

WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

bulletin

JANUARY 2020



***Supernatural
Harvest***

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2020, Our Year of “Supernatural Harvest”
Key Scripture - Amos 9: 13

..... 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 (weekly) Revival Prayer
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.

.....HAPPY NEW YEAR GREETINGS.....



IN 2020, TRUST THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND HE WILL CROWN YOUR YEAR WITH HIS GOODNESS AND YOUR PATHS WILL DRIP WITH HIS ABUNDANCE IN JESUS NAME. AMEN.



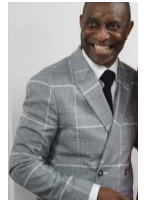
FIRST WORD

Welcome to Our Year of Supernatural Harvest!!!



I believe that 2020 will be a year of supernatural harvest of souls. We will see those who were formerly antagonistic towards God becoming advocates for the kingdom of God. It will be a year when the body of Christ will see a harvest of souls like it has never seen before. I believe it will be a time when the Church at large will prosper.

So, I invite you to get excited, to be prepared, and to be part of this God adventure in 2020 and beyond!



UPCOMING EVENTS

WOL LEADERS TRAINING DAY

Saturday 4th January 2020

10am to 2pm

at Rehoboth Building

WOL

New Members Session

Saturday 18th January 2020

Time: from 2pm

Venue: Rehoboth building

Open to all married couples

Married Couples Fellowship

Sunday 19th January 2020

3 - 5pm

Venue: To be confirmed



KT Annual Vision Week 2020

Consecration, Preparation,
Reformation

**Tuesday 21st January 2020
to
Saturday 25th January 2020**

*A time of worship, prayer, testimony,
encouragement and envisioning to
prepare you for the year ahead*

**Venue:
KENSINGTON TEMPLE
Kensington Park Road, Notting Hill Gate
London W11 3BY**

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



* Chosen Generation Youth Hub Meetings

- Friday 17th January 2020 – 7pm
- Friday 31st January 2020 – 7pm

* SOS Cell Group Evangelism Outreach

- 11th January 2020 – Men's Open Cell Group led by Taiwo Adeniran
- 18th January 2020 – Ladies Open Cell Group led by Lisa Martin

..... CHURCH NEWS

◆ Welcome!

This month we welcome Pastor Sam George from Hope Christian Centre (HCC) in Kennington Park. Brother Sam is married to Pastor Dylis George and together they have 2 children.

Pastor Sam will be on placement with us for 2 months as part of his Bible School / School of Theology training. We pray that his time with us will be a time of immense blessing in Jesus name. Please do reach out to him and make him feel welcome.

◆ Church Services and Meetings Attendance

2020 is a new beginning, a new beginning for us as WOL Members. We want to take this opportunity to encourage each one about coming together regularly with other your brothers and sisters in Christ. The Bible in the book of Hebrews encourages us to not forsake the coming together, or the gathering together of Christian believers as we see the day of the Lord (His return) approach.

We ask that this year you please give utmost priority to your attendance at church services, church meetings, cell group meetings etc. Let's come together for teaching, fellowship, exhortation, admonition, discipleship, prayer, impartation, expression of the gifts of the spirit and much more. Let's be faithful to do this in the local church God has planted us and let us also encourage each other to do so as well. Let's honour the Lord by consistently being regular, punctual and on time too! The Lord will honour us as we honour Him. This is for our benefit and blessing, and also part of the way we seek God's Kingdom first.

.... CHURCH NEWS Continued

◆ **Communications Team**

This year we looking to set up a communications team and are looking for WOL members who can help with content for the church's bulletin, website, and social media platforms. The team will be involved in putting together articles, features and stories and introducing new and creative content. They will also act as "roving reporters" doing interviews, reporting events and much more. If you are interested in being part of this exciting opportunity, we will love to hear from you, please email us at info@wordoflife-lcc.org

◆ **Volunteer Workers Needed**

We are looking for workers who will serve in many areas of ministry such as the Praise and Worship team, Children's team, Youth team, Stewards / Ushers team, Welcome / Consolidation team, technical team etc.

To join the Church's volunteer workforce, please speak with any of the heads of these ministries or email at info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

◆ **I am ANDREW**

Who is Andrew? Andrew was one of the first disciples Jesus called during His earthly ministry. The first chapter of John's gospel recounts how Andrew learnt who Jesus was – and then immediately found his brother, Simon Peter, and brought him to meet the Son of God. Today, you can do the same by praying for family members, friends, neighbours, and co-workers who don't know Jesus and then bring them to hear the gospel.

