# WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

# bulletin

# December 2022



2 Corinthians 1: 20

2 Peter 1: 4

2 Peter 3: 9

**Hebrews 10: 23** 

2022, The Year of Keeping the Fire Burning Key Scripture - Leviticus 6: 12 - 13

## ..WELCOME!...

- Welcome!!! We are so thrilled you could engage with us. We hope you enjoy your interactions with us and welcome you to stay in touch with us via our website, email or phone. If you need to get in touch with us, ask a question, if you have a prayer request or if you need to speak with any of the Pastors or leadership team at any time, please feel free to contact us: Email info@wordoflife-lcc.org or telephone the church office on 07930 958 097 (Mon Thu, 10am to 2pm). Please also check out our website: www.wordoflife-lcc.org to stay up-to-date with our activities and useful information.
- Our Children's & Youth Programmes take place in the lower hall on Sundays.
   Children meet in the lower hall after the time of corporate praise and worship,
   with the exception of the first Sunday of the month, which is our Family
   Sunday. The Youth also meet in the lower hall every Sunday immediately
   after the main service from 12.45pm to 1.30pm. For details of how children &
   youth can join in please email <a href="info@wordoflife-lcc.org">info@wordoflife-lcc.org</a>. Thank you.

# **Weekly / Fortnightly Events**

## **MONDAY TO SATURDAY**

Early Morning Prayer Meetings via Zoom. Mondays to Saturdays 6am to 7am.

### **WEDNESDAY**

7pm-8pm Midweek Service - at Rehoboth building

### **FRIDAY**

**7pm-8.30pm** (fortnightly) Chosen Generation Youth Hub at Rehoboth Building (Lower Hall)

7pm-8.30pm (weekly) Revival Prayer - via Zoom

**7pm-10pm** (last Friday of the month) Prayer Night at Rehoboth building

## **SATURDAY**

5pm-6pm (weekly) Dig Deep Search the Scriptures - via Zoom

## **SUNDAY**

**11:00am** Celebration Service at Rehoboth building (Livestream on YouTube & Facebook)

**12:45pm** Youth Church / Cell Group (boys & girls aged 13 onwards)- contact <a href="mailto:youth@wordoflife-lcc.org">youth@wordoflife-lcc.org</a> for details

After Praise & Worship - Children's Church / Cell Group (3-12 yrs) - contact kids@wordoflife-lcc.org

CELL GROUPS (small groups) meetings are held via Zoom during the week. For more details email us at info@wordoflife-lcc.org or telephone the church office on 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thur, 10am to 2pm). Our cell groups are homogenous in nature. We have men, women, youth and children cell groups to cater for all.

## **WORD OF LIFE MISSION STATEMENT**

## "Transforming Lives, Fulfilling Destinies

### A church with mission...

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 - TRANSFORMING LIFES. FULFILLING DESTINIES





To impact the Borough of 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.

Matthew 28:19-20



### **WOL TEAM**

#### Senior Pastor / Minister in Charge

**Rowland Henshaw** 

Senior Leadership

Folake Henshaw

Peter Unachukwu

Ministry Leaders

Ibukunoluwa Henshaw - Youth

Folake Henshaw - Women

Harriet Kattiti - Children (Acting Head)

