

WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

bulletin

APRIL 2019



**THE
WELL
IS TORN**

Matthew 27: 50 – 51

Mark 15: 37 – 38

Luke 23: 44 - 46

2019, Our Year of “Taking A Stance”

Key Scripture - Philippians 1: 27

..... WELCOME!

- **Welcome!!!** If you are a guest with us today, we are so thrilled you could join us. We hope you enjoy your stay with us and welcome you to meet and speak with any of the Pastors or leadership team after the service.
- Trust your children to the care of our dedicated team. During the Sunday Services, our Children's Team & Youth Team provide quality care & teaching for your children in the lower floor. Your children are invited to join our Children's Church Service & Cell groups for children aged 3–12 & Youth Cell group for young people from the age of 13, as follows: (**except 1st Sunday of the month**):
 - Lively Learners → 3–5 years
 - Bright Believers & Faith Fighters → 6–9 years & 10–12 years
 - Chosen Generation Youth → 13 years onwards
- A crèche room is available for parents with babies and toddlers aged 0–2 years old to use during the service/meetings when required/needed.
- Light refreshments are provided after the service, downstairs in the lower floor.

Weekly / Fortnightly Events

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Prayer Meeting via video conferencing each morning from 6am to 6.30am.

WEDNESDAY at WOL Church auditorium, Rehoboth building
7pm-8pm Midweek Service.

FRIDAY at WOL Church lower ground hall, Rehoboth building
7pm-8.30pm (fortnightly) Chosen Generation Youth Hub

SATURDAY at WOL Church auditorium, Rehoboth building
Praise & Worship Team Practice (times TBC).

SUNDAY at WOL Church auditorium, Rehoboth building
10.15am Dig Deep, Search the Scriptures (Disciples Class)

10.40am Corporate Prayer Time

11am-1pm Celebration Service

(*first Sunday of the month is a Family/Communion/Thanksgiving Service*)

1:15pm-2pm First Steps Bible Studies Class (*for new/recent believers*)

CELL GROUPS (small groups) meetings are held at various venues during the week, for more details email us at info@wordoflife-lcc.org, telephone 0208 857 7406 or speak to any of the leaders after the service.

Our cell groups are homogenous in nature. We have men, women, youth and children cell groups to cater for all.

.....UPCOMING EVENTS.....

Good Friday
19th April 2019

SOS Evangelism Outreach

For the whole church

We will first meet at
Rehoboth building at 10am

Friday
26th April

WOL Day of prayer & fasting

Reflecting, Repenting,
and Consecrating our
lives to God again

PRAYER NIGHT

7 - 10pm

at WOL Church Main Hall, Rehoboth building



UNLIMITED PRAISE

an evening of praise & worship

Saturday, 20th April

Featuring ...



Ted Jiboye



Haley Kay



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FREE!

5:00pm - 8:00pm

@ Word of Life Church
Rehoboth Building,
72A Mayeswood Road,
Grove Park, SE12 9RP

Email: info@wordoflife-lcc.org | Web: www.wordoflife-lcc.org

UPCOMING EVENTS continued



Sunday, 21st April

11am

He is Risen

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE

Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building,
72A Mayeswood Road, Grove Park SE12 9RP

Water Baptism

Sunday, 28th April 2019

at 2:30 pm

(Baptism candidates to be there from 1pm).

at Kensington Temple, Kensington Park Road,
Notting Hill Gate, London W11 3BY

For a form, please contact the WOL Church Office / Administrator



KTLCC South

Ladies

Saturday, 4th May

9am - 12:30pm

Breakfast

You are invited to join us for an inspirational morning of great fellowship, praise and worship, a powerful Word, testimony, games, Q & A time, and much more.....

**VENUE:- Novotel
Greenwich, London Hotel
173 - 185 Greenwich High
Road, London, SE10 8JA**

**TICKETS:- £18.50 pp
Ticket price includes a
Full English Breakfast,
teas and juices.**

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Diary Dates

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- * **WOL Cell Leaders Meeting** after the Sunday service on Sunday 14th April
- * **Married Couples Fellowship (MCF)** – Sunday 21st April—Venue: TBC
- * **Children’s Ministry Team Meeting** after the Sunday service on Sunday 28th April
- * **SOS Cell Group Evangelism Outreach**
 - 6th April 2019 – Men’s Leadership Cell Group led by Pastor Rowland Henshaw
 - 27th April 2019 – Ladies Leadership Cell Group led by Pastor Folake

..... CHURCH NEWS

◆ **Welcome & Consolidation Room**

The room to your right when entering the building through the main doors, is a welcome room for new visitors, and consolidation for those who give their lives to the Lord in our services and / or at events.

