

WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

bulletin

August 2019

Knowing the Truth

will set you

FREE!

John 8: 32

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.



MISSION *to* UGANDA

8th - 17th
August
2019

By God's grace, Pastor Rowland & Pastor Folake will be travelling on a Mission Trip to Busubo, Busia Uganda in August. Together with Pastors Bunmi and Bisi Omidiran of The Father's House, they will be partnering with the Elim Gospel Centre Church in the village of Busubo Parish: Bulwenge, Sub-county: Buhehe, District: Busia, Region: Eastern Uganda

They will be conducting seminars, teachings and ministering in the area of discipleship, leadership, marriages and children's ministry in mornings. There will be evangelistic outreaches to the area in the afternoon, and gospel crusades in the evening.

UGANDA

We are asking the whole church to really support and coming alongside them in continuous prayer.

Your financial support and donations are needed to make this happen, as well as for Pastors Rowland and Folake's accommodation and transportation in Uganda during this mission.

Please clearly indicate when giving online, or when using offering envelopes during our services if you are giving towards these. Thank you in advance for your donations and support for this mission.

The Church in Busubo is asking for help with the provision of 200 Bibles as the lack of Bibles is a big issue over there. The need is for Bibles in English, Luganda and Swahilli. The plan is that the Bibles will be purchased through the Bible Society of Uganda (or an affiliate organisation), to get translated copies & to cut down on purchasing and air-freighting from here.

UPCOMING EVENTS continued



You are invited to
a Special Service ...



YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday, 18th August 2019 @ 11am

Praise & Worship by the
Chosen Generation Youth (CGY) Choir *And much more!*

Venue: Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, 72a Mayeswood Road, London, SE12 9RP

WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

FAMILY FILM NIGHT



16TH AUGUST 2019

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: WOL Church Rehoboth building Lower Hall

Community Sports & Fun Day Extravaganza

Saturday 24th August

12pm - 5pm



@ Chinbrook Meadows

Amblecote Road, Grove Park SE12 9TS

**EVERYTHING
FREE**

BOUNCY CASTLES

FACE PAINTING

5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL

BUNGEE RUN

BADMINTON

ART & CRAFTS

TRACK RACES

**UNDER 5'S
BALL PIT**

**TUG
OF WAR**

**AND
MUCH MORE...**



This event is organised and funded by Word of Life Church
www.wordoflife-lcc.org/community | community@wordoflife-lcc.org



FWM Ladies Conference / Retreat

Friday 11th October -
Sunday 13th October

Theme: One Thing Needed
Luke 10: 38 - 42

Venue:

Devere Hotel, Theobalds Estate, Lieutenant
Ellis Way, Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, EN7 5HW

**Cost :- Single Occupancy £135,
Double Occupancy £195**

Payment can be made in full or in 3
instalments (July, August, September) via
the registration link below...

Please register early via this link:
<http://wordoflife-lcc.org/fresh/register>

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- * **WOL Heads of Ministries Meeting** – Sunday 11th August after the service
- * **WOL Married Couples Fellowship (MCF)** – Sunday 18th August from 3pm for all married couples. Venue TBC.
- * **SOS Cell Group Evangelism Outreach:**
 - 3rd August – Youth Cell Group led by Ibukun Henshaw & Yemi Adeniran
 - 17th August – Youth Cell Group led by Ibukun Henshaw & Yemi Adeniran

..... CHURCH NEWS

◆ **Children's Church**

The children's church will be on break all through the month of August. This means their church service and their cell groups will not hold. The children will worship together with adults in the main service during this month

The senior leadership on behalf of the whole church will like to thank all the children's ministry team and all the volunteer helpers who have worked hard with the children Sunday after Sunday. We pray that you will be refreshed as you take a well-deserved rest and break.

◆ **CAP Debt Centre update!**

This is to announce that the Church's Lewisham Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Centre will be temporarily closed for the next few months. This decision has recently been made by CAP head office in relation to training requirements by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and an overview of the work of the centre since it opened.

Bro. Malach Airo will no longer be continuing in the role of Debt Centre Manager and has been moved to the role of Building and Venue Manager (on a fixed term contract).

We hope to see the centre re-opened after a new debt centre manager is appointed by CAP Head office and the necessary training is completed. We will keep you informed when this happens.

◆ **Rehoboth Building Phase 2 Refurbishment**

In 2017 we carried out major works in the lower floor as part of phase 1 of the refurbishment of the whole building. We are now looking to move into phase 2 of the refurbishment works. We intend to start off with the toilets on the main floor and are

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currently obtaining quotes for these. A new boiler is also being purchased for the main floor.

We invite you to support these endeavours by giving financially.

If you will like to donate towards any of these, please clearly indicate when giving online or when using offering envelopes during our services. Thank you.

◆ Hall for Hire

Rehoboth building is available for use at various times throughout the week and open to the community for multiple purposes. The Resource Centre (lower floor) is made up of a multi-function hall, as well as a kitchen/chill out room, a medium sized room and a large entrance/hallway. These can be used for seminars, workshops, training days, product launches, baby showers, private dinners, extra tuition classes, small events etc... The multi-function hall is suitable for a maximum of approximately 80 people with a cabaret style seating arrangement, 100 people with theatre style seating arrangement or 120 people standing.