Shelly-Ann Sydial - Praise & Worship

Sonia Edwards - Stewards

Taiwo Adeniran - Media

George Zammit—Evangelism

Yvonne Zammit—Welcome & Consolidation

**Church Administrator** 

Shelly-Ann Sydial

Treasurer / Building & Venue Manager

Malach Airo

Safeguarding Coordinator

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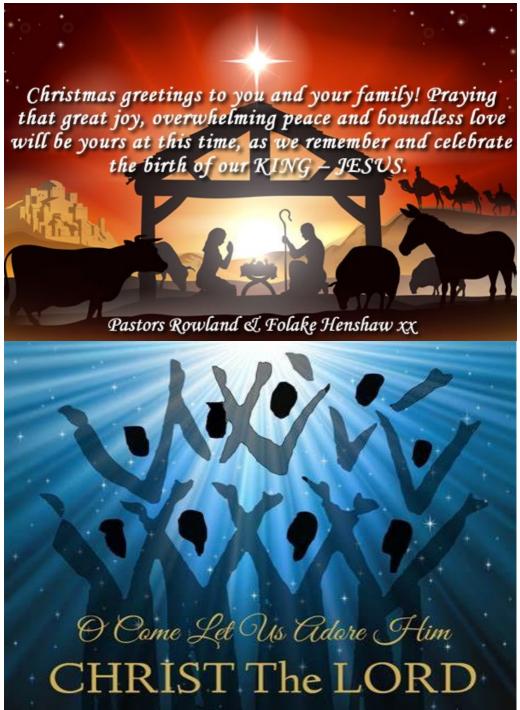
A network church of Kensington Temple London City Church (KTLCC)



WOL Church Office opening times – Monday to Thursday, 10am to 2pm Rehoboth Building, 72A Mayeswood Road, London SE12 9RP Tel. 07930 958 097

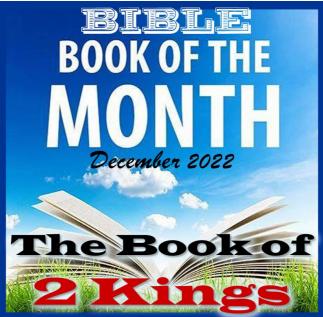
E-mail info@wordoflife-lcc.org - Website www.wordoflife-lcc.org

# **CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.**





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During the month of December please join with the rest of WOL Church to read, meditate, study and explore the Old Testament Book of Second Kings

## CHRISTMAS HAMPERS PACKING & DISTRIBUTION

Saturday 17th December 2022

Hamper Packing @9:00am | Hamper Distribution @ 10am - 12noon Word of Life Church, Lower Hall, Rehoboth building, 72A Mayeswood Rd, Grove Park, SE12 9RP



Please help us to raise £2500 to feed 100 needy & poor families in Grove Park this Christmas by giving a gift of £25 or more to help us meet this target & share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the community.

#### **WAYS TO GIVE:**

CASH - put in an envelope (available from the ushers), mark it as 'Christmas Hampers' & place cash/envelope in the basket

BANK TRANSFER - Lloyds Bank- Account#- 03215544, Sort Code- 30 91 87

DONATE VIA WEBSITE - www.wordoflife-lcc.org & click "Donate"

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# WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

welcomes you to come & celebrate with us

Saturday 17th December 2022 1:30pm-4:30pm

Music. Food. Games. Storytelling & Christmas Presents

# FREE event but Registration is required







Register here

(Scan QR Code using your Device Camera)

Registration Link: https://tinyurl.com/WOLKidsChristmasParty

Venue: Word of Life Church, 72A Mayeswood Rd, Grove Park, SE12 9RP Tel - 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thu, 10am-2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org

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Sunday 18th December

Immediately after the 11am Service

Venue: Main Hall, Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thurs, 10am-2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org



Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022

**Time: 7:00pm** 

Venue: Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building 72A Mayeswood Rd, Grove Park, London, SE12 9RP



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FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



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# . SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT





22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 1946 - 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2022



Date: Sunday 18th December 2022 Cime: 6:00 pm

> At Word of Life Church, 72A Mayeswood Road, London, SE12 9RP

RSVP: info@wordoflife-lcc.org or 07930 958 097

# **REGULAR EVENTS**



WHEN GOD HAS NO CHOICE! 125 views · Streamed 4 weeks ago

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LIFE LESSONS FROM JESUS PT 8 33 views • Streamed 1 month ago



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# Word of Life Church

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HOW TO SUCCESSFULL









Monday - Saturday from 6am - 7am Online via **Zoom Video Conferencing** 

> Zoom Meeting ID: 314 492 8882

# SOS Evangelism Outreach

**Every Saturday** 10:30am - 11:00am

**Prayer** @Rehoboth building

11:15am - 12:15pm **Evangelism Outreach** in the local community

Open to anyone who would like to join



Your God reigns!