◆ **Missions Fund**

Thank you for your giving towards missions following the Mission Sunday. A total of £145 has come in so far.

This has now been sent to help with the Elim Relief Appeal for South Eastern Africa, following the devastation by Cyclone Idai, in which torrential rain and winds up to 170km/h swept from Malawi, across Mozambique and into Zimbabwe.

UN officials have stated that as at 17/03/2019, 150 have died, hundreds were missing. It was estimated that 1.5 million people have been affected in Mozambique (600,000) and Malawi (900,000) .

Jackie Griffiths, the Elim missionary in Malawi, has said: “82,725 people have been displaced with many camping out in schools or one of the 187 camps that have been set up in all 14 of the affected districts... Many of our Elim members have been affected as well as church buildings damaged or destroyed. As well as loss of life or injury due to falling buildings and damage or destruction of buildings, crops which were just a few weeks away from harvest, have been totally destroyed. This is going to have a long-lasting effect.”

Your giving will go towards helping:

- Provide food and assistance
- Provide seeds so that they can plant again
- Provide roofs for destroyed homes
- Rebuilding Elim's destroyed Churches

◆ **Communicating with You**

We want to make sure we are reaching you as part of WOL with the news of what is going on. For this reason, we use various methods to communicate including social media apps like WhatsApp. This enables us to get news to you quickly.

There is a general church WhatsApp for everyone, as well as a separate one for the Men and Women respectively to communicate issues relevant and of benefit to them. If you do not receive communications from us this way, it will mean you are not added on to the WhatsApp groups. Please kindly contact us so we can add you on, if you will like this. Thank you.

◆ **Easy Fundraising - DONATE FOR FREE WITH EASYFUNDRAISING!**

You can now help WOL Church raise funds **for free** when you shop online... at

Easyfundraising.org.uk. **Easy fundraising** is a brilliant way to raise money for **Word of Life**. Shop online from **over 2,700 retailers** and they'll give a donation every time you buy something, at no extra cost to you. **YES, it is true!** So, this month we are highlighting this as a fantastic way to give in a way that it actually costs you nothing!

Here's how it works



1. Start at easyfundraising.org.uk

Let's say you want to buy a pair of shoes from John Lewis. Instead of going to johnlewis.com, you go to easyfundraising.org.uk first – or you can use the easy fundraising toolbar.



2. Make a purchase

You click from the easyfundraising website through to John Lewis to make your purchase. The price of the shoes is exactly the same as if you'd visited John Lewis directly.



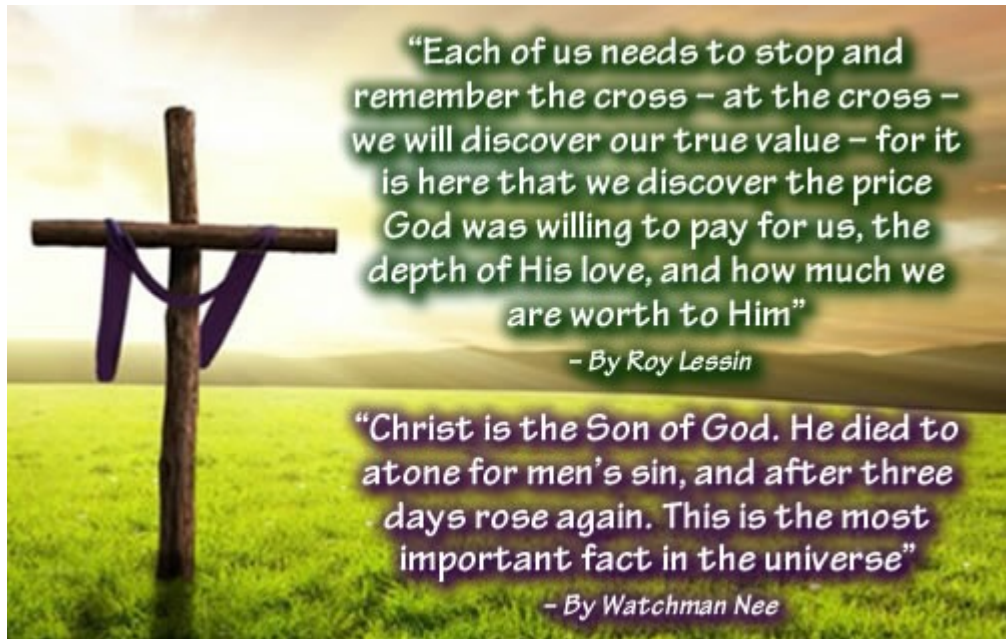
3. Get a donation

After you have bought your shoes, John Lewis will make a donation to our cause as a thank you for shopping with them. easyfundraising collect these donations for us, & it costs nothing!

