

7.15 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

Colour: GREEN

Theme: **ASSURED FRUITLESSNESS: IN CHRIST ALONE**

- **John 15:5**

Celebrant: The Provost

Stewards on Duty: **Group**

1. **Opening Hymn:** A&MRW 650 (*Faithfulness*)
 2. **Introductory Sentence:** *"I will make them and the places surrounding my hill a blessing. I will send down showers in season; there will be showers of blessing."* Ezekiel 34: 26
 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. **Collect:**
Almighty God, You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in You. Teach us to offer ourselves to Your service, that here we may have Your peace, and in the world to come may see You face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast graciously given to us the fruits of the earth in their season: We yield thee humble and hearty thanks for these thy bounties, beseeching thee to give us grace rightly to use them to thy glory and the relief of those that need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

 9. **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 - **Mr. Gbolaga Ajayi**
 10. **Gradual Hymn:** A&MRW 284 (*Tune A&MRW 16 - Ar Hydy Nos*)
 11. **Gospel:** John 15: 1-8 **The Provost**
 12. **Sermon:** **Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi**
 13. **Creed:** (Page 178)
 14. **Intercession:**(Pages 183-184) **Mrs. Jumoke Ajayi**
 15. **The Peace** (page 186)
 16. **Offertory Sentence:** *"Honour the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine."* Proverbs 3: 9&10
 17. **Offertory Hymn:** A&MRW 289 (*MHB 964 - Bishogarth*)
 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:** *"The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none."* Deuteronomy 28:12
 22. **Administration:** (Page 194)
 23. **Hymns during Administration:**
 - (i) A&MRW 742 (*Richmond*)
 - (ii) A&MRW 750 (*Almsgiving*)
 - (iii) A&MRW 761 (*Austria*)
 - (iv) A&MRW 458 (*Grafton Tantum Ergo Sacramentum*)
 - (v) A&MRW 640 (*Warrington*)
 - (vi) A&MRW 630 (*Abbot's Leigh*)
 - (vii) A&MRW 623 (*Melita*)
 24. **Post Communion Hymn:** Hymn for the year - see page 13
(End of month Thanksgiving)
 25. **Post Communion Prayer:** *Lord of the harvest, with Joy we have offered thanksgiving for Your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom; by Your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*
 26. **The Lord's Prayer to Thanksgiving Prayer** (Pages 195-196)
 27. **Thanksgiving at the Altar:**
- **September Birthday Thanksgiving**
- **Professionals' Harvest Thanksgiving**
(A&MRW 290)

 28. **Notices:**
 29. **Spiritual Tonic:** **Deuteronomy 15: 10**
 30. **Benediction to Dismissal:** (Page 196)
 31. **Withdrawal Hymn:** A&MRW 678 (*In Christ Alone*)
- At the Organ: Mr. Princewill Ubani**

9.30 a.m. CHORAL MATTINS

Professionals' Harvest Thanksgiving

Cantor: The Provost
Responses: Ernest C. Winchester in G

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

1. **Hymn:** C.H. 696 – Once More The Sheaves Are Gathered - (*Tune A&MRW 506-Aurelia*)

1. Once more the sheaves are gathered
Once more the garner stored,
Thy promise faithful ever
Be Thy great Name adored,

*Our Harvest-tide oblation
Each year, O GOD, we bring,
To Thee be praise and glory,
Our FATHER, LORD, and KING.*

2. The eyes of all Thy creatures
Have waited once again
On Thee, Who ever sendest
The sunshine and the rain

3. While for Thy constant mercies
Our lips do sing Thy praise,
Our souls to Heavenly blessings,
We pray Thee, LORD, to raise

4. Of souls the priceless harvest
Thou, GOD, alone canst bless:
Send many forth to labour
And crown them with success

5. And when the Angel reapers
Shall gather in Thy store
Then may we in Thy garner
Be safe for evermore.

2. **Introit:** A&MRW 356 - All Nations of the world (*Tune Darwall's 148th*)

3. **Call to Worship, Confession and Absolution**

4. **Psalm 118 (ASB 167) - Percy C. Buck**

5. **1st Bible Reading:** Deuteronomy 28: 1-14 **Harvest Sub-Committee**

6. **Hymn:** CoNH 178 - Here, with hearts full of Thankfulness (*Tune MHB 538 - What a friend*)

7. **2nd Bible Reading:** 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 - **Harvest**

Sub-Committee

8. **Benedicite Omnia Opera – C.H. Lloyd**
9. **Creed to 3rd Collect**
10. **Anthem: The Lord hath been mindful of us
- Samuel Sebastian Wesley**

