

# Word of Life Church

## bulletin

### *Go Forward in God* *Part 2*

OCTOBER 2018

Exodus 14: 15

Philippians 3: 13 - 14

*2018, Our Year of Digging Deeper, And Launching Out Into The Deep*

# Welcome - - - - -

- ◆ Welcome!!!  
If you are a guest with us today, we are so thrilled you could join us. We hope you enjoy your stay with us and welcome you to meet and speak with any of the Pastors or leadership team after the service.
- ◆ Trust your children to the care of our dedicated team. During the Sunday Services, our Children's Team & Youth Team provide quality care & teaching for your children in the lower floor. Your children are invited to join our Children's Church Service & Cell groups for children aged 3–12 & Youth Cell group for young people from the age of 13, as follows: (**except 1st Sunday of the month**):
  - Lively Learners → 3–5 years
  - Bright Believers & Faith Fighters → 6–9 years & 10–12 years
  - Chosen Generation Youth → 13 years onwards
- ◆ A crèche room is available for parents with babies and toddlers aged 0–2 years old to use during the service/meetings when required/needed.
- ◆ Light refreshments are provided after the service.

## Weekly/Fortnightly Events - - - -

### MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Prayer Meeting via video conferencing each morning from 6am to 6.30am.

**WEDNESDAY** at WOL Church auditorium, Rehoboth building  
7pm-8pm Midweek Service.

**FRIDAY** at WOL Church lower ground hall, Rehoboth building  
7pm-8.30pm (fortnightly) Chosen Generation Youth Hub

**SATURDAY** at WOL Church auditorium, Rehoboth building  
Praise & Worship Team Practice (times TBC).

**SUNDAY** at WOL Church auditorium, Rehoboth building  
10.15am Dig Deep, Search the Scriptures (Disciples Class)

10.45am Corporate Prayer Time

11am-1pm Celebration Service

(first Sunday of the month is a Family/Communion/Thanksgiving Service)

1:15pm-2pm First Steps Bible Studies Class (for new/recent believers)

**CELL GROUP** (small groups) meetings are held at various venues during the week, for more details email us at [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org), telephone 0208 857 7406 or speak to any of the leaders after the service.

Our cell groups are homogenous in nature. We have men, women, youth and children cell groups to cater for all.

# Upcoming Events - - - - -



*Fresh, Fruitful & Flourishing*

## Ladies Conference 2018

Saturday, 20th October

9am - 5pm

Marriott Hotel, 1 Broadway, Bexleyheath, DA6 7JZ

Early Bird Price

£40.00 until 5th October 2018

Standard Price

£45.00 per person from 6th October 2018

**Includes: A full lunch, drinks, and a variety of light refreshments all day.**

*For further details, please contact  
Phoenicia Oyenigbi at  
fresh@wordoflife-icc.org*

**Register here:**

<http://wordoflife-icc.org/fresh/register>

**Theme:**  
**"Beautifully Adorned - Inside, Out"**

*1 Peter 3: 3 - 4  
Proverbs 31: 22, 25 & 30*

**Speakers on the day...**



**Pastor Shola  
Oladipo**



**Pastor  
Amanda Dye**



**Pastor Toyin  
Awoyera**

## TWO SPECIAL SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

We warmly welcome  
**Pastor David Muyiwa Adeola**  
to WOL, as he ministers at our Celebration Service on  
**Sunday 14 October 2018**



Pastor David is a prophetic teacher with the passion to equip the Church to bring national and global transformation through prayer and intercession. He travels extensively around the world to teach the principles of prayer and prophecy. Pastor David and his wife Adekunbi Adeola are the founders of The Father's Blessing, a charity that helps orphans around the world. They live in London, UK.

We warmly welcome  
**Pastor Charles Abraham**  
to WOL, as he ministers at our Celebration Service on  
**Sunday 22 October 2018**



Pastor Charles Abraham is the Senior Pastor of GAP Ministries/Abraham's Tent, Retired Group CEO of JWT Lagos and former Director of Missions and Evangelism at Kensington Temple, London. His passion is to see the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ cover the face of the earth. He has travelled widely proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom. Pastor Charles also heads up Esperanza Ministries, a poverty alleviation ministry, with strong emphasis on Educating, Feeding, Clothing and Housing the needy and displaced of society. As a sought after public speaker and preacher, Pastor Charles carries a distinct anointing to impact and raise up leaders for the Kingdom of God. He has written a book, 'Bounce Back Up' and publishes a daily blog titled "the early morning dew" He is married to Dr Abiodun Abraham, his co-pastor and Principal Director of Flax Medical. They are blessed with two children, Oluwapamilerin and Boaz-Jordan.

