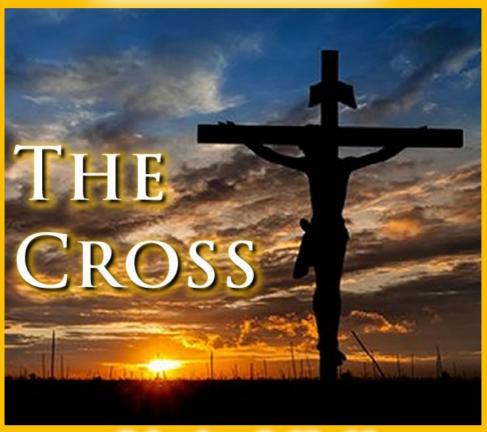
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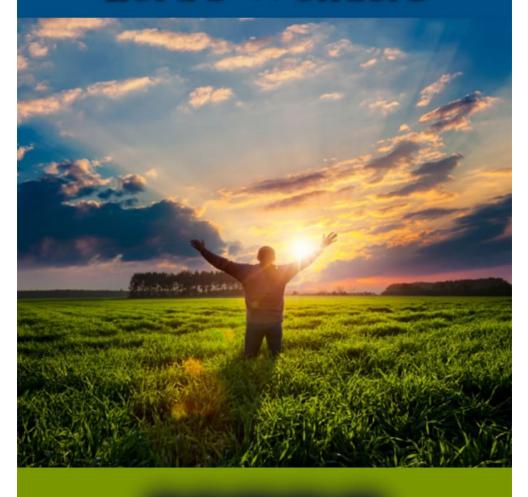
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2021, The Year of Lord's Wonders Key Scripture - Psalm 72: 18 - 19

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Psalm 72: 18 - 19

Acts 4: 29 - 30

Acts 5: 12

.....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 anytime, please feel free to contact us: Email: info@wordoflife-lcc.org or telephone the church office on 07930958097 (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 Church & Youth Cells are now taking place in the lower hall following a risk assessment and in accordance with government directives and Elim Youth & Children's Ministry guidance. A copy of the risk assessments will be available for you to view on the notice board downstairs. Children & youth will meet in the lower hall with the exception of the first Sunday of the month, which is our Family Sunday.
- > For details of how children & youth can join in please email info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

Weekly / Fortnightly Events

Rehoboth building is open for public worship

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Early Morning Prayer Meetings via video conferencing. Mondays to Saturdays from 6am to 7am - via the Zoom Video conferencing App

WEDNESDAY

7pm-8pm Midweek Service - at Rehoboth building

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

11:00am Celebration Service at Rehoboth building at 11am will be livestreamed on YouTube & Facebook

1:45pm After Service Chat Room - via Zoom

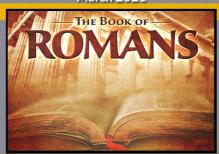
- Youth Cell Grps (boys & girls)- contact youth@wordoflife-lcc.org for details
- Children's Church / Cell Group (3-12 yrs) contact kids@wordoflife-lcc.org

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

....UPCOMING EVENTS....

BIBLE BOOK OF THE MONTH

March 2021



This month please join with the rest of WOL Church to read, meditate, study & explore the book of Romans



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WORD & SPIRIT SCHOOL OF LEADERSHIP



You are invited

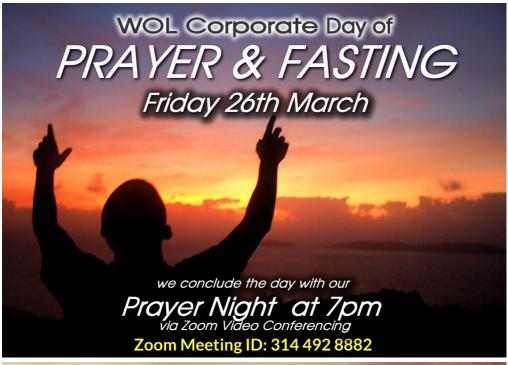
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Time: 2pm - 4pm

Via Zoom Video Conferencing Meeting ID: 314 492 8882



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WORD&SPIRIT SCHOOL OF LEADERSHIP