The Lord hath been mindful of us,
and he shall bless us :
he shall bless the house of Israel,
he shall bless the house of Aaron.
He shall bless them that fear the Lord :
both small and great.
Ye are the blessed of the Lord :
you and your children.
11. **Hymn before Sermon: CoHN - We all are thanking our God (*Tune A&MRW 198 – Salzburg Hintz*)**
12. **Sermon: Rt. Revd. Ebenezer Omeiza Saiki,
Diocesan Bishop of Akoko Edo**
13. **Intercession: Revd. Henry Mooh**
14. **Hymn for Offering: A&MRW 290 – We plough the fields, and scatter (*Air Pflugen*)**
15. **Thanksgiving at the Altar**
 - Monthly Thanksgiving
 - September Birthday Thanksgiving
16. **Presentation of Thank Offering with choruses by The Church Band**
17. **Notices**
18. **Spiritual Tonic: *Deuteronomy 15:10***
19. **Closing Prayer and Benediction:**
20. **Final Amen: Great Amen - 'Tunde Sosan**
21. **Withdrawal Hymn:**
 - (i) A&MRW 714 - God of all power, I give you my will (*Tune: A&MRW 713 - Slane*)
 - (ii) A&MRW 476 – Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go (*Tune A&MRW 179 – Warrington*)

At the Organ: Mr. Princewill Ubani
Choral Conductor: Mr. 'Jola Adeosun

SUNDAY 01/10/2023

Day 274

Bible in a year: Isaiah 61,62; Hebrews 12

Points for Prayer:

- ❖ The Most Revd. Israel A. Amoo, Bishop of the Diocese of New Bussa and Archbishop of Kwara Province.
- ❖ Mrs. E. Amoo, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of New Bussa.
- ❖ The Revd. Emmanuel Sunday Olatunji
- ❖ The Revd. Friday Uche Asiegbulem.
- ❖ Restoration of God's love, peace and unity in Nigeria and among Nigerians.
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of the Murray (South Australia Province, Australia).**

Birthdays Intercession:

Mrs. Oriade Sijuwade Ademiluyi, Mrs. Oluwakemi Adegbite (nee Aleshiloye-Williams), Mr. Emmanuel Z.I. Ogolo, Mr. Kayode Onipinla, Miss Modupe Emonefe Reffell-Obada, Master Melvin Olaoluwasubomi Davies, Mr. Dolapo Fayemi, Miss Ayomide Fayemi, Master Netochukwu Uchenna Ezeogu, Mrs. Omotayo Arinola Ojetola (nee Sanyaolu), Mrs. Rola Edoimioya (nee Aboaba), Miss Christiana Nwachukwu Akagha, Master Oyedamola Ogunlana.

Wedding Anniversary Intercession:

- (i) Mr. & Mrs. Oladapo Orimoloye, 11th Wedding Anniversary.
- (ii) Dr. & Mrs. Femi Omololu, 18th Wedding Anniversary.
- (iii) Dr. & Mrs. Tunde Onipinla, 57th Wedding Anniversary

Memorial Intercession:

- (i) Pa J.L. Olasupo Alawode, 24 years' mind.
- (ii) Mr. Emmanuel Owhin, 41 years' mind
- (iii) Mrs. Olatilewa Pamela Ayilara, 54 years' mind.
- (iv) Chief Akintunde Abisogun 64 years' mind.

Family Intercession:

Families of Chief Gbola Akinola, SAN, CPA, Late Mrs. Rosaline Mojisola Dallas, Mr. Emmanuel Kanu, Late Mr. Adelola Martins, Late Chief D.A. Ogunyemi, Taiwo Olutayo Sowande, Dr. Dotun Orija, Prince Dapo Opeaye, Chief Dr. E.O. Akinsete, CPA, Mr. Odunsi Bode-Thomas, Late Chief Olabode Peters, CPA, Late Dr. Jokotade Paul, Prince I.C.O. Omogbehin, Bucknor.

Prayer for Businesses

FCMB Group Plc, Ibot Exclusive Events, Pee Mart Cuisine, Wajufot Services Ltd., Pearce-Dawodu and Co. Printing, Holala Catering, Lenox Heights Ltd., Purple Scents Ltd, Quintus Projects Ltd, Favoured One Catering Services, Veggies and Foods Farm, 3D Food Chains Ltd, Bucknor and Grandels Ltd, Joke Stores Nig. Ltd, Capri-Gem Integrated Services Limited, Drinks on Toks, Tobee Catering Services, Trendytech9ja IT Solutions.

