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THE ACCEPTABLE YEAR OF THE LORD

LUKE 4:19; ISAIAH 49:8



HOLD FAST TO WHAT YOU HAVE

Every nation or kingdom has laws by which it is governed. If you must do well in that nation or kingdom, it is necessary to acquaint yourself with its laws and live within its regulations.

So also is the kingdom of God. There are laws that govern this kingdom. Don't also forget that when you got born again, you were born into the kingdom of God. (John 3:3,5).

One of the laws of the kingdom of God is that to those who have, more shall be given to them. And to those who do not have, even the little they have will be taken from them. The Lord Jesus repeated this law in Matthew 13:12 and in Matthew 25:29.

If we are to make the most of our lives in this kingdom, we must take heed to this law. Have you received anything from the LORD? Hold fast to it. Don't trivialize it. Be it an instruction, a revelation, a material blessing or a gift.

The more you have, the more the LORD will add to you. That is how we prosper in this kingdom!

Make sure to read through this edition of the newsletter. The back page is part two of Brother Joshua's testimony. It's an enthralling and grappling story.

This shall be a blessed week in Jesus' name!

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Senior Pastor

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LET'S GET TO
KNOW YOU
BETTER!

Don't do life alone....

God sets the lonely person in
families... (Psalm 68:6)

This is your family and spiritual
home. So don't remain isolated or
be lost in the crowd.

We want to know you better and
make you feel and be a valued
member of this church.

Welcome to HERMON
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people are empowered to fulfill
their God-ordained destinies and
to be a Godly influence wherever
they are.

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SUNDAY SERVICE

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EARLY RISERS' SERVICE - 7:30AM
FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE - 9:30AM

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MID-WEEK SERVICE (ONLINE ONLY)

Every WEDNESDAY - 6pm

SERMON SUMMARY: DIMENSIONS OF THANKSGIVING

After you have conceived the Word of God in your spirit man, the next thing you should do is to stay in Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is the way to nourish the seed of the Word of God.

Thanksgiving is God's command. Regardless of the situation, even the unpleasant ones, give thanks and do it sacrificial. It is the oxygen of the Kingdom of God. Thanksgiving pleases God. It is what adds taste to our prayers. (Philippians 4:6).

THREE DIMENSIONS OF THANKSGIVING:

1. Thanksgiving is the lifestyle of every child of God. (1 Thessalonians 5:18; 1 Corinthians 10:13, 2:9-10; Ephesians 5:20). It is a sin not to be thankful.
2. Thanking God for what He has done: Everything God does for you always has top-ups on the side – thanksgiving activates their release to you. Testifying to what God has done provokes Him to protect what He has done for you. (Luke 17:11-19; Psalm 106:12).
3. Thanking God for what He is about to do: You can't thank God for what you have not seen in your mind's eye. It is when you see (spiritually) what He is set to do then thanksgiving will come naturally. This is the highest expression of faith.

THANKFUL FOR THE BLOOD (February 2025 Holy Communion Service)

When the Lord Jesus instituted the sacrament of the Holy Communion, He started with it thanksgiving. It is the pattern for taking the Holy Communion. We should do likewise.

Thanksgiving activates the virtues and powers of the Holy Communion table and it is the only way for us to appropriate the benefits of the Holy Communion table.

IMPORTANT POINTERS ABOUT THE HOLY COMMUNION TABLE:

- The Communion table is God's banqueting table, everything you need is on it.
- Thanksgiving for everything God has done must precede partaking in the Holy Communion.
- You must approach the table with gratitude.

SEVEN THINGS THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST DID FOR US:

- It wiped away our sins. Sin stops God from hearing our prayers and intervening in our lives. Sin separates us from God and makes us His enemies. But the blood of Jesus does not atone/cover but it

cleanses us of every sin. However, this works only for those who take responsibility for their sins and repent instead of shifting blame or justifying themselves. (Isaiah 59:1-2, 43:25; Romans 6:23. Psalm 28:3, 13:1-4. 1 John 1:8-9).

