

THEME OF THE YEAR 2025: “BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY” (GENESIS 1:28)

PRAYER FOCUS FOR JANUARY, 2025 “BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS” (JOSHUA 1 : 9) FOR EXHORTATION AT WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETINGS.

1st SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 5th JANUARY, 2025 ORDER OF SERVICE

(INTRO TO THEME / HOLY COMMUNION)

1. Invocation :
2. Opening Hymn : RH : 157
3. Praise and Worship :
4. Intercessory Prayer :
5. Scripture Reading : Genesis 1:26-31 ; John 15 : 1-12
6. Welcome to the House of the Lord :
7. Announcements : Attention To Our Life And Ministry :
8. Song Ministration : Chapel Choir
9. Exhortation : Be Fruitful and Multiply — Pastor H.O. Owolabi
10. Tithes and Offering with Closing Hymn : RH: 468 ; SS & S : 844
11. Closing Prayer & Benediction

Attendance on 29/12/24: Children: 212 Adult : 453 :Total : 665

WELCOME TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

The Captain of the Hosts is the One who leads us triumphantly into the year 2025. Let us live for Him who has the days and times ahead in His hands. He is faithful to lead us on victoriously as we purpose in our hearts to be fruitful for him. His divine power has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that has called us to glory and virtue. Happy New Year to you in Jesus' name. Amen!

FROM THE PULPIT LAST SUNDAY 29/12/24

Topic : Praises Is What I Do
Text : Psalm 104 : 33 ; 40 : 3
Speakers : Pastor Femi Daodu

- *The most important thing God expects from His creations is to sing praises to Him.
- *God also seeks for those who will worship him in spirit and truth.
- *The Bible didn't give a specific state of mind before we can praise him. We should praise Him in all circumstances.
- *It is important for us to reflect on how we have used different situations, good and bad, to praise God.
- *We should praise God with the way we live our lives. It is not just merely singing, but living for him before others.
- *When faced with challenges, your mouth and heart should be filled with praises.
- *When you sing songs of praise unto God, it tells the devil that he is already defeated.
- *We are alive today because of God's grace, therefore we must praise Him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention to Our Life and Ministry

1. Events Coming Up:
 - a) 15th Jan., 2025: Testimony Night
 - b) 17th Jan., 2025: Vigil 7 - 10pm.
 - c) 26th Jan., 2025: Chapel General Assembly
2. Medical Services On Duty Sun., 05/01/2025 : Mrs. J.Y. Adekanye, Mrs. B.T. Dosunmu, Mrs. A.D. Kolawole, Mrs. C.M. Olalere, Dr. W.A. Alaofin, Dr. Ifeoluwa Oluwale.
3. Chapel of Praise UMCA Building Project:
A/c Name: Chapel of Praise UMCA. A/c No.: 1021762469. Bank: UBA.
4. Weddings:
5. COR A/c Number: 1007345015
A/c Name: Chapel of Redemption UMCA; Bank: UBA.
6. Meetings:
 - a) Monthly Prayer & Fasting will hold on Mon 06/01/25 @ 5pm
 - b) Combined Early Morning Prayer holds on Tue. 07/01/25 @ 6am
 - c) Missions Team meeting will hold on Sun., 12/01/25 after the service.
- 7a. Ladies Fellowship of COR A/c Number : 2300429026
A/c Name : Ladies Fellowship of COR : Bank : UBA.
- b. Men Fellowship of COR A/c Number : 1016963893
A/c Name : Men Fellowship of COR : Bank : UBA
8. Sanctuary Cleaners for January, 2025 : Mrs. Iyabo Odediji, Mrs. C.M. Oyinloye, Mrs. M. V. Oraiye, Mrs. A. Boye, Mrs. R.M. Agbogun, Mrs. M.M. Osabiya, Mrs. B.E. Coe, Mrs. M.O. Sangoyomi, Miss Foyinsola Omojasola, Mrs. S.O. Ayeni, Dr. (Mrs.) A. O. Aremu.
9. Ushers on Duty for January, 2025 : Mrs. F.E. Emielu, Mrs. E.E. Oyeleke, Mrs. R.M. Ogungbayi, Miss B. Agboh, Mrs. O. Olarewaju, Mrs. M.K. Afolayan, Mrs. O.B. Aboola, Mrs. A.I. Adeoti, Mr. Opayooye Peter, Mr. S.O. Abejide.
- 10.a. Ministering on Wed., 08/01/25 : Mr. Eytayo Oyeleke, Mrs. Ibilola Omokore.
- b. Ministering on Sun., 12/01/25: Mrs. Ronke Ibitoye, Mr. Dotun Oluwale, Dr. T.N. Odeigah, Dr. Sola Igbayiloye, Pastor Femi Daodu, Chapel Choir, Pastor H.O. Owolabi.
11. Redemption Model N/P Sch. A/c.: 1019601985;
A/c Name: Redemption Model Nur. & Pry. School. Bank: UBA.
12. Annual Report: Fellowship/Activity Groups to submit their Annual Reports to the Secretary/Chapel Office latest by Sun., 19/01/25.
13. Pastoral Succession : The tenure of our Pastor-in-Charge, Rev. (Dr.) Biodun Olugbemi will come to an end in September, 2025. Please pray individually, collectively and in all our fellowship groups for the Lord to lead us in getting the right successor.
14. Funeral Arrangements :
 - a. Late Chief (Mrs) Alice Adedunmoye Ogunrinde (Pst. Owolabi's Mother-in-Law) are as follows : Wake-keep on Thurs., 23/01/25 @ Chief J.F. Ogunrinde's Residence in Oko, Kwara State @ 4pm. Lying-in-State on Fri. 24/01/25 @ Chief J.F. Ogunrinde's Residence in Oko, Kwara State @ 7:45am-8:45am. Funer

