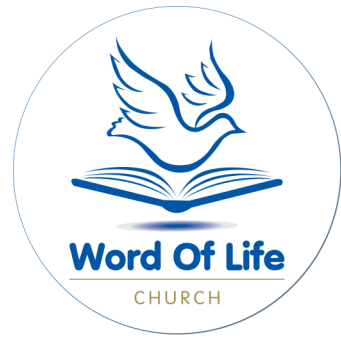


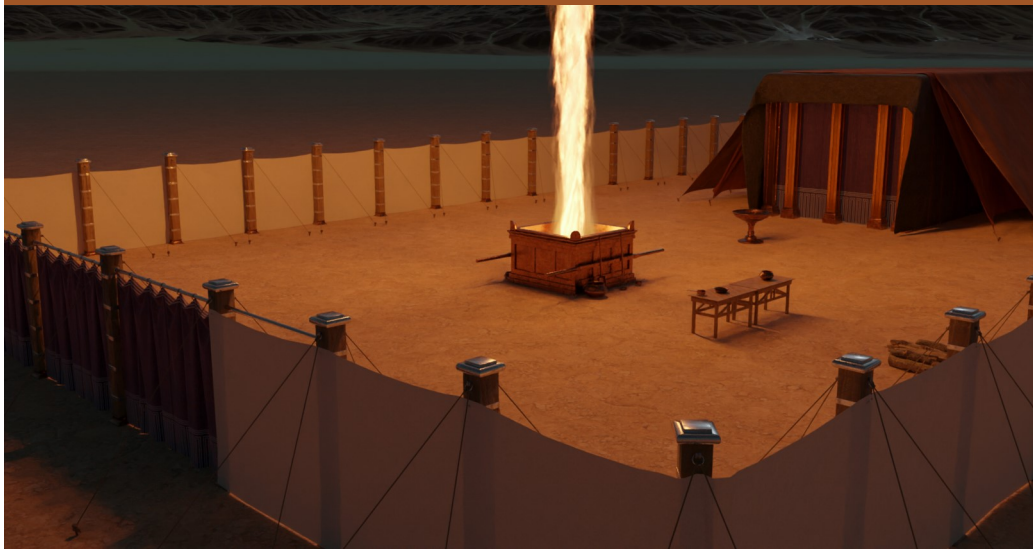
# WOL TIMES

January 2024 Edition



*Transforming Lives, Fulfilling Destinies*

# *2024, Our Year of Living in His Presence*



**Exodus 33: 14 -15**

**Acts 1: 4 – 5**

**Acts 4: 13 – 14**

**John 15: 5**

**2 Corinthians 3: 17**

**Psalms 16: 11**

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# Welcome

Happy New Year and welcome to a brand-new season, a new year, 2024!!!

A brand-new year brings us all new opportunities, new challenges, and new victories.

We also want to welcome you to our new WOL Times. We are excited to present this to you and pray that you will find it a blessing and a useful tool. We will love to hear from you, your feedback, your testimonies, your suggestions. Please feel free to send them to [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org)

If you are visiting one of our church services or attending any of our events, WELCOME!!! We are so thrilled you could join and engage with us. We hope you are blessed and will love for you to stay in touch with us by visiting us again or via our website, email or phone.

To get in touch with us, ask a question, get some more information, put in a prayer request, or speak with any of Our Team, please contact us via Email at [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org) or telephone our Church office on.... land line number and mobile phone Monday to Thursday, 10am to 2pm

To stay up to date with our activities, events and useful information, please check out our website: [www.wordoflife-lcc.org](http://www.wordoflife-lcc.org).

# 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...

*"2024, Our Year of Living in His Presence"*



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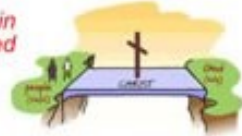
step 3

**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 !**

# First Word

## The Benefits of Living in His Presence

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

In the book of **Genesis 3:23** *therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.*

We are told that Adam Eve was driven out of the Garden of Eden from the presence of the Lord. They lost all the benefit of chatting with God in the cool of the night. In **Genesis 3:8** we are told, *8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.*



What is it that will make God's own creation hide from His presence?  
What is it that will make you and I hide from God's presence?

Think about it for a minute. Wow! What a privilege? Adam and Eve lost it because of their self-fish desires. Today, many of us like Adam and Eve are missing out on living in His presence, for many reasons, such as busyness, distractions, sins, lack of trust, or that His presence is of lesser importance to us.

I can only imagine what it would have been like to live in the presence of God, in the garden of Eden, listening to God, having a conversation with God in the cool of the night.

