

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

**PRAYER FOCUS FOR MARCH, 2020 "FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH" (PSALM 84:7) FOR EXHORTATION AT WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETINGS.**

### 10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2020 ORDER OF SERVICE (THEME OF THE YEAR)

1. Invocation:
  2. Opening Hymn: RH: 55.
  3. Praise and Worship:
  4. Intercessory Prayer:
  5. Scripture Reading: Joshua 14: 1– 15
  6. Welcome to the House of the Lord :
  7. Announcements: Attention to our Life and Ministry:
  8. Tithes and Offering With Hymn: RH: 425.
  9. Song Ministration: Altar Door Choir
  10. Exhortation: Standing Firm In The Faith BY Disciplined Dedicated Discipleship  
- Pastor Ayo Okeowo .
  11. Special Offering for CAN and UMCA Camp Ground with Closing Hymn: RH: 430
  12. Closing Prayer & Benediction.
- Attendance on 01/03/20 : Children: 217; Adults: 408; Total: 625.

### WELCOME TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

A warm hand of fellowship is extended to each worshipper today. The Lord is here Himself through the presence of His Spirit. As we hear a message on the theme of the Year, may the eyes of our hearts focus on things eternal. Welcome!

### FROM THE PULPIT LAST SUNDAY 01/03/20

**Topic: Standing Firm In The Faith**

**Text: I Peter 5: 8-9; Hebrews 11: 1-16.**

**Speaker: Mr. Chris Awamin**

\*The speaker emphasized that:

\*Standing firm in the faith should not just be a theme for the year, but a theme for all our life. What are we standing in - we have been called to stand in the faith. Not in fear, defeat or confusion.

\*Standing firm requires being on the alert against the devil who is like a roaring Lion, seeking a prey to devour.

\*A Lion is calculative, alert, strategic and ruthless. It is also deceptive - setting traps and luring the prey. A Lion chooses an opportune moment when the prey is unguarded, it is relentless i.e it doesn't give up on its prey.

\*The devil possess characteristics similar to that of a lion, he is deceptive, he attacks when it is least expected. He knows when to strike to get his prey.

\*We are told to resist him and he will flee from us. Standing firm in the faith has to do with being strong in our response and obedience to God as well as a steadfastness in our union and commitment to Him.

\*In the journey of faith, everyone can fall no matter how highly anointed you are.

\*Samson was highly anointed but he fell as result of his carelessly. He started with God but ended with the devil. Saul also was a highly anointed man but he was careless with his life, the devil took over his life and destroyed him.

\*We need to be aware and conscious of our standing firm in the faith so that the devil will not get us.

What is faith? Heb. 11:1.

\*Faith is the response and obedience to the word of God. Faith is also a consistent walk with the Lord. Faith is a substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things that we do not see.

\*We can only please God by faith. The people of old pleased God through faith. Abraham's obedience to God was through faith. Enoch also walked with God through faith. It is by faith that the elders obtained a good report.

\*We only serve God by faith and this faith is gotten by grace. Taking a decision to follow Christ is also by faith.

Conclusion

\*What is the state of your walk and heart with God?

\*Let us make our hearts right with God so that our faith will be accepted by God.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Attention to Our Life and Ministry

