

## 7.15 A.M HOLY COMMUNION

Colour: GREEN

Theme: **ENEMIES OF POSSIBILITIES**

(iii) **Worldliness**

Celebrant: Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi

Stewards on Duty: **Group B**

1. Opening Hymn: A&MRW 359 (*Tune A&MRW 698 - Gwaichmai*)
  2. Introductory Sentence: *"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them." I John 2: 15*
  3. The Preparation (Page 170)
  4. Collect for Purity and Gloria in Excelsis (Page 171)
  5. Summary of the Law (Page 172)
  6. Words of Comfort (Page 175)
  7. Confession to Collect (Pages 175-176)
  
  8. Collects:  
*Merciful God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as pass our understanding, pour into our hearts such love towards You; that loving You above all else, we may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*  
  
*Lord of all power and might, the Author and Giver of all good things; graft in our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish in us all goodness and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*
  
  9. Epistle: I John 2: 15-20 - Mrs. Kemi Awodein
  10. Gradual Hymn: A&MRW 380 (*Melling*)
  11. Gospel: Luke 15: 11-16 Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi
  12. Sermon: Ven. Henry Adelegan
  13. Creed: (Page 178)
  14. Intercession: (Pages 183-184) Mr. Deji Awodein
  15. The Peace (page 186)
  16. Offertory Sentence: *"You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God." James 4:4*
  17. Offertory Hymn: A&MRW 595 (*Slane*)
  18. Preparation of Gifts to Eucharistic Prayer (Pages 187-190)
  19. Breaking of Bread to Anthem: (Pages 190-193)
  20. Prayer of Humble Access: (Pages 193-194)
  21. Communion Sentence: *"For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith." I John 5:4*
  22. Administration: (Page 194)
  23. Hymns during Administration:
    - (i) A&MRW 685 (*Tune A&MRW 588 - Sagina*)
    - (ii) A&MRW 714 (*Slane*)
    - (iii) A&MRW 724 (*Buckland*)
    - (iv) A&MRW 741 (*Londonderry*)
    - (v) A&MRW 792 (*University*)
    - (vi) A&MRW 799 (*Crimond*)
    - (vii) A&MRW 819 (*Oriel*)
    - (viii) A&MRW 820 (*Contemplation*)
  24. Post Communion Hymn: A&MRW 649 (*Heathlands*)
  25. Post Communion Prayer: *Eternal and merciful God, grant Your people - now nourished at Your Holy Table - the grace to withstand the temptations of the sinful nature and the trappings of the world and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*
  26. The Lord's Prayer to Thanksgiving Prayer (Pages 195-196)
  27. Thanksgiving at the Altar:
    - Family Harvest
    - Mrs. Margaret Osaro Ogbomo - Thanksgiving for Healing
    - Launching of the N1 Billion Naira Building Project fund (Hymn A&MRW 750)
  28. Notices:
  29. Spiritual Tonic: **Isaiah 33: 15-16**
  30. Benediction to Dismissal: (Page 196)
  31. Withdrawal Hymn: A&MRW 631 (*Duke Street*)
- At the Organ: Mr. Princewill Ubani

# 9.15 A.M. CHORAL MATTINS

## Grand Parents' Day

AND

### Launching of the 1 Billion Building Project Fund

Cantor: The Provost  
Responses: Fela Sowande in A

Theme: **‘WE WILL BUILD FOR GOD’**

1. **Processional Hymn:** The Church's One Foundation (A&MRW 506 Tune: Aurelia)
2. **Call to Worship**
3. **Psalm 46 - (ASB 121 - Martin Luther in C)**
4. **Bible Reading** – 1 Chronicles 29: 1-9
5. **Hymn** – Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising (A&MRW 638 - Tune: Sing Hosanna)
6. **Sermon: The Diocesan**
7. **Intercession: The Provost**
8. **Sunday Offering** – Hymn for the Year
9. **Launching Ceremony**
  - i. Speech by the Chairman of the 157 Bamgbose Street Building Sub-Committee
  - ii. Short Presentation on the Building Project
  - iii. Anthem – Ise Oluwa Kole baje - T. K. E. Phillips
  - iv. Launching! Launching!! Launching!!! Hymn – Angel Voices Ever Singing (A&MRW 589 - Tune: Angel Voices)
  - v. Special Prayers by the Diocesan
10. **Thanksgiving at the Altar**
  - i. Grandparents – Tell Out My Soul the Greatness of the Lord (A&MRW 394 - Tune: Woodlands)
  - ii. King's College Old Boys – Through All the Changing Scenes of Life (A&MRW 812 - Tune: Wiltshire)
  - iii. Family Harvest – Choruses by the Cathedral Band
11. **Notices**
12. **Spiritual Tonic: *Isaiah 33: 15-16***
13. **Benediction**
14. **Withdrawal Hymn** – God is Working His Purpose Out - (A&MRW 646 - Tune: Benson)

At the Organ: Mr. Prince Ubani  
Choral Conductor: Mr. Jola Adeosun

**FOUNDATION LAYING CEREMONY**

**AT 157, BAMGBOSE STREET,  
BY THE DIOCESAN**

***FOLLOWS IMMEDIATELY AFTER MATTINS***

**9.15 A.M. CATHEDRAL YOUTH CHURCH**

**ALL YOUTH SHOULD JOIN IN  
THE MAIN CHURCH,  
IN CELEBRATION OF THE GRANDPARENTS DAY,  
LAUNCHING AND  
FOUNDATION LAYING  
OF 157 BAMGBOSE RESIDENCE.**

**9.15 A.M. CHILDREN'S CHURCH/SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**TOPIC: WHEN THE ANSWER IS 'NO' 2**

**Worship Leader: Aunty Funke Fate**

1. Choruses
2. Opening Hymn: C.H 539
3. Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 12: 1-12
4. Creed to Prayers:
5. Hymn: C.H. 554 (Offering to be taken)
6. Closing Prayer
7. Closing Hymn - from Pamphlet
8. Children go to their various classes

# SUNDAY 24/09/2023 Day 267

Bible in a year: Isaiah 47,48; Hebrews 7

## **Points for Prayer:**

- ❖ Minister of State for Budget and National Planning.
- ❖ Mrs. Itunu Rewane, Treasurer of Victoria Island Archdeaconry.
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Multan, The (United) Church of Pakistan.**