# Exhortation - - - - -

## THREE SEASONS IN A BELIEVERS LIFE

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

Isaiah 37:30

**30 “This shall be a sign to you: You shall eat this year such as grows of itself, And the second year what springs from the same; Also, in the third-year sow and reap, plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them.**

A believer in Christ I believe has three seasons in his or her spiritual walk. I am of the conviction that for us to go forward in the Lord we all have to go through these three stages in our walk.

My study of the life of Moses brought these to light. Moses was raised and lived in a palace for 40 years (season 1), in the wilderness for 40 years (season 2), and led the Israelites for 40 years (season 3).

21 years ago, in my time in the Bible school, one of my lecturers told us a story about his three daughters that has remained with me for years. He had three daughters. The youngest was ever running ahead of him, very independent. The middle one had a habit of dragging her feet behind, bored with everything around her. However, the eldest would hold her father’s hand chatting, asking questions and keeping step with her dad.

Having meditated on this illustration for years, a picture began to emerge and Moses became my study. Moses’ early years was full of excitement, enthusiasm, and energy. Just like most believers the first season in our Christian walk is when we have just given our lives to Christ, we do not stop preaching, evangelising, attending meetings, praying for the sick. We are full of life, zeal and passion. Like the youngest daughter we are always enthusiastic about the things of God.

Exodus 2:15

**15 When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well.**

The second season of our Christian walk is that wilderness experience, when God seems so far away or far removed from our lives. This is the season when we feel we have done everything that needs to be done. We are no more excited about our Christianity, everything becomes boring. We still go to church, and still do everything we will normally do but there is no more passion.

This season in most cases, like Moses season, is when we feel betrayed, hurt and disappointed by other Christians. It is a time we feel that God is not responding to our prayers or needs, the honeymoon period seems over.

Like Moses we run away from everything, we stop praying, we stop seeking God, we become very critical. We begin to doubt God and doubt ourselves. We like the younger daughter in my earlier story drag our feet and come from behind.

However, this is the most critical season in our Christian walk. It should be a time of waiting, a time of seeking God, a time to pour out one’s heart to God and time to love Him. Every Christian will go the way of the wilderness.

Isaiah 40:29-31

**29 He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength.**

**30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall,**

**31 But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.**

The third season is that season when we encounter God again, because we have waited. A time when we begin to serve and not wait to be served. Moses third season was a season of encounter with God.

Scripture tells us that in the wilderness whilst Moses was busy with his supposed mundane duties, God appeared to him.

Exodus 3:4-5

**4 So when the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!"**

**And he said, "Here I am."**

**5 Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground." 6 Moreover He said, "I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God.**

On this day, when Moses least expected, God showed. It is also true in our walk with God, that when we least expect, when it feels as though we have come to the end of the rope, He shows up for an encounter with us. That encounter is always to take us forward from the mundane to a deeper spiritual walk with Him.

This was the season when he was ready to serve and not be served, a season of complete dependency on God.

A season of walking hand in hand with God, a season when they spoke together and Moses obeyed.

A season when our passion returns but harnessed in God rather the flesh.

A season when God's presence was all Moses longed for.

Moses third season was the season of progression, a season when he was called out to lead and go forward in God.

In Numbers 12:8 the Lord said this about Moses

***I speak with him face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the LORD. Why then were you unafraid to speak against My servant Moses?"***

Our third season as Christians is the most wonderful season. A time of maturity, it is that season when we walk hand in hand with God, it is that season when we wait on Him to instruct us. A season when we allow Him to speak and we respond and obey.

I don't know what season you are at, but what ever season, allow the Holy Spirit to guide and carry you through it with grace.

God is calling us to GO FORWARD in Him.

Praise the Lord.

# Upcoming Events - - - - -

# WOL Prayer NIGHT

Friday 26th October

7:00 pm

at Rehoboth building



# Energise



*conference*

*Those who wait upon the Lord (wait for him, act only with him, and who intertwine their lives with his life) shall renew their strength (become energised with his power, might, capacity, holiness and authority). They shall rise up as on the wings of an eagle. (Carried by the Spirit, they will soar to new heights in the heavenly realms and experience extraordinary levels of intimate worship, divine fellowship, revelation, intercession and supernatural rest). When they run with God they will never get tired, and, when they walk with him, they will just keep on going forward without a thought of ever stopping. (EXPANDED PARAPHRASE)*

**WEDNESDAY 24 OCTOBER 2018 : LEADERS' NET - 7PM**

**THURSDAY 25 OCTOBER 2018: WOMEN'S NET - 7PM**

**FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 2018: MEN'S NET - 7PM**

**SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2018: ALL KTLCC - ALL DAY**

# Youth Arena - - - - -

**This is our corner for young people. This month we are looking at one of the 10 commandments in the old testament and what it really means.**

## **EXODUS 20.7 - DON'T MISUSE GOD'S NAME**

### **WHAT IS MISUSE?**

The Oxford Dictionary describes it as 'to use wrong or incorrectly.' It goes deeper than this though. Many people say, 'Oh God' or 'Jesus Christ' - even some Christians - and this is wrong.