- The blood of Jesus sprinkles our hearts from every evil conscience. The conscience is the moral compass of the soul. Once it defiled, guilt, condemnation and confusion engulf us. We lack boldness to approach God. And God can't deal with a person under condemnation. (Hebrews 10:19-22, 4:16; Isaiah 43:25; 1 Timothy 4:2; Romans 8:1).
- The blood of Jesus speaks only better things for us. (Hebrews 12:24. Genesis 4:9-11).
- It breaks the power of curses. Where the blessing of God is absent, curses are present. The blood took away curse (Galatians 3:13).
- The Lord Jesus took on all our sicknesses and diseases. (Matthew 8:17).
- It is the weapon with which we overcome the devil. (Revelation 12:9-11. James 4:7).
- It draws us close to God. (Ephesians 2:11-13).

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DAILY DEVOTIONAL

It is foolhardy to rush into a new venture or a new year without divine backing. It is like trying to cut down a tree with a dull axe. "If the axe is dull, and one does not sharpen its edge, then one must exert more strength; however, the advantage of wisdom is that it brings success" (Ecclesiastes 10:10).

If you don't want to exert or waste efforts, strength and resources this year, then you have to start the new year by seeking God first. Why do you have to seek Him, you may ask? It is so that you will know the right way to go. There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death. (Proverbs 16:25).

You will meet a dead-end if you continue to walk in your wisdom. Only God perfectly knows the future and the way you should go this year. But He won't show you or lead you if you don't ask Him. It is as simple as that. Wouldn't it be wise to ask God?

SHARPEN YOUR AXE

by
Hermon Devotional
PASTOR NNAEMEKA IKEMEFUNA
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Declaration: The Lord Jesus said that if we ask, then we will receive and if we seek, we will find. (Matthew 7:7-8). So go ahead ask God for direction and help for this year. (Isaiah 48:17). God will hear and answer you speedily and this year will be the best of years for you in Jesus name.

[Click this link for daily devotional \(Monday - Saturday\)](#)

BIBLE READING

DAILY BIBLE READING	
Sunday	GENESIS 22-24; ACTS 15-16
Monday	GENESIS 25-27; ACTS 17-18
Tuesday	GENESIS 28-30; ACTS 19-20
Wednesday	GENESIS 31-33; ACTS 21-22
Thursday	GENESIS 34-36; ACTS 23-24
Friday	GENESIS 37-39; ACTS 25-26
Saturday	GENESIS 40-42; ACTS 27-28

February

Celebrants

- Bro. Caleb Ofoegbu - 6th
- Bro. Chinedu Godspower - 7th
- Felix Tainu - 10th
- Munachimso Okoh - 15th
- Tehila Sanni-Osilowo - 28th

Happy
Birthday

ENCOUNTERS in HERMON

'And they overcame him by the blood of the
Lamb and the word of their testimony....'

(Revelation 12:11)

DELIVERED FROM SIX YEARS OF WITCHCRAFT OPPRESSION

My second testimony is on how God delivered me from six years oppression of witchcraft through our wonderful Pastor.

Year 2019 was my last year in school. (I won't mention the state for certain reasons). One of those nights, I was at a place where we students, usually gather to charge our phones every night. While there, as our phones charged, we would gist until about 10pm or thereabouts. On this particular night, we were gisting as usual. This time the discussion was about witches and witchcraft. Different people were sharing their experiences with witchcraft - how they encountered witchcraft at night when sleeping and they won't be able to shout or move.

I stupidly sat there listening to them as they shared their stories and as they made jokes about them. (On hindsight, I would have left that place immediately they started with those stories. I say this because I remember when the Senior Pastor shared a story of how a lady got a cancer-related condition just by watching a tv documentary on cancer. Though God later used him to heal her, the lesson here is that it is not every conversation we should engage in or expose ourselves to). I sat there and listened to strangers talk all sorts of things about witches. The only thing I remember I contributed to that discussion was that I said that I have never experienced such things neither did I even know that such things existed. We later dispersed to our various homes that night, and that was the beginning of woe for the next six years.

As I got home, I went to sleep as normal. But while sleeping, something woke me up. Then I noticed that someone was lying beside me on my bed. This startled me because it was impossible. I live alone. I turned to try to look at the face of the person lying beside me and what I saw next was a monstrous face - this face was so hideous and very scary. I don't think I have ever been that scared in my life before. The first thoughts that came to my mind was, "who is this person or thing? And what is it doing in my bed?" My instinct was to fight it. It was then I realized I couldn't move any part of my body. Realizing that, I decided to shout the blood of Jesus, but couldn't. I realized I couldn't speak out. I could hear myself talk but it won't come out. I was like a paralyzed person. So I started pleading the blood of Jesus in my heart. I could still see the thing lying there beside me... It was just looking at me with a side eye. I noticed a grin on its face.