For more details and to do this please visit the relevant page on the church website on this link: <http://wordoflife-lcc.org/site/index.php/donations/easy-fundraising>.

If you have any questions about this or need any help to access it, please email us at info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

... QUOTES OF THE MONTH ...



SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

Matthew 27: 50 – 51

⁵⁰ And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit.

⁵¹ Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split,

Mark 15: 37 – 38

³⁷ And Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and breathed His last.

³⁸ Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

Luke 23: 44 - 46

⁴⁴ Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. ⁴⁵ Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.'" Having said this, He breathed His last.

THE VEIL IS TORN

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

MARK 15:37-39

37 And Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and breathed His last.

38 Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. 39 So when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, "Truly this Man was the Son of God!"

King Solomon had built the first temple and after Israel was raided and the temple destroyed Herod built the second temple. The temple had three chambers, the outer court, the Holy place and the Holy of Holies. It is said that Herod's Temple was built to the dimensions of Solomon's Temple.

Hebrews 9:2-8

2 For a tabernacle was prepared: the first part, in which was the lampstand, the table, and the showbread, which is called the sanctuary; 3 and behind the second veil, the part of the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of All, 4 which had the golden censer and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which were the golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; 5 and above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. 6 Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. 7 But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance; 8 the Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing.

The temple was the resting place of God in the physical world during the time of the Israelites sojourning on this earth. His dwelling place which was the Holy of Holies was separated from the rest of the temple by a massive curtain called the veil. The veil was said to be 60 feet high. The curtain separated a Holy God from sinful man. This curtain was the symbol of separation from the creator of the universe.

Adam and Eve created a veil when they turned away from a Holy God by sinning against God. From that time on a barrier was built between God and man. Man had no more one to one access to God except through chosen individuals through whom God will speak to man. Every year it was only the high priest that had access into the Holy of Holies where God presence dwelt behind the veil in a cloud.

However, 2000 years ago when God's only begotten Son Jesus laid down His life at Calvary, He restored that relationship between God and Man. Our Saviour Jesus Christ had to die the most gruesome of death, so that man's sin can be paid for. The Bible tells us that on the cross when He cried out and gave up the ghost, the veil was torn from top to bottom, to reveal the Holy of Holies. Which for years had been hidden from man's view. No man could have torn the veil from top to bottom because the veil was about 60 feet in height and about 30 feet in width.

.....First Word continued.....

God supernaturally tore the veil giving access for man to approach Him. No longer was man to approach God through a priest or through the blood of bulls and goats, but through the broken body and the blood of Jesus Christ our Lord and saviour, man received access. Access has now been made for man to approach God without fear but with confidence.

Hebrews 4:14-16

14 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

We now have access to approach God with boldness, because the veil has now been removed. That is what we celebrate at Easter. We don't need to come to God through anyone except in the name of Jesus because of the price He paid for us. Why not approach God today with great confidence.

The veil is torn. Alleluia!

.....EXHORTATION.....

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT – TO LOVE

(Part 2 – continued from last month) - By Folake Henshaw

The Second

The second of the greatest commandment is like the first. To love our neighbour as our self. This is about loving other people. Loving them with agape love, unconditional love. The Good Samaritan parable exemplifies how we are called to love others as our self.

Luke 10: 25 – 37

25 And behold, a certain ^[a]lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?"

27 So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbour as yourself.'"

28 And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."

29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?"

30 Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among ^[b]thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. ³³ But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ So he went to *him* and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine;

and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

³⁵ On the next day, ^ℓwhen he departed, he took out two denarii, gave *them* to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' ³⁶ So which of these three do you think was neighbour to him who fell among the thieves?"

³⁷ And he said, "He who showed mercy on him."

Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

How do we express or live out this love for our neighbour based on this parable?

1. Being compassionate and showing compassion
2. Being patient and kind
3. Helping others in time of their need
4. Freely you have received, freely give. Being generous
5. Caring for others
6. Seeking the good and well-being of others

We also express love for others through forgiveness

Luke 15: 11 – 22

¹¹ Then He said: "A certain man had two sons. ¹² And the younger of them said to *his* father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls *to me*.' So he divided to them *his* livelihood. ¹³ And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with ^ℓprodigal living. ¹⁴ But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. ¹⁵ Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. ¹⁶ And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the ^ℓpods that the swine ate, and no one gave him *anything*.