# REGULAR EVENTS Weekly meetings via Zoom a place to connect with others... Email: info@wordoflife-lcc.org | Tel: 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thurs, 10am -2pm) **GROVE PARK** EMERGENCY FOOD BANK PROJECT For people of Grove Park and its environs struggling to put food on their table, or in financial crisis/hardship Frequency: Once a week ADTOSIO TALLER MOUD HEINZ HEINZ Day & Time: BEANZ BEANZ Fridays, 12noon to 2pm Location: Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, 72A Mayeswood Road, SE12 9RP (Community Resource Centre in the Lower Floor) FOOD ITEMS, PLEASE ATTEND WITH ONE FORM OF ID AND ONE PROOF OF ADDRESS. Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org Community Website: http://wordoflife-lcc.org/community

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# TITHES & OFFERINGS

<u>CASH</u> - please indicate to a steward that you would like an envelope & place cash/envelope in the offering basket

BANK TRANSFER - Lloyds Bank Account#- 03215544, Sort Code- 30-91-87

GIVT APP - Download the free GIVT app & select Word of Life Church (Lewisham)

# ... REGULAR EVENTS CNTD ...

# Youth Connect Group (cell group)

Every Sunday at 12:45pm

For Youth Aged 13 Years & Over



Venue: Lower Hall Resource Centre, Rehoboth building
Open to both Males & Females

# **BODY AND SOUL FITNESS**

**Every Tuesday (weekly)** 

Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Venue: Lower Hall Resource Centre, Rehoboth building, 72A Mayeswood Road

Open to Men / Boys



# . CHURCH NEWS





#### **♦ ARE YOU NEW TO WORD OF LIFE CHURCH?**

Welcome to Word of Life Church! We are so glad you have chosen to visit and be part of our services. If you have any questions and will like to know more about the Church, receive pastoral help, or explore how you can connect and be involved in the life of the Church, please come speak with any of the team or send us an email at <a href="mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org">info@wordoflife-lcc.org</a>. Someone will respond to you as soon as possible. Thank you

#### ◆ YOUR WELLBEING IS OUR CONCERN / CARING FOR EACH OTHER

If you have any concerns, please do let us know. Your well-being is very important to us. If you require prayer or pastoral help / counselling or support, please do not stay silent, please let your cell leader, any of the leadership team or the church board member representatives know, so we can offer prayer and support. Please don't isolate yourself, speak with someone. In addition, if you are in in need and require practical assistance, please let your cell leader know or send an email to <a href="mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org">info@wordoflife-lcc.org</a>

#### ♦ WE INVITE YOU TO SERVE

We invite you to give your time, strength, commitment, gifts and talents to serve the Lord here in Word of Life Church. Your Church needs your service in many areas of ministry. We are looking for more stewards / ushers, media team members, singers, musicians, children's workers, youth workers, building maintenance workers etc. We also need those who can help with hospitality, follow up of new believers, administration etc. We believe that every Christian is called to serve by Jesus so please get in touch with us by emailing info@wordoflife-lcc.org or speak with your cell leader or deputy cell leader, and complete a worker's form. We look forward to hearing from you.

## ♦ HOSPITALITY AND PROTOCOL MINISTRY (NEW!!)

We are urgently looking for people (male and female) to join the new Hospitality and Protocol ministry teams.

The hospitality and protocol ministry are a servant ministry. The hospitality team's focus is to co-ordinate and organize church wide receptions and social events as directed by the Pastor or the Senior leadership. The protocol team's focus is to assist and take care of the pastors and guest ministers etc before, during and after the course of the service, meeting or an event in the Church.

If you will like to be part of this exciting new ministry teams or are interested but will like more information, please contact Pastor Folake Henshaw at f.henshaw@wordoflife-lcc.org.

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#### ◆ BUILDING THE HOUSE OF GOD - REHOBOTH BUILDING FACELIFT

We are also looking for people who are skilled in decorating, handy work and building works to join the building team to make Rehoboth building a beautiful place for us all to come to. If you can help, please speak with Brother Malach Airo or email to info@wordoflife-lcc.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

# ♦ CHRISTMAS 2022! PLEASE GIVE A CHRISTMAS PRESENT OF £25 OR MORE TO HELP THE NEEDIEST....

In the spirit of giving and helping those who need it, we as a church are looking this year to be a blessing to our community / borough by giving out Christmas hampers to the needy and poor, not forgetting those in our midst that might need that help too.