## ❖ **Birthday Intercession:**

Mrs. Isioma Benedicta Martins, Mrs. Felicia Folasayo Agbeke Oni, Mrs. Judith Alakija, Mrs. Bunmi Ojo, Miss Rebecca Adeyinka Paul, Mrs. Rhoda Ajayi, Mrs. Olukemi Oni, Mrs. Olukemi Adelugba, Mr. Abimbola Abayomi Olayinka, Dr. [Mrs] Eunice Aziken, Miss Adebimpe Adegunloye, Miss Iyanu Adio, Justice Olufunmilayo Olajumoke Atilade, Mrs. Afolake Balogun, Miss Oluwaferanmi Stephen, Mr. Deremi Shamonda, Miss Ebele Nwizu, Miss Mercy Ogenerukeme Moses, Mr. Chukwuemeka Kanu, Miss Foluke Jayesimi, Mrs. Titilayo Adeyeye Idowu, Mr. Kitoyi Ibare-Akinsan, Mr. Aderere Doherty, Mr. Babasoji Doherty, Master Adegoke Ademiluyi, Mrs. Abisola Ademiluyi, Mr. Feyisola Dinyo.

## ❖ **Wedding Anniversary Intercession:**

Mr & Mrs. Oluwadamilola Ogedengbe, 7th Wedding Anniversary.

## ❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

- (i) Mrs. Rebecca Omowunmi Akinsete, 11 years' mind.
- (ii) Mr. Omobolaji Adeleke Oke, 11 years' mind.
- (iii) Mrs. Lavina Apinke Folarin-Coker, 19 years' mind
- (iv) Surv. Cyprian Theodosius Adebawale Olumide 53 years' mind.
- (v) Madam Comfort Adebanye Ogunnaike-Otubanjo, 58 years' mind.
- (vi) Chief Osiah Adeleye Solanke, 63 years' mind.
- (vii) Revd. Daniel Akinwunmi Oduwusi, 64 years' mind.

## ❖ **Family Intercession:**

**Families of** Amb. Oladapo Fafowora, OON, CPA, Fetuga, Meadows, Mrs. E.O. Oyedele, Mrs. Ayo Shodipo-Olabode, CPA, Udemba, Late Yeyeoba Edith Adenike Vincent (nee Gooding) CPA, Late Pa John Alabi Oyebode, Chief Lanre Ladipo, CPA, Otunba Solomon A. Oladunni, Ajilo, Olori Ajoke Adewunmi, Olajumoke Adeniyi-Jones, Mr. Obasola George.

## ❖ **Prayer for Businesses**

AIICO Insurance, Come On Naija Limited, Breaking Barrier Support Initiative, My Thousand Things, Morehouse School, Viathan Engineering Limited, Sahara Energy, Lagos State Office of the Public Defender, Sucrose Crafts, Andersen Tax, Athena Travels and Tours, Senapa International Company Ltd., BOT Nigerian Company Ltd, Sunrose Consulting Limited, Lenox Heights Ltd., Purple Scents Ltd, Quintus Projects Ltd, BooksbyEmo, OfficeMakers International Ltd, Hydra Verifications Ltd., The Law Union, Geetee Ventures Ltd, Blue Cross Hospital.

# SUNDAY 24/09/2023 - MEETINGS

9.00 a.m. There will be a meeting of **The Koinonia**.

## **After Mattins**

- (i) The **Young Women's Christian Association** will meet at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.
- (ii) The Monthly General Meeting of the **Cathedral Ladies Helpers' Union and the Youth Wing** will take place at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.
- (iii) There will be a meeting of the **Girls' Guild** at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.

**11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. Clinic**

**CALL ON ANY DOCTOR OR NURSE IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.**

**After 11.15 a.m.**

**Communion** The Statutory Meeting of the Standing Committee will take place at the Chapter House.

# ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY 25/09/2023    Colour: GREEN    Day 256**

*Bible in a year: Isaiah 49,50; Hebrews 8*

**6.45a.m.    *Holy Communion***

*Celebrant: Revd. Canon Kunle Dina*

*Epistle: I Cor. 4: 8-21*

*Gospel: Matthew 5: 21-26*

*Points for Prayer*

- ❖ *Minister for Communication*
- ❖ *The Revd. Raphael Oghenovo Okoro*  
*The Revd. Nelson Onyenuwe.*
- ❖ *The Bishop of the Diocese of The Anglican Church of Burundi.*

❖ ***Birthday Intercession:***

*Prince Adeyimika Ademiluyi, Mrs. Aurelia Omotayo Ajeigbe, Miss Oluwaseun Awogbade, Miss Sholabomi Coker, Mr. Omoniyi Olurotimi Coker, Mr. Olusola Olutosin Ladeinde, Mrs. Kofoworola Aina Sokefun, Miss Tokunbo Anike Dawodu, Mrs. Joan Akpevboghene Isiakpere [nee Agbogidi], Master Oyetunde Odunlami, Mr. Tuanami Ibhugom, Mr. Clement Aiyedun Authe, Miss Toluwalope Rhodes-Vivour, Miss Marian Akanbi, Mr. Anthony Olukayode Onabanjo, Mr. Nicholas Imo, Miss Cassandra Akua Adebo, Mrs. Abimbola Adegbesan, Mr. Taiye Akintola, Master Oluwafikayomi Babarinde, Mr. Toyin Oluwsola Bello, Master Chidiebube Chijioke, Mr. Adefisan Doherty, Mrs. W.O. Ekundayo, Mr. Kehinde Lloyd-Kuyinu, Miss Obianuju Onyinye Nwizu, Mr. Tunde Oke, Mr. Oyetunde Odunlami Oyeboode, Mr. Chimankpam Tochukwu Ozuzu, Mr. Olatunde Oluwole Phillips, Mr. Sunmi Smart-Cole.*

❖ ***Memorial Intercession:***

- (i) *Papa Yaya Saka, 35 years' mind*
- (ii) *Pa Isaac Olatunji Sisande Osisanya, 52 years' mind.*

**10.00 a.m.    *New Legal Year Service***

**4.00 p.m.    *Women Bible Class/Contemporary Issue - Raising the Boy/Girl Child for a balanced Society by Mrs. Florence Porbeni***