¹⁷ "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! ¹⁸ I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, ¹⁹ and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants."

²⁰ "And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him.

²¹ And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

²² "But the father said to his servants, ^ℓ'Bring out the best robe and put *it* on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on *his* feet. ²³ And bring the fatted calf here and kill *it*, and let us eat and be merry; ²⁴ for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.

1 Corinthians 13 shows us how to live at this love for others:

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. ² And though I have *the gift of* prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ And though I bestow all my goods to feed *the poor*, and though I give my body ^ℓto be burned, but

.....EXHORTATION Continued.....

have not love, it profits me nothing.

⁴ Love suffers long *and* is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not ^[b]puffed up; ⁵ does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, ^[c]thinks no evil; ⁶ does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never fails. But whether *there are* prophecies, they will fail; whether *there are* tongues, they will cease; whether *there is* knowledge, it will vanish away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part. ¹⁰ But when that which is ^[d]perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. ¹³ And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these *is* love.

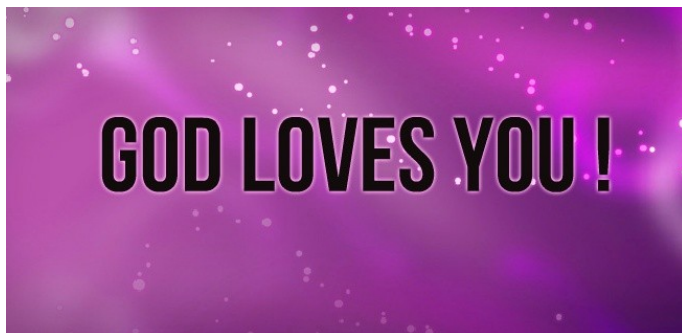
Again, only the Holy Spirit can help us to love others wholeheartedly and unreservedly like this. Ask for His help today and every day and He will help you as you submit to His leading and guidance.

Finally, God is love and he or she who loves is born of God, and belongs to God. The greatest and best thing you and I can do is to love.

.....GOD LOVES YOU!.....

God Loves YOU and wants you to have a relationship with Him through His son Jesus.

The Bible says that God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, Jesus, so that whoever believes in him shall not die, but have eternal life (John 3: 16). The first step to know more of God is to obey His Word and receive Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, by simply repenting of your sins and believing that Jesus has died on the cross and paid the price for you to be reconciled to God for ever. By doing that, you will receive a new life, the very life of God, within you, and you will become a child of God. If you want to make that step, please see below. These will explain to you more about it. Don't put it off, God has been waiting for you... Today is the day! God bless you.



GOD LOVES YOU!!!

step 1

GOD's Purpose: Peace and life God loves you and wants you to experience peace and life: abundant and eternal.

*"We have peace with GOD through our Lord JESUS CHRIST."
(Romans 5:1)*

*"I have come that they may have life in abundance."
(John 10:10)*



*"for GOD so loved the world that he gave his only begotten SON, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life."
(John 3:16)*

Why don't most people have this peace and abundant life that God planned for us to have?

step 2

The Problem: Our Separation God created us in his own image to have an abundant life. He did not make us as robots to automatically love and obey him. God gave us a will and a freedom of choice. We chose to disobey God and go our own wilful way. We still make this choice today. This results in separation from God.

*"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of GOD."
(Romans 3:23)*

*"for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of GOD is eternal life in CHRIST JESUS, our Lord."
(Romans 6:23)*

Our attempts to reach GOD People have tried many ways to bridge this gap between themselves and God....



*"there is a way that seems right to man, but in the end it leads to death."
(Proverbs 14:12)*

*"but your iniquities have separated you from your GOD; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear."
(Isaiah 59:2)*

No bridge reaches GOD... except one...

step 3

GOD's Bridge: The Cross Jesus died on the cross and rose from the grave. He paid the penalty for our sin and bridged the gap between God and people.

*"for Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to GOD."
(1 Peter 3:18)*

*"for there is one GOD and one mediator between GOD and men, that man JESUS CHRIST."
(1 Timothy 2:5)*

*"but GOD demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, CHRIST died for us."
(Romans 5:8)*



GOD has provided the only way. Each person must make a choice!

step 4

Our Response: Receive CHRIST We must trust Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and receive him by personal invitation.