Each hamper will have everything that an average family of 4 requires for a lovely Christmas meal. We are looking to include a good-sized turkey, gravy, potatoes, carrots, sprouts, cranberry sauce, mince pies OR Christmas pudding and custard, and a bottle of sparkling non-alcoholic wine.

This year our target is £2,500. This will help cover the cost of 100 Christmas hampers which will help feed over 400 individu-

als at Christmas and also put the gospel message in their hands. A Christmas gift of £25 will help purchase a Christmas Hamper for a family of 4 to 5, To do this we need your support in giving towards this initiative. That is why we are coming to ask you to give a Christmas present to a family this Christmas.

Please give generously yourself and also help raise funds so we can meet the target. With each individual and family giving and helping to raise funds, we can do this.

Please help us to raise £2500 to feed 100 needy & poor families in Grove Park this Christmas by giving a gift of £25 or more to help us meet this target & share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the community.



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# **CHURCH NEWS**

#### **EASY FUNDRAISING**

DONATE FOR FREE WITH EASYFUNDRAISING! You can 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, as we prepare to enter the Christmas season and you do your shopping, 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, and it costs nothing!

For more details & to donate please go to this link: http://wordoflife-lcc.org/site/ index.php/donations/easy-fundraising. If you have any questions or need any help to access it, please email info@wordoflife-lcc.org.



# **SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH**

# 2 Corinthians 1: 20 (NKJV)

For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.

# 2 Peter 1: 4 (NKJV)

by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

# 2 Peter 3: 9 (NKJV)

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

# Hebrews 10: 23 (NKJV)

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.



# **EXHORTATION**

### ALL PROMISES IN HIM ARE YES AND AMEN

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

#### 2 Corinthians 1:20

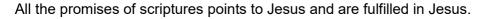
20 For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us

NIV puts it this way

20 For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so, through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God.

## Who is "Him" that Paul is referring to here.

He is referring to Jesus the Christ, Christ is the "YES" to all the promises in the scriptures.



The point I am trying to make is that if our understanding of God's promises is focussed on anything other than Jesus, then we have missed it big time.

20 For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so, through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God.

I am therefore saying that there is the need to refocus on Christ, because the fulfilment of all of God's promises are found in Him.

## Galatians 3:16-22

16 The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. Scripture does not say "and to seeds," meaning many people, but "and to your seed," meaning one person, who is Christ.

### **EPHESIANS 3:6**

6 This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

The old testament operated based on shadows of things to come. Whenever you see a shadow, you know there is a reality or simply put if you see the shadow of a person, you know that there is someone. Shadows don't merely appear without the real thing. The old testament promises were shadows of things to come.



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### **COLOSSIANS 2:16-17**

16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration, or a Sabbath day. 17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.

#### **HEBREWS 10:1-10**

1 The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason, it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. 2 Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins. 3 But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins. 4 It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. 5 Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said: "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me. 6 with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased. 7 Then I said, 'Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—I have come to do your will, my God."

8 First he said, "Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them"—though they were offered in accordance with the law. 9 Then he said, "Here I am, I have come to do your will." He sets aside the first to establish the second. 10 And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

If those rituals and sacrifices that were performed by the priest actually cleansed the sinner from their sins, then they won't have to go in every year to perform it, but it was a shadow of what God was showing us, that His son will do when He came.

So, the writer of Hebrews goes on to say to us

## Hebrews 6:9

9 But, beloved, we are confident of better things concerning you, yes, things that accompany salvation, though we speak in this manner.

There are things that accompany our salvation, and they are all found in Christ Jesus. As believers we cannot afford to be ignorant of these things. There are many believers today who have accepted salvation through Jesus Christ because someone asked them to lift up their hands and say the sinner's prayer, but what is missing is the true revelation of what salvation entails.

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## The things that accompany salvation

### **FORGIVENESS**

Take forgiveness as an example, many do not believe that they have been forgiven. They go back every time asking for forgiveness. In the old testament God promised forgiveness.

#### Exodus 34:6-7

6 And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, 7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation."

#### Psalm 103:1-5

- 1 Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. 2 Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—
- 3 who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

#### 1 Peter 2:24

24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds, you were healed

### Isaiah 53:4

Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God and afflicted.