This year we are partnering with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) to spread the gospel and win souls for the Lord. To this effect we are introducing "I am ANDREW" in which we are asking you to introduce a friend to Christ.

This year we will be hosting "I am ANDREW" Sundays and ask you to prepare to do four things:

1. Pray - write down the name of at least one person who needs Jesus and pray each day for them
2. Bring – Bring them to the evangelistic event that will be taking place at the O2 arena next year 4th October 2020
3. Share – Spend time with them to deepen friendship
4. Follow up – Invite them to WOL church with you

We will be a host for the Borough of Lewisham for the BGEA Christian Life and Witness course on Saturday 2 May 2020. Here you, and others will learn how to share your faith effectively and verbally present the gospel - Topics include The Effective Christian Life, The Christian Witness, and How to Follow-up and Disciple New Believers. Please mark this date in your diary

◆ 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. Please help spread the word and tell others that might need it.



.....FAMILY CORNER.....

There is something so powerful about praying together as a family, that the enemy blinds us to it.

Why not make this your family tradition this new year?

Get together with your family members (husband, wife, mother, father, sister, brother and children) on a regular basis and spend time to pray for each other's needs, your family needs, and the needs of others. It doesn't have to be for a long period of time each time, just make it consistent.

Couples and Parents, persist and don't give up in seeing this happen. Children, support your parents in this and you will be blessed beyond measure I promise you.



Several things will happen as you pray together. Unity will be built in your family. Peace will abound. Joy levels will increase. Miracles will happen. There will be an abundance of testimonies. Faith will be built in your hearts as you see the goodness of God in your lives. Revelation and insight will come. The plans of satan will be thwarted. Mother Theresa once said: *“Love begins in our home by praying together”*. The love of God will reign in your home as you get together with your loved ones and pray.

SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

Amos 9: 13 (NKJV)

“Behold, the days are coming,” says the LORD, “When the plowman shall overtake the reaper, And the treader of grapes him who sows seed; The mountains shall drip with sweet wine, And all the hills shall flow with it.

Leviticus 25: 21 (NKJV)

²¹ *Then I will command My blessing on you in the sixth year, and it will bring forth produce enough for three years.*

Acts 2: 41 (NKJV)

⁴¹ *Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.*

Acts 5: 14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ *And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women*

EXHORTATION

SUPERNATURAL HARVEST

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

Amos 9:11-13

11 "In that day I shall raise up and restore the fallen [b]tabernacle (booth) of David, and wall up its breaches [in the city walls]; I will also raise up and restore its ruins. And rebuild it as it was in the days of old,

12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom (ancient enemies) And all the nations that are called by My name," Says the Lord who does this.

13 "Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord, "When the ploughman shall overtake the one who gathers the harvest, And the one who treads the grapes [shall overtake] him who sows the seed [for the harvest continues until planting time]; When the mountains will drip sweet wine And all the hills shall melt [that is, everything that was once barren will overflow with streams of blessing].

All over the world the Lord is supernaturally touching lives, transforming lives, restoring lives and souls are been won to the Lord as the church returns to the builder of the Church, Jesus Christ.

Over the years many have introduced another Jesus, 2 Corinthians 11:3-4 alludes to this fact that some will preach another Jesus, another doctrine, another gospel which is not biblical.

3 But I am afraid that, even as the serpent beguiled Eve by his cunning, your minds may be corrupted and led away from the simplicity of [your sincere and] pure devotion to Christ. 4 For [you seem willing to allow it] if one comes and preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted. You tolerate all this beautifully [welcoming the deception].

Yes, we have welcomed the deception and celebrated men instead of Jesus the creator of the universe. The One who promised to build HIS CHURCH. Yet in all of these God has been patient with His Church.

Whilst meditating and speaking to God about 2020, I woke up one morning and as I opened my Bible, I believe the Lord led me to Amos 9: 11-13. It immediately resonated with my spirit that this was what the Lord is saying to us for 2020.