(Just remembering and typing this alone is like relieving that experience. My hands are literally shaking right now). As I kept pleading the blood of Jesus in my head, I closed my eyes because that creature was too scary to look at. When I opened my eyes again, it was gone and I was able to re-gain control of my body. I immediately checked the time on my phone and it was 5am. I stood up and prayed to the best of the knowledge I had then.

That was my very first experience with witchcraft. I learnt a lesson from that experience: never gist with a stranger about something you know nothing of, especially spiritual things.

The following night, before sleeping, I prayed to the best of my knowledge then but with more intensity. However that night, as I woke up, a dark smoke in human form was covering me. I couldn't move my body and I also couldn't speak out. So I started pleading the blood of Jesus in my heart. It later left.

This was how I started having sleepless nights. I went for almost a week without sleeping in the night. I had to resort to taking Procold, a drug that treats cold and catarrh so that I can sleep. This drug makes people dizzy but it had no effect on me. I still couldn't sleep. I had to travel back to my family to stay before I was able to sleep. I stayed for three days. I didn't tell anyone at home what was going on. My late dad was alive then and he was a man of God but I couldn't bring myself to tell him. I felt it was something I could handle and I was also a very private person.

I returned to school after three days. But since then, my life was never the same. That second experience I had that second night of a dark smoke appearing in human form will visit me in the night, two or three times a week. No matter how hard I prayed or even fasted, it happened. If I move to a new place, it will not occur for a month or so, but it always returned to attack me in the night and also sometimes during the day.

Last year 2024 made it six years I suffered this oppression. And all through it, I have never told a soul what I was going through. I mean it's not even something you can tell anyone without them looking at you as a weird person and maybe start avoiding you. I just kept believing that one day God would deliver me.

I think it was during the Cross Over service of 2023 that Pastor told us to write down what we desire for God to do for us in the new year 2024. One of my prayer requests was deliverance from witchcraft. In the month of March 2024, I was a bit tired at work and decided to lay my head a bit. While sleeping I was attacked again. This time I woke up very angry. I was tired.

I remember I used to sit up at nights after the attacks and be hissing and begging God to please deliver me. Whenever I was attacked, I would wake up feeling that something valuable in me had been stolen from me. I was disgusted and frustrated. I couldn't explain why all these things were happening to me. I had reached my breaking point. As I prayed that afternoon, it came to my mind that there was prayer into the new month that night. I decided that I must get my deliverance that night. I went into that prayer with only one purpose that night and it was for my deliverance because God knows I was tired.

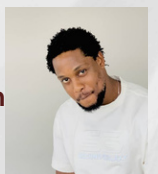
While we were praying, I noticed Pastor gave us witchcraft related prayer points. I said, "yes, this is for me." I so prayed with my whole heart that the sweat that came out of my body made the ground look like someone poured water on the ground. I was that determined. After the prayers, Pastor gave a word of knowledge - "there is someone here tonight, I don't know who it is, but I'm seeing where each month witches and wizards renew something on your head; that they have been doing it from time to time and they are about the renew a new one." That was when I shouted, "God, this is for me!" Pastor just said exactly my situation. I mean exactly what was happening to me because that's how it felt like. I will pray, it stops for while and then all of a sudden it starts again. That's the renewal Pastor was talking about.

Pastor continued, "if you're that person you need to pray against it that even he himself doesn't fully understand what he's seeing, but he knows it is a serious issue; that we need to pray against it." I lifted up my voice and I prayed. I prayed till I became weary. Since there was no more strength to shout, I started whispering the prayer until Pastor brought the prayers to an end and prayed for the person which I believe was me. (If anyone is in doubt, go and check our mid-night prayer for March 2024 on YouTube. You'll see that Pastor said everything I have narrated here).

Since that night God has delivered me from the oppression of witchcraft, as a matter of fact even that night I felt relief in my body. And since then, I have been free. I sleep now like a baby and wake up like a giant. As I am writing this testimony on this 1st of February 2025, it has been 11 months since that glorious night of my mighty deliverance.

I just want to give all the glory to God for what He did for a nobody like me. God has done so much for me in my life, but none of them has given me so much joy like this particular deliverance. Glory be to God

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