## Isaiah 53:11

As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see it and be satisfied; By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant will justify the many, As He will bear their iniquities.

## Matthew 8:17

This was to fulfil what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: "He Himself took our infirmities and carried away our diseases."

Jesus fulfilled the promises of God and that is why we can boldly say we know we are forgiven and can boldly come into His throne room of grace to mercy and Grace.

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There are those who are so ignorant of their authority as believers because they do not realise that embedded in their salvation through Jesus Christ is the spirit of **adoption** –we are **adopted by God**.

#### **ADOPTED**

#### Galatians 4:4-7

4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

#### Romans 9:26

"And it shall be that in the place where it was said to them, 'you are not My people,' There they shall be called sons of the living God."

#### 2 Corinthians 6:18

"And I will be a father to you, And you shall be sons and daughters to Me," Says the Lord Almighty.

### WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN A NEW HEART

## Jeremiah 24:7

7 I will give them a heart to know me, that I am the Lord. They will be my people, and I will be their God, for they will return to me with all their heart.

### Acts 2:37

37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

## THE PROMISE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jesus said to His disciples it is your advantage that I go.

7But I tell you the truth, it is for your benefit that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

Jesus promised His disciples the Holy Spirit, but when you look at scriptures this was the promise of the father to every believer.

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#### Joel 2:28-29

28 "And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.

29 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

By the time we come to Acts 2, this was no more a promise but a fulfilment of the promise.

#### Acts 2:14-18

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 15 These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! 16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17 "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.

18 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

### **VICTORY**

Some believers don't even have the revelation of a victorious life. They walk in constant defeat; woe is me attitude. They always see themselves as victims and never as victors. They see everything wrong with their lives. But this what scripture says...

## 2 Corinthians 2:14

14 Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.

## 1 John 5:4

4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

## **AUTHORITY**

Some don't even believe that they have been given authority. Authority to trample down the enemies of God.

Authority to trample on scorpion and serpents.

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#### Mark 16:16-18

16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. 17 And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; 18 they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

## Peter writes to the Church and speaks

#### 2 Peter 1:3-8

3 His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

What is His divine power?

His resurrection power- The power that raised Him from the dead. We cannot fully grasp this truth without truly knowing Him.

4 Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

You want to live a fulfilling Christlike life, yes you can. Because these precious promises are available to every believer who knows that there is a benefit to their relationship with Christ. He calls us friends and

not servants.

## In John 15:16

15 No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. 17 These things I command you, that you love one another.

As believers we need realise that our sins are not only forgiven, we also have a relationship with the king and we need to trust God more than we have ever done before.

## In John 14:1-3

14 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

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2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know."5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"

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

We have got to trust Him and a place our focus on Him and nothing more and nothing less.

### 2 Corinthians 1:20

20 For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us

Let Jesus be the centre of your life.



# ..... 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!!!

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?

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...

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 GOD and men, that man you to GOD." (1 Peter 3:18)

"for there is one GOD and one mediator between JESUS CHRIST." (1 Timothy 2:5)

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

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



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 from the dead, you 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 will be saved. (Romans 10:9)

### Where are you? Will you receive JESUS CHRIST right now?

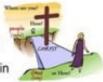
Here is how you can receive Christ:

Admit your need (I am a sinner).

Be willing to turn from your sins (repent).

Believe that JESUS CHRIST died for you on the cross and rose from the grave.

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 DECEMBER and Congratulations to all celebrating Anniversaries this month!



#### PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISE REPORTS

Please pick up and complete one of the prayer requests and praise reports forms, if you have a prayer request or a praise report. Prayer requests will be prayed for individually agreeing with you in faith for God's miracle.





#### **TESTIMONIES**

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

Please email your written or video recorded testimony to info@wordoflife-lcc.org We look forward to hearing from you and sharing God's goodness

### WATER BAPTISM

If you will like to be baptised, please speak with your cell leader or email the Church office at

admin@wordoflife-lcc.org.





#### **DEDICATIONS**

If you will like to dedicate your child, please contact the church office by emailing <a href="mailto:admin@wordoflife-lcc.org">admin@wordoflife-lcc.org</a> or ringing 07930 958 097.

Dedications are usually held 2nd/3rd/4th Sundays of the month.

## **SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES**



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