**TUESDAY – 26/ 09/2023    Colour: GREEN    Day 257**

*Bible in a year: Isaiah 51,52; Hebrews 9*

**6.45a.m.    *Holy Communion***

*Celebrant: Revd. Henry Mooh*

*Epistle: I Cor. 5: 1-8*

*Gospel: Matthew 5: 27-37*

*Points for Prayer*

- ❖ *Minister of State for Petroleum*
- ❖ *The Revd. Emmanuel Iseoluwa Ogunfolami*
- ❖ *The Bishop of the Diocese of Mumbai, The (United) Church of North Indian.*

❖ ***Birthday Intercession:***

*Mr. Phillip Ikeazor, Mrs. Uche Balogun, Mr. Moses Macaulay Osiobor, Miss Emmanuella Spaine, Miss Emmanuella Ngozichukwu Nwankerendu, Master Oluwabukunola O. Coker, Mrs. Araloyin Benedicta Peters, Miss Ibukunoluwa Adefope, Mrs. Beatrice Modupe Akinola, Mr. Abimbola Adebayo Peters, Master Ifeoluwaposimi Sorinwa, Mr. David Aboso, Mr. Kayode Fortune Akinola, Master Obinna Anabe, Miss Sophia Edegware, Master Adegoke Bamgboye Fetuga, Mr. Tunde Ladipo, Miss Oluwatobi Monica Olukoya.*

**6.00 p.m.    *Choir Practice***

## WEDNESDAY – 27/09/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 270

*Bible in a year: Isaiah 53,54; Psalm 109*

### 6.45 a.m. Holy Communion

*Celebrant: The Provost*

*Epistle: I Cor. 5: 9-6:8*

*Gospel: Matthew 5: 38-48*

*Points for Prayer*

- ❖ *The Chairman and Members of Archbishop Abiodun Adetiloye Foundation.*
- ❖ *Mr. Mark Ogha Pius, Treasurer of Marine Beach Archdeaconry*
- ❖ *The Bishop of the Diocese of Mumias, The Anglican Church of Kenya.*

#### ❖ **BirthDay Intercession:**

*Mrs. Olayinka Ololade Emmanuel(nee Sanyaolu), Mrs Ufuoma Ogunsanya (nee Agbogidi), Miss Wumike Mukan, Mrs. Abiola Abiose Fayemi, Mrs. Elizabeth Kehinde Williams, Mrs. Adejoke Bada, Mr. Oladipo Odujinrin, Mr. Ovie Koloko, Mr. Izuchukwu Justus Okonkwo.*

#### ❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

*Mrs. Modupe Lijadu, 21 years' mind.*

### 5.00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting

## THURSDAY – 28/09/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 271

*Bible in a year: Isaiah 55,56; Hebrews 10*

### 6.45 a.m. Holy Communion

*Celebrant: Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun Adeyemi*

*Epistle: I Cor. 6: 12-20*

*Gospel: Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-18*

*Points for Prayer*

- ❖ *The Rt. Revd. Sunday Timothy G. Adewole, Bishop of the Diocese of Kwara*
- ❖ *Mrs. G.O. Adewole, President, Mothers' Union, Women's Guild and Girls' Guild, Diocese of Kwara.*
- ❖ *The Revd. John Obiomachukwu Nwankwo.*  
*30th Wedding Anniversary of Revd. Olaotan, SAN and Mrs. Abayomi Ajose-Adeogun.*
- ❖ *The Bishop of the Diocese of Mundri (Amadi Province, South Sudan)*

#### ❖ **BirthDay Intercession:**

*Asiwaju Folawewo Babatunde Osibo, Miss Omolara Oluwaseyi Fatoye, Mrs. Olanrenwaju Patricia Nsofor, Mrs. Boma Doherty, Mrs. Ijeoma Anyanwu, Mr. Ibidapo Akande, Master Atanda Enitinpamimo Akindele, Master Joshua Enitinpamimo Akindele, Miss Omobolanle Akinkugbe, Mrs. Toyosi Banjoko, Mr. Nathan Ibe Chukwuemeka, Mr. Adeolu Haffner, Mr. Charles Emebinah Ikenna, Mr. Stowell Ozioma Israel-Cookey, Mrs. Ethel Omowunmi Ogunlesi, Master Erastus Ayomikun Faloye.*

#### ❖ **Wedding Anniversary Intercession:**

*Mr. & Mrs. Oluwasheyi Olamuyiwa Amoshe, 4th Wedding Anniversary.*

#### ❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

- (i) *Dr. Akingbade Oladapo Badejo, 13 years' mind.*
- (ii) *Mrs. Alberta Adebisi Oseni, 18 years' mind*

### 6.00 p.m. Choir Practice

**FRIDAY - 29/09/2023      Colour: WHITE**  
**St. Michael & All Angels**

**Day 272**

*Bible in a year: Isaiah 57,58; Hebrews 11*

**6.45 a.m.    Celebrant: Canon Residentiary**  
**Epistle:      Rev. 12: 7-12**  
**Gospel:      Matthew 18: 1-10**  
**Points for Prayer**

- ❖ *The Rt. Revd. Dr. Solomon Olusola Akanbi, Bishop of the Diocese of Offa*
- ❖ *Mrs. Kehinde Christianah Akanbi, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of Offa.*
- ❖ *Mrs. Elizabeth Olayiwola Olayanju*
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Mundu (Central Equatorial Province, South Sudan).**
  
- ❖ **Birthday Intercession for:**  
*Mr. Damilola Coker, Mrs. Ayodele Olayinka Sebilliau (nee Olaomo) Miss Oluwatoyin Araba Sagoe, Miss Ibukun Victoria Martins, Miss Mofifoluwa Ayokunnumi Olawunmi, Mr. Olumide Ogunmola, Mr. Oluwaseun Mofoluwaso Adenekan, Miss Oluwatamilore Oki, Master Olayele Aluko, Sir Edward Uzoma Abattam, Miss Joy Leeradan Idamkue, Miss Oluwaseun Sodipe.*
  
- ❖ **Wedding Anniversary Intercession:**  
*Ven. & Mrs. Segun Ladeinde, 22nd Wedding Anniversary*
  
- ❖ **Memorial Intercession:**
  - (i) *Ms. Cynthia Olufunke John, 5 years' mind*
  - (ii) *Mrs. Gladys B. Williams, 15 years' mind*
  - (iii) *Mr. Edwin Oladipo Thorpe, CPA, 35 years mind.*

