

2023, Our Year of Pursuing, Overtaking & Recovering All 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 <u>youth@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> 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 LIFES, 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

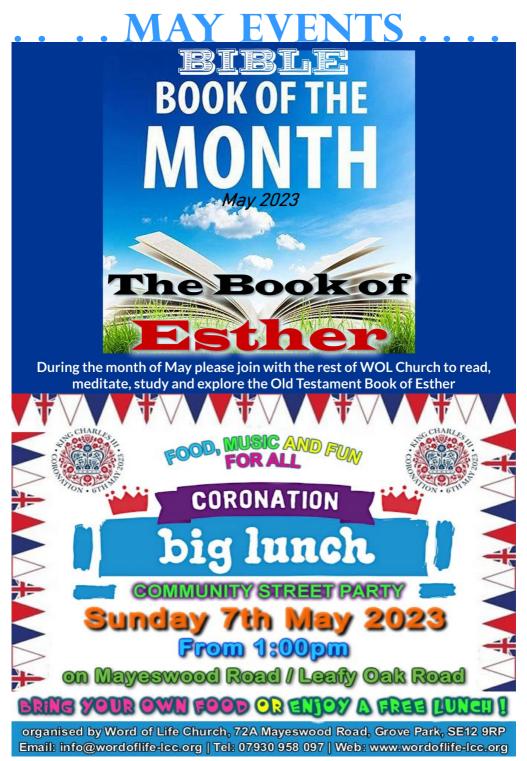
Senior Pastor / Minister in Charge **Rowland Henshaw** Senior Leadership Folake Henshaw & Peter Unachukwu Ministry Leaders Ibukunoluwa Henshaw - Youth Folake Henshaw - Women Harriet Kattiti - Children Shelly-Ann Sydial - Praise & Worship Sonia Edwards - Stewards Taiwo Adeniran - Media George Zammit—Evangelism 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





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 <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> - Website <u>www.wordoflife-lcc.org</u>

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FREE CHRISTIAN LIFE & WITNESS COURSE

You are invited to come and deepen your faith in Jesus Christ and discover practical ways to point others to Him

On Saturday 13th May 2023 10.00am to 1.00pm WORD OF LIFE CHURCH Rehoboth Building 72A Mayeswood Road Grove Park SE12 9RP



GodLovesYouTour.org.uk

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Women's Ministry

Saturday, 20th May

10am - 1pm

Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, Lower Hall Community Resource Centre, 72A Mayeswood Road, Grove Park, London, SE12 9RP Purchase Tickets here: https://tinyurl.com/FWMLadiesBreakfastMay2023 Tickets: £5 per person Tel: 07930 958 097 (Monday-Thursday, 10am-2pm) | Email: info@wordoflife-lcc.org

Sunday 21st May 2023 Married Couples Fellowship

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

Time: 6:00 - 7:30pm

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Starting: Thursday 25th May 2023 🔒

Time: 3 - 5pm

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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 will be led by a qualified personal trainer and are FREE OF CHARGE

To register, please email us at 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

.. MAY EVENTS CNTD ..

WOL Corporate Day of PRAYER & FASTING

Friday 26th November

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

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

SYA Fellowship for single young adults



Time: 9:30am - 12noon Venue: Thamesmead (address available on request)

.... REGULAR EVENTS ...





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!"





... REGULAR EVENTS CNTD ...

DIG DEEP SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES VIEW IN THE SECONDARY OF A SCRIPTURES

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



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

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

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



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

.. NOTE & SAVE THE DATES ..



Word Of Life

Wholeness Ministry

Prayer, Healing and Deliverance (PHD)

A Day of Personal Prayers, and Ministry of Healing and Deliverance for You

Saturday 3rd June 2023 Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm

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

MEN'S RETREAT

Friday 9th June - Sunday 11th June 2023

Venue: High Leigh Christian Conference Centre in Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire

> Registration & Payment Details: https://tinyurl.com/WOLMensRetreat2023

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

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Session

. . LIMITLESS FESTIVAL 2023 . .



YOUTH FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Limitless Festival for youth and young Adults 2023 5th -9th August 2023

The Youth and Young Adults of Word of Life with excitement are gearing up for the 2023 Limitless Festival.

Last year we had 14 youth participate, we are set to exceed this number this year by far. We have 25 youth and young adults booked so far.

