

# Lord Jesus Christ Community Baptist Church

## January 2025 Newsletter

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### Welcome!

We are so glad you are part of our church family! This newsletter is designed to keep you informed about upcoming events, ministries, and opportunities to serve.

### Upcoming Events:

- **February 15, 2025:** Community Empowerment and Support Workshop - This workshop is designed to inspire and uplift, offering valuable resources and support for all attendees. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect and grow together. We are excited to invite you to a special workshop focused on empowerment and support, right here in Brooklyn! Let's come together to raise funds and make a positive impact in our community. This workshop is designed to inspire and uplift, offering valuable resources and support for all attendees. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect and grow together.
- **February 28, 2025:** Homelessness Prevention Roundtable Meeting - join us for an important discussion on homelessness prevention in our community. The roundtable meeting aims to bring together local leaders, service providers, and community members to share insights and develop strategies to support those in need.
- **March 1, 2025:** Celebrate Recovery - A Christ-centered recovery program to help you find freedom in your life, hurts, habits and hangups. Open to anyone seeking support and healing.
- **March 4, 2025:** Youth Seminar- Join Us for engaging and inspiring seminars tailored for the youth, focusing on faith, leadership and personal growth.

### Ministries:

- **Benevolence Ministry:** Lord Jesus Christ Community Baptist Church Benevolence Ministry is dedicated to fulfilling the church's mission, vision, goals and objectives through various ministry activities and community outreach efforts. Members have the opportunity to gather and learn about God's word. The ministry aims to save souls through prayer, evangelism and discipleship. Additionally, the ministry manages several important programs including the clothes closet, food pantry, adoption services, Emergency Assistance Program, Homelessness Financial Relief Program and Down Payment Assistance Program.
- **Membership Development Ministry:** Lord Jesus Christ Community Baptist Church Membership Development Ministry is dedicated to fulfilling the church's mission, vision, goals and objectives through ministry activities and community outreach. Members will have the opportunity to gather and learn about God's word. The ministry aims to save souls through prayer, evangelism and discipleship. It meets weekly to pray for members and visitors and host biblical counseling. Additionally, the ministry manages Sunday school classes, oversees current and new members, plans for baby benediction, family Sunday, Youth Sunday, Communion and

Baptism; supports the usher ministry, operates a prayer call center, and coordinates with the deacon board.

- **Pastor Aid Ministry:** Lord Jesus Christ Community Baptist Church Women's Ministry is dedicated to fulfilling the church's mission, vision, goals and objectives through various ministry activities and community outreach efforts. The ministry aims to save souls through prayer, evangelicalism and discipleship. It meets weekly and to pray for members and visitors and host biblical counseling and Celebrate Recovery meetings on Saturdays. The ministry also plans trips to homeless shelters, hospitals, households, nursing homes, prisons and juvenile detention centers. The ministry manages the LGBT to Straight Recovery Program and helps organize events each month, ensuring that the church's mission is actively pursued and supported.
- **Men's Ministry:** The men host men's individuals and counseling sessions on a daily or weekly basis to provide men outreach. The ministry hosts mentoring programs for men that take place weekly or monthly to help men become better Christians and disciples. The ministry hosts weekly Bible study studies, men's breakfasts, and service projects. The ministry provides outreach and community development at homeless shelters, detention centers and prisons.

### **Opportunities to Serve:**

- **Food Pantry Volunteer:** Unloading food deliveries, sorting donations, and stocking shelves; Greeting clients, assisting with food selection, and providing a welcoming environment; Assisting with the preparation of meals or snacks for distribution. Helping to maintain accurate records of food inventory, Participating in community outreach events to raise awareness about food insecurity, sorting donations, packing food boxes and assisting clients.
- **Homelessness Outreach Volunteer:** participate in outreach programs to support the homeless community, preparing and distributing care packages, providing information about resources, and offering a listening ear.
- **Youth Ministry Volunteer:** assist with youth group activities and planning events, leading a small group discussion, mentoring young people in their faith journey.
- **Men's Ministry Volunteer:** support the men ministry by planning events, leading bible studies and providing mentoring. Responsibilities include coordinating activities and fostering a sense of community among men.
- **Sunday School Teacher:** teach and guide children in their faith through bible stories, crafts and activities; prepare lesson plans and create a nurturing environment for spiritual growth. Must be open to volunteering during children's church on Sunday as well. Volunteer every third Saturday of the month during bible classes taught by Bishop Nicolas Hobson.
- **Adoption Services Volunteer:** Adoption services case managers play a vital role in supporting families throughout the adoption process. They provide guidance, counseling, and assistance to both birth parents and adoptive families.

### **Announcements:**

- Contribution Statements will be mailed on January 31, 2025 to members, visitors and employees
- W2 Forms will be mailed on January 31, 2025
- Form 990 N will be filed with the IRS and posted on the IRS website like other tax returns on the website.

- Church attendance during services last year was 6,891 among members and visitors. This congregation is more motivated than Salem Baptist Church of Chicago with its large service attendance records each week and highly motivated volunteering helping in the community and homelessness.
- Bishop Hobson approval among the large congregation is 69.3% based on surveys from the Bylaws and Rules Committee. His approval started to increase after winning the election as Senior Pastor for 11th term on January 6, 2025.



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