**5.00 p.m.    Men's Bible Class**

**SATURDAY – 30/09/2023      Colour: WHITE      273**

*Bible in a year: Isaiah 59,60; Psalm 110,111*

**7.45a.m. Holy Communion**

**Celebrant: Revd. Olawole Faloye**  
**Epistle:      I Cor. 7: 10-24**  
**Gospel:      Matthew 6: 19-24**  
**Points for Prayer:**

- ❖ *The Rt. Revd. Emmanuel Adeoye Adekola, Bishop of the Diocese of Igbomina.*
- ❖ *Mrs. A. Adekola, President, Mothers' Union and Women Guild, Diocese of Igbomina.*
- ❖ *23rd Wedding Anniversary of Ven. and Mrs. Christopher Afesojoye.*
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Murang'a South (Kenya)**
  
- ❖ **Birthday Intercession:**  
*Miss Olutosin Modupeola Oluwole, Mrs Olayinka Olubukunola Ajape (nee Sebanjo), Mr. Kenneth Maduabuchi Otugo, Miss Oluwabukunola Ayinke Peters, Mr. Olusegun Adeoye Adenuga, Mrs. Georgietta Kofoworola Ogundeyi (nee Oyebode), Mr. Olusegun Adejumo, Mr. Morakinyo Okusanmi, Master Popoola Aluko.*
  
- ❖ **Wedding Anniversary Intercession:**  
*Mr. & Mrs. Antoine Jean Sebastien Sebilleau, 27th Wedding Anniversary.*
  
- ❖ **Memorial Intercession:**
  - (i) *Mrs. Ebunoluwa Ajose-Adeogun, 17 years' mind.*
  - (ii) *Mr. Felicien Tokunbo Durand, 22 years' mind.*

# Bible Study Outline

**THEME: GOD'S CHILDREN AS PILGRIMS TO THE HEAVENLY KINGDOM:**

**MANIFESTATION OF GOD'S REIGN ON EARTH**

**SUB-THEME:** Challenges to Manifestation as Pilgrims to heavenly Kingdom 3

**TOPIC:** False Teachings

**TEXT:** 2 Peter 2:1-3

**AIMS:**

*i. to define and analyse the contexts of false teachings*

*ii. how false teachings can hinder our manifestation Christians and PILGRIMS TO HEAVENLY KINGDOM.*

## INTRODUCTION

False teaching is an arrogantly attempt to fashion new interpretations of the scriptures to demonstrate that these sacred texts should not be read as God's words to His children but merely as the utterances of uninspired men, limited by their own prejudices and cultural biases. Peter exposed us to the lifestyle and doctrines of false teachers in our text today. This study is a focus on this and how it hinders manifestation as PILGRIMS TO HEAVENLY KINGDOM.

## STUDY GUIDE

1. What is false teachings according to our text today and relate to Jude 1:4,7-8,10,16.
2. Analyse some of the attitudes of false teachers and their doctrines. 1Cor 15:12; 1Tim 6:3-6; Jude 1:4.
3. How can false Teachings hinder the manifesting of Christians as Pilgrims to heavenly kingdom?
4. How can a Christian effectively resist or guide against false teachings? 1Ti 1:4,7; 2Ti 2:23; Tit 3:9

**CONCLUSION:** Some of the prevalent false teachings in our generation are worshipping pastors and other personalities apart from the Triune God; that Jesus Christ is not God; Christ's blood does not atone; baptism by any means other than by water and the spirit; teaching how to speak in tongues; Spirit baptism. Christians must be careful of all these.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:** Only spiritual babies eat anything anyhow. Therefore, Grow in Bible knowledge!

## MEMORY VERSE: 2 Peter 2:1

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction."



SPIRITUAL TONIC FOR THE WEEK

**ISAIAH 33: 15-16**

**“Those who walk righteously and speak what is right, who reject gain from extortion and keep their hands from accepting bribes, who stop their ears against plots of murder and shut their eyes against contemplating evil - they are the ones who will dwell on the heights, whose refuge will be the mountain fortress. Their bread will be supplied, and water will not fail them.”**

**Father Almighty, I receive from You the spiritual power to walk righteously and to speak what is always right. This week and always, enable me to resist evil and every form of ungodliness in my thoughts, words and deeds. Upgrade me to the heights of spiritual victory. Continue to be my refuge and fortress and let Your supplies of good things to me be unhindered all the days of my life. I claim all these through Jesus Christ my Lord and Saviour. Amen**



**ANGLICANISM FAST FACTS**

**39 ARTICLES OF RELIGION**

**ARTICLE III, IV & V**

**III. OF THE GOING DOWN OF CHRIST INTO HELL**

**AS Christ died for us, and was buried, so also is it to be believed, that he went down into Hell.**

**IV. OF THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST**

**CHRIST did truly rise again from death, and took again his body, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to the perfection of Man's nature; wherewith he ascended into Heaven, and there sitteth, until he return to judge all Men at the last day.**

**V. OF THE HOLY GHOST**

**THE Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God**

## TITHE:

**Remember to pay your Tithe\***  
(into Cathedral Zenith Bank Account Number)

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**(The tithe is a tenth of all our increase)**

'You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field, year by year' *Deut. 14:22.*

## SUSTENTATION

Please pay your Sustentation/Church Dues (for the upkeep of the Church to: First Bank: **2000519164**  
(Kindly indicate the following: Name & Sustentation No)  
**157, BAMGBOSE BUILDING PROJECT**

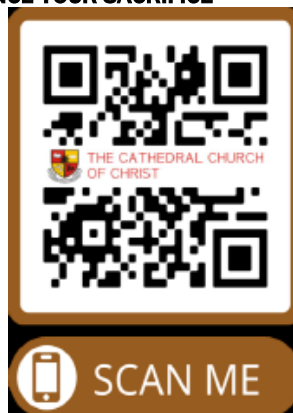
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## PAYMENT INTO CHURCH'S ACCOUNTS

"Honour the LORD with your possession... so your barns will be filled with plenty". Proverbs 3: 9&10.  
Your kind and generous donations to the Cathedral will be highly appreciated. Below are the Church's Bank Accounts.