SUNDAY 01/10/2023 - MEETINGS

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

After Professionals' Harvest

- (i) There will be the General Monthly Meeting of the **Cathedral Ladies League** at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.
- (ii) The Executive Committee Meeting of the **Cathedral Ladies Armour Bearer** will take place 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.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY 02/10/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 275

Bible in a year: Isaiah 63,64; Hebrews 13

6.45a.m. Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd. Canon Kunle Dina

Epistle: I Cor. 7: 25-31

Gospel: Matthew 6: 25-34

Points for Prayer

- ❖ *The Rt. Revd. Festus Sobanke, Bishop of the Diocese of Omu-Aran.*
- ❖ *Mrs. Rachael Atinuke Sobanke, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of Omu-Aran.*
- ❖ *Mrs. Chigozie Joel-Anaele*
- ❖ *The Revd. Lawrence Babatunde Onaolapo(40)*
- ❖ *20th Wedding Anniversary of Revd. Canon Olalekan and Mrs. Adedamola Alabi*
- ❖ **The Anglican Church of Canada**

❖ **Birthdays Intercession:**

Mrs. Henrietta Bamidele Adejumo, CPA(90), Mrs. Subusola Doherty, Mrs. Olushola Oyekunle, Miss Dadeoluwa Aduloju, Mr. Olawolu Olugbenga Moore, Mr. Adeshina Williams, Mr. Kehinde Saka, Mrs. Gbemisola Oluwatoyin Esho, Mrs. Blessing Ukueje, Miss Yewande Onipinla, Otunba Olasupo Shonibare, Miss Fehintola Oliza Balogun, Mr. Sorinola Anthony Da-Silva, Mr. Jefferson Omoregie Fadaka, Miss Olubunmi Jayesimi, Master Modadeolaoluwa Onalaja, Mr. T. Olawale Oduwale, Miss Jesutimilehin Adelegan.

❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

- (i) *Mr. Adekunle Baderinwa Adeluwoye, 4 years' mind*
- (ii) *Miss Simisola Doherty, 4 years' mind*
- (iii) *Chief Otunba Oluwatoyin Adeniyi, 10 years' mind.*
- (iv) *Mrs. Victoria Adeyoola Phillips, 20 years' mind*

8.00 a.m. PRAYER WALK AT THE CENTENARY CITY

2.00 a.m. 90th Birthday Thanksgiving - Mrs. Henrietta Bamidele Adejumo, CPA

4.00 p.m. Women Bible Class/ Prayer Meeting - Prayer for the Children by Mrs. Iyanda Fate

TUESDAY – 03/10/2023

Colour: WHITE

Day 276

Bible in a year: Isaiah 65,66; John 1

6.45a.m. Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd. Henry Mooh

Epistle: Acts 20: 28-38

Gospel: John 21: 15-25

Points for Prayer

- ❖ *The Rt. Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun Adeyinka Aderogba, Bishop of the Diocese of Jebba.*
- ❖ *Mrs. E.O. Aderogba, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of Jebba.*
- ❖ *Mr. Jude Ozoude, Treasurer Kirikiri Archdeaconry.*
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Muyinga, The Anglican Church of Burundi.**

❖ **Birthdays Intercession:**

Dr. Oyeyemi E. Adegbite, Chief Lanre Ladipo, CPA(70), Mr. Maduachi Owowo, Mrs. Rebecca Fadebi Oguntuyo, Mr. Olurotimi Ayoola Alakija, Mrs. Chinyelu Nwamalubia Nwizu, Miss Ololade Asikia Awogbade, Miss Ugochi Kanma-Okafor, Miss Oluwagbemisola Sofowora, Mrs. Oluwatoyin Jimoh Odunola, Miss Harrieta Olayinka Williams.

❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

Mrs. Olamide Phillips [nee Rego Martins], 42 years' mind.

12.00 noon 70th Birthday Thanksgiving Service - Chief Lanre Ladipo, CPA.