a/ Remembrance Thanksgiving Service on Fri., 24/01/25 @ First ECWA Church Oko, Kwara State @ 10am.

- b. Late Madam Abigail Ajike Omiyale (Nee Aina)(Mother of Mrs. C.A. Olisa of COR & Mr. Kayode Omiyale of COP) are as follows : Funeral/Outing Thanksgiving Service on Fri., 07/02/25 @ First Baptist Church, Oke- Ayegun, Isanlu Isin, Kwara State. @ 10am.
15. Applications are requested from suitably qualified candidates for the post of Pastor-in-Charge at COR UMCA Gaa Akanbi, Ilorin. (see Notice Board for more details)

PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK

1. Thank God for sparing our lives to witness the first Sunday of Year 2025.
2. Pray that the Lord will help us to set our hearts to pursue righteousness and seek after Him relentlessly.
3. Pray that as the introductory messages on the theme of the year are being preached, the Lord will help our understanding and help us to live fruitful lives.
4. Pray for those whose surnames begin with letter “A” and those celebrating their Birthday or Wedding Anniversary in January.

MISSIONS PRAYER FOCUS FOR JANUARY, 2025

1. Thank God for our Mission efforts throughout the Year 2024.
2. Pray for a renewal of strength (both spiritual and physical) and for His grace to be renewed in us for more zeal and commitment in the Year 2025.
3. Pray that Pastors, Missionaries and Missionary Supporters, will prosper in soul winning.
4. Pray and ask God for a fresh hunger and thirst to do the Father's Business in taking the Gospel to the unreached people and more commitment in praying that the fields and converts may be more rooted in the Lord.

OPERATION WORLD

Papua New Guinea Capital: Port Moresby

The population of Papua New Guinea is 11.8m with majority as Christian and a low proportion of evangelicals.

Let's pray for true spiritual awakening that will point the people to Jesus and not religion. That God will raise more evangelicals to reach out to the traditional religionists and Muslims in Papua New Guinea .

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

Prayer and Confidence of the Righteous

Our souls waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.
For our hearts shall rejoice in Him; Because we have trusted in His holy name.
Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

—Psalm 33:20-22. NKJV.