No	PURPOSE	BANK	ACCT NO
1.	Social Welfare Service Unit	Polaris Bank	1770128010
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# **FAMILY HARVEST 2023 (WK 10)**

**Sunday, 8th October, 2023**

***The following families will be called to the altar.***

1. Mrs. L.B. Onafeko, OFR and Family
2. Family of late Dr. Arthur Nylander, SAN, CPA
3. Mr. Michael & Mrs. Chioma Atueyi
4. Babatunde & Funke Lashmann Family
6. Mr & Mrs. Uyeh Family
7. Late Prince Timothy Adefolarin Bamidele
8. Mr. & Dr. (Mrs) Muyiwa Doherty
9. Mr. & Mrs. Adewale Doherty Family
10. Mr. Eric Teniola Family
11. Late Mr. E.N.O. Sodeinde Family
12. Family of Late Chief Mrs. Oyinade Ade-John
13. Mr. & Mrs. Emmanuel Ayo Imoukhuede
14. Mr. & Mrs. Obinna Nwizu
15. The Kuboye Family
16. The Mefo Family
17. The Ogboye Family
18. Mr. & Mrs. Deola Shonibare
19. Late Surv. S. Ekundayo Martins
20. The Sonuga Family
21. Ted Idamkue Family
22. Mrs. S. O. Moses Family
23. The Ogidiolu Family
24. Family of Late Bankole Babatunde Daniel
25. H.R.H. Oba A.A. Oguntayo, Ajalorun o Ijebu-Ife
26. Adewale Jones Family
27. Hon. Justice Sanyaolu E.O. Family
28. Prince Ademola Odunsi Family
29. Chijioke Okoli, SAN Family
30. Family of Late Revd. Canon Babafunmilola Sokefun
31. Blessing Dan-Egua Family
32. Engr. & Mrs. Kehinde Saka Family
33. Engr. & Chief Mrs. Olabisi Mabogunje Family
34. Adeniyi William Family
35. Late Papa M.O. Imana Family
36. Babatunde Ajijedidun Family
37. Ogolo Emmanuel Family
38. Isaac Olajide Oni Family
39. Mr. and Mrs. Taiwo Ajayi and Family
40. Mr. Enyinnaya Akagha and Family
41. Mr & Mrs. Thomas Toboroworu
42. Mr. & Mrs. Akingboyega Akinkugbe
43. Mr. & Mrs. Segun Abidogun Family
44. Gbeminiyi and Ajibade Laolu-Adewale
45. Dr. Oyeyemi Adegbite and Family
46. Prof. Olumide Ajose and Family
47. Family of Late Chief Simeon Onilede Odusami
48. Mr & Mrs. Enyioko and Family

***May the good LORD continue to enlarge the coast of our families.***

# **FAMILY HARVEST 2023 (WK 11)**

**Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2023**

*The following families will be called to the altar.*

1. Gboyega Banjo Family
3. Family of Late Yinka Lijadu
4. Family of Late Prof. & Mrs. Oladele Akinla
5. Prince & Olori Adegoke Ademiluyi, CPA
6. Sir Jide and Lady Ololade Oki, CPA
7. Chief Mrs. O. Ade-John
8. Mr. & Mrs. Gbolaga Ajayi, CPA
9. Gbenga & Yejide Owootomo
10. Mr. & Mrs. Alfred O. Ore-Dawodu
11. Mr. Olawale Anthony Kunle-Ajakaiye
12. Miss Iyabo Aboaba
13. Late Mr. Samuel Olagbaju
15. Mr. & Mrs. Cosmos Enyioko
16. Ruth Elizabeth Okonedo
17. The Okwusi
18. Late Sir Adeyemo & Lady Ayo Alakija
19. Okikiade Olusola
20. Comfort Oyewunmi
21. Mrs. Augusta Folashade Ojo
22. Durodola Funsho Oluwunmi
23. Dr & Mrs. Olusegun J. Johnson
25. Mr & Mrs. Bolaji Akinola
26. Late Mr. E.O. Tayo
27. The Adeyeye
28. Late Dr. J. Akanni Doherty
29. Mrs. Bamidele Abiola
31. Elufioye-Johnson
32. Obada-Obieh P.
33. Late Sir Josiah C. Onumonu, KSC
34. Johnson Olowole
35. Mr. & Mrs. Abolade Adeleye Olatunji
36. Mr. Israel Amadi
37. Pa I.O.S. Osisanya
39. Mrs. T.A. Iremiren, OON and Family
40. Chief Mrs. Patience Sokoromo Family
41. Adunola O. Kuboye and Family
43. Family of Late Chief B.I.D. Ezeogu
44. Mr. & Dr. (Mrs) Muyiwa Doherty
45. Family of late Dr. S.U. Okoli
46. Omoroba Omoroluwo Omo Agboke Toyinbo Family of Egba, Abeokuta Union Family
47. Mr. Adewale Jones
48. The Kuboye Family
50. Family of late Adekunle Baderinwa Adeluwoye

***May the good LORD continue to enlarge the coast of our families.***

**FAMILY HARVEST 2023 (WK 12)**  
**Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023**

*The following families will be called to the altar*

1. Family of late Chief E.A.O. Shonekan,CBE,GCF,CPA
2. Mrs. Lydia Bandele Onafeko,OFr,CPA and Family
3. Family of Late Arc. Akinwande Craig
4. Joy Olufunmilayo Pratt
5. The Fadaka Family
6. The Adekitan Family
7. The Ademuyiwa Family
8. Nnamdi Emmanuel Ozochukwu Family
9. Mr & Mrs. Sebanjo Family
10. Mrs. Kehinde Adekoya Family
11. Mr. Alaba and Mrs. Oluranti Unuefa
12. Prince Lanke Ademiluyi Family
13. Esther Onuoha and Family
14. Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Fadeyi
15. The Adeluwoye
16. The Adebogun Family
17. Mrs. Gbemisola Esho Family
18. Sam C. Apakama Family
19. Mrs Constance M.A.N.O. Ishie
20. Princess Victoria E. Otunba-Payne Family
21. Falodun Abayomi Family
22. Family of Dr & Mrs. O. Sowunmi
23. Mr. Olubode & Mrs. Aduke Thorpe
24. Family of Late HRH Oba Engr. Onadeko
25. Adebayo Alaba Family
26. Aderibigbe Shamonda Family
27. Mr. & Mrs. Ntomchukwu Robinson Okonkwo
28. Mr. & Mrs. Soji Awogbade Family
29. Mrs. Bimbo Oyenuga Family
30. Lt. Col. Sade Odunaike Family
31. Mr. L.O. Olowoselu Family
32. Mr. John Jacobson Family
33. Mrs. Esther Asubiaro-Adewuyi Family
34. Mr. & Ms. Deola Shonibare Family
35. Mrs. Kemi Adebowale and Family
36. Late Mr. E. O. Tayo and Family
37. Omoroba Omoroluwo Omo Agboke Toyinbo Family of Egba, Abeokuta Union Family

*May the good LORD continue to enlarge the families.*

# WOMEN'S CORNER

## NOTICES

25/9/2023 - Contemporary Issue - Raising the Boy/Girl Child  
for a balanced Society by **Mrs. Florence  
Porbeni**

1/10/2023 - Women's Quiet Day

2/10/2023 - Prayer Meeting - Prayer for the Children by  
**Mrs. Iyanda Fate**

### **Payment of Sacrifice**

#### **- Women's and Girls' Organisations**

May God bless and prosper you as you give monthly towards Women's work in the Diocese. Thank you for giving to the Lord. Kindly make cheques payable to Womens' & Girls' Organisations, Diocese of Lagos.