6.00 p.m. Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY – 04/10/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 277

Bible in a year: Jeremiah 1,2; Psalm 112,113

6.45 a.m. Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Provost

Epistle: I Cor. 8: 1-13

Gospel: Matthew 7: 13-21

Points for Prayer

- ❖ The Rt. Revd. Abiodun Ogunyemi, Bishop of the Diocese of Ekiti Kwara
- ❖ Mrs Ogunyemi, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of Ekiti Kwara
- ❖ 9th Wedding Anniversary of Revd. and Mrs. Bolajoko Osinupebi.
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Myitkyina, The Church of the Province of Myanmar.**

❖ **Birthday Intercession:**

Miss Ranti Esohe Ojo-Osagie, Mr. Michael Nun Sagoe, Mr. Samuel Kwesi Vanderpuye, Mrs. Titilola Olayinka Olaomo-Olaoye, Miss Tolulope O. Osinubi, Master Oluwatishe Bello, Miss Tobilola Ogundipe-Thomas, Mrs. Margaret Oluwatoyin Essien, Master Ope Adebisi Vincent, Miss Marvelous Eniola Adesiyun.

❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

Mrs. Grace Esohe Ojo-Osagie, [nee Ogbomo], 43 years' mind.

5.00 p.m. **Christian Wake-keep for Mrs. Caroline Olufemi Odiawa**

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

THURSDAY 05/10/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 278

Bible in a year: Jeremiah 3,4; John 2

6.45 a.m. Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun Adeyemi

Epistle: I Cor. 9: 1-15

Gospel: Matthew 7: 22-29

Points for Prayer

- ❖ The Rt. Revd. Dr. Timothy Olajide Adebayo, Bishop of the Diocese of Igbomina West.
- ❖ Mrs. Foluke Adebayo, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of Igbomina West.
- ❖ The Revd. Ebenezer Ifeoluwa Adegoke.
- ❖ 20th Wedding Anniversary of Revd. and Mrs. Gabriel Ibegbunam.
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Nagpur, The (United) Church of North Indian.**

❖ **Birthday Intercession:**

Miss Claudetta Adetutu Dawodu, Mr. Imoleayo Ezekiel Adebogun, Mrs. Mary Ajuah Olayiwola Oyewole, Mr. Adebayo Adekunle, Dr. Oyebode Oyewole, Mr. Samuel Adebayo Jackson, Mr. Johnson Anakweze Eziokwu, Mrs. Bolanle Owolabi (nee Matiluko), Mr. Joseph Izzi Ainabe, Mr. Arthur Lesile Olutayo Nylander, Mrs. Olayemi Adebimpe Okubajo, Miss Blessing Ainabe, Mr. Oluwarotimi Adeoye Dasaolu, Miss Festina Graham, Miss Ufuoma Koloko, Mrs. Grace Oluwabunmi Adunni Omogbehin, Mr. Adekunle Ola, Miss Adaeze Monu.

❖ **Wedding Anniversary Intercession:**

(i) Revd. & Mrs. O. Olukayode Oyebode, 38th Wedding Anniversary

(ii) Mr. & Mrs. Uchenna Udemba

❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

(i) Chief (Mrs) Esther Adebisola Ogedengbe, 7 years' mind.

(ii) Mr. Uzo Simeon Chiedu, 28 years' mind.

(iii) Mrs. Dorcas Sokoromo, 32 years' mind

(iv) Mr. E. Owo-Samson Obajimi, 38 years' mind

(v) Mrs. Joan Iraoyah, 40 years' mind

11.00 a.m. **Funeral Service for Mrs. Caroline Olufemi Odiawa**

6.00 p.m. **Choir Practice**

FRIDAY -06/10/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 279

Bible in a year: Jeremiah 5,6; John 3

6.45 a.m. Celebrant: Canon Residentiary

Epistle: I Cor. 9: 16-27

Gospel: Matthew 8: 1-17

Points for Prayer

- ❖ *The Most Revd. Dr. Benjamin A. Kwashi, Bishop of the Diocese of Jos and Secretary General of GAFCON.*
- ❖ *Mrs. Gloria Kwashi, President, Mothers' Union and Women's Guild, Diocese of Jos.*
- ❖ *Mrs. Yetunde Oyewole, Treasurer of Peninsula Archdeaconry.*
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Nairobi (Kenya)**

❖ **Birthday Intercession for:**

Mr. Oluwasegun Olayiwola Elufioye-Johnson(50), Mrs. Charity Chukwudiabete Olaiya, Miss Olubukola Nike Bolarinwa, Mr. Oluwatosin Odugbesan, Dr. {Mrs} Folashade Kofoworola Ajayi-Obe [nee Alu], Mr. Emmanuel Babajide Doherty, Miss Titilola Olusanya, Mr. Adebayo Adeoye Kale, Mr. Olaolu Adebayo Aina, Master Michael Arosoye, Master Emmanuel Abattam, Miss Folasade Akinla, Deacon Oludotun Osiyemi, Mr. Jason Ebiteme Wadiri.

❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

- (i) *Chief Josiah Olubunmi Makinde Odusola, 5 years' mind*
- (i) *Mr. Alfred Kolawole Ramos, CPA, 8 years' mind*
- (ii) *Prof. Babatunde Kwaku Adadevoh, 26 years' mind*
- (iii) *Mr. Olufemi Adeyemi Majekodunmi, 53 years' mind.*
- (iv) *Revd. E.J. Sowande, 105 years' mind.*

6.45 a.m. 50th Birthday Thanksgiving of Mr. Oluwasegun Olayiwola Elufioye-Johnson.

5.00 p.m. Men's Bible Class

SATURDAY – 07/10/2023

Colour: GREEN

Day 280

Bible in a year: Jeremiah 7,8; Psalms 114,115

7.45a.m. Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd. Olawole Faloye

Epistle: I Cor. 10: 1-13

Gospel: Matthew 8: 18-27

Points for Prayer:

- ❖ *The Rt. Revd. Yohannah A. Audu, Bishop of the Diocese of Damaturu.*
- ❖ *Mrs. Mary Yohannah Audu, President, Mothers' Union and Women Guild Diocese of Damaturu.*
- ❖ *Mr. Muyiwa Ogunyemi, Treasurer of Eti-Okun Archdeaconry.*
- ❖ **The Bishop of the Diocese of Nakuru (Kenya)**

❖ **Birthday Intercession:**

Miss Oada Soroh, Mr. Ibukunoluwa Adebayo, Mr. Olalekan Oyekanmi, Miss Abiola Rosiji, Mr. Peter Itoro Akpan, Mr. Oluwasegun Akin-Olugbade, Prince Alexander Abimbola Oluwajenyo Alagbala, Mrs. Bonnie Paul, Arch. Dennis Osazuwa Akenuwa, Miss Victoria Adejoke DaCosta, Mrs. Gbeminiyi Laolu-Adewale, Mr. Freeman Ugochukwu Osuji, Mr. Eyitope Akingbade Oyolola, Mr. Olumide Ajose, Mrs Suror Olorunsogo (nee Obada-Obieh)

❖ **Memorial Intercession:**

Prince Adekoyejo Afolabi Karunwi, 29 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 4

TOPIC: : Compromise

TEXT: 1Kings 11:1-8

AIMS:

i. to explain compromise in secular and biblical concept,

ii. to help us understand the negative effect of compromise and how to overcome it on the path of our Christian pilgrimage on earth.

INTRODUCTION

Compromise in its universal definition is a way of reaching agreement in which each person or group gives up something that was wanted in order to end an argument or dispute. In Christianity, Compromise is simply changing biblical standard in order to fit a secular or worldly standard. It is a change that worsens Christ-like standard and quite often ends in dishonour. Many have changed from who they are supposed to be in Christ. Many also find compromise to be a more fashionable option, to among other reasons, avoid being persecuted by those who are probably close associates. Compromise is a major hindrance to the manifestation of Pilgrims to heavenly kingdom.

STUDY GUIDE

1. From the bible passage and the introduction, define compromise.
2. According to the text, (1Kings 11:1-8) how did King Solomon compromise his godly standard? Analyse these types of compromise among Christians today?
3. How dangerous is compromised Christianity to our generation with reference to Rom 1:23, 25, 27; Rev 3:14-16
4. Mention some biblical heroes who never compromised their godly standard. (Ref Gen 39:7-9; Dan 1:8) and how can we overcome the life of compromise and double-standard especially in a society where it is difficult to stand firm because of social challenges? Dan.1:8; Matt 6:14; 2Cor 6:14; Eph 5:11

CONCLUSION: Compromise is a major threat to the heavenly-minded Christians. Many Christians have lost their faith and are even dead spiritually because they compromised with unbiblical and ungodly standards. Let us learn courage from biblical heroes to live as Christians without soiling our righteous garment amidst contemporary social challenges.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Godliness and ungodliness are drivers to heaven. Be wise in choosing your driver.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 6:14

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

SPIRITUAL TONIC FOR THE WEEK

Deuteronomy 15: 10

“Give generously ... and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.”