*"yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of GOD."
(John 1:12)*

*"here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me."
(Revelation 3:20)*

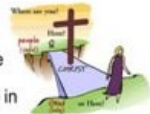
*"that if you confess with your mouth 'JESUS is Lord' and believe in your heart that GOD raised him from the dead, you will be saved."
(Romans 10:9)*

Where are you?

Will you receive JESUS CHRIST right now?

Here is how you can receive Christ:

1. Admit your need (I am a sinner).
2. Be willing to turn from your sins (repent).
3. Believe that JESUS CHRIST died for you on the cross and rose from the grave.
4. Through prayer, invite JESUS CHRIST to come in and control your life through the HOLY SPIRIT (receive him as Lord and Saviour).



NOTICES

Happy Birthday Greetings
to all those born in the
month of **APRIL** and
Congratulations to all
celebrating **Anniversaries**
this month!



TESTIMONIES



Every testimony of God's goodness brings glory to Him and encourages others greatly.

Please speak to one of the leaders before the services if you have a testimony or email info@wordoflife-icc.org if you would like to share your testimony.

WATER BAPTISM

If you have not been baptised in water since you gave your life to Jesus Christ we want to encourage you to do so. **Please speak with your cell leader or any of the leaders if you would like to be baptised.**



DEDICATIONS

If you would like to dedicate your baby or child to the Lord, we are able to do this on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and where applicable 5th Sundays of the month. Dedication forms are available from the Church Administrator.



SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES



CDs of the Sunday preaching / teaching messages are available for sale each Sunday after the service: £2 per copy. Messages are also available to listen to on the church's website.

PARENTS



We ask parents to please kindly avoid giving / letting their children use mobile phones, consoles, iPads etc in the church services. We will also appreciate your help in making sure they do not play on the platform, altar area nor run around the church building. We want them as much as possible to participate fully in the service – through prayer, worship and hearing the Word of God.

MEMBERS

Please do come early at 10:15am to participate in the **Dig Deep, Search the Scriptures** session and in the Pre-service prayer time.



BUILDING/ENVIRONMENT MAINTENANCE

We continue to ask for your support and co-operation with the following:

- Your help in keeping the building tidy and clean. If you use any of the rooms or facilities, please do clear up after you and leave it in an excellent state.
- **Utilities:** Please can we all join together in taking responsibility for turning off lights, closing taps etc so we don't have high utility bills. Thank you for your help.
- **Not bringing Food or Drinks** into the main hall (only water is allowed if required).
- Ensuring the longevity of the church's equipment by refraining from using / handling any of the technical equipment and worship instruments after services (except where necessary).
- Maintaining a good rapport with our neighbours and keeping our Christian witness by the way you park around Rehoboth building. Please continue to park properly in the right places stated and avoid blocking entry paths to homes. Please refer to the map on the notice board in the foyer and kindly avoid parking in the areas marked red. Thank you.
- Keeping noise levels down outside when arriving at, or departing from the building.
- Parents, keeping an eye on children at all times, making sure they do not run around within and outside the building. Thank you.
- Avoiding unnecessary movement once the service has started. This helps minimise distractions especially when the Word of God is being preached.
 - Co-operating with the Stewards and following their instructions

Together we can continue to create a good environment that is welcoming for all and is conducive to the moving of the Holy Spirit. Thank you.

WORD OF LIFE MISSION STATEMENT

"London and the world for Christ!"

A church with purpose ...

To be a God-centred church, developing people to Christ-like maturity and equipping them for their ministry in the church, and life mission in the world.



... and vision

To impact Lewisham with the gospel of Christ in word and action, and to touch London and the nations of the world.

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and teaching them to do all that I have commanded you.



WOL TEAM

Senior Pastor / Minister in Charge

Rowland Henshaw

Pastor

Folake Henshaw

Ministry Leaders

Joseph Oronsaye / Ibukunoluwa Henshaw - Youth

Chris Martin - Men

Folake Henshaw - Women

Lisa Martin - Children

Shelly-Ann Sydial - Praise & Worship

Sonia Edwards - Stewards

Taiwo Adeniran - Technical

Chi-Chi Oronsaye - Hospitality/Events

George Zammit-Evangelism

Yvonne Zammit-Welcome & Consolidation

Church Administrator

Shelly-Ann Sydial

Treasurer

Malach Airo

Safeguarding Coordinator

Barbara Agbudeloye

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Peter Mungai

Barbara Agbudeloye



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CHURCH

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