

Word of Life Church

bulletin

January 2023



**2023,
OUR YEAR OF
PURSUING,
OVERTAKING &
RECOVERING ALL**

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Key Scriptures - 1 Samuel 30: 1-19; Joel 2: 18-27

.....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 info@wordoflife-lcc.org. Thank you.

Weekly / Fortnightly Events

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

7pm-8pm Midweek Power Service - at Rehoboth building

FRIDAY

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

7pm-8.30pm (weekly) Revival Prayer at Rehoboth building

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

SATURDAY

10:30am—12:15pm (weekly) SOS Evangelism Outreach at Rehoboth building

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 youth@wordoflife-lcc.org 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 In-Person/via Zoom during the week. For more details email info@wordoflife-lcc.org or phone 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 LIVES, FULFILLING DESTINIES



... and vision

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

Shelly-Ann Sydial - Praise & Worship

Sonia Edwards - Stewards

Taiwo Adeniran - Media

George Zammit—Evangelism

Yvonne Zammit—Welcome & Consolidation

Yemi Adeniran—Wholeness

Barbara Agbudeloye—Hospitality & Protocol

Church Administrator

Shelly-Ann Sydial

Treasurer

Malach Airo

Safeguarding Coordinator

Barbara Agbudeloye

WOL Board Member Representatives

Serena Manly-Spain & Sylbourne Sydial



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

... JANUARY EVENTS ...

BIBLE BOOK OF THE MONTH

January 2023

The Book of 1 Chronicles

During the month of January please join with the rest of WOL Church to read, meditate, study and explore the Old Testament Book of First Chronicles

Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/WOLMusicAcademy>

MUSIC ACADEMY MUSIC ACADEMY

Fridays at 7pm

Resumes in 2023 on 13th January 2023

12 weeks of classes in:

**GUITAR, BASS, PIANO,
DRUMS, SINGING & DANCE**

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

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WORD OF LIFE CHURCH
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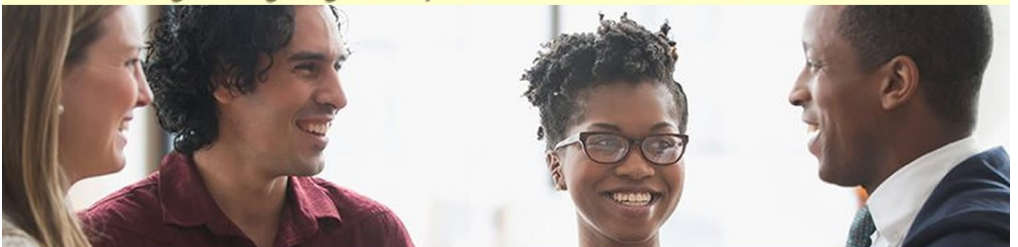
PRAYER & FASTING

Sunday 8th - Saturday 14th January 2023

Key Scriptures: Isaiah 43:19 (NKJV) and Psalm 65: 11(NKJV)

WORD & SPIRIT
SCHOOL OF LEADERSHIP

Raising cutting edge exceptional leaders for such a time as this...



Session 9: Saturday 14th January 2023

Time: 10am - 4pm

Via Zoom Video Conferencing - please see email for the PIN



For further details or any questions please email info@wordoflife-lcc.org or phone 07930 958 097 during the office opening hours of Mon- Thurs between 10am - 2pm

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Women's Ministry



Ladies Net Meeting

Fresh, Fruitful & Flourishing

Thursday 19th January 2023

Time: 8:00pm

Via Zoom Video Conferencing

For enquiries, please email fresh@wordoflife-lcc.org





VISION SUNDAY

Time: 11:00am

Sunday 22nd January 2023

Main Sanctuary, Word of Life Church , Rehoboth Building

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org

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WOL Corporate Day of

PRAAYER & FASTING

Friday 27th January

*we conclude the day with our
Prayer Night at 7pm - 10pm*

Venue (In Person): WOL Church Main Sanctuary, Rehoboth building



M'Pact
Men's Breakfast
Saturday 28th January 2023
Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Lower Hall Resource Centre, Word of Life Church, Rehoboth building
Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - mpact@wordoflife-icc.org

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Special SUNDAY SERVICE

with Rachel Hickson

Heartcry for Change Ministry
(heartcryforchange.com)



RACHEL HICKSON
Rachel established Heartcry Ministries back in 1990 and is the Founding Director. She lives in Oxford, UK, with her husband, Gordon.