Almighty God, whose hands hold all matters of life, give me grace of success in the work that I do. Help me to give it the careful thought and the strict attention that will lead to success. Watch over me and govern my actions. Show me how to give my best in my business. Give me the blessing of Your help and guidance and suffer me not to fail. In Jesus' name I pray 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)

(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**
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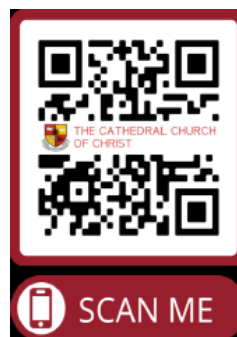
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(*I Chronicles 29:14*)

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FAMILY HARVEST 2023 (WK 10)

Sunday, 8th October, 2023

The following families will be called to the altar.

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

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

FAMILY HARVEST 2023 (WK 11)
Sunday, 15th October, 2023

The following families will be called to the altar.

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

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

FAMILY HAVERST 2023 (WK 12)
Sunday, 22nd October, 2023

The following families will be called to the altar

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

May the good LORD continue to enlarge the families.

FAMILY HARVEST 2023 (WK 13)

Sunday, 29th October, 2023

The following families will be called to the altar

1. Family of Late Mr & Mrs. D.O. Ogun
2. Ayoko Oyewunmi Family
3. Mr. & Mrs. Femi Akinrolabo
4. Lady Dupe Akin Taylor Family
5. Family of late Amb. E.O. Fowora
8. Family of late Mr. Olusegun Kokumo Johnson
9. Brodie Mends Family
10. Jumoke Adeniyi-Jones
11. Akintayo Caulcrick and Family
12. Family of late Mr. Andrew Ekwe Kutojo
13. Family of late Mrs. Subuola Odunsi-Bode Thomas
14. Ms Bimpe Alaba and Family
15. Mr. & Mrs. M.A.O. Kehinde, CPA
16. Prince Dapo Opeaye and Family
17. Chief Gbola Akinola, SAN, CPA and Family
18. Family of late Bankole Babatunde Daniel
19. Chijioke Okoli, SAN and Family
20. Prince Adegoke Ademiluyi, CPA
21. Late Ruth Elizabeth Okonedo Family
22. Mrs. Abosedo Rebecca and Family
23. Late Richard Gbadebo & Eunice Titilola
Onafeko Family
24. Family of late Dansaki Samuel Adeleye Agbede
25. Olufemi Adekunle
26. Mrs. Maria Eruada and Family
27. Mrs. Gladys Ayodele Aberdeen & Family
28. Chief & Mrs. Bode George
29. Family of Late Adelola Martins
29. Family of late Chief E.A.O. Shonekan, CBE,
GCF, CPA
30. Family of Late Revd. P.O. Osa Ogbomo
31. Ven. Godwin Oludotun Otubanjo Family
32. Revd. Henry Mooh Family
33. Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun Adeyemi Family
34. Revd. Olawole Faloye Family
35. Revd. Canon Adekunle Dina Family
36. Revd. Canon Emmanuel Fadipe Family
37. Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi Family
38. Ven. Henry Adelegan Family
39. Very Revd. Dr. Adebola Ojofeitimi Family

May the good LORD continue to enlarge the families.

WOMEN'S CORNER

NOTICES

2/10/2023 - Prayer Meeting - Prayer for the Children by

Mrs. Iyanda Fate

7/10/2023 - Quiet Day at Faith Plaza

9/10/2023 - Bible Study - Let Us Rebuild by Ladies Armour
Bearer (**Lady Akin-Taylor**)

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 - OCTOBER

- By Church History Sub-Committee

1900

Oct.28 (a) At the request of the Colonial Government a special service in Yoruba was held in the Church in honour of Oba Gbadebo I, the Alake of Abeokuta.

(b) New organ fund was launched

1919

Oct.18 The Rt. Revd. F. Melville Jones was appointed the first Bishop of Lagos.

1920

Oct.20 Members of the Building Committee were appointed.

1935

Oct. 18 Dedication of the second section of the Cathedral Building.

1936

Oct.7 Inauguration of Harvest Committee.

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 08/10/2023

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Pentecost 19)

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

7.15 A.M HOLY COMMUNION (SAID)

Theme: **ENEMIES OF POSSIBILITIES**
(iv) Laziness & Complacency

Celebrant: **Ven. Isaac Olayinka**
N.T. Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-14 **Mr. Babajide
Claudius-Cole**
Gospel: **Matthew 25: 14-30 Ven. Isaac Olayinka**
Address: **Revd. Olawole Faloye**
Prayers: **Mrs. Oladamola Claudius-Cole**
Thanksgiving at the Altar