### **THIS MONTH IN THE HISTORY OF THE CATHEDRAL - SEPTEMBER**

*- By Church History Sub-Committee*

#### **2007**

**Sept.16** Foundation Stone of Christ Church, Iraye in Epe Archdeaconry was laid by Archbishop E.A. Ademowo, at the 29th Anniversary of the Cathedral Christian Brothers who had accepted to build the new Church.

#### **2012**

**Sept.19** Work began on the reflooring of the Cathedral with Marble. It was donated by a member.

#### **2018**

**Sept. 8** Dedication of the Vicarage of St. Luke Anglican Church, Lamgbasa by Right Revd. Humphrey Bamisebi Olumakaiye, Ph.D, Bishop of Lagos, assisted by Very Revd, Adebola Ojofeitimi, Provost of the Cathedral Church of Christ, Marina, Lagos. The Vicarage was donated by the Cathedral Ladies League.

#### **2022**

**Sept. 8** The Cathedral joined the rest of the world in sympathizing over the passing away of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday 8th September, 2022.

## NEEDS OF THE CATHEDRAL

Donations are vital to the Cathedral's future, and your gift will make a difference.

Kindly donate towards the purchase of any of the items listed below. Thank you.

- i. Risograph Printing Machine @ N4.5m
- ii. Cisco 350X-24 MP Switch for CCTV cameras @ \$1500
- iii. Transformer and Tape Guide for the Lift car in the Cathedral House @ \$3000
- iv. D-link Switch - DGS-1210-28P @ NGN230K
- v. IP Camera @ NGN1,196,000
- vi. One 1.5 hp Airconditioners @ N180,000 each
- vii. Two 2 hp Airconditioners @ N270,000 each

**OBAFUNKE AKINKUGBE GIFT SHOP IS NOW OPENED. VISIT THE SHOP FOR YOUR BRANDED GIFT ITEMS, COFFEE AND SNACKS. THE SHOP OPENS DAILY EXCEPT ON MONDAYS. THANK YOU.**

**SUNDAY 01/10/2023**  
**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**  
**(Pentecost 18)**

Stewards on Duty: **Group C**      Colour: **GREEN**

**7.15 am HOLY COMMUNION (SAID)**

Theme: **“ASSURED FRUITFULNESS: IN  
CHRIST ALONE” - John 15:5**

Celebrant: **The Provost**

N.T. Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 **Mr.**

**Gbolaga Ajayi**

Gospel: **Luke 5: 1-9 The Provost**

Address: **Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi**

Prayers: **Mrs. Jumoke Ajayi**

**Thanksgiving at the Altar**

- *Monthly Thanksgiving*
- *September Birthday Thanksgiving*

*9.00 a.m. There will be a meeting of the Koinonia*

**9.30 a.m CHORAL MATTINS**

**PROFFESIONALS' HARVEST**

Theme: **“ASSURED FRUITFULNESS: IN  
CHRIST ALONE” - John 15:5**

Cantor: **Revd. Henry Mooh**

Sermon: **The Rt. Revd. Ebenezer Saiki, Diocesan Bishop of Akoko Edo**

1st Bible Reading: Deuteronomy 28: 1-14

2nd Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Reader: **Harvest Sub-Committee**

Prayer: **Revd. Henry Mooh**

**Thanksgiving at the Altar**

- *Monthly Thanksgiving*
- *September Birthday Thanksgiving*

**WELCOME**

A warm welcome to this and every worship in this Cathedral. Whether you have come from far or near, may you find real joy and inspiration in this service. We are very happy to see you and hope that you will come again.

**GENERAL NOTICES**

**1. Launching of the N1Billion Building Project Fund:**

(i) We welcome the Diocesan, His Lordship, **the Rt Revd Ifedola Senasu Gabriel Okupevi** to the Cathedral today as he presides over the launching of the **N1 billion building project fund**. May glorious and joyful events continue to attend his episcopal ministry in the See of Lagos.

(ii) We thank all our guests for coming to honour God today. May God continually replenish your pockets.

**2. A Musical Concert Celebrating the Life and Works of Theophilus Ayoola Bankole**

**Special Appearance:** Ayo Bankole Jr.

**Host:** Cathedral Church of Christ Choir

**Featuring:** Vox Cantus De Chorale Akure, Ondo State

**Date:** Sunday, 1st October, 2023

**Time:** 4.00 p.m

You're cordially invited. It promises to be memorable and exciting.

**3. 3 Cathedral Choir Festival:**

You are cordially invited to our musical event featuring the choir of:

(a) Cathedral Church of Christ, Marina, Lagos

(b) Archbishop Vining Memorial Church, Ikeja, Lagos

(c) Cathedral Church of St. Jude, Ebute Metta, Lagos (Host:Choir)

**Venue:** All Saints Anglican Church, Montgomery, Yaba, Lagos

**Date:** Sunday, 24th September, 2023

**Time:** 4.00 p.m.

**4. Upcoming Youth Programme**

**a. Youth Weekend**

The Youth Weekend comes up **5th to 8th October 2023**. A 4 day retreat of spiritual, educative, and team bonding activities. Registration fee is **N10,000**.

**b. Cathedral Cup**

A football competition between the Youth teams of the Cathedral Church of Christ, Archbishop Vining memorial and St. Jude's Ebute Metta. From 14th to 28th October, 2023

You can contact the Youth Chairman, Michael Agbogidi, for more details on 08029180308.