Sunday 29th January 2023

Time: 11:00am

Rachel and Gordon have been married for over 40 years and have 2 children and 6 grandchildren. Rachel grew up in India and then married Gordon and together they have lived in many different nations. Rachel and Gordon travel internationally, training leaders, speaking at conferences, strengthening the Church and love the diversity of our different cultures. Rachel is the author of 11 books, writing on prayer, the prophetic gift, and devotional guides. Rachel and Gordon carry a passion to see God touch the lives of people with His power and love. Rachel should have died after a terrible road accident in Africa in 1984 but was miraculously healed. So together they now love to watch treasures hidden in dark places find life and get restored.

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Tel - 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thu 10am-2pm) ; Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org



'One For Life' PREMARITAL COURSE

for courting, engaged or couples in a committed relationship considering marriage

Starts Sunday 29th January
(9 weeks)



Time: 5pm

Venue: Thamesmead & Online

Details:

<https://2equal1.co.uk/uk/uk-one-for-life/>

Registration:

<https://2equal1.co.uk/uk/ofl-rowland-and-folake-henshaw-jan-2023/>

..... REGULAR EVENTS

Word of Life Church

EARLY MORNING PRAYER



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

Zoom Meeting ID: 314 492 8882



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



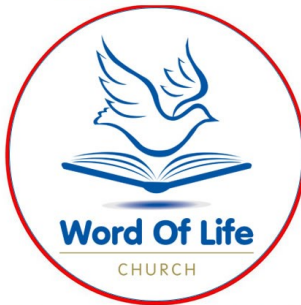
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CONTENDING FOR YOUR FAITH
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**HOW TO SUCCESSFULLY
CONTENT FOR THE FAITH**

Word of Life Church

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TO OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL

**HIT THE BELL ICON
FOR NOTIFICATIONS!**



CONCLUSION
1:36:21



AWAKENING
Streamed 2 months ago



HIS WORD
1:31:15



... REGULAR EVENTS CNTD ...



POWER Service

The Power of the Lord is Present

Acts 10: 38 and Luke 5: 17 and Acts 10: 38

January 2023

Power to HEAL

Every Wednesday from 7pm - 8pm

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

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

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



... REGULAR EVENTS CNTD ...



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



Amplified Bible - Isaiah 52: 7

How beautiful and delightful on the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who announces peace, Who brings good news of good (things), Who announces salvation, Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"



You're Invited



Cell Groups

a place to connect with others...

Weekly meetings via Zoom



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

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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

Day & Time:
Fridays, 12noon to 2pm

Location: Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, 72A Mayeswood Road, SE12 9RP (Community Resource Centre in the Lower Floor)

TO COLLECT 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>



DIG DEEP SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES CLASS

Every Saturday
5 - 6pm

Online via Zoom Video Conferencing
Zoom Meeting ID: 314 492 8882

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org

GIVING

TITHES & OFFERINGS

CASH - 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)

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

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Men and Women Believers Encounter

Saturday 11th February 2023

9:30am to 4:00pm

Main Sanctuary, Rehoboth Building, Word of Life Church

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org



LIVING FREE COURSE (Life Transformation)

starts
Sunday
12th February

from
1pm to 2pm

Runs for
10 weeks

at WOL
Rehoboth
Building

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org

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Wholeness Ministry

Prayer, Healing and Deliverance (PHD)

Session

Saturday 11th March 2023

Time: from 10:00am

Word of Life Church, 72A Mayeswood Road, London, SE12 9RP
Tel - 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thu 10am-2pm) ; Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org



Word of Life Church

ALL

FAMILY

CONFERENCE

Friday 28th April to Sunday 30th April 2023

Friday at 7:00pm,

Saturday at 10:00am

Sunday 11:00am

Main Sanctuary, Rehoboth Building, Word of Life Church

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org

"2023, Our Year of Pursuing, Overtaking & Recovering All"

..... 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 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 info@wordoflife-lcc.org. 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 especially 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 do not 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 info@wordoflife-lcc.org

◆ THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS

A big thank you to Bro Malach Airo for all of us selfless service as WOL Venue and Building Manager of Rehoboth Building over several years. He recently stepped down from that role to start a new job. Sincere congratulations to you on your new role!!! May the Lord grant you grace, favour and wisdom for this new journey in Jesus' name. Amen.