Absence from His presence brings toil and pain.

When David messed up, he realised that his absence from the presence of God has deprived him of His God's joy, so he cried unto God.

**Psalm 51:11-12**

*11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation And*

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*uphold me by Your generous Spirit.*

God wants us to live in His presence, He wants us to come into His presence with boldness and enjoy His goodness.

**Psalm 16:11** *You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

We find the path of life by living in His presence, there is a path of life that many long to walk in but miss it because God is not the centre of their life. Joy eludes many because they do not realise that the pathway to joy is found in living the presence of God, many long for pleasure in the wrong things and places when it can only be found dwelling in His presence.

Moses realised the benefits of living in God's presence and so refused to move or do anything without God's presence.

**Exodus 33:15** *Then he said to Him, "If Your Presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here. 16 For how then will it be known that Your people and I have found grace in Your sight, except You go with us? So, we shall be separate, Your people and I, from all the people who are upon the face of the earth."*

The presence of God in any situation of our lives is the evidence of God's grace, in **Exodus 33: 13** *Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, show me now Your way, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight. And consider that this nation is Your people."*

God's presence is what makes a difference in the lives of every believer, His presence fills you with confidence, His presence brings direction, living in His presence is the sign of deep intimacy.

What does it mean to live in His presence? To live in His presence is to be where He is, it is to make His presence your dwelling place, to make His presence your abode.



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In **Psalm 91:1** *He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress. My God, in Him I will trust."*

Psalm 91:1 tells us that it is the person who trusts in God that will dwell in God's presence, he/she lives close to God, because they know that to live in His presence is to be secure.

Verse 9 -10 say, **9** *Because you have made the Lord, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling.*

God's presence is a strong tower for the righteous to run to and be saved.

**Exodus 33:16** *How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth"?*

To live in His presence distinguishes you from other people, and this is evidence in your lifestyle, your choices, your speech, and attitude. Those who live in His presence, live a life of the supernatural, a life of favour, a victorious life.

Living in His presence does not exclude us from dangers and challenges, but His presence fills us with a supernatural confidence that cannot be explained. In the book of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego were accused of not bowing down to the golden image set up by King Nebuchadnezzar. On been threatened on what would happen to them, they gave one of the most powerful testimonies of their confidence in God.

## **Daniel 3:16-18**

**16** *Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. 17 If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. 18 But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we*

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***do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up.”***

This confidence can only come from those who have and continued to live in the presence of the living God.

## **WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LIVE IN HIS PRESENCE?**

To live means to make a place a home, a dwelling place, an abode, a place of residence, a place of rest, to sit down, to stay, a place of settlement, a place where you remain with someone of importance, someone you value and love to be with.

Therefore, in our Christian walk, living in His Presence is sitting with God in communal fellowship, a treasure that nothing on this earth can purchase. Finding time on a daily basis to commune with Him in the secret place. Creating a place and time of solitude in Praise, adoration, worship, reading of the word, inquiring, loving Him, prayer and fasting.

Elijah was able to declare to Ahab with confidence, that his word there would be no rain for three and the half years and there was no rain.

Where did this man find such boldness. He tells us himself in 1 Kings 17:1

***And Elijah the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, “As the Lord God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, except at my word.”***

Elijah made it clear to Ahab that he was a man who lived in the presence of the almighty God.

I pray that God will give us all the resilience, the patience, the hunger, the joy and desire to live in His presence in 2024.

Living in His presence is loaded with numerous benefits. May we all be partakers of the heavenly benefits in Jesus' name.

# Christmas & New Year at WOL

It was a wonderful time celebrating the birth of the King of kings, Jesus this last Christmas, being a blessing to our community and entering into the new year. Here are some highlights below:





# Christmas & New Year at WOL



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# Are You Thirsty?

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

John 7:37-39

Fasting is an important aspect of building our faith and drawing closer to God for Christians. Fasting enables us to crucify the flesh and allow our spirit man the sensitivity to the Holy Spirit.

I have over the years heard of several types of fast - the dry, partial, liquid, Daniel and mixed fast. I believe that the Bible actually talks about fasting as abstinence from food and liquid. However, over the years we have added our own dimensions to fasting. Such as the Daniel fast, the partial fast, fasting from social media, etc. I am not saying that there is anything wrong with these styles of fasts. If that is what you feel led to do, in your personal time with God then do it. I know how beneficial it has been for some people.

We must however take our cue from scripture. How did Jesus fast?

*\*Matthew 4:2 - And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. \**

Jesus' fast was without food or water. He was in the desert 40 days and forty nights, and this was not in UAE desert. This was no Emirate or Qatar airways to bring Him food or water in the desert.