9.15 a.m. CHORAL MATTINS

Theme: **ENEMIES OF POSSIBILITIES**
(iv) Laziness & Complacency

Annual Health Talk

Cantor: **Canon Residentiary**
Health Talk: **Guest Speaker**
OT. Reading: Proverbs 6: 4-11 **Mrs. Akinwunmi Dongo**
N.T. Reading: 2 Thessalonian 3: 6-14 **Mrs. Esther
Asubiaro-Adewuyi**
Prayers: **Canon Residentiary**
Thanksgiving at the Altar

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

9.15 a.m. *The Finance and General Purpose Sub-Committee will meet at the Cathedral Library.*

after Mattins:

- (i) *The Monthly General Meeting of the Cathedral Ladies Friendly Society will hold at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.*
- (ii) *The Cathedral Women's Guild Auxiliary will meet at the Fellowship Centre.*
- (iii) *The Monthly Meeting of the Cathedral Busy Bees Women's Society will hold at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.*
- (iv) *The Cathedral Ladies Armour Bearer will meet at the Lagos Anglican Diocesan Seminary.*
- (v) *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.

11.15 a.m HOLY COMMUNION (SAID)

Theme: **ENEMIES OF POSSIBILITIES**
(iv) Laziness & Complacency

Celebrant **Revd. Canon Kunle Dina**
N.T. **2 Thess. 3: 6-14 Cathedral Medical
Society**
Gospel: **Matthew 25: 14-30 The Provost**
Address: **Ven. Isaac Olayinka**
Prayer: **Cathedral Medical Society**
Thanksgiving at the Altar

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.(a) **Professionals' Harvest**

Today, we bring our offerings to thank God for the work He has given us to do. He is the one who has called us into our different professions and we need to appreciate Him for that. We welcome all our guests and thank them for coming.

- (b) We welcome the **The Rt. Revd. Ebenezer Saiki, Diocesan Bishop of Akoko Edo**. We say thank you for accepting to be our Guest Preacher today. May the good LORD continue to prosper his ministry.
- (c) We congratulate the host society, **Young Women Christian Association today and other members of the Harvest Sub-Committee**. They have done well and may the LORD accept and bless all your efforts.

2. **Diocesan Prayer Walk 2023:**

The Annual Diocesan Prayer Walk is scheduled for **Monday, 2nd October 2023 at the Centenary City, Ibeju Lekki**. Come and pray your way to freedom. We will also pray for Nigeria. Take off time from the Cathedral is 6.30 am.

3. **Provost's Vacation:**

The Provost will proceed on the second part of his annual vacation from **Monday 2nd to 31st October, 2023**.

4. **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.

5. **Upcoming Youth Programme**

a. **Youth Weekend**

Appreciation to the Provost and the Wardens for their immense support of our upcoming youth weekend. The registration fee has now been halved to 5k. Deadline remains 1st October 2023. Hurry now, register and make your payments using the link below:<https://www.thecathedrallagos.org/youth-weekend-registration>

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.

6. **2023/2024 Admission of Lagos Anglican Dioceses Bible College:**

The Lagos Anglican Bible College forms for admission into Certificate, Diploma and Advanced Diploma Course in Biblical Studies for year 2023/2024 session commencing February 2023 are now on sale at the Study centres and the offices of the following Churches:

- Lagos Anglican Bible College Central Office, 17 Broad Street, Lagos
- Archbishop Vining Memorial Church Cathedral, Oba Akinjobi Road, Ikeja
- Anglican Church of Ascension, Opebi
- Church of Pentecost, 21 Road, Festac.
- All Soul's Anglican Church, Lekki
- All Saints' Anglican Church, 41 Road, Festac
- Christ Anglican Church, Elere, Agege
- All Saint's Anglican Church, Montgomery, Yaba
- All Saint's Anglican Church, Ikosi, Ketu
- St. Paul's Anglican Church, 7/8 Okoduwa Street, Kirikiri Ind. Est. Lagos.
- Bishop Ajayi Crowther Memorial Anglican Church, (BACMAC) Egbeda.
- Bishop Tugwell Memorial Church, Sheteolu Street, Off Odunlami Street, Lagos
- St. Paul's Anglican Church, Oke Afa, Isolo

- Our Saviour's Anglican Church, Oto-Awori

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 8/10/2023

Miss Akunna and Miss Christiana Akagha will host the Fellowship Hour after 7.15 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Service

(b) Fellowship Hour Booking: October to December 2023

- 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.



