

Welcome Message By Apostle Folorunso Alakija

I welcome you to September and our University of Marriage conference 2022. The theme for today's conference is "Bridging Marital Gaps", and our theme scripture is taken from Ephesians 5:21-29, which says,

"21 submitting to one another in the fear of God. 22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Saviour of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church"

In the scripture, we just read, Apostle Paul instructed couples on how to prevent gaps in their marital relationships. As we all know, God is the architect of marriage and He desires that our marital bonds grow stronger as the years go by.

However, so many things can cause distances between couples. Examples are, lack of physical and emotional intimacy, financial issues, excessive career or business pursuits, prolonged illness, infidelity, infertility, interference from in-laws and other third parties and the list goes on and on.

So, to prevent marital gaps, it is advised that couples should put to practice the prescription of Apostle Paul in Ephesians 5:21-29 by,

1. Submitting to one other

- 2. Showing unconditional love to each other
- 3. Supporting and building each other up so that they become the best version of themselves
- Refusing to allow the interference of third parties in their relationships and
 Respecting one another.
- 5. Respecting one another.

If all these are carried out, their marriages will be exactly as God intended for it to be and they will enjoy a blissful relationship and if there are already gaps in their marriages, it will be mended and restored.

I decree and declare that our marriages will grow stronger and stronger in Jesus name. I come against every attack of the devil against our marriages and I prophesy healing and restoration to every strained relationship. Our marriages shall continually be a testimony to the glory of God and to the shame of the devil in Jesus' mighty name. Amen.

As usual, our Newsletter is full of testimonies, prayers, confessions and memory verses to build you up and encourage your faith. Let's ensure we share our monthly newsletters with our friends and family and bring in the harvest of souls for the Lord Jesus Christ.

Kindly be reminded that our inaugural University of Marriage Conference for those seeking the fruit of the womb, called "the Conceiver" will hold on Sunday 25th September 2022 at the Agip Recital Hall, Muson Center, Onikan, Lagos, at 2:30pm.

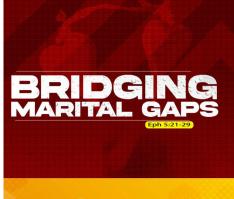
Be sure to invite those trusting God for the fruit of the womb to this program, as the Creator of new creations is ready to meet everyone at the point of their needs in Jesus' name. Amen.

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Yours in His Service, Servant-Leader

MISSION

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



HYMN: LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

- Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art. Visit us with thy salvation; enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast. Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest. Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be. End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
- Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all thy life receive.
 Suddenly return, and never, nevermore they temples leave.
 Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- 4. Finish, then, thy new creation; true and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee. Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

VALUES: HOLINESS

H-Humility	O- Ordeliness
L-Love	I-Integrity
N-Neighborliness	E-Empathy
S-Service	S-Sacrifice

VISION

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

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PRAYER FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

- Father, we thank You for Your love that is upholding our marriages, Your care and faithfulness towards us is enormous, we appreciate it Lord.
- 2. Father, we pray that through the guidance of Your words and the Holy Spirit the devil and all his works be driven away from our family.
- 3. Father, please give every couple the wisdom on how to bridge every marital gap in their marriage in Jesus name, Amen.
- 4. Father, as a couple we resist and reject every negative interference, we take hold of the affairs and management of our marriages and bring it under the obedience of our Lord Jesus.
- 5. Jehovah, in the name of Jesus, we receive the grace to commend the good things we do and to condemn the negatives in love.
- 6. We shut the doors of our hearts and homes to anything sponsoring and promoting marital gaps in our homes, we shut them down by fire in Jesus name. Amen.

Memory Verse (All scriptures quoted from the NKJV)

Week 1

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, Ephesians 5:25

Week 2

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. 4:10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up. Ecclesiastes 4:9

Week 3

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:32

Week 4

Submitting to one another in the fear of God, Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord Ephesians 5:21-22

Week 5

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. Colossians 3:13

CONFESSIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

- Father, we confess that Jesus is the foundation and owner of our marriages and our home. Therefore, we resist any counsel that is not of God that want to build gaps in our union in Jesus name.
- 2. Anything sponsoring marital gaps or any door that has been opened consciously or unconsciously generating challenges in our homes, we shut them down now in Jesus name.
- 3. We declare that in this marriage we are one flesh, there is no room for the devil in our hearts, our marriage and fami-



.... The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. James 5:16

TESTIMONIES

Healing Through Distance Prayer

I became a year older in the month of August. In this same month I was ill and was hospitalised for two weeks. I sent a message to Minister Obaro about this. On one Sunday I heard her voice preaching on the street in my neighbourhood, so I called her phone and inquired why I didn't hear from her. She responded that they had been away but had been praying for me and it was their prayers that was touching me on the hospital bed. The following day I was discharged. Praise the Lord.

Mrs Caxton Martins

Scholarship Through Divine Connection

I thank God for granting my daughter favour to win a scholarship at UNILAG. When she applied for the scholarship people discouraged me, saying what connections do we have, some said they paid hundreds of thousands and still didn't get admission. But to the glory of God, she won the scholarship and we give God all the glory for His divine connection.

Mr Samuel Akpan

Spirit of Excellence

The Lord is so good to me and my family, today is my daughter's birthday. Also, my son sat for JAMB and WAEC examinations and passed both in flying colours. Praise the Lord. **Mr Friday Igbe**

ly. Nothing shall tear us apart in Jesus name

- 4. May we live together in harmony and unity with each other that we may glorify Abba Father. This marriage and our home will be a house of prayer, worship, and joy.
- We shall give the enemy no room in our hearts, in our marriage, and our family.
- 6. In our home we stand together, united in Christ. We have each other's backs and operate as a team.

Salvation Prayer

Dear God, I come to You in the name of Jesus. I acknowledge 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 away from them.

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

Right now, I confess Jesus as the Lord of my Life. With my heart, I believe that God raised Him from the dead and I accept Him as my personal Lord and Saviour, so according to Your 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 licence, 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 for dying for me and giving me eternal life. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Weekly Tuesday Fellowship holds from 12:00pm to 1:30pm (Post-Covid Restriction) Evening Service: Tuesday at 6:00pm

Tuesday 20th September, 2022:Anointing Service holds12:00noonCommunion Service holds6:00pm

Youth Fellowship: every 3rd Friday of the month. Time: 6:00pm

Monthly Vigil: this month holds on every 3rd Friday of the month. Time: 11:00pm

Monthly Yes Lord! Prayer Retreat holds on 2nd Saturday of every month.

Monthly 3Days fasting and Prayer: 1st Monday to Wednesday of the month. Prayer Meeting holds daily at $6 \mathrm{pm}-7 \mathrm{pm}$

Monthly Evening of Praise holds 1st Tuesday of the month 6pm - 7:30pm

University of Marriage Retreat holds quarterly on 2nd Saturday as well.

Jesus On The Street Evangelism holds every 4th Friday of the month @ 8:00am

UPCOMING EVENTS

THE CONCEIVER - a fruit of the womb anointing service. Date: Sunday 25th September, 2022 Venue: Agip Hall, Muson Centre, Lagos Time: 2:30pm

NATIONAL CRUSADE (More details in due course)

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Theme Song

Yes Lord

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!