*\*Exodus 24:18 18 - So Moses went into the midst of the cloud and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.\**

So, Moses was on the mountain 40 days and 40 nights without food or water.

In the book of Jonah, we are told that the king of Nineveh called a fast in *\*Jonah 3:5-7\**

*\*5 So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. 6 Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in*

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ashes. 7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water.\*

In Word of Life, we practice the dry fast, from 6:00AM to 6:00PM, abstaining from food and drink. We are also very cognisant of the elderly and those with medical conditions, hence the partial fast. There are some who are on medication and will need to take a meal before taking their medication, this is very much allowed.

However, the effectiveness of our fasting is based on two things, praying, and reading the word whilst you fast. We do not abstain from prayer and the Word during our fasting.

From the 2nd of January 2024, we embarked on a 7day fast as we sought God afresh. Please be part of this continuous journey of fasting in 2024, for a fresh and continuous outpouring of God.

*\*John 7:37 On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink.\**

He is calling those who are thirsty to come. Let us keep coming to Him corporately and tell Him how thirsty we are. God bless you.



# Regular Events

## Monday to Saturday

**6am – 7am** (daily) Early Morning Prayer Meetings via Zoom, Monday to Saturday

## Wednesday

**7pm – 8pm** (weekly) Midweek Power Service

## Friday

**12noon – 2pm** (weekly) Foodbank & Community Resource Centre in the Lower Hall, Rehoboth building

**7pm – 8.30pm** (fortnightly) Chosen Generation Youth (CGY) Hub in the Lower Hall, Rehoboth building. **The CGY Hub is a relaxed and safe space for the youth to engage in games, learn life skills, socialise and connect with one another.**

**7pm – 8.30pm** (weekly) Revival Prayer Meeting in the Main Hall Rehoboth building

## Saturday

**10.30am – 12.15pm** (weekly) SOS Evangelism Outreach at Rehoboth building

**5pm – 6pm** (weekly) Dig Deep, Search the Scriptures (Interactive Bible Study) via Zoom

## Sunday

**11.00am** Celebration Service at Rehoboth Building (Livestream on YouTube & Facebook)

**After Praise and Worship** – Children's Church (3 – 12 years)

**1.00pm** Youth Cell (small) Groups (boys and girls aged 13 onwards)

## Weekly Cell Groups (small groups)

Meetings are held via zoom or in person once a week on various weekdays. All our cell groups are homogenous in nature so you can feel at ease. We have men, women, youth and children cell groups to cater for all.

## Children and Youth

Our Children and Youth programmes take place in the lower hall on Sundays. The children meet in the lower hall immediately after the time of corporate praise and worship **except for the first Sunday of the month, which is our family Sunday and some other special services.**

The youth also meet in the lower hall every Sunday **immediately after the service** for their cell groups where they can explore the message further and ask questions.

# January Diary



## VISION SUNDAY

Time: 11:00am

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Main Sanctuary, Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building

Tel - 02088577406/ 07930958097 (Mon-Thu, 10am-2pm) | Email - [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org)

*Open to all married couples*

**Married Couples  
Fellowship**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

**from 3:30pm**

*Venue Details: By Request to [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org)*

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# January Diary

*Friday  
26<sup>th</sup> January*

**WOL Corporate Day of**

**prayer & fasting**

*we conclude the day with our*

**WOL Prayer Night**

*Time: 7:00pm - 10:00pm*

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



***Married for Life (MFL) Course***  
*Starts...*

***Sunday 28th January 2024***

***5:00pm - 7:00pm, In - Person / Online***

*Link for full details of the MFL course:*

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

*Link to register for MFL Course:*

***<https://2equal1.co.uk/uk/uk-married-for-life/uk-mfl-rowland-and-folake-henshaw-jan-2024/>***

**For Queries Email: [rowlandandfolake@2equal1.com](mailto:rowlandandfolake@2equal1.com)**



# January Diary



**Every Thursday**  
**Time: 6:00 - 7:30pm**

**Body & Soul  
for Ladies!!!**

Venue: Lower Hall Community Resource Centre, Word of Life Church,  
Rehoboth building, 72A Mayeswood Road, Grove Park, London, SE12 9RP

Sessions are led by a qualified personal trainer and are **FREE OF CHARGE**

To register, please email us at [community@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:community@wordoflife-lcc.org)

You are also welcome to just come along weekly on Thursday evenings!

