



## WELCOME MESSAGE *By Apostle Folorunso Alakija*

Dear Brethren, I welcome you to the last Prayer Retreat and thanksgiving service for the year 2020. The theme for today's prayer retreat is **"Great Joy"**.

We give praise and glory to our Father, our protector and deliverer who has made us see the end of this year. Despite all the challenges it held with the Corona Virus pandemic which led to lockdown and strain on the finances of both individuals and businesses, yet the Lord proved Himself faithful on our behalf and that of our loved ones.

Lamentations 3:22-23 says,  
**"22 Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. 23 They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness."**

As you know December is the month when we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. His birth was announced by an angel to shepherds as they watched their sheep. This was a joyful occasion as it signified that God had come to the earth to dwell in man in order to redeem the human race. The bible records that after the announcement, the whole sky was filled with a choir of angels who sang of the glory of God.

Luke 2:10 says,  
**"Then the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people.'"**

The birth of Jesus is the reason why we have so much joy, He came to reconcile us to God the Father through His death, burial, and resurrection. He came to give us His life in place of our death, His peace for our confusion. He also came to make us into

something we were not, that is new creatures in Christ Jesus.

**So, what does God expect us to do with this news of Great Joy?**

- Praise God for your salvation. Thank Him that He found you. Thank Him that for His love and care for you, and that a baby was born for you who is the Saviour, our Messiah and Lord.
- Then go out share this good news with the world, we must not keep it to ourselves, let the whole world know that God is no longer counting their sins against them but Has come to make peace with them.

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

Also make sure you collect the prayer declarations for 2021 from today to share with the world.

I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Victorious New Year. I declare that none of us will be missing and we shall all meet again at our next Prayer Retreat on Saturday 9th January 2021 to celebrate our year of **"A New Dawn"** in Jesus name, Amen.

Remain blessed in- His- presence.

Your Servant-Leader

## HYMN:

### O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem  
Come and behold Him  
Born the King of Angels  
O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!*

*God of God, Light of Light  
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb  
Very God  
Begotten, not created  
O come, let us adore Him, (3x)  
Christ the Lord.*

*Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God  
All glory in the highest  
O come, let us adore Him, (3x)  
Christ the Lord.*

*Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory given!  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!  
O come, let us adore Him, (3x)  
Christ the Lord.*

### 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:

<b>H</b> -Humility	<b>I</b> -Integrity	<b>E</b> -Empathy
<b>O</b> - Orderliness	<b>N</b> -Neighbo- urliness	<b>S</b> -Service
<b>L</b> -Love		<b>S</b> -Sacrifice



## PICTURE GALLERY





# PRAYERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

## Prayers



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

James 5:16

1. Father, I thank You for Your divine protection over me and mine throughout the pandemic and pandemonium in Jesus name. Amen.

2. Father, I thank You for Your divine preservation of my life, family and properties in the midst of insecure and turbulent society in Jesus name. Amen.

3. Father, I thank You for Your divine provision throughout the year of drought in Jesus name. Amen.

4. Father, I thank You for the fulfillment of all Your promises for me in this year 2020 and thank You for those incubating in Jesus name. Amen.

5. Father, I thank You because You will surely perfect all that concerns me and my family before the end of the year 2020 in Jesus name. Amen.

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

**Week 1.** Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. **Luke 2:10**

**Week 2.** When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. **Matthew 2:10**

**Week 3.** You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. **Psalms 16:11**

**Week 4.** Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." **Nehemiah 8:10**

**Week 5.** And there was great joy in that city. **Acts 8:8**

## TESTIMONIES

### Strength By Faith, Healing Through Anointed Mantle

I was very weak and sick on the first day of the National Crusade, and so were my mother and son. We had planned to watch the Crusade online, but God showed up for me. He restored my strength and I was able to attend the crusade, on the final of the Crusade, I went home rejoicing and laid the anointed handkerchief on my mother and son, and they were both healed. Praise the Lord for removing the siege of sickness from my family.

*Mrs Nkem Igalla*

### Divine Provision

I was in financial hardship, but came for the Crusade. On the first day of the crusade the Lord remembered me and sent help my way. Someone sent me sixty thousand naira gift for Christmas and New Year. Praise God for removing financial siege from my life.

*Mrs Florence Idowu*

### The Siege Is Truly Over

While We were thanking God for seeing us through the Covid-19 lockdown and its attendant hardship, the devil struck. My wife complained of a mild headache, which became severe and she eventually needed surgery. Thank God for favour! Help came through our wonderful mother in Isreal, my wife was moved to a very good hospital and the surgery was successful. I also became ill during the same period and was hospitalised. Jehoval Rapha showed up for my family. Praise God for saving us from the siege of sickness and blessing us with good things.

*Mr & Mrs Akinyemi Akinbode*

## CONFESSIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

1. *The Lord has crowned my year with goodness and mercy, therefore I will continue rejoicing in the Lord in Jesus name. Amen.*

2. *I declare that I and my loved ones will enter into the new year with unspeakable joy in Jesus name. Amen.*

3. *I decree there shall be no loss in my camp and God's church in Jesus name. Amen.*

4. *In Jesus name I receive my divine Christmas and new year glorious package in Jesus name. Amen.*

5. *I decree celebrations galore in my territory and God's churches in Jesus name. Amen.*

## 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



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LUNCH HOUR FELLOWSHIP

Holds every Tuesday

Time: 12:00pm to 1:15pm (Post-Covid Restriction)

You can also join us online  
on all our social media platforms for the live  
streaming.

### Monthly Yes Lord! Prayer Retreat

Holds on 2nd Saturday of every month.

### University of Marriage Retreat

Holds quarterly, on every 2nd Saturday.

### The next Yes Lord! Prayer Retreat

Holds on

Saturday 9th January, 2021

Time: 1:00pm

### Theme: THE NEW BEGINNING

(It shall be our first service in 2021)

#### 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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