◆ WE INVITE YOU TO SERVE

In this new year and season, **we are inviting 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, protocol, 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.

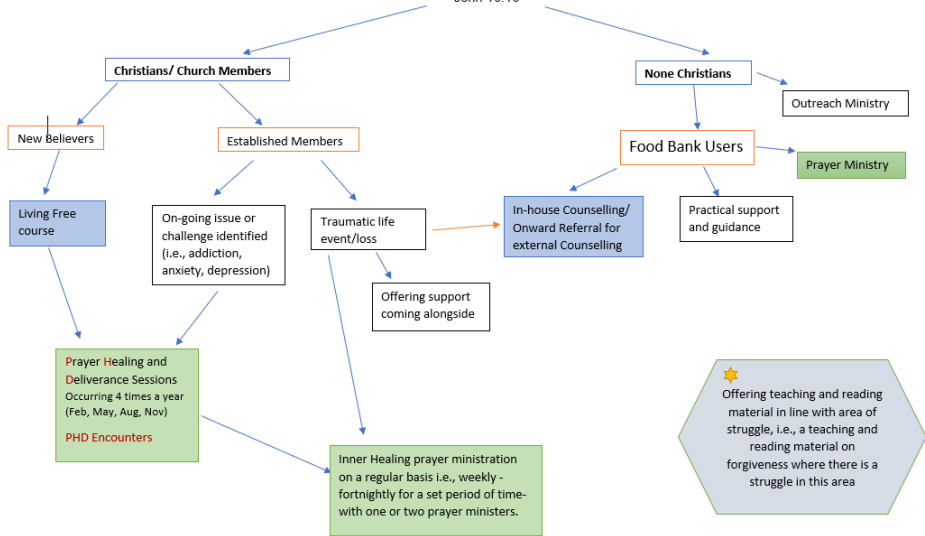
... CHURCH NEWS CNTD ...

◆ NEW YEAR, NEW MINISTRIES:

⇒ WHOLENESS MINISTRY

Wholeness Ministry - Inner Healing and Counselling

'The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it in abundance [to the full, till it overflows].'
John 10:10



If you will like more information about this ministry, please speak with Sis Yemi Adeniran or contact at info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

⇒ HOSPITALITY AND PROTOCOL MINISTRY

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.

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

If you will like be part of this exciting new ministry or are interested but will like more information, please speak with Sis Barbara or contact at info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

◆ BEING MINDFUL OF GOD'S HOUSE- REHOBOTH BUILDING

We would like to ask everyone to be mindful and intentional about caring for, looking after, and keeping clean and tidy the house of the Lord. Let us join to do this. Please also be mindful of the carpets in the building IN PARTICULAR in the main sanctuary. Let us please keep it clean as much as we can by using the mats as we come into the building. Thank you for your help with this.

SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

1 Samuel 30: 1 - 19 (NKJV)

Now it happened, when David and his men came to Ziklag, on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the South and Ziklag, attacked Ziklag and burned it with fire, ² and had taken captive the women and those who were there, from small to great; they did not kill anyone, but carried them away and went their way. ³ So David and his men came to the city, and there it was, burned with fire; and their wives, their sons, and their daughters had been taken captive. ⁴ Then David and the people who were with him lifted up their voices and wept, until they had no more power to weep. ⁵ And David's two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite, had been taken captive. ⁶ Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was ^[a]grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God. ⁷ Then David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, "Please bring the ephod here to me." And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. ⁸ So David inquired of the LORD, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?" And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them and without fail recover all." ⁹ So David went, he and the six hundred men who were with him, and came to the Brook Besor, where those stayed who were left behind. ¹⁰ But David pursued, he and four hundred men; for two hundred stayed behind, who were so weary that they could not cross the Brook Besor. ¹¹ Then they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David; and they gave him bread and he ate, and they let him drink water. ¹² And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs and two clusters of raisins. So when he had eaten, his strength came back to him; for he had eaten no bread nor drunk water for three days and three nights. ¹³ Then David said to him, "To whom do you belong, and where are you from?" And he said, "I am a young man from Egypt, servant of an Amalekite; and my master left me behind, because three days ago I fell sick. ¹⁴ We made an invasion of the southern area of the Cherethites, in the territory which belongs to Judah, and of the southern area of Caleb; and we burned Ziklag with fire." ¹⁵ And David said to him, "Can you take me down to this troop?" So he said, "Swear to me by God that you will neither kill me nor deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will take you down to this troop." ¹⁶ And when he had brought him down, there they were, spread out over all the land, eating and drinking and dancing, because of all the great spoil which they had taken from the land of the Philistines and from the land of Judah. ¹⁷ Then David attacked them from twilight until the evening of the next day. Not a man of them escaped, except four hundred young men who rode on camels and fled. ¹⁸ So David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away, and David rescued his two wives. ¹⁹ And nothing of theirs was lacking, either small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything which they had taken from them; David recovered all.

SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

Joel 2: 18 - 27 (NKJV)

*18 Then the Lord will be zealous for His land,
And pity His people.*

*19 The Lord will answer and say to His people,
“Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil,
And you will be satisfied by them;
I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations.*

*20 “But I will remove far from you the northern army,
And will drive him away into a barren and desolate land,
With his face toward the eastern sea
And his back toward the western sea;
His stench will come up, And his foul odor will rise,
Because he has done [a]monstrous things.”*

*21 Fear not, O land; Be glad and rejoice,
For the Lord has done [b]marvelous things!*

*22 Do not be afraid, you beasts of the field;
For the open pastures are springing up,
And the tree bears its fruit; The fig tree and the vine yield their strength.*

*23 Be glad then, you children of Zion,
And rejoice in the Lord your God;
For He has given you the [c]former rain faithfully,
And He will cause the rain to come down for you—
The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month.*

*24 The threshing floors shall be full of wheat,
And the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil.*

*25 “So I will restore to you the years that the swarming [d]locust has eaten,
The crawling locust,
The consuming locust,
And the chewing locust,
My great army which I sent among you.*

*26 You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
And praise the name of the Lord your God,
Who has dealt wondrously with you;
And My people shall never be put to shame.*

*27 Then you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel:
I am the Lord your God
And there is no other.*

My people shall never be put to shame.

EXHORTATION

RESILIENCE

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

1 Samuel 30:1-9

30 David and his men reached Ziklag on the third day. Now the Amalekites had raided the Negev and Ziklag. They had attacked Ziklag and burned it, 2 and had taken captive the women and everyone else in it, both young and old. They killed none of them but carried them off as they went on their way.

3 When David and his men reached Ziklag, they found it destroyed by fire and their wives and sons and daughters taken captive. 4 So David and his men wept aloud until they had no strength left to weep. 5 David's two wives had been captured—Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail, the widow of Nabal of Carmel. 6 David was greatly distressed because the men were talking of stoning him; each one was bitter in spirit because of his sons and daughters. But David found strength in the Lord his God.

7 Then David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelek, "Bring me the ephod." Abiathar brought it to him, 8 and David inquired of the Lord, "Shall I pursue this raiding party? Will I overtake them?" "Pursue them," he answered. "You will certainly overtake them and succeed in the rescue."

9 David and the six hundred men with him came to the Besor Valley, where some stayed behind. 10 Two hundred of them were too exhausted to cross the valley, but David and the other four hundred continued the pursuit.



Have you ever felt beaten up? Betrayed? Used? Abused? Deflated? Lost? Nothing seem to be making sense.

You are in a seemingly hopeless situation, **YOU ARE DROWNING.**

Every fibre in you is saying it is over, give up.

Everyone who looks at your situation is wondering if you will ever make it.

All you want to do is throw in the towel.

You look at your marriage. You look at your health. You look at your finances.

You look at your job. You have had so many miscarriages,

So many disappointments, Your business has not worked out the way you will want it to.

And you are about to give up.

You look at your children.

You feel lost and boxed in

You seem to be helmed in on every side and there is no way of escape.

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Psalm 30:4-5

***4 Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.***

5 For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Don't give up.

Stop and listen to what Paul says!

