

1 Chronicles 16:34



WELCOME MESSAGE *By Folorunso Alakija (Mrs)*

I warmly welcome you to the last month of the year 2019. It has indeed been an eventful one full of miracles, signs and wonders and many testimonies. We have enjoyed God's mercies, blessings, protection, provision and deliverance in the course of this year, and He has not finished with us yet.

The theme for today's prayer retreat is *"Grateful Hearts"*.

1 Chronicles 16:34 says,
"Oh, give thanks to the Lord, For He is good! For His mercy endures forever".

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, because it shows that we are indeed grateful for all He has done for us. No matter what we think we believe we lack, there are many people who are still less privileged than we are.

Giving thanks to God for all His blessings should be one of the most distinctive hall marks of the believer in Jesus Christ. We must not allow a spirit of ingratitude to harden our hearts and relationship with God and others.

The story of the ten lepers in the bible should serve as an example for us. According to Luke 17, ten (10) lepers approached Jesus, pleading with Him to heal them. He did, and they were fully restored to perfect health. However, only one came back to thank the Master. The rest left without a word of thanks, their minds preoccupied only with themselves, gripped with a spirit of ingratitude.

Today too, ingratitude and thanklessness are very common.

Children forget to thank their parents for all that they do for them. Common courtesy is scorned. We take the ways that others help us for granted. Above all, we fail to thank the Almighty God for His blessings.

So, what should we be thankful to God for?

- Thank God for your Salvation in Jesus Christ
- Thank God for the material blessings He gives you
- Thank God for your relationships and the people in your life
- Thank God even in the midst of trials, travails and persecution
- Thank God for His continued presence, protection and power in your life.

Therefore, as this year draws to an end, let us embark on an attitude of gratitude. Give God thanks daily for all the benefits that He loads you with. Then see Him at work in your life to do even much more.

As usual our newsletter is filled with prayers, memory verses, and testimonies. Let us endeavour to share them with all our family, friends and neighbours.

I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a miracle and testimony filled New Year. I am confident that our merciful God will preserve us till we meet again in 2020, as we celebrate **"Our year of Turn Around"**

Be refreshed in-His-presence.



Your Servant-Leader

HYMN: GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee,
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above;
Join with all nature in manifold witness,
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Vision

To restore the glory of the Lord's people, release those in bondage, heal the sick and the broken-hearted and uphold marriages towards effective nation building.

Mission

Delivering and defending the afflicted in the body of Christ by applying the word of God, praising God for breakthroughs, counselling and testimonies through the power of His might.

Values

Holiness:

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| H -Humility | I -Integrity | E -Empathy |
| O - Orderliness | N -Neighbourliness | S -Service |
| L -Love | | S -Sacrifice |

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PRAYERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER - GRATEFUL HEART

Prayers



...The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

James 5:16

- Thank You Father, for seeing my family and I through the year 2019, for blessing us beyond measure and for keeping us in perfect peace that surpasses all understanding throughout the year, in Jesus name, Amen.
- Thank you for Your amazing power, for building a hedge of protection around us, for supplying all our needs according to Your riches in glory and for preserving our going out and coming in, in Jesus name, Amen.
- Thank You for the many victories won, for unending testimonies, for daily loading us with benefits, for sound health and strength, for Your grace and divine favour and for doors of opportunities open to us all through the year, in Jesus name, Amen.
- We are eternally grateful to You for the answers to prayers, that we are still expecting because we know that You have it all planned out and You have our best interest at heart, in Jesus name, Amen.
- Give us the grace to be grateful at all times and never take you for granted and help us realize in the good and the bad times that everything we have comes from You, in Jesus name, Amen.
- I decree and declare that my family and I shall not end this year on a sad note but we shall see the year 2020 and beyond, in Jesus name, Amen.

TESTIMONY

1. I cannot thank God enough for His love and mercy over my family. I thank Him also for preserving my life from a terrible motor accident, Praise the Lord!
–*Mr. Owolabi Afolabi*
2. Thanks be to God for the performance of His word in my life.
Some weeks ago, my son was very ill and kept vomiting despite all the medications that were given to him. I took a step of faith by anointing my breasts and prayed for him and to the glory of God, he got his healing. Praise the Lord!
– *Mrs. Arinola Omosehin*
3. I thank God for healing me at the last prayer vigil held in October. I was very ill but stretched my faith believing that I was going to get better if I attended the vigil. To the glory of God, I received my healing. Our God is a great God!
– *Mrs. Theresa Mensah*

MEMORY VERSES *(All scriptures quoted from the NKJV)*

- **Week 1:** 1 Chronicles 16:34 “Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.”
- **Week 2:** 1 Thessalonians 5:18 “In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”
- **Week 3:** Ephesians 5:20 “Giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”
- **Week 4:** Psalm 68:19 “Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loads us with benefits, the God of our salvation!”
- **Week 5:** Psalm 9:1 “I will praise You, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your marvellous works.”

CONFESSIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

I thank You O heavenly Father because You have blessed me beyond measure. I appreciate You for all the wonderful benefits that You daily load me with.

I will greatly praise You O Lord with my mouth. I will make bold to declare Your faithfulness among the nations. You have lifted my head among the multitude so that my horn is exalted, therefore I will offer the fruit of my lips to You continually. I will praise You O God continually for creating me with Your spirit of excellence, Your works are marvellous and You have made Your glory above the heavens.

I thank You Heavenly Father for giving me victory at all times. I declare that I am the head and not the tail, above only and never beneath. I declare that only the will of God concerning my life will be made manifest as I continue to give thanks in every situation and circumstance. I declare that my praise unto God, will come up as a sweet-smelling fragrance. I give You all the glory for great is Your name and greatly to be praised! This is my declaration, Halleluyah!

Culled from Alone with God Daily Devotional 2019

SALVATION PRAYER

Dear God, I come to You in the name of Jesus. I acknowledge to You that I am a sinner and I am sorry for my sins and the life that I have lived; I need Your forgiveness.

I believe that Your only begotten Son Jesus Christ shed His precious blood on the cross at Calvary and died for my sins, and I am now willing to turn from my sins.

You said in Your Holy Word, Romans 10:9 that if we confess the Lord our God and believe in our hearts that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead, we shall be saved.

Right now, I confess Jesus as the Lord of my soul. With my heart, I believe that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead and I accept Him as my Lord and personal Saviour, so according to His Word, I am saved.

Thank You Jesus for Your unlimited grace which has saved me from my sins. I thank You that Your grace never leads to license, but to repentance. Therefore Lord Jesus, transform my life so that I may bring glory and honour to You alone and not to myself. Thank You Jesus for dying for me and giving me eternal life. Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Tuesday Fellowship:

Lunch Hour

12:30pm - 1:30pm

Evening Fellowship

6:00pm - 7:30pm

The First Yes Lord! Prayer Retreat for the year 2020 will hold on

Saturday 11th January 2020

Time: 1:00pm - 4:00pm

VENUE

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Theme Song

Yes Lord!

*I'm trading my sickness / sorrow
I'm trading my pain
I'm laying them down
For the joy of the Lord...*

Chorus:

*Yes Lord! Yes Lord!
Yes Yes Lord! 3x Amen!*



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