**5. Cathedral Guild of Stewards**

**General Meeting** will hold on Sunday, 24th September 2023 at The Ayo Rosiji Hall by 11:30am.

**6. Family Harvest 2023**

This is to notify all parishioners that the Family Harvest for 2023 will commence on Sunday the 16th of July 2023 and will run through to the 22nd of October. Please find below the dates for the

<b>September</b>	<b>24th</b>			
<b>October</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>15th</b>	<b>22nd</b>	<b>29th</b>

Kindly visit the membership office or desk provided by the membership office to verify the dates allotted to your family so as to enable you make changes to more suitable dates if need be or identify any omission of your family's name. Envelopes will be available from the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. Family Harvest Sub-Committee members: - **Mrs. Esther Asubiaro-Adewuyi 08032985511, Miss Iyabo Aboaba- 08033022587, Olatunji Jolayemi, Miss Oluwatoyin Henshaw, Miss Eyiemi Meadows**. Please come forward and give thanks to the Almighty as one family. May the good Lord bless you.

**7. Mid-Week Fellowship and Love Feast:**

Are you celebrating your birthday or any joyous occasion in your family or remembering a loved one? Think of sharing your joys with the less privileged, who can give you nothing in return, but are being led to Christ by us. Sponsor a Wednesday afternoon.

**Cost is N100,000** per Wednesday. You can pay part of an afternoon's cost. See Omoba Ademola or the Parish Clerk during the week. Thank you and God bless.

**8. (a) Fellowship Hour - Sunday 24/9/2023**

**Vacant** after 7.15 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Services

**(b) Fellowship Hour Booking: October to December 2023**

Sunday, 8/10/2023 - **Miss Akunna and Miss Christiana**  
on October, 2023 after 7.15 a.m. and  
Services

**Akagha** for their Birthdays  
9.15 a.m.

Sunday, 15/10/2023 - 1st Year's mind of late **Pa Johnson**  
**Bamidele Agboola Olowole** after  
9.15 a.m.



Sunday, 22/10/2023- **Mrs. Aronke Nylander** for her Birthday which comes up Friday, 20th October, 2023 after 7.15 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Services  
 Sunday, 12/11/2023 - **Mrs. Oyebola Adisa** for her Birthday which comes up on Thursday 9th November, 2023 after 7.15 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Services  
 Sunday, 26/11/2023 - **Engr. Julius Folorunso Obember** for his Birthday after 7.15 a.m. Service.  
 Sunday, 26/11/2023 - **Vacant** after 9.15 a.m. Service  
 Sunday, 10/12/2023 - **Vacant** after 7.15 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Services  
 Sunday, 24/12/2023 - **Mr. Oluwadamilola Mojolaoluwa Ajilo** for his Birthday after 7.15 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Services

- (b) Fellowship Hour - Parishioners who are not the main hosts of the Fellowship Hour but who wish to celebrate any events in their lives or who will like to simply contribute to the 'community spirit of the Cathedral are encouraged to do so by providing fruits, cakes, muffins, etc. Such parishioners should please contact Omoba Adegbola Ademola.



#### WELFARE SUB-COMMITTEE

Parishioners should please inform either the Welfare Sub-Committee - Mrs. Ayo Shodipo-Olabode 0802 787 2516; Mr. Akin Martins - 0802 316 0305 or Mrs Mary Ojutiwon (Provost's Secretary) - Tel No. 08053322557 of any one that has not been present in the Church for some time (young or old) either due to illness or any other reason whatsoever and who needs to be given Communion at home.

### SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICE UNIT (SWSU)

- ❖ *The SWSU Panel wishes through this medium, to appreciate all those who are helping the needy through the Unit (SWSU) in cash and kind. God Almighty will bless and enrich you more in Jesus name. Amen.*
- ❖ *In the course of the week the Unit received an anonymous donation of N960,000 (Transfer)*
- (a) **Sponsorship:**  
Our Social Welfare Service Unit is seeking sponsorship for the following. Part payments will be gratefully appreciated.
- 1. **Adereti Esther Oluwatimilehin (19 years)** needs the sum of N1,083,995 for her University Education. She got an admission into Lagos State University for 5 years at N216,799 per session.
- 2. **Mr. Jimoh Aleem** a secondary School student needs a sum of N900,000 for a 6 years level of education at N50,000 per term.

3. **Miss Ayodele Abayomi Iyanuoluwa (19 years)** needs the sum of N600,000 for her University education. She got an admission into University of Ilorin, Kwara State to study Electrical/Electronic Engineering, a 5 years course at N120,000 per session.
  4. **Miss Marvis Ramota Mustapha (26 years)** needs the sum of N720,000 for her education, she got an admission into University of Benin studying Law for 6 years at N120,000 per session.
  5. **Miss Priscilla Olubanke Balogun (24 years)** needs the sum of N480,000 for her education. She got an admission into University of Lagos studying Psychology for 4 years at N120,000 per session.
  6. **Master Daniel Elijah (10 years)** needs the sum of N900,000 for his Secondary School Education at N50,000 per term.
  7. **Miss Ikuomola Oluwanifemi Blessing (13 years)** needs the sum of N900,000 for her Secondary School Education at N50,000 per term.
- (b) The members of the Social Welfare Service Unit would appreciate the donation of fairly used clothes, shoes for both young and old, and also food items like Rice, Gari, Beans, Provisions, etc.

### **PRAYER FOR THE YEAR**

**Eternal Father, the only God of wonders and possibilities, Your power is beyond compare, with You there is no impossibility, we acknowledge before You our feebleness; if Your power will not be our power we are doomed to failure: Grant, O Lord, that each day of our lives, this year and beyond, will be a reflection of Your wondrous power, level the mountains and break down gates of bronze before us to make possible every impossibility that lies ahead. We beseech You also to visit our land with Your unfailing help, cut through the bars of iron to deliver to us the treasures and riches stored in secret places, in Your mercy redeem and re-establish our Nation; and accomplish for Your Church what only You can accomplish to the praise and honour of Your one and only Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer. Amen**

**Theme for the year: "WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE"**

**TEXT: MATTHEW 19:26**

### **HYMN FOR THE YEAR** **ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM**

1. All things are possible to him  
That can in Jesus' name believe;  
Lord, I no mote thy truth blaspheme,  
Thy truth I lovingly receive;  
I can, I do believe in thee;  
All things are possible to me.
2. The most impossible of all  
Is that I e'er from sin should cease;  
Yet shall it be; I know it shall;  
Jesus, look to thy faithfulness!  
If nothing is too hard for thee,  
All things are possible to me.
3. Though earth and Hell the word gainsay,  
The word of God can never fail;  
The Lamb shall take my sins away,  
'Tis certain, though impossible;

