

THEME OF THE YEAR 2020: "STANDING FIRM IN THE FAITH" (1 PETER 5: 9)

PRAYER FOCUS FOR FEBRUARY, 2020 "I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU" (HEBREWS 13:5) FOR EXHORTATION AT WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETINGS.

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 2nd FEBRUARY, 2020 ORDER OF SERVICE (LEADERSHIP SUNDAY)

1. Invocation:
 2. Opening Hymn: RH: 586.
 3. Praise and Worship:
 4. Intercessory Prayer:
 5. Scripture Reading: Job 1: 1-22; Job 2: 1-10; Job 23: 1-17; John 16: 33.
 6. Welcome to the House of the Lord :
 7. Announcements: Attention to our Life and Ministry:
 8. Tithes and Offering with Hymn: RH: 578; SS&S: 607.
 9. Song Ministration: Sunbeam Choir.
 10. Exhortation: Standing Firm In The Faith In The Midst Of Tribulations
- Prof. Deboye Kolawole
 11. Birthday Thanksgiving & Gideons Presentation: Mama R. M. Adewoye & Family.
 12. Special Offering for Chapel Projects with Closing Hymn: RH: 582; SS&S: 618.
 13. Closing Prayer & Benediction.
- Attendance on 26/01/20 : Children: 218; Adults: 529; Total: 747.

WELCOME TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

Welcome to Leadership Sunday. The grace and mercy of the Lord is leading us on. Though the journey ahead is still far, but by God's grace and mercy, we shall land triumphantly. United we come along, we shall enjoy the walk with Him. Praise ye the Lord!

FROM THE PULPIT LAST SUNDAY 26/01/20

Topic: The Christian

Text: Mat. 5: 1- 16; 1 Pet. 4: 12-19; 1 Pet. 5: 8 - 11.

Speaker: Revd. Biodun Olugbemi

*The word Christian can be summed up biblically as someone who is a follower of Jesus Christ. Christian is taken from the Greek word *Christianos* 'follower of Christ'. The word Christ is the root word Christian defined as the Messiah, or anointed One. The word Christian is mentioned in three different places in the Bible: (Acts 11: 26, Acts 26: 28, 1 Pet. 4: 16). The name Christian as given by the unbelievers in Antioch which may seem derogatory or reproachful but to the believer, it connotes an aroma of glory, joy, power, victory, peace. Christians are Children of God (Jn. 1: 12) and salt of the earth (Mat. 5: 13) because the society is decadent, but God's children are to put seasoning and taste into the world.

*If we are saved by the word of God, we also stand by the same word. Anyone saved is saved by the word of God and we must know the word. (Jos. 1:8)

*(1 Pet. 5: 8-11) underscores that other believers are also going through afflictions, but a Christian allows the word to dwell richly in them (Col. 3:16; Rom. 10:17).

*God is resident in the Christian through the word, provides a nourishment for the Spirit. The word of God renews the strength of Christians.

*The Christian is the light of the world (Mar. 5:14 - 16), indicating that the world is full of darkness, godless, selfish or depraved life.

*There is a conflict between light and darkness; while darkness conceals, light reveals. The light is therefore to face trials, tribulations or afflictions. No matter the assault of the powers of darkness, no matter the array of forces of darkness or evil against the Christians, they will always prevail because God cannot be conquered (1 Jn. 4: 4).

*Those who gather against children of God are bound to fail because they fight against the object of God's favour. God is looking down, laughing at the enemy's threats and struggles against His children.

*The believer is a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people and remain the apple of God's eye (1 Pet. 2: 5, 9 - 10). Remain his ambassadors on the earth (2 Cor. 5: 20; Eph. 6:20). It is needful to be actual followers of Christ.

*There is a constant assault on believers: The battle within which can be won by struggling against lukewarmness and worldliness (Prov. 4:23; 1 Pet. 3: 8 - 22). The battle without referring to persecutions, attacks and afflictions which can be won by keeping ourselves from the corruption of the world and spiritual warfare (Rom. 12: 1-2; Eph. 6: 10-18; 1 Pet. 4: 12 - 19).