With the current economic situation and with some families signing up more than two children it can be a costly affair. Last year, some members were generous with their time and money and we were able to sponsor three children. This time we would like to exceed this by subsidising the overall costs which reduces the costs on parents.

Costs for 4 nights and 5 day per youth covering tickets, coach fees and food stand at £260

While the youth will be planning a fundraising campaign (look out for cake sales and youth announcements), we want to invite the church to join in the campaign to send as many youth to this God and fun filled Festival where they not only learn about God but create strong bonds of friendship.

Here are some testimonials from the youth and pictures for you to enjoy.

. . LIMITLESS FESTIVAL 2023 . .

Please kindly send contributions with the reference Limitless 2023 to:

Lloyds Bank – Cheltenham High Street Branch Account Name - ECKT Word of Life Church Account No – 03215544 Sort Code - 30 91 87

Here are some testimonials from the youth and pictures for you to enjoy:



Testimonials

Ninu - 16 years - Learnt that Jesus is very important in our lives.

Esther 21 years - Had a really good time, learnt a lot about the Lord of her life, Jesus.

Judah - 17 years - Had a good time; learnt about experiencing God's presence and that the Word of God is our Word.

Ini - 14 years - It is really good, having fun and learnt that God's presence is always there, you need to pray to be aware of God's presence and not hope to gain His favour but you need to pray to be aware of it.

Joy - 15 - Limitless is really great; learnt that the presence of God is not a feeling or a physical stuff but He is always there and you have to be in it. **Elisha** - 16 years Limitless is great, I love it!

..... CHURCH NEWS

♦ EMERGENCY FOOD BANK

The emergency food bank will be closed all of the Month of May. Food parcels will still be available for users to collect from the church on Sundays from 1pm. We want to use this opportunity to say thank you to those who run this vital service and pray that they will be blessed and strengthened by the Lord as they take a recess.

♦ 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

♦ 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. 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.

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.

♦ 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.

SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

Acts 16: 25 - 26 NKJV

25 But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed.

2 Chronicles 20: 21 -25 NKJV

21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the Lord, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: "Praise the Lord, For His mercy endures forever." 22 Now when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah; and they were defeated. 23 For the people of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of Mount Seir to utterly kill and destroy them. And when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, they helped to destroy one another. 24 So when Judah came to a place overlooking the wilderness, they looked toward the multitude; and there were their dead bodies, fallen on the earth. No one had escaped. 25 When Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away their spoil, they found among them an abundance of valuables on the dead bodies, and precious jewelry, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away; and they were three days gathering the spoil because there was so much.

Acts 2: 46 - 47 NKJV

⁴⁶ So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, & breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

Psalm 146: 2 NKJV

While I live I will praise the LORD; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Psalm 95: 6 NKJV

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

John 4: 21 – 24

21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. 22 You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

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THE POWER OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

A lot of Christians today underestimates the power of praise and worship.

We mostly talk about praise and worship as a chore or church activity.

I have watched as many people come late into Church service missing the praise and worship time.

Most of us wait for worship leaders to lead worship whilst we watch and enjoy the melody, or at times sing the praises of the leader or criticize them.

We have unwittingly diluted the power of praise and worship unto God.

If you underestimate praise, you will find it difficult to understand worship. If you become overfamiliar with the truth of praise and worship, you will lose the true essence of what it is all about and to whom it should be directed.

I am not talking about the praise we give to men and objects. I am talking about praise and worship unto God.

Psalm 66 is a psalm of praise; the psalm gives us an understanding of the value of biblical of Praise and worship.



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Psalm 66:1-4

1 Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!

2 Sing out the honour of His name; Make His praise glorious.

3 Say to God, "How awesome are Your works! Through the greatness of Your power. Your enemies shall submit themselves to You.

4 All the earth shall worship You And sing praises to You. They shall sing praises to Your name."

This scripture begins with a call for all the earth to make a joyful shout to God, not just one person but all the earth.

It calls for a glorious praise and song to honour God.

It counsels its readers to declare the awesomeness of God's work.

It calls us to praise God for who He is, what He has done.

In Verse 4 there is a strong expression of an instruction, command, or obligation for the whole earth to worship, praise and sing to God.

When we think of the number of times, we have heaped praises and worshipped to mortals, it is no wonder we see little of God's power.