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - [community@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:community@wordoflife-lcc.org)



# WARM

**WELCOME  
SPACE**



**WHEN: FRIDAYS**

**TIME: 12:00 NOON - 2:00PM**

**FREE DROP IN TO KEEP WARM, CONNECT  
WITH OTHERS, A HOT DRINK, A HEALTHY  
SNACK AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.**

**VENUE: Word of Life Church, Lower  
Floor, Rehoboth Building, 72A  
Mayeswood Road, Grove Park,  
London, SE12 9RP**



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Community Website: <http://wordoflife-lcc.org/community>

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## FOOD BANK AND COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

**Day & Time: Fridays, 12pm to 2pm**

**Location: Lower Hall, Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, 72A  
Mayeswood Road, Grove Park, London, SE12 9RP**

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# Youth Corner

## Why Can't I hear God?

*By Ibukun Henshaw*

Genesis 3 v 8

A lot of the time we say that we can't hear God. We sometimes say, I pray to God and speak to him but he never answers me.



One of the main reasons why we do not hear God's voice is because of distractions. There are so many things that distract us that we can't hear God's voice or we can't discern his voice.

For example, I would like you to think about when you are talking to someone. If someone is speaking to you and your busy going up

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and down, or doing other things such as watching TV or scrolling on your phone, it is going to be hard for you to hear what they are saying because you are distracted.

This is the same with God, if we are busy doing other things and being distracted we will struggle to hear God's voice.

Sometimes, people also say, I don't know if it is God's voice speaking or something else. We will never truly know God's voice if we don't spend time with him.

For example, think about your best friend, you know their voice because you spend time with them. You don't even need to be in the same place as them, but as soon as you hear their voice you know it is them. Why is this? This is because you spend time with them, you have gotten to know them, you know their voice.

This is the same with God. If you want to know his voice, spend time with him, get to know him. Let him be your best friend.

God speaks, but he wants us to listen and obey. We have to stop ignoring him.

James 4 v 5-10

We need to draw near to God. He longs for us and we need to long for him. When you draw near to God and spend time in his presence, he will speak to you and you will know him more and know his voice.

Remember that if you don't hear God's voice, it is not because he does not speak or he has moved, it is because you have moved and your ignored his voice.

So my challenge to you this week is to draw closer to God. Spend time in his precious. Get to know him more and and allow him to speak to you.

# Church News

## **BAPTISMAL POOL**

We are very excited to announce that we have received a generous donation of £8,400 to replace the baptismal pool in the main sanctuary of Rehoboth building. We really give God glory to God and are thankful to our anonymous donor for their obedience to the Lord's command.

Please pray that we will secure the right company to do the necessary work and it will be completed without any hitches.

## **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](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org). Someone will respond to you as soon as possible. Thank you

## **YOUR WELLBEING IS OUR CONCERN / BENEVOLENCE (CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER)**

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 (Brother Sylbourn Sydial and Sister Serena Manly-Spain) know, so we can offer prayer and support. Please do not isolate yourself, speak with someone. In addition, if you are in need and require practical assistance, please let your cell leader know or send an email to [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org)

## **A NEW YEAR, A NEW OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE**

This 2024 we are inviting every member of WOL 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 particularly looking for more stewards / ushers, children's workers, and more immediately. You are also very welcome to serve in other areas that you believe the Lord has called you to with

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your gifts and talents. We believe that every Christian is called to serve by Jesus so please get in touch with us by emailing [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org) or speak with your cell leader or deputy cell leader and complete one of our volunteer worker's form. Please do not sit on your gifts and talents

## **HOUSEKEEPING / SAFEGUARDING:**

**Mobiles** - We encourage every congregational member to please switch off mobile phones during the service as we concentrate on worshipping God and hearing His Word and the voice of the Holy Spirit. Kindly please avoid texting, calling, responding to messages, watching, or scrolling through your mobile phone or the internet while the service is going on. We do understand that in exceptional / rare cases there might be an emergency but on the whole let's focus on the Lord and give due reverence and honour to Him during our time of Worship.

**Children** - We would like to remind parents and guardians to please keep their eyes out for their children and the young ones while in the church premises. Let's join to help keep them safe and stop them from coming to any kind of harm.

**Personal Belongings** - Please keep your personal belongings with you while in the building premises. Many thanks for your co-operation.

**For any safeguarding concerns, involving children or vulnerable adults please email [safeguarding@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:safeguarding@wordoflife-lcc.org)**

## **BEING MINDFUL OF GOD'S HOUSE- REHOBOTH BUILDING**

We would like to ask everyone to please be mindful and intentional about caring for, looking after, and keeping clean and tidy the house of the Lord. Please avoid bringing food or drink (except water) into the main sanctuary Let us join to do this. We also ask that you please 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. We also want to be good stewards of the resources God provides us in this House, so we ask that everyone please help with avoiding wastage of any of the church's resources. Thank you for your help with this.