*No matter how much we pray, evils of the end times must continue according to the Bible. Early believers paid no attention to gathering wealth or amassing material possessions, to them it was 'Maranatha', waiting for Christ to return (1 Cor. 16: 22). The Church is abandoning the spiritual for the social, economic or political.

*It is needful for the Christian to wait on God (Isa. 40: 28 - 31). Christians are the most persecuted religious group in the world in the first century (Acts 8). In contemporary times especially in the Middle East, North Africa, South Asia and West Africa. Most especially in Nigeria, Burkina Faso and Mali.

*The Christian is set aside to do the battle for God and there is blessing for those who persevere under persecution (Mat. 5: 10 - 12).

*In the journey of life, we need God who will help us. We are God's elect, aliens in the World.

*If we stand firm in the faith to the end, we will be glorified in the end.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention to Our Life and Ministry

1. Events Coming Up:

a) 8th Feb.:	Sunday School Teachers Retreat
b) 10th - 16th Feb.:	NEF Week of Prayer
c) 16th Feb.:	Congregational Outreach
d) 15th Mar.:	Girls Brigade Anniversary
e) 15th Mar.:	Joint Fellowship Night (pm)
f) 22nd Mar.:	Seminar On Christian Discipline
2. Medical Services:

Duty on Sun.: 02/02/2020 : Mrs. A.O. Aremo, Mrs. C.O. Fabayo, Mrs. D.M. Ogunlade, Mrs. Adebola, Mrs. A. Jeminiwa, Dr. O.S. Mokuolu
3. Chapel of Praise UMCA Building Projects:

9 Inches Blocks, Granite, Sharp Sand, Cements, Soft Sand.
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., 03/02/20 @ 5:00pm.
b) Combined Early Morning Prayer will hold on Tue., 04/02/20 @ 6:00am.
c) Missions Team meeting will hold on Sun., 09/02/20 after the service
d) Chapel Committee meeting will hold on Mon., 10/02/20 @ 5:00p.m.
e) Ushers meeting will hold on Mon., 10/02/20 @ 5:00p.m.
f) Sunday Sch. Teachers Prayer meeting will hold on Mon., 10/02/20 @ 5:00p.m.
g) Combined Prayer Cells Meeting will hold on Tue., 11/02/20 @ 5:00p.m.
7. Sanctuary Cleaners for February, 2020: Mrs. M. M. Adekeye, Mrs. F.A. Fayeye, Mrs. E. F. Ajayi, Mrs. H. Lombin Lambin, Mrs. A. O. Aremo, Mrs. M. B. Inelo, Mrs. A. A. Ojo, Mrs. A. A. Bamigbola, Mrs. C. A. Oshai, Mrs. V. O. Adeoye, Dr. (Mrs.) Olubunmi Mokuolu, Mrs. A. O. Alaofin, Mrs. Kemi Babalola, Miss. Folake Opeyemi, Mrs. L. A. Baniadele.
8. Ushers' on Duty for February, 2020: Mrs. M. A. Adebayo, Mrs. M. K. Afolayan, Mrs. H. U. Alabi, Mrs. M. A. Osawu, Mrs. L. B. Olaiyoye, Mrs. M. A. Olu, Mrs. R. M. Ogungbayi, Mrs. T. Afolayan, Mrs. C. B. Akande, Dr. (Mrs.) C. I. Jolayemi, Mrs. S. O. Ayano Mr. D. Kadiiri.
9. Ministering on Mon.: 03/02/20: Mrs H. Lombin Lambin, Mr Gbenga Okeowo
Ministering on Wed.: 05/02/20: Dr (Mrs) A. O. Aremu, Revd. Muiwa Olutunde
Ministering on Sun.: 09/02/20: Mr. Japheth Owolabi, Engr. Femi Agaja, Mrs B. O. Owolabi, Mrs O. A. Odelowo, Revd. Biodun Olugbemi, Redemption Voices, Revd S. O. Oladejo.
10. Redemption Model N/P Sch.: Admission of New Intakes for 2019 / 2020 session is on. Form is N1,000.00 at the Chapel Office or the School. Vacant Classes: Creche, Pre-Nur - Nur. II and Pry I - 6.
11. Redemption Model N/P Sch. A/c.: 1019601985;
A/c Name: Redemption Model Nur. & Pry. School. Bank: UBA
12. Vacancies exists in:

a) The COR Local Missions Field for one Full-time and two Part - time Pastors to serve in any part of Kwara State. Interested candidates should apply in person.
b) The Theological College of Northern Nigeria (TCNN) Bukuru, Jos for a lecturer in Practical Theology. Please see the notice board for more details.
13. The COR Drama Group will be inaugurated soon, interested members who wish to join should put down their names with Revd. Olutunde Olumuyiwa or in the Chapel Office
14. If you are interested in playing any musical instruments especially the Organ, please put down your name in the Chapel Office.
15. Stadium / Oro Rd, Tanke Zone II and Adewole Housing Estate House Fellowship Zones will be representing COR in the Joint House Fellowship Night Sun., 15 / 03 / 20. Please, prepare accordingly.
16. The Theological College of Northern Nigeria (TCNN) Bukuru Jos invites

applicants for their entrance examination scheduled for Fri., 07/02/20 - Sat., 08/02/20. Please see the notice board for more information.

17. Sales: The Chapel KIA Jeep is up for sale. Application to be submitted in sealed envelopes to the Chapel Office. Highest bidder to buy.
18. Baptismal Classes will commence shortly. Register your children/ward latest by Sun., 09/02/20. Adults who have not been baptized are encouraged to register at the Chapel Office.
19. Letter of Appreciation from Mr. & Mrs. Folake Awojide & Family for your calls, presence, visits, messages and gifts during the 60th birthday and thanksgiving of Mrs. Folake Awojide recently. May the Lord richly bless you all. Amen
20. Chapel Secondary School cordially invites the members of the Congregation to her 4th Inter- House Competition. Venue: CSS Sport Field. Date: Fri., 28/02/20 @ 10am
21. Funeral arrangements for Late Mrs. Grace Adenose Omosola (Mother of Mr. Babatunde Omosola of COR): Christian Wake Keep & Laying in State on Thurs. 27/02/20 @ her Residence, Agbadotun Quarters, Beside Community Secondary School @ 5pm. Final Burial / Outing Service Fri., 28/02/20 @ Gospel Faith Mission International, Ayepe, Iwaro, Oka - Akoko, Ondo State @ 10am. Interment follows immediately @ her residence Agbadotun Quarters, Beside Community Secondary School, Ayepe Iwaro, Oka - Akoko, Ondo State.

PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK

1. Pray thus: Oh Lord! Let my ways be pleasing to you.
2. Pray thus: May your truth continue to produce renewal in us.
3. Pray that God will give us the mind of Christ to control our thoughts and desires in order to have wonderful fellowship and relationship with God and with one another.
4. Pray for those whose surnames begin with letter "A" and those celebrating their Birthdays or Wedding Anniversaries in February.

MISSIONS PRAYER FOCUS FOR FEBRUARY, 2020

1. Thank God for the old executive members of the Chapel and Mission team. Pray for grace for the new ones.
2. Pray for our Churches in Benue, that they will grow more numerically and spiritually this year 2020.
3. Thank God for our Pastoral Leadership. Pray for their families and for grace, for more anointing this year. Tell God that we need revival in our Churches
4. Pray that as the world is going deeper into depravity, that the gospel will be preached with power, signs and wonders following.

OPERATION WORLD

Egypt Capital: Cairo

Let's Pray:

Let's that the several lost souls in Egypt would come to know the Lord. Let us pray for brethren in Egypt that the mighty hand of the Lord would protect them in the land from terror.

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

1. Next time you feel unqualified to be used by God remember this, He tends to recruit from the pit, not the pedestal.

— Jon Acuff

2. The first job of Leadership is to LOVE PEOPLE. Leadership without love is MANIPULATION.

— Rick Warren