**The thing impossible shall be,  
All things are possible to me.**

**4 When thou the work of faith hast wrought,  
I here shall in thine image shine,  
Nor sin in deed or word or thought;  
Let men exclaim and fiends repine,  
They cannot break the firm decree;  
All things are possible to me.**

**5 Thy mouth, O Lord, to me hath sworn  
That I shall serve thee without fear,  
Shall find the pearl which others spurn,  
Holy and pure and perfect here;  
The servant as his Lord shall be;  
All things are possible to me.**

**6 All things are possible to God,  
To Christ, the power of God in man,  
To me, when I am all renewed,  
When I in Christ am formed again,  
And witness, from all sin set free,  
All things are possible to me.**

**ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK**

**FIFTEETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY - 17/09/2023**

7.15 a.m. Holy Communion(Youtube 153/Facebook 156 views).....200  
9.15 a.m. Children's Church/Sunday School..... 145  
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Youth Church ..... 47  
9.15 a.m. Choral Mattins (Youtube 272/Facebook 163 views)..... 280  
11.15 a.m. Sung Eucharist.(Youtube 179/Facebook 163 views)..... 120

**Week-Day Services - Saturday - Friday**

	<b>HC</b>		<b>HC</b>
Saturday 16/09/2023	9	Wednesday 20/09/2023	28
Monday 18/09/2023	52	Thursday 21/09/2023	14
Tuesday 19/09/2023	20	Friday 22/09/2023	14

**COMING EVENTS ( SEPTEMBER 2023)**

01/10/2023 - *Professionals' Harvest*  
08/10/2023 - *35th Anniversary - Cathedral Medical Society*



# SOUL FOOD 39/2023

## LAUNCHING OF THE 1BILLION PROJECT

### “WE WILL BUILD FOR GOD”

*“Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.”*

*1 Chronicles 29:9*

Today is another epoch-making event in the annals of the history of our Cathedral as we gather to fundraise for another transformative project that will positively impact our chequered antecedents. We express profound and unreserved gratitude to God Almighty for bringing this day to pass. Our forebears laboured to bequeath us with a glorious legacy, and in our time, we too continue to make our marks and the church of God marches on illimitably. This is the promise of the Captain of our salvation Jesus Christ in Matthew 16:18 – “...I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

‘We will build’ is the theme that was impressed on my mind for this meditation. We will build, we can build and exactly that we will do. Right from biblical times, it has been the custom of God’s people to build houses for Him. One such occurrence is found in the account of 1 Chronicles 29:1-9 where King David expresses his deep desire to build a house of rest for the Ark of the Covenant, which represents the presence of God. He acknowledges that while he dwells in a palace, the Ark is housed in a tent (1 Chronicles 29:2). Consequently, David pledges to personally contribute large quantities of precious materials for the construction of the temple, including gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood, onyx stones, and more (1 Chronicles 29:2-5).

This passage presents us with some lessons on the right attitude towards giving to God’s cause.

- **Willing Hearts:** A willing heart is a heart that “wants to.” When giving, it is important to do so with a willingness. Giving grudgingly or out of necessity can diminish the joy and impact of the act. It is often said that “it is better to give than to receive” because giving can bring happiness and fulfilment to both the giver and the recipient. The Bible says: “Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2Corinthians 9:7)
- **Wholehearted Giving:** In the Bible, it is mentioned that David gave to God freely and wholeheartedly. Jesus in Mark 12:30 admonishes us: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.” This verse underscores the importance of loving God with every aspect of your being, which includes giving to Him with your whole heart.

**Inspiring Others:** David’s commitment to the temple inspires the leaders and people of Israel to give willingly and generously. They offer their own treasures and resources for the building of the Lord’s house (1 Chronicles 29:6-9). Our acts of generosity can inspire others to join us in joyfully serving the Lord and building His kingdom.

**Rejoicing in God’s Presence:** This results from the understanding that it is a privilege to be counted worthy to give towards Godly causes. David finds great joy in the presence of our loving God, who blesses us abundantly and calls us to participate in His work. He expressed his gratitude and joy to God saying: “But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand. (1 Chronicles 29:14)

**Unity and Collaboration:** The passage also highlights the collaborative efforts of the people of Israel. They willingly offer their resources and talents, working together for a common purpose. This emphasis on unity and collaboration reflects a broader theological belief that God’s people should work together in harmony to accomplish His purposes. God recognises this in Genesis 11:6 – “The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language, they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will

be impossible for them.” The exploit at the Tower of Babel resulted from the collaborative effort of the people.

As we reflect on the willing response of the leaders in 1 Chronicles 29:9, let us carry this spirit of generosity, unity, and joy into the building of the Cathedral Apartments. When we give willingly and wholeheartedly, we honour the Lord, inspire others, and experience the boundless joy of serving our gracious God. Let us continue to be cheerful givers, knowing that our generosity is an act of worship that draws us closer to the heart of our Heavenly Father.

We will build for the Lord! It was not difficult for our forebears to erect the Gothic masterpiece that has become the cynosure of all eyes as the face of Lagos and even the country. The enterprise we embark on today will be difficult to accomplish for us. As the Lord lives in record time, we shall gather again for the dedication of the edifice.

May the Almighty God accept our offerings and bless us more to the praise and honour of His name.

*Have a blessed week!*

*The one who serves among you,*



**Very Revd. Adebola Ojofeitimi, PhD**

**Provost**

Prince 'Dapo Opeaye.....People's Warden  
Mr. Adeyinka Shonekan.....Provost's Warden  
Mr. Adejola Adeosun - .....Master of the Music and Organist  
Revd. Henry Mooh - ..... Confirmation Class/Youth  
Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun M. Adeyemi - .....Altar Servers/Readers Guilds  
Revd Olawole Faloye .....Correctional Centres Ministry/Elders' Fellowship  
Revd. Canon Kunle Dina .....Care Ministry  
Revd. Canon Emmanuel Fadipe - .....SWSU  
Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi..... Children's Church  
Ven. Henry Adelegan - .....Harvest Sub-Committee/Cathedral Choir and Band  
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