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



Session 1 Date: Saturday 27th March 2021

Time: 10am - 4pm

Via Zoom Video Conferencing - Meeting ID: 413 492 8882

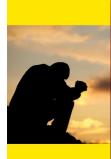


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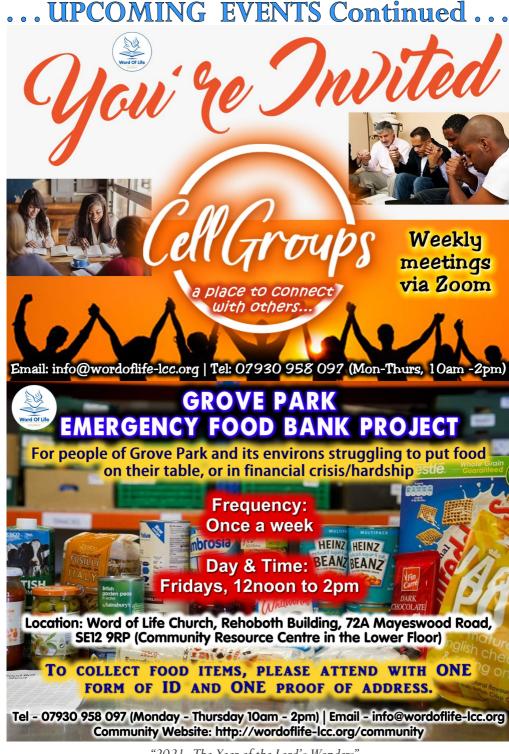
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Online via Zoom Video Conferencing

Monday - Saturday from 6am - 7am

Zoom Meeting ID: 314 492 8882



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Please send in your 'testimonies' of what the Lord has done in your lives or your families, by sending it in writing to info@wordoflife-lcc.org, or sending in a recorded video or audio, or sharing it with one of the leadership team.



. CHURCH NEWS.





◆ STEWARDING MINISTRY

We are <u>urgently</u> looking for more people to join the Stewarding Ministry as Ushers / Stewards. Please contact us by emailing <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> or by speaking directly with Sister Sonia Edwards if you are able to serve the Lord in this area.

The Stewarding ministry is a Ministry of Helps according to 1 Corinthians 12:28. The role of a steward is:

- > Ordained by God
- > It is an important role in God's House
- > It is a Gift
- > The Face of the ministry
- > The Host of the House
- > An Ambassador

The ministry they carry out is wide and varied. It includes welcoming people with a smile; registering people in; taking the temperature of those who come into the building; directing people to their seat with immense politeness and ensuring they are comfortably seated; showing people to the toilets as required; making sure noise levels are kept to the minimum during services; serving communion; and distributing different literature, just to mention a few.

Our stewards do these and much more. Jesus came to serve and said he who wants to be greatest in the Kingdom of God should be servant of all. We really need more people that will make themselves available to serve in this area. We look forward to hearing from you.

◆ WATER BAPTISM

We are pleased to announce that we plan to start doing water baptism at Rehoboth building. The plan is that this will take place on the first Sunday of the month after the service in the lower floor.

We are currently working out the modalities for this and are looking to start as soon as everything is in place to do so

Please note that the government COVID 19 guidelines currently allow for places of worship to conduct baptisms as . We intend to make sure we do safely and in accordance with stipulated guidelines stated below...

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"FULL IMMERSION

- Where full immersion in water is necessary as part of a ritual or ceremony, this should be very carefully planned following the rules below.
- Those being immersed should be at least 2 metres away from the congregation and officiants at all times, except while they are being immersed.
- Only one person should be immersed at any time and they should only be attended by a single officiant/clergy member.
- During the immersion, clergy/the officiant can place their hands on the head
 of the person being immersed, but they should not 'cradle' the person or
 touch them in any other way
- Clergy/the officiant should wash their hands after each person is immersed, or if this isn't possible they should use hand sanitiser."

If you will like to be baptised please speak to your cell leader or Sister Yvonne Zammit . A baptism form will need to be completed and this can be obtained by emailing the Church Office at info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

◆ DRAMA MINISTRY

Do you have a gift in acting or in drama, or are you interested in drama or acting? Are you interested in using your acting gift for God to win lost souls and to minister to others? If yes, please register your interest by email to Pastors Rowland or Folake at info@wordoflife-lcc.org.

♦ WORSHIP AT WORD OF LIFE CHURCH, REHOBOTH BUILDING WITH CONFIDENCE

We look forward to welcoming you to Rehoboth Building for our regular Sunday and Wednesday services.

We have guidelines that prioritize your safety and align with the government's directives, in keeping Rehoboth Building open. We encourage you to continue to embrace these and work with us as we continue to fellowship and worship the Lord in person. Rehoboth Building is open to the whole WOL family, the community and the general public for services.

Below are:

- (1) Actions the CHURCH is taking to ensure your safety.
- (2) Actions required of YOU to ensure our collective safety.

What We Are Doing

- (1) Enforcing the requirement of registration to attend church services.
- (2) Check-in upon arrival, to aid contact tracing
- (3) Cleaning of shared areas and surfaces
- (4) Significantly Adjusted Seating to promote Physical distancing.