1. Events Coming Up:
  - a) 15<sup>th</sup> Mar.: Girls Brigade Anniversary
  - b) 15<sup>th</sup> Mar.: Joint House Fellowship Night: COR Hosting
  - c) 20<sup>th</sup> Mar.: Vigil 7- 10pm
  - d) 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar.: Seminar on Christian Discipline
2. Medical Services:
  - Duty on Sun.: 08/03/2020 : Mrs E.F. Rotimi, Mrs. B.O. Bamigbade, Mrs C. T. Amudupe, Mrs F. A. Alwoojja, Mrs. E.F. Ajayi, Dr. Alaofin W.A.
3. Chapel of Praise UMCA Building Projects: Next Phase
  - Roof - Gutter — 1.5million
  - A/c Name: Chapel of Praise UMCA. A/c No.: 1021762469. Bank: UBA.
4. Weddings:
  - a) Grace Oluwabukola Iyanuoluwa Olukosi weds Olatayo Emmanuel Abiodun Adeoye ( Son of Mrs. E. B. Adeoye of COR) @ Christ Apostolic Church Fountain of Jesus Power (Achievers DCC Headquarters) Power Land Igosun Rd, Offa, Kwara State on Sat., 25/04/20 @ 11am.
5. COR A/c Number: 1007345015;
  - A/c Name: Chapel of Redemption UMCA; Bank: UBA.
6. Meetings:
  - a) Missions Team meeting will hold on Sun., 08/03/20 after the service
  - b) Chapel Committee meeting will hold on Mon., 09/03/20 @ 5.00p.m.
  - c) Ushers meeting will hold on Mon., 09/03/20 @ 5.00p.m.
  - d) Sunday Sch. Teachers Prayer meeting will hold on Mon., 09/03/20 @ 5.00p.m.
  - e) Combined Prayer Cells Meeting will hold on Tue., 10/03/20 @ 5.00p.m.
7. Sanctuary Cleaners for March, 2020: Mrs. R. M. Adeniran, Mrs. G.R. Adedoyin, Mrs. A. Dodoh, Mrs. H.O. Ojo, Mrs. A.D. Kolawole, Mrs. M.F. Adeniran, Mrs. B.T. Dosunmu, Mrs. Ayobola Odeyemi, Mrs. Linda Taiwo, Mrs. M. M. Olanrewaju, Miss Remi A. Musa, Mrs. Victor Musa, Mrs. F. Awojide, Mr. Ade Fatigun, .
8. Ushers' on duty for March, 2020: Mrs. E. O. Arokoyo, Mrs. V. S. Bojuwoye, Mrs. F. E. Emielu, Dr. (Mrs.) B. Famolu, Mrs. V. J. Ogbonnewo, Mrs. Y. Kudabo, Mrs. E. F. Ogun, Mrs. S. M. Bello, Mrs. B. F. Folaranmi, Mrs. C. A. Kolawole, Mrs. O. F. Olarewaju, Mr. J. Dodoh, Mr. S. O. Abejide.
9. Ministering on Wed.: 11/ 03 / 20: Girls Brigade, Mr. S. O. Oyetoyan. Ministering on Sun.: 15/ 03 / 20: Mrs Ronke Ibitoye, Mr. Dotun Oluwole, Mrs. Ronke Adeyemi, Girls Brigade, Revd D.O Olosunde, Girls Brigade.
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 1 - 6.
11. Redemption Model N/P Sch. A/c.: 1019601985;
  - A/c Name: Redemption Model Nur. & Pry. School. Bank: UBA
12. All persons with interest in the music training (Organ, Jazz Drum, Talking Drum, Violin and Guitar) should pick up registration form at the Chapel Office for # 500 only. Subsidized training fees per month are as follow 1 person - #1500 , 2persons - #2500 per month, 3persons - #4000, 5persons - #6000. For those that have paid, arrangements for proper refund will be made to match the new payment plan. Classes commence on Sun., 01/03/20 and ends on Sun., 21/06/20. Classes will take place in the Old Sunday School building between 12pm to 1.30pm on both Saturdays and Sundays. Attendance is compulsory
13. 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 holding @ COR. Please, prepare accordingly.
14. 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

15 We congratulate and rejoice with our latest grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Gbenga Okeowo for the safe delivery of a bouncing baby boy to their children Mr. Adebajji & Mrs. Oluwatoyosi Okeowo on Tues., 03/03/20. Praise the Lord !

19. Funeral arrangements for :

a) Late Mrs. Comfort Ibitayo Adeoye (Wife of Mr. A. A. Adeoye of COR): Service of Songs on Thurs., 26/03/20 @ No 69, Igbaja Rd, Gaa-Akanbi Ilorin @ 4pm. Lying in State on Fri., 27/03/20 @ No 69, Igbaja Rd, Gaa-Akanbi Ilorin @ 8.30am. Funeral & Outing Service on Fri., 27/03/20 @ COR UMCA, Agba-Dam Rd @ 10am. Interment follows immediately @ Oke-Oyi Cemetery, Ilorin, Kwara State.

b) Late Pa. John Idowu Adedigba (Father of Mrs. Racheal Ogungbayi of COR): Wake keep on Thurs., 02/04/20 @ his compound, Alate, Ajegunle Ote, Ogbomoso @ 4pm. Funeral Service on Fri., 03/04/20 @ First Baptist Church Alate, Ajegunle Ote, Ogbomoso @ 10am

c) Late Mrs. Christiana Affiong Oshai (Nee Otu): Service of Songs on Thurs., 02/03/20 @ Redemption Ground, COR UMCA. @ 5pm. Funeral & Thanksgiving Service on Sat., 04/03/20 @ Oshai's quarters, Ogbe - Utu, Obior, Aniocha North LGA Delta state @ 9am. Subsidized Return Trip @ N10,000 Interested person should put down their names at the Chapel Office.

### PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK

1. Pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to illumine our hearts of understanding regarding the Theme of the Year.
2. Pray that there will be light in the midst of darkness as we seek continually to walk the path ways of truth.
3. Pray that as we strive to walk and work with the Lord, we may be instruments of change in our world.
4. Pray for those whose surnames begin with letter "B- J".

### MISSIONS PRAYER FOCUS FOR MARCH, 2020

1. Praise God for our Pastors and Missionaries, pray that they will be up and doing in their calling. Pray for fresh anointing
2. Pray that God will teach us what to do / strategy to use to get better yield for our labours on the field.
3. There is so much confusion in our nation. Pray that Christians will not lose focus on God. We shall be light in the midst of darkness.
4. Pray that God who delivered the Israelites in the past will repeat it again. In every way God will be merciful unto us.
5. Pray that Christians will hold high the banner of Jesus wherever they go.

### OPERATION WORLD

Ethiopia Capital: Addis Ababa

**Let's Pray:**

Let us pray against the fundamentalists infiltrating the country. Let us pray also that the Church will rise from their slumber to spread the grace of Christ across the land.

### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

Attempt great things for God;

Expect great things from God

— William Carey