those in our congregation that have a physical need for accessible parking close to the building. Able-bodied people may also park at the school across the street.

Baptisms

If you are interested in scheduling a baptism please scan the QR Code, click the link, fill out the form and we will contact you!



Sermon Text

57 Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. 58 And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. 59 And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, 60 but his mother answered, "No; he shall be called John." 61 And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name." 62 And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called. 63 And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And they all wondered. 64 And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. 65 And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, 66 and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him.

67 And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saving.

68 "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has visited and redeemed his people

69 and has raised up a horn of salvation for us

in the house of his servant David,

70 as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

71 that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us;

72 to show the mercy promised to our fathers

and to remember his holy covenant, 73 the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us

74 that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

75 in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

76 And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

77 to give knowledge of salvation to his people

in the forgiveness of their sins,

78 because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high

79 to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

80 And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

Luke 1:57-80



DECEMBER 14, 2025

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Advent Reading and Candle Lighting Jerry and Susan Roth Isaiah 35: 1-4 (ESV)

> The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus;

2 it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.

They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

3 Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees.

4 Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not!
Behold, your God will come with vengeance,

with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.'

Angels We Have Heard On High

Go Tell It On The Mountain

O Holy Night

Graves Into Gardens

Prayer and Apostles' Creed

Offering

**Dismiss Nursery Volunteers

Announcements

Sermon: Jim Ward

Victor's Crown

The Lord's Supper

Benediction



What's Happening At New City Fellowship...

Giving, Infants, Kids & Teens



Christmas Connection | December 21 | 9:00 AM

Christmas Eve Service | December 24 | 6:00 PM



Always Reconciling

Class Led by Jim Ward & Herman Armstrong NCF Cafeteria | 9:00 AM Last class for 2025 on 12/14, class to resume 1/11



A GriefShare grief support group for people grieving the death of a loved one is starting soon. Please join us here at New City University City beginning February 4th at 7:00 PM.

At GriefShare you'll watch a weekly video with counsel and insights from respected grief experts and relatable personal stories—followed by a time of sharing and support. Session topics include what's normal in grief; how to handle difficult emotions; and what to do with regrets, questions, and worries.

For more information, contact Sam Ivey, visit griefshare.org or scan the QR code.



New City University City 2025 Tithes & Offering Update

	January - November	Projected December	Estimated Annual Total
Tithe	\$ 612,600	\$ 91,600	\$ 704,200
Net Expenses	\$ 716,000	\$ 70,300	\$ 786,300
Cash Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ (103,400)	\$ 21,300	\$ (82,100)

December tithes needed to cover expenses for 2025: \$173,700

We approved the 2025 budget with the understanding that we had \$175,000 in cash reserves. A portion of that reserve was intentionally set aside to help cover the increased costs of bringing on a Senior Pastor. Our goal for 2025 was to at least match our 2024 giving while we grow into this expanded budget.

To reach that goal, we need December tithes to total \$135,400.

Christmas Celebration Line-up:

December 20th | 10:45-12:00

BLAST will be having their rehearsal and during this time we will be doing neighborhood outreach! Everyone is encouraged to come out and help invite our neighbors to celebrate Jesus' birth with us at New City U City!

December 21st

Christmas Connection | 9:00 AM— Join us for a special coffee hour in the NCF cafeteria. Bring a breakfast dish to share

Christmas Celebration Service | 10:30 AM—After our connection time walk over to join us in our NCF Christmas service! We will be joyfully celebrating with music, a skit, and candle-lit singing!

Youth Christmas Party | After service on the 21st— NCF Youth are invited to stay after service for a sweet celebration together! If you are interesting in providing a sweet treat for our youth contact Susan Roth: 314-303-0800

December 24th | 6:00 PM

Join us once more on Christmas Eve, as we sing and worship by candle light.

Check Designation

Please ensure checks are designated to New City Fellowship **University City.**



Scan the QR code to be directed to our online giving site, from there you can give to New City and our various ministries.



Babies & PRESCHOOL

We provide care, Bible teaching, and songs for babies through preschoolers in the upstairs nursery rooms during the sermon. Parents can sign children in at the nursery desk during the service break and sign them out after communion. To receive updates, contact Bea Adiputra to join the parent email list.

For more information contact Bea Adiputra: badiputra@ncfstl.org

Blast AND BLAST 9

BLAST is for kids K–5th grade. Leaders take them to the 3rd floor when dismissed, and parents pick them up there after the service. Subscribe to the children's ministry e-newsletter for updates.

To sign up for e-newsletters or more information contact Ali Grimshaw: agrimshaw@ncfstl.org

Youth Group

Youth Group is held on the first and third Sunday of every month from **12:30-2:30.** Youth ages 14-18 are welcome. Youth group is seeking new furniture for the youth room! Couches, rugs etc etc. please contact Susan or Reuel in you would like to donate.

For more information text or call Reuel at 314-574-9543 or Susan at 314-303-0800