.... CHURCH NEWS Continued

- (5) Physical Distancing and other Signs and Stickers posted in and out of the building for your attention.
- (6) Slightly reduced length of singing time with a maximum of 2 singers and and1 instrumentalist at each service. Separate designated microphones are provided per each user (Singers and Speakers during each service)
- (7) Provision of individual packaged communion emblems for all
- (8) Personal Protective Equipment (disposable masks and gloves) provided for stewards
- (9) Hand Sanitiser stations placed at the Entry Point and Exit points. Hand sanitising is required for all upon entry and exit.
- (10) Still not able to join us in person due to having to self-isolate, sickness, old age or other reasons? Online services continue to hold.

What We Need from You

- (1) Please register all members in your family before attending in-person services and check-in at the check in point upon arrival. You will need to register via the church website at www.wordoflife-lcc.org for each service you wish to attend
- (2) Please use the hand sanitisers provided when entering the building and when exiting.
- (3) The stewards are there to help. Please strictly follow their instructions for your safety and the safety of others
- (4) Family members are required to please sit together. Parents, please plan to keep young children with you at all times (except during the time they go to the lower hall for the Children's church and youth cell)
- (5) Handshaking and hugging are strongly not allowed
- (6) Please use the main front doors for entry and for exit. The stewards will be on hand to help and guide you
- (7) Please come with, and wear a mask during your time in Rehoboth Building. Children under 11 do not have to have face masks on.
- (8) Refreshments (food and drink) will not be distributed at this time
- (9) If you need a drink during the service, please kindly come in with a bottle of water. This is not to be shared with others.
- (10) Please choose ONLINE giving and other non-cash methods where possible. If unable to do this, you can still give cash in during the in-person services at Rehoboth Building
- (11) We appreciate your patience and co-operation as we continue to navigate this new season.

In this season, we encourage you to continue to prioritise safety, and to choose faith over fear. It is been an unprecedented time in history, so if you are feeling mentally drained, you are not alone. God is with you and will never leave you nor forsake you. We also encourage you to speak to someone about how you are feeling. Speak to your cell leader, or deputy cell leader, or one of the other Word of Life leaders.

We love you and look forward to seeing you back in Word of Life Church Rehoboth Building in-person, if you haven't returned already!

.... CHURCH NEWS Continued

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

If you have any further concerns, please do let us know. Your safety and well-being are very important to us. If you require prayer or pastoral help or support, please do not stay silent, please let your cell leader or any of the leadership team know so we can offer prayer and support. 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.

◆ LEWISHAM CAP DEBT CENTRE

The Lewisham CAP Debt Centre is re-opened and running again. The managers are Ruth Mulvenna and Mel Lee. They are from Grace Church Brockley



4 partner churches are involved in running the centre, with **one lead church**.

- 1. Grace Church Brockley (CAP Centre Lead Church)
- 2. Word of Life Church Grove Park
- 3. St Peter's Church Brockley
- 4. Brockley Community Church.

Our role as a Church is primarily a support one, in prayer and in providing volunteer befrienders to befriend and come alongside clients, as well as do some visits.

If you have need of the service yourself, or will like to refer someone for the service please use the details below:

Phone number: 07788177321 or email ruthmulvenna@capuk.org or Melanielee@capuk.org

Please remember the debt centre in your prayers. If you are interested in joining the group of befrienders, please contact the Church Office

◆ GIVING TO WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

Thank you so much for your continuous and faithful giving of your tithes and offerings. May the Lord bless you abundantly, with your giving.

We encourage you to please continue to give and support financially the work of the God here at Word of Life Church. With the giving of your tithes and offerings, you are enabling the church to continue to do the work of ministry and fulfil its financial obligations. Without you giving we are unable to.

We remember all those who are out of work at this time and seeking for employment or looking to start their own business. We pray that the Lord will guide you and grant your favour in Jesus name. We pray that He will open the doors for good employment and profitable business ventures for you in Jesus name

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SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

Colossians 2: 13 - 14

¹³ You were once dead because of your failures and your uncircumcised corrupt nature. But God made you alive with Christ when he forgave all our failures. ¹⁴ He did this by erasing the charges that were brought against us by the written laws God had established. He took the charges away by nailing them to the cross.

Colossians 1: 19 - 20

¹⁹ For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; ²⁰ and, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

Galatians 3: 13

Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:



..... EXHORTATION

PICK UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

Philippians 2:8

8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.



The cross is the symbol of Christianity. It symbolises the crucifixion of our Lord and Saviour. It represents the suffering, public humiliation, the shaming and the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

Paul boast was in the Cross of Jesus, Galatians 6:14

14 But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Paul was not ashamed of the Gospel neither was he ashamed of the cross of Jesus.

Over and over again Jesus calls His disciples to deny themselves, pick up their cross and follow Him. Jesus was clear about His followership, who ever wanted to follow Him had to deny self and pick up the cross and follow Jesus. The way of discipleship is the way of the cross.