In the book of Amos 9:11-15, God spoke to the children of Israel through Amos that He was going to restore Israel by raising up the tabernacle of David which has fallen down, and that He will rebuild it as it was in the old days. Before Israel could be restored God had to raise up that which was of pure and sincere worship. That which was birth out of intimacy and was built by a man after God's own heart. The tabernacle of David which was in disrepair, a tabernacle built with sticks, ropes and clothes. When compared to Solomon's temple, David's tabernacle was not a building of

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

splendour. Why will God raise up a tabernacle built with sticks, ropes and cloth, of no importance or significance? God was looking for intimacy and not beauty, God was looking for something of sincerity. God was going to raise up again this fallen tabernacle before the restoration of Israel to its former glory.

As I meditated on this, I began to realise that God wants to rebuild His Church, He wants His Church back. The Church that Jesus died for and not the Church built by men.

God wants to return His Church back to His glory days, the days of its Power, when the Holy Spirit was allowed to move freely, the days when Jesus was the centre of the Church. God is building His Church by raising up men and women who trust and obey Him. The book of Amos goes on to say, ***“Says the Lord who does this”*** It is God who is taking the task of raising and rebuilding His Church.

Because God has taken on this task to restore His Church, we then receive this important promise from God to His Church. ¹³ ***“Behold, the days are coming,” says the Lord, “When the ploughman shall overtake the one who gathers the harvest, And the one who treads the grapes [shall overtake] him who sows the seed [for the harvest continues until planting time]; When the mountains will drip sweet wine***

And all the hills shall melt [that is, everything that was once barren will overflow with streams of blessing].

The evidence of the Church returning to the Lord will be the ploughman overtaking the reaper. This means that there would be such an abundant harvest, a supernatural harvest of souls. The Church will be revived and many will come to know the Lord. This will be supernatural because it would not be dependent on man it would be God’s doing. The harvest will not diminish because God will be the one doing it. God will provide in abundance for His people.

What does this mean to the Church of Jesus, it means that the promises of God which never fails will be made manifest. His Church will continue to grow from strength to strength no matter what the enemy throws at Her.

It means that the Church will begin to experience unprecedented revival, unusual miracles, signs and wonders.

Acts 5:14-16 says that more and more believers were added to the Church. This was a supernatural harvest of souls because the Holy Spirit was doing the work as the believers made Jesus the centre of His Church.

¹⁴ More and more believers in the Lord, crowds of men and women, were constantly being added to their number, ¹⁵ to such an extent that they even carried their sick out into the streets and

put them on cots and sleeping pads, so that when Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on one of them [with healing power].¹⁶ And the people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem were coming together, bringing the sick and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all being healed.

For long the Church had been slandered, maligned, used and abused but the Lord is raising up a people of praise and worship, who will worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. A people who will PUSH until the windows of heaven are open to pour out the abundance of rain that will usher in the harvest - the supernatural harvest of souls.

Let us go into the year 2020 with a 2020 spiritual vision because God is about to do something new. He is about to raise the fallen tabernacle of David.

Isaiah 43:19

¹⁹ "Listen carefully, I am about to do a new thing, now it will spring forth; Will you not be aware of it? I will even put a road in the wilderness, Rivers in the desert.

Have a blessed year.



.... QUOTES OF THE MONTH

"Harvest is not just a season but it is rather a Kingdom lifestyle. It is a realm and an anointing of God's Kingdom. In fact, living in the manifestation of harvest is the reflection of Heaven here on Earth. You can literally live in the realm of Harvest consistently because of your faith in Christ Jesus. We are living in the days of the world's greatest supernatural harvest!"

- Ben Lim

... GALLERY OF PHOTOS 2019 ...

.....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...

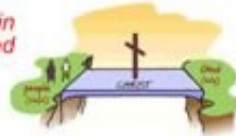
step 3

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)*

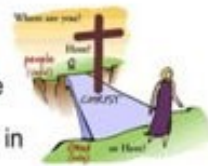
*"that if you confess with your mouth 'JESUS is Lord' and believe in your heart that GOD raised him from the dead, you will be saved."
(Romans 10:9)*

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 **JANUARY** 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

Senior Leadership

Folake Henshaw

Peter Unachukwu

Ministry Leaders

Ibukunoluwa Henshaw - Youth

Yemi Adeniran - 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 / Building & Venue Manager

Malach Airo

Safeguarding Coordinator

Barbara Agbudeloye

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Peter Mungai

Barbara Agbudeloye



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CHURCH

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