## Rooted in Christ Jesus



# NURI New Underground Railroad Initiative

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A modern outreach approach that utilizes small but innovative underground-railroad-like initiatives to effectively help change the lives of the marginalized in our community.

#### The mission statement is simple....

Close the Racial Wealth Gap.

Open doors which have been systemically closed,

so that others can grow into positions of self sustainability.



# The racial wealth gap, explained

# A hand up... not a hand out





## Benefits of NURI Outreach

- Low Cost 12 week internships for local high school students - Live Streaming/Podcast Small Mobile Cafe Owner
- Helps decrease generational poverty, while assisting the parish in meeting Christ's mandate.
- Revolutionizes coffee hour via diversity & community





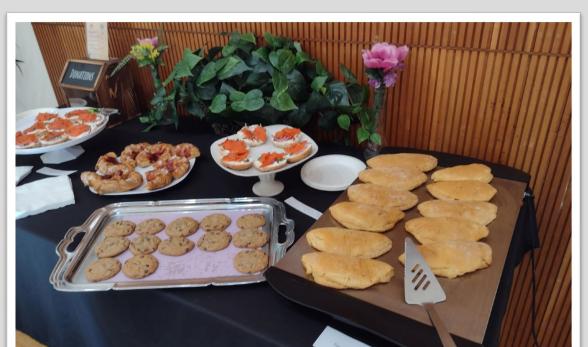




Preparing for coffee hour, we work with teens to teach them innovative dishes.



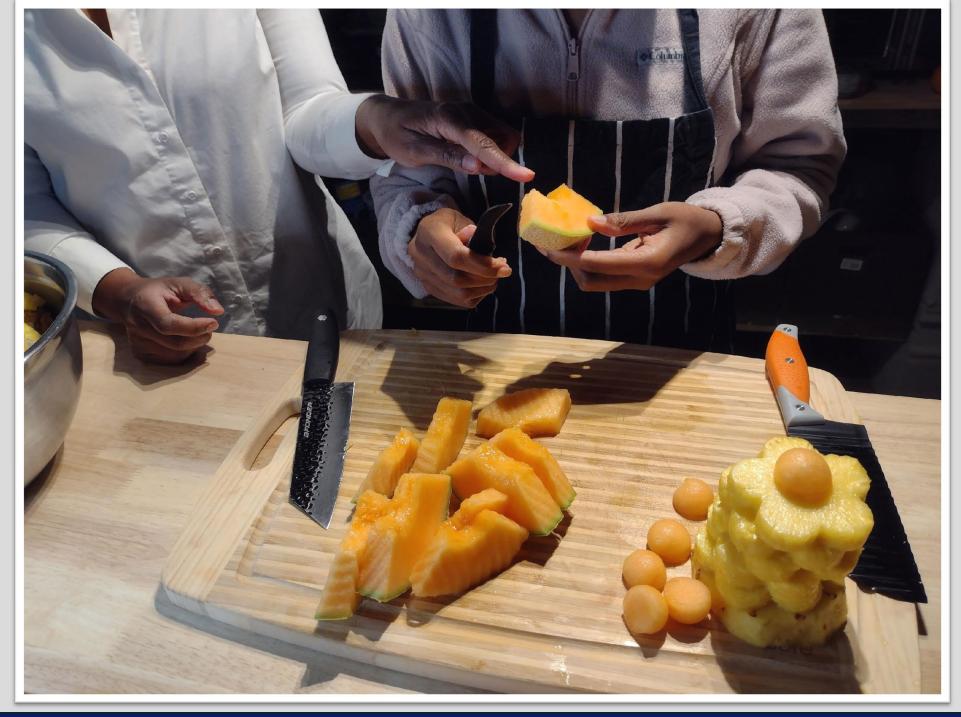






Using wholesale food suppliers we gain access to ingredients for innovative dishes which can help to revolutionize coffee hour





Hands-on experiences not only enhance their cooking abilities but also provide practical skills that can easily be used in creating a side hustle to increase income





Attractive Fresh Fruit Basket





Use of Simple Low Cost Items Available





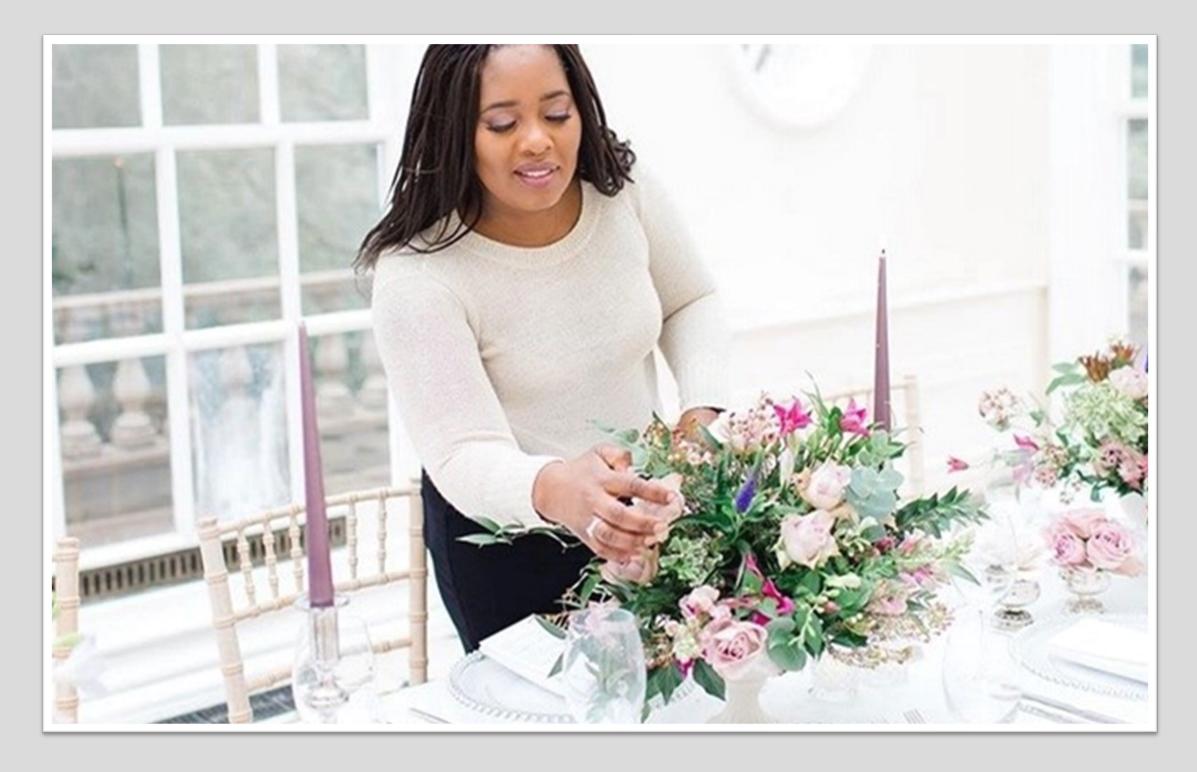
The skills acquired through this experience can be immediately applied to launch small business pop-ups and entrepreneurial opportunities.



"This has been the best 12 weeks of my life. Now I know I can fly."







#### Future NURI Initiatives

Floral arrangement for weddings, funerals and community events



# Plans for the Future





What unique projects and initiatives would you add to make a lasting impact in your community?





## **NURI**

The New Underground Railroad

an innovative approach of offering a hand up not a handout





### NURI

Get On board!

Why not start a branch at your church? For more information contact The Reverend Clay Brown or "St Thomas's Newark"



# Thank You

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