Luke 9:23

23 Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.

Mark 8:34

34 When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

Matthew 10:38

38 And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.

Luke 14:27

27 And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.

During the time of Jesus when you carried a cross you were heading to the place of crucifixion.

When Jesus called His disciples to carry their Cross daily and follow Him, He was saying to every follower of His to be prepared to give up earthly comfort and be ready to bear earthly discomfort.

Unfortunately, we have completely denied and taken our focus of the Cross.

..... EXHORTATION Cntd....

The Christian walk is a daily battle against sin, against doubt, against, self, the flesh, power and principalities.

In order live an effective Christian life we must deny ourself and daily carry our cross. Jesus carried His cross and He encourages us to carry ours. Every believer is called to the place of death, carrying the cross signifies a daily death to self and sin.

A cross carrying believer declares himself dead to the world and crucified with Christ.

Galatians 2:20

20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Galatians 5:24

24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

A cross carrying believer denies himself of worldly pleasures and its affections and sets his affection on Christ, by declaring what Paul said in Romans 6:6-7 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. 7 For he who has died has been freed from sin.

Martin Luther in one of his sermons had this to say about the cross.

"For where God's Word is preached, accepted, or believed, and bears fruit, there the holy and precious cross will also not be far behind. And let no one think that we will have peace; rather we must sacrifice all we have on earth-possessions, honour, house and farm, spouse and children, body and life. Now, this grieves our flesh and the old creature, for it means that we must remain steadfast, suffer patiently whatever befalls us, and let go whatever is taken from us."

We must whether we like it or not return to the cross, a return to the cross will give us a better understanding of why Jesus asked us to deny ourselves and carry our cross daily. The Hebrew writer knew it would not be easy, so counsels us to look at Jesus our saviour who endured the cross and its shame.

Hebrews 12:1-2

12 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

There is a reward for every cross bearing Christian.

.....GOD LOVES YOU

God Loves YOU and wants you to have a relationship with Him through His son Jesus.

The Bible says that God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, Jesus, so that whoever believes in him shall not die, but have eternal life (John 3: 16).

The first step to know more of God is to obey His Word and receive Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, by simply repenting of your sins and believing that Jesus has died on the cross and paid the price for you to be reconciled to God for ever. By doing that, you will receive a new life, the very life of God, within you, and you will become a child of God. If you want to make that step, please see below. These will explain to you more about it. Don't put it off, God has been waiting for you... Today is the day! God bless you.

GOD LOVES YOU!!!)

GOD's Purpose: Peace and life God loves you and wants you to experience peace and life: abundant and eternal.

"we have peace with GOD through our Lord JESUS CHRIST." (Romans 5:1)

"I have come that they may have life in abundance." (John 10:10)



"for GOD so loved the world that he gave his only begotten SON, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

Why don't most people have this peace and abundant life that God planned for us to have?

The Problem: Our Separation God created us in his own image to have an abundant life. He did not make us as robots to automatically love and obey him. God gave us a will and a freedom of choice. We chose to disobey God and go our own wilful way. We still make this choice today. This results in separation from God.

"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of GOD." (Romans 3:23) "for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of GOD is eternal life in CHRIST JESUS, our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

Our attempts to reach GOD People have tried many ways to bridge this gap between themselves and God....

"there is a way that seems right to man, but in the end it leads to death." (Proverbs 14:12) "but your iniquities have separated you from your GOD; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear." (Isaiah 59:2)

No bridge reaches GOD... except one...

GOD's Bridge: The Cross Jesus died on the cross and rose from the grave. He paid the penalty for our sin and bridged the gap between God and people.

for Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring GOD and men, that man you to GOD." (1 Peter 3:18)

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

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

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



Our Response: Receive CHRIST We must trust Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and receive him by personal invitation.

"yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name. he gave the right to become children of GOD." (John 1:12)

"here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and from the dead, you he with me." (Revelation 3:20)

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

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

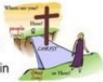
Here is how you can receive Christ:

Admit your need (I am a sinner).

2. Be willing to turn from your sins (repent).

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

Through prayer, invite JESUS CHRIST to come in and control your life through the HOLY SPIRIT (receive him as Lord and Saviour).





. NOTICES

Happy Birthday Greetings to all those born in the month of MARCH and Congratulations to all celebrating Anniversaries this month!



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

This will now take place in Rehoboth building in the lower floor on the 1st Sunday of the month (actual start date TBC)



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 .





SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES

Messages are available to watch/listen to on our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/wordoflifecf & on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/wollcc

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

George Zammit-Evangelism

Yvonne Zammit-Welcome & Consolidation

<u>Church Administrator</u>

Shelly-Ann Sydial

<u>Treasurer / Building & Venue Manager</u>

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