The main hall in Rehoboth Building is also open for use to members of the community. It has a capacity of approximately 180 seats. However, its use is reserved exclusively for church services, including weddings, funerals or child dedication services.

Flyers are available on the information table or you can also find details by going to the church's website and clicking on "venue Hire" or visiting <https://www.hallshire.com/halls/view/5516/rehoboth-building>.

Please email info@wordoflife-lcc.org for more information if required and to find out about hall availability.

◆ Job Vacancy

A vacancy for the Debt Centre Manager for the Lewisham CAP Debt Centre which we host has now arisen.

Please visit the following link for full details : <https://capuk.org/get-involved/your-church/partner-with-cap/cap-debt-help/partnership-process/cap-debt-centre-manager>. If you are interested in this role please send your CV and a cover letter to admin@wordoflife-lcc.org by 31st August 2019. For further information and details, please email also admin@wordoflife-lcc.org.

Important dates to note in regards this role:

Selection Day (CAP's interview process) - 10th October 2019 in London (exact venue to be confirmed). **R1 Training in Bradford** - w/c 4th November 2019 (possibly travelling up on Sunday 3rd) **R2 Training in Bradford** - 3rd - 5th December 2019

GALLERY...Summer Picnic Outing



SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

John 8: 31—32 (NKJV)

³¹ Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. ³² And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

John 14: 6 (NKJV)

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 17: 17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

TRUTH AND FREEDOM

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

John 8:31-36

³¹ Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

³³ They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can You say, ‘You will be made free?’”

³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. ³⁵ And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. ³⁶ Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

For many years as an unbeliever, I went to church because my mother wanted me to. I went because it made my mother happy. I went because it felt good. I knew all the lingo; I did everything Church goes did. I sang in the choir; I was involved in church drama. I was loved by my parents, I was loved by the church, respected by my peers. I knew some scriptures; I took part in Christian drama. My life on the surface was a success, but deep inside I was a wreck, a man with little confidence.

Many of us might know someone like me, or some of you were like me. We went to Church but still had issues we were struggling with.

About two thousand years ago, Jesus confronted people just like me, they did everything to please God and people but they were far from being happy.

They were slaves to culture, tradition, sin and were very religious and when Jesus confronted them with truth and freedom, it was difficult to swallow.

For them and many people today the TRUTH presented to them went over their heads.

Yet there is only one truth that can set us all free and that truth is the knowledge of the only begotten son of God, Jesus Christ.

When Jesus was brought before Pilate, Jesus said to Pilate that His birth was to bear witness to the “TRUTH”. Pilate was confused and wanted to know what truth was yet he never waited for an answer. John 18:38

³⁸ Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?” And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, “I find no fault in Him at all.

The truth in the New Testament is God’s revelation of Himself through His son Jesus Christ.

John 1:14

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Jesus goes on to speak of Himself in John 14:6

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

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

When Jesus spoke to the people about knowing the truth, He was speaking of Himself.

When Jesus said you will know the Truth, he was referring to the knowledge of Himself as the truth.

No one can be set free from sin, or from the hold of Satan and its destruction without the knowledge of Jesus Christ the son of God as the Saviour. This was what Jesus was saying to Pilate, when He said in John 18:37

³⁷ For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."

The truth is that Jesus was born to set captives free from the hold of sin.

He was born that we might be set free from the wrath to come.

He was born that we might be delivered from hell.

He was born that the sick might be healed.

He was born that we might be reconciled to God.

And this is the truth that Jesus was presenting to the Jews. John 8:32

³² And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

When we have accepted this truth, Jesus advises us to continue in the truth and our continuation in this truth is what brings complete freedom.

In short Jesus was saying you cannot just accept the truth and do nothing about it, but you must live, sleep, wake up consistently in this truth.

Our continuation in this truth, is what brings total freedom. As we continue in the truth, we will have revelation of the truth and revelation brings knowledge and knowledge brings freedom because His Word is the TRUTH.

We can never find truth outside of His Word.

We can be inspired by motivational and inspirational words. We however find freedom in His Word which is live changing.

Hence Jesus advises His disciples to continue to abide in His Word.

We find salvation, healing, freedom from bondages and addiction from the Word of truth.

Hence Paul said to Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:15

⁵ Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Do you want to be completely free? Abide in His Word, continue to seek Him and you will find TRUTH AND FREEDOM.



.....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...

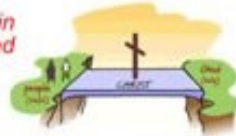
step 3

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)*

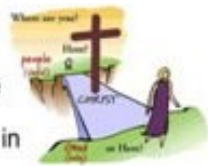
*"that if you confess with your mouth 'JESUS is Lord' and believe in your heart that GOD raised him from the dead, you will be saved."
(Romans 10:9)*

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).



GOD LOVES YOU !

NOTICES

Happy Birthday Greetings
to all those born in the
month of **AUGUST** and
Congratulations to all cel-
ebrating **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

Senior Leadership

Folake Henshaw

Peter Unachukwu

Ministry Leaders

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

WOL Board: Member Representatives

Peter Mungai

Barbara Agbudeloye



Word Of Life

CHURCH

**A network church of
Kensington Temple
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(KTLCC)**



WOL Church Office opening times – Monday to Thursday, 10am to 2pm

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