However, misuse also includes:

- any wrong use of the Lord's name
- any thoughtless swearing
- any use of God's name to back up something false
- any attempt to try and get power over God
- any attempt to use God or his name for our purposes

Misuse also includes blasphemy:

- a verbal insult of God. In Leviticus 24.11-16 a blasphemer was stoned to death by God's direct command
- contempt of God by your actions (Numbers 15.30-31, Acts 5.1-11?)
- trying to pretend you are like God (see Mark 2.7)
- giving God's Word a bad name through your false teaching (2 Peter 2.1 - false teachers)
- slandering God's Word by wrong behaviour (see Titus 2.1-5 esp v5)
- by speaking against God's representatives. In Luke 10.10 Jesus said to his disciples, 'He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects the one who sent me.'

### **WHY SHOULDN'T WE MISUSE GOD'S NAME?**

Firstly, God's Word (The Bible!) says we shouldn't. Also God's character is revealed in his name. Therefore, to abuse God's name is to abuse the character of God. Yahweh, the Jewish word for God was considered so holy that scholars and people did not dare even speak the name. It means:

- he is the centre of all being
- he will always be
- he is self-existent
- he is alive and real

# Youth Arena - - - - -

In Exodus 3.14 God said to Moses, 'I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites, I am has sent me to you.' To abuse God's name is to abuse his power and presence and God's name should be honoured and feared (see Psalm 24.12-14 or Isaiah 6). We should try not to praise God's name with our lips when we are dishonouring him and denying his authority in our lives by breaking his commands and insulting him.

## **APPLY IT TO OUR LIVES**

Don't insult God. If someone came up and slagged off your best mate you'd want to have words with them at least wouldn't you! When people slag off God by swearing explain to them who God is and that he's a friend of yours. We should also avoid lying, gossip, slagging off people, swearing, not doing what we said we would and disrespecting God in any way.

## **WHAT WE SHOULD DO**

Is to praise God with our words, actions and thoughts. God is love, truth, holy, righteous, kind, just, fun, exciting, creative, awesome.. We can worship God through praise, by respecting him, loving him, obeying him, using his name carefully, praying, reading the Bible. Trusting him, being truthful, preaching the Gospel and living lives pleasing to God.

**\*Acknowledgements: Taken from Myfishbites – Talks\***



# Scriptures Of The Month - - -

## **Exodus 14:15**

*“And the LORD said to Moses, “Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.”*

## **Philippians 3: 13 – 14**

*“Brethren, I do not count myself to have <sup>[a]</sup>apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”*



# Church News - - - - -

## ◆ Thanks

Thank you to all who participated in the recent church survey, and those who attended and gave input at the strategy meeting last month.

A team has been set up to look into the feedback, comments, and suggestions and to collate all for submission to the senior leadership. Once that is done, senior leadership will prayerfully consider everything and look to implement as the Lord leads in the new year.

## ◆ CAP Debt Centre

We are looking for those who can be part of the support team for the CAP debt centre. The role will include doing appointment visits together with the debt centre manager during the week and be-friending clients. Please speak with Bro Malach Airo if you are able to help with this or email him at [m.airo@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:m.airo@wordoflife-lcc.org).

## ◆ Voluntary Work Experience

If you will like to gain some valuable work experience doing some voluntary administrative office work, you have an opportunity now to do this with the Church office. If you are interested in doing this, please speak with Sis Shelly-Ann Sydial or email us at [info@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-lcc.org).

## ◆ Children's Church Service

**We really need more parents to help on a volunteer basis with this to keep it going. If parents could volunteer to help once a month or once in 6 weeks that will be great. This will allow the Children Ministry team and other regular volunteers to also join the service. Please kindly speak with Sis Lisa Martin or Pastor Folake Henshaw. Help is also required to lead the 6 - 9 or 10 - 12 cell groups on a consistent committed basis. We look forward to hearing from you.**

Parents please kindly use the side entrance to the lower hall downstairs to drop off your children for the Children's Service each Sunday—apart from the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. Please aim to drop them from 10.55am. The children's service includes a time of praise and worship, prayers, the Word of God and an opportunity to give to the Lord like we adults do. So, parents please prepare their offerings and give to them before dropping them off. We ask for your continued prayers and support for this going forward. If you have any questions please contact Sis Lisa Martin by emailing are at [L.Martin@wordoflife-lcc.org](mailto:L.Martin@wordoflife-lcc.org). Thanks.

