



**SPRING 2019**

**JARVIS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**  
DISTINGUISHED GUEST SPEAKERS

**LESTER C. NEWMAN**  
PRESIDENT



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Friends and Supporters of Jarvis Christian College:

We are pleased to announce an eminent group of special guests set to visit our campus this semester to speak with our students, faculty, staff and the community at large. Our guests will include an outstanding group of clergy and others from the faith-based community, business leaders as well as prominent members of the education and community service arenas.

Thank you for taking time to review our brochure, which features speakers for the Spring 2019 Semester. It is our hope that your calendars will permit you to attend most of these events. Should you need additional information about the events, please contact Eric D. Stringfellow, our director of communications, at 903-730-4890, ext. 3006 or via email at [estringfellow@jarvis.edu](mailto:estringfellow@jarvis.edu).

Sincerely,

Lester C. Newman  
*President*



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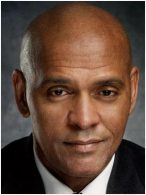


**Black History  
Observance Service**  
February 26, 2019

**THE HONORABLE MARC MORIAL**

President and Chief Executive Officer  
The National Urban League

Morial was the impetus for New Orleans' revival in the 1990s. He also served as a state senator and worked at one of the most influential Gulf Coast law firms before entering public service.



**Business Colloquium**  
February 28, 2019

**MR. ROLAND PARRISH**

President, Chief Executive Officer and Owner  
Parrish McDonald's Restaurants, LTD

Parrish left a flourishing career at the Exxon Corporation to set out as an entrepreneur, becoming a multimillionaire and philanthropist through his ownership of restaurants and other businesses.



**Founders Convocation**  
March 19, 2019

**THE REV. DR. WILLIAM BARBER II**

Pastor, Greenleaf Christian Church of Goldsboro, N.C.  
Founder, Repairers of the Breach

Barber was thrust into the national spotlight following his speech at the 2016 Democratic National Convention. He is a national board member for the NAACP and the recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Genius Grant.



**J.N. Ervin Lecture**  
March 21-24, 2019

**THE REV. VIRZOLA LAW**

Senior Minister  
The Northway Christian Church of Dallas

Law, a Jarvis graduate, is the first woman and first African American to serve as lead pastor at Northway, the largest Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Dallas.



**Religious Emphasis Week/John D. Mangram Institute**  
**Focusing on Women in Ministry**  
**March 26-28, 2019**

**THE REV. DR. TERESA FRY BROWN**  
*Professor of Preaching*  
*Candler School of Theology at Emory University*

As Bandy Professor of Preaching, Brown serves in what is considered the country's premier chair in preaching and sermon-writing. She is the first African American woman to hold the Bandy Chair and was the first African American woman to be named a full professor at Candler.



**Religious Emphasis Week/Mangram Institute**  
**March 25-27, 2019 instead of March 25-27**

**THE REV. DR. CAROLYN A. KNIGHT**  
*Founder and President*  
*"Can Do" Ministries!*

Knight has served congregations in Denver, Rochester and Harlem, NY and Dallas. Knight's ministry is dedicated to the cultural, social, intellectual and spiritual well-being of youth and young adults.



**Religious Emphasis Week/Mangram Institute**  
**March 25-27, 2019**

**THE REV. DR. BRIANNA PARKER**  
*Curator and Founder*  
*The Black Millennial Café Consulting and Data*  
*Resource Center*

Parker, also known as Rev. Bri, is in demand as a preacher, public speaker, millennial engagement coach and ministry consultant. She also serves Jarvis as an assistant professor of religion.



**Honor's Convocation**  
**April 19, 2019**

**DR. IVORY TOLDSON**  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*Quality Education for Minorities Network*

Toldson is the former deputy director of the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. He also has served as a senior research fellow for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, editor in chief of *The Journal of Negro Education* and as an associate professor at Howard University.



### MISSION STATEMENT

Jarvis Christian College is a historically black liberal arts four-year institution affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

The mission of the College is to prepare a diverse population of lifelong learners intellectually, socially, spiritually, and personally through providing interactive services and using varied modalities of instructional delivery.

### THE JARVIS PROMISE

Jarvis promises to provide an affordable college education within an environment that is academically challenging, supportive, nurturing and responsive to the needs of the “whole student.” Further, Jarvis promises to inspire, mold and mentor students to become responsible adults, academic achievers, compassionate and spiritual believers and leaders in the community. The Promise has four components: affordability; competitiveness; career pathways; and warranty, the latter of which guarantees Jarvis graduates the opportunity to “retool their skills” by auditing up to 12 credits to enhance performance in the workplace, should employers require such.





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