If we truly want to see the power of God in the Church or in the Christian community, we must have a good understanding of what it means to put God at the centre of our praise and worship.

The core of our praise and worship should be God and not man or an object.

Psalm 66:5

Come and see the works of God. He is awesome in His doing toward the sons of men.

To praise means to sing of someone's greatness, to tell of their awesomeness, to give to them their due, in short it is to be thankful to God for His worth, His blessings and His goodness.

FINDING FAVOUR THROUGH PRAISE

In the book of Acts 2:47 we are told that the Apostles found favour with all the people and the Lord added to the Church those who were been saved on a daily basis.

The key to their favour, numerical growth and success was praise.

Acts 2:47

47 praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

God wants to be praised and thanked, He wants to be recognised as the

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creator of the universe, He wants to be exalted above everything else. He deserves it, because by Him and through Him everything has been created.

Psalm 100:1-5

This is a psalm of thanksgiving and praise unto God. This psalm encourages its readers to make a joyful shout to the Lord and encourages to come through His gates with thanksgiving and praise Him in His court.

The scripture is full of the benefits of praise and worship unto God.

In Acts 16:25

We are told that Paul and Silas were praising God and the prisoners were listening and God's power swept through the prison setting the prisoners free from their chains.

1 Peter 2:9

Tells us that we are chosen generation, a royal priesthood who have been saved and called out to proclaim the praises of our saviour, the One who brought us of darkness into His marvellous light.

In John 4:23-24

Jesus tells the Samaritan woman at the well that God is a spirit and that true worshippers of God worship Him in Spirit and in truth.

We must realise that Praise and worship is an outward expression of our love for God, expressing His goodness, His mercy, His love, His kindness, His forgiveness, His grace etc. Our outward expression reveals our gratitude not just to God but for others to know that we serve a great God.

Praise and worship unto God are not just for a Church building, not just for a Church setting but an attitude of our daily living.

True Praise and worship unto God come from the depth of our heart.

Psalm 86:12-13

12 I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And I will glorify Your name forevermore.

13 For great is Your mercy toward me, And You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

Psalm 9:1-2

1 I will praise You, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your marvellous works.

2 I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

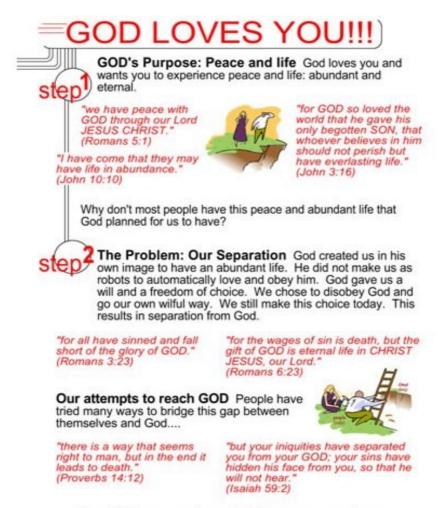
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..... GOD LOVES YOU

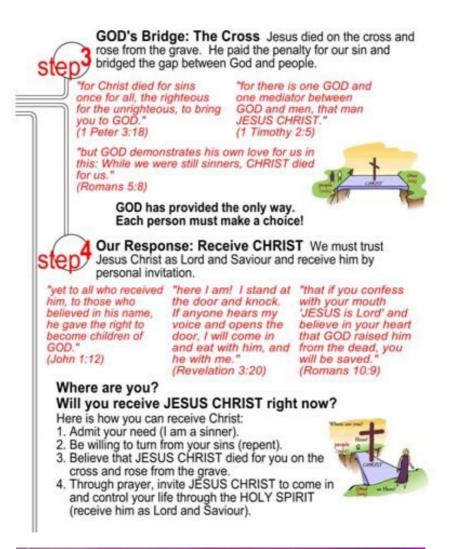
God Loves YOU and wants you to have a relationship with Him through His son Jesus.

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.



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





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NOTICES

Happy Birthday Greetings to all those born in the month of MAY 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 <u>admin@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> 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: <u>https://www.youtube.com/user/wordoflifecf</u> Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/wollcc</u> Spotify Podcast: (Word of Life Church LCC) <u>https://open.spotify.com/</u> <u>show/4tWTW5KRIvYcVeifF9LPZy?si=a8d2f806ac454534</u>

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