# Notices - - - - -

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*greetings to all those born in the month of October and congratulations to all celebrating anniversaries this month!*



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## TESTIMONIES

Every testimony of God's goodness brings glory to Him and encourages others greatly. **Please speak to one of the leaders before the services if you have a testimony or email [info@wordoflife-icc.org](mailto:info@wordoflife-icc.org) if you would like to share your testimony.**

## WATER BAPTISM

If you have not been baptised in water since you gave your life to Jesus Christ we want to encourage you to do so. **Please speak with your cell leader or any of the leaders if you would like to be baptised.**

## DEDICATIONS

If you would like to dedicate your baby or child to the Lord, we are able to do this on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and where applicable 5th Sundays of the month. Dedication forms are available from the Church Administrator.



## SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES

CDs of the Sunday preaching / teaching messages are available for sale each Sunday after the service: £2 per copy. Messages are also available to listen to on the church's website.

## PARENTS



We ask parents to please kindly avoid giving / letting their children use mobile phones, consoles, iPads etc in the church services. We will also appreciate your help in making sure they do not play on the platform, altar area nor run around the church building. We want them as much as possible to participate fully in the service – through prayer, worship and hearing the Word of God.

## MEMBERS

Please do come early at 10:15am to participate in the **Dig Deep, Search the Scriptures** session and in the Pre-service prayer time.

# More Dates For The Diary - - -

## \* Chosen Generation Hub

- Friday 12th October – 7pm
- Friday 26th October - 7pm

## \* SOS Cell Group Evangelism Outreach

- 6th October 2018 – Men’s open cell group in Grove Park
- 13th October 2018 – Ladies open cell group in Bellingham

## \* Single Young Adults Fellowship (SYA) - Dinner event on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm in Thamesmead

### “Watch out for these in November”

## \* Education Awareness Seminar - Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November in the lower Hall Community Resource Centre, Rehoboth Building (4pm – 6pm)

## \* M’Pact Men’s Breakfast Event - Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November in the lower Hall Community Resource Centre, Rehoboth Building (9.30am – 12.30pm)

### **BUILDING/ENVIRONMENT MAINTENANCE**

We continue to ask for your support and co-operation with the following:

- Your help in keeping the building tidy and clean. If you use any of the rooms or facilities, please do clear up after you and leave it in an excellent state.
- Not bringing Food or Drinks into the main hall (only water is allowed if required).
- Ensuring the longevity of the church’s equipment by refraining from using / handling any of the technical equipment and worship instruments after services (except where necessary).
- Maintaining a good rapport with our neighbours and keeping our Christian witness by the way you park around Rehoboth building. Please continue to park properly in the right places stated and avoid blocking entry paths to homes. Please refer to the map on the notice board in the foyer and kindly avoid parking in the areas marked red. Thank you.
- Keeping noise levels down outside when arriving at, or departing from the building.
  - Parents, keeping an eye on children at all times, making sure they do not run around within and outside the building. Thank you.
  - Avoiding unnecessary movement once the service has started. This helps minimise distractions especially when the Word of God is being preached.
    - Co-operating with the Stewards and following their instructions

Together we can continue to create a good environment that is welcoming for all and is conducive to the moving of the Holy Spirit. Thank you.

# WORD OF LIFE MISSION STATEMENT

*"London and the world for Christ!"*

## **A church with purpose ...**

To be a God-centred church, developing people to Christ-like maturity and equipping them for their ministry in the church, and life mission in the world.



## **... and vision**

To impact Lewisham with the gospel of Christ in word and action, and to touch London and the nations of the world.

*Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them  
in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and teaching them to do all that I have commanded you.*

*Matthew 28:19-20*



## **WOL TEAM**

Senior Pastor / Minister in Charge

Rowland Henshaw

Pastors / Senior Leadership

Folake Henshaw

Bayo Oyeniya

Ministry Leaders

Joseph Oronsaye / Ibukunoluwa Henshaw - Youth

Peter Unachukwu - Men

Phoenicia Oyeniya - Women

Lisa Martin - Children

Shelly-Ann Sydial - Praise & Worship

Sonia Edwards - Stewards

Taiwo Adeniran - Technical

Chi-Chi Oronsaye - Hospitality/Events

Church Administrator

Shelly-Ann Sydial

Treasurer

Malach Airo

Safeguarding Officer

Bayo Oyeniya

WOL Board: Member Representatives

Barbara Agbudeloye



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