2 Corinthians 4:7-9

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8 We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair.

9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed.

2 Corinthians 7:4-6

4 Great is my boldness of speech toward you, great is my glorying of you: I am filled with comfort, I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation.

5 For, when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled on every side; without were fightings, within were fears.

6 Nevertheless God, that comforted those that are cast down, comforted us by the coming of Titus.

Are you cast down or feel defeated, deflated, demoralised etc?

God wants you to know today, that you have a treasure in this earthen vessel.

God has placed in you the capacity to be a victor.

God has placed in you the capacity to fight.

- You may be troubled on all sides.
- You may feel lost for words and wondering what God is doing.
- Why am I going through all of these, you may ask yourself.

I want to assure you today, that you are stronger than you think.

You are stronger than you are made to believe.

The word of God teaches us to be resilient, relentless, it teaches us not to give up.

What is resilience?

It is the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties, toughness:

“to rebound, recoil.” As a character trait, it is the ability to recover quickly from misfortune, illness, or depression.

The ability to spring back into shape, just like an elastic.

There are many Christians who have thrown in the towel.

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They have given up on God.

Yet the word of God tells from the pen of Paul the Apostle.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perishes, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

Yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE INWARD MAN AND THE OUTWARD MAN.

The outward man is the physical body and its five senses of sight, hearing, smell, touch, and taste. These senses are man's medium for relating to his environment.

The human body can only receive information from this world through its five senses.

The inward man, however, is the human spirit and his soul; the seat of his mind, will, and emotions.

The inward man is the seat of the Holy Spirit, as you stay in tune with the Holy Spirit, you are being strengthened on the inside.

THE TREASURE IN AN EARTHEN VESSEL

Paul calls it the treasure in an earthen vessel. ***But we have this treasure in earthen vessels.***

The outward man looks at its environs. Sees what is going on tells us, there is scarcity, there is sickness, the energy bills are going up.

Things are getting tough, it looks at the newspapers, it tells you that your mortgage will increase by so and so.

But the inner man relies and depends on the treasure on the inside.

Leans on the Holy Spirit for direction.

For wisdom

For help

The minute you allow your emotions or your sentiments to tell you that you are defeated you will be defeated.

2 Corinthians 4:17-18

17 For our light and momentary affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory that is far beyond comparison.

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Producing or working what we go through produces glory, when compared to the eternal glory, what go through right now is light in comparison to the eternal glory.

18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

That is why when Paul prayed for the Ephesians Church He said.

Ephesians 3:14-16

14 For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,

16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man.

If you are not strengthened in your inner man, you will not see your situation as a light affliction.

You will not realise that it is momentarily.

You will have to go into 2023 resilient.

THINGS YOU CAN DO IN 2023

When you don't know what to do rather than complain or get angry with people and God.

- Pray
- Inquire from God
- Obey Him
- **Wrestle before God and not with God**
- Remind yourself of God's goodness don't just sing – bring out your book of records!
- Wrestle before God in scriptures
- Wrestle before God in worship
- Wrestle before in praise
- Wrestle before God in intercession
- Wrestle before God in thanksgiving

..... EXHORTATION CNTD

FINISHING IS BETTER THAN BEGINNING

Matthew 24:13

But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

James 1:2-4

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

James 1:12

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

Be resilient and relentless in 2023 and beyond.



..... 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...

"2023, Our Year of Pursuing, Overtaking & Recovering All"

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)*

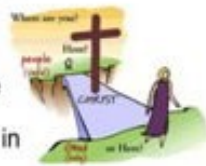
*"that if you confess with your mouth 'JESUS is Lord' and believe in your heart that GOD raised him from the dead, you will be saved."
(Romans 10:9)*

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).



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NOTICES

Happy Birthday Greetings
to all those born in the
month of **JANUARY** 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

admin@wordoflife-lcc.org or ringing 07930 958 097.

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



SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES



Messages are currently available to watch/listen by visiting our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/wordoflifecf>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/wollcc>

Spotify Podcast: (Word of Life Church LCC) <https://open.spotify.com/show/4tWTW5KRivYcVeifF9LPZy?si=a8d2f806ac454534>



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1 Samuel 30: 1 - 19

Joel 2: 18 - 27

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