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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.*

(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 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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY - 24/09/2023

7.15 a.m. Holy Communion(Youtube 153/Facebook 156 views).....196
9.15 a.m. Children's Church/Sunday School..... 147
9.15 a.m. Choral Mattins (Youtube 272/Facebook 163 views).....620

Week-Day Services - Saturday - Friday

	HC		HC
Saturday 23/09/2023	36	Wednesday 27/09/2023	18
Monday 25/09/2023	11	Thursday 28/09/2023	13
Tuesday 26/09/2023	21	Friday 29/09/2023	14

COMING EVENTS (SEPTEMBER 2023)

08/10/2023 - 35th Anniversary - Cathedral Medical Society
15/10/2023 - 37th Anniversary - Busy Bees Women's Society
21/10/2023 - LADGOS Bible Quiz



SOUL FOOD 40/2023

ASSURED FRUITFULNESS: IN CHRIST ALONE

- *John 15:5*

“Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:4&5

Today is another Professionals Harvest Thanksgiving service – a day that we bring professionals from all works of life before the Lord with hearts full of gratitude to thank Him for the bountiful harvest in their lives, and to acknowledge that all achievements and successes they have recorded are a result of His grace and guidance. As we celebrate today, may God make our time together reflect our gratitude and commitment to Him in Jesus’ name. Again, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the YWCA Cathedral Group on yet another successful Harvest event. Your dedication, hard work, and commitment to making our harvest events this year glorious realities are commendable. May the blessings of obedience as declared in Deuteronomy 28:10-14 be your portion in recompense for your commitment to God and His church.

Our harvest meditation focuses on “Assured Fruitfulness: In Christ Alone” as hinted in John 15:4&5. The desire for fruitfulness is deeply ingrained in the human experience. It reflects our innate drive to achieve, grow, and positively impact various aspects of our lives. It is also God’s desire for humankind to be fruitful, a desire which extends to all aspects of life - spiritual, physical, relational, and practical. It involves thriving, flourishing, and producing positive outcomes, not only for our benefit but also for His glory. In the creation account, God’s first command to humanity was to be fruitful and multiply. Genesis 1:28 says: “God blessed them and said to them, ‘Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.’” Embracing this desire for fruitfulness aligns with our purpose as God’s creations and as followers of His teachings.

Professionals, like the teeming majority, desire fruitfulness in their careers and endeavours because fruitfulness in one’s professional life often leads to a sense of personal fulfilment, because utilising one’s skills, achieving one’s goals, and making progress in a chosen field can be deeply rewarding. However, in John 15:4&5, Jesus Christ gives the sure joker to be fruitful in life’s endeavours, He says: “Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.” This means that when we align our professional lives with God’s will and values through Jesus Christ, we are more likely to see positive outcomes bearing fruit that benefits others and reflects God’s love and glory.

This is an incontrovertible fact because of Jesus’ position and role in the universe. Apostle Paul describes Him in Colossians 1:15-17: “He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in Him, all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him, all things hold together.” Jesus Christ is not only the Creator of all things but also the Sustainer of the universe. All creation finds its coherence and stability in Him.

As Professionals, we need to know that only God can bless our work – the work of our hands! Yes, it is usually expected that labour brings results, however, labouring under the blessing of heaven brings extraordinary results. Jesus Christ asserts in John 15: 5 that apart from Him we can do nothing. God tells His people that if they obey His commandments “The Lord will open to you His good treasure, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand” (Deuteronomy 28:12). Men and women can work but only God can bless. There are some things beyond our control. A farmer

can purchase the finest tractor available, and the most expensive and high-quality seeds. He can plant his crops at precisely the right time and plough the straightest possible rows. He can do everything just as he should – and yet if the rain refuses to fall all his hard work and attention to detail mean nothing.

The Psalmist in Psalm 127: 1&2 stresses the fact that God is the essence of everything we do when he posits thus: “Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.” By abiding in Christ, we find deeper meaning, purpose, and fulfilment in our careers, and our work becomes a form of worship that honours God and serves His kingdom. Proverbs 6:3 urges: “Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.”

As we celebrate today, may the Almighty God grant us the grace to be properly grafted into His Son Jesus Christ to derive our nourishment from Him. Amen

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 Mook - Confirmation Class/Youth
Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun M. Adeyemi -Altar Servers/Readers Guilds
Revd Olawole FaloyeCorrectional Centres Ministry/Elders' Fellowship
Revd. Canon Kunle DinaCare Ministry
Revd. Canon Emmanuel Fadipe -SWSU
Ven. Uchenna Ubadinobi..... Children's Church
Ven. Henry Adelegan -Harvest Sub-Committee/Cathedral Choir and Band
Very Revd. Dr. Adebola Ojofeitimi -.....Evangelism

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