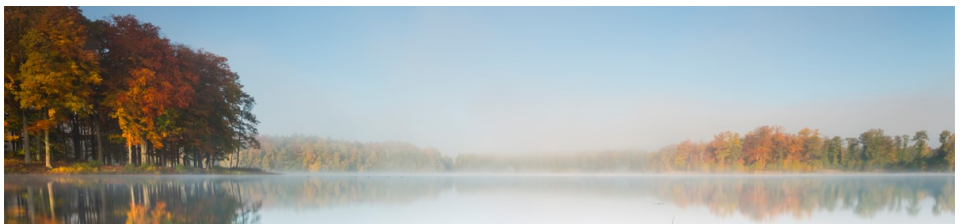


# Wholeness Ministry

The **Wholeness ministry** will be hosting the next Prayer, Healing and Deliverance (PHD) session on Saturday the 27th of January, starting at 9.30am until 2pm. It will be a day of teaching, personal prayers and ministry of healing and deliverance for all in attendance. Our teaching topic will explore the power of forgiveness. The day will be a special time to be ministered to for life struggles, whether emotional, mental, physical or spiritual - our God is a powerful God of restoration. For further information please contact us at [wholeness@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:wholeness@wordoflife-lcc.org). Attendance is free but you will need to register on Eventbrite beforehand: <http://tinyurl.com/WholenessPHDJanuary>



 **Wholeness Ministry**  
**Prayer, Healing and Deliverance (PHD) Session**  
*A Day of Personal Prayers, and Ministry of Healing and Deliverance for You*  
**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
**Free Event**      **Time: from 9:30am - 2:00pm**  
**Registration required: <https://tinyurl.com/WholenessPHDJanuary>**  
Word of Life Church, 72A Mayeswood Road, London, SE12 9RP  
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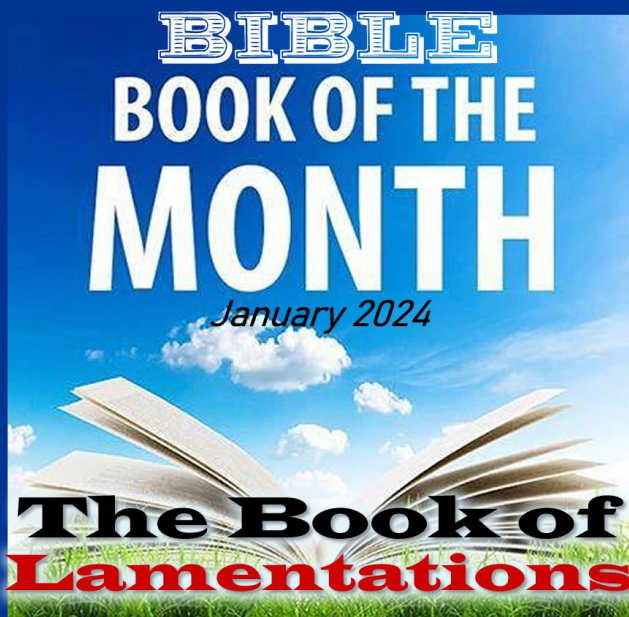


# Bible Book of the Month

## THE BOOK OF LAMENTATIONS

This month, let's join to read, meditate, study, and explore the book of LAMENTATIONS.

The book of Lamentations is a book of sorrowful songs or poems. The name implies that the topic is expressing grief over something (to lament). Jeremiah, also known as the "weeping prophet" writes this after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians. It was written soon after the fall of Jerusalem in 586 B.C.; he was an eyewitness. He predicted this destruction (as did others), watched it take place, and now in this book he is sadly reflecting on it. Key personalities are the prophet Jeremiah and the people of Jerusalem. Its purpose was to express despair and teach God's people that disobedience to the Lord results in immense suffering and distress. Jeremiah pours out his emotions in compassion, and empathy for God's nation, as he watches them inhabit a foreign land.



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

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# Regular Notices

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



## GIVING (Tithes & Offerings)

- **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, Account Name: ECKT Word of Life Church
- **GIVT APP**—Download the free app & select Word of Life Church (Lewisham)

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:admin@wordoflife-lcc.org).



## DEDICATIONS



If you will like to dedicate your child, please contact the church office by emailing [admin@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto: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>

# WOL Mission Statement

*'Transforming Lives, Fulfilling Destinies'*



## 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."  
(Matthew 28:19-20)*

*"2024, Our Year of Living in His Presence"*