



FROM OUR PASTORS

Over the first months of this year if there is one thing that God has been teaching the fellowship is that we are to be faithful and obedient servants. That we should have the same attitude as Jesus who through His life and death reveals to us how to relate to God and to one another, and then with the death of Prince Philip we also got a vivid example of what it means to serve out of love, humility, and to put others first. Yes those who follow Jesus are called the friends of God, but out of love we serve Him and one another.

So as this lockdown hopefully comes to an end and we can get back to worship, fellowship and sharing the gospel, let us serve one another because the love of God flows through our lives by the Holy Spirit.



**Here I Am, Wholly Available
As For Me, I Will Serve The Lord**

**The Fields Are White
Unto Harvest
But Oh, The Labourers Are So Few
So Lord, I Give Myself
To Help The Reaping
To Gather Precious Souls Unto You**



**The Time Is Right In The Nation
For Works Of Power And Authority
God's Looking For A People Who Are Willing
To Be Counted In His Glorious Victory**

**Here I Am, Wholly Available
As For Me, I Will Serve The Lord**



**As Salt Are We Ready To Savour?
In Darkness Are We Ready To Be Light?
God's Seeking Out A Very Special People
To Manifest His Truth And His Might**

**Here I Am, Wholly Available
As For Me, I Will Serve The Lord**



From our WhatsApp Group

Christ has risen! The stone rolled away, his tomb lies empty. All conquering, his, is the victory. We who believe share in his victory, for he has called us, he has chosen us to share the 'good news' of the gospel. His word of truth is in our hearts and on our lips. We serve a risen saviour, he lives in you and me. "All heaven declares the glory of the risen Lord". Supplied by Mack

Father I thank you for your love and faithfulness, and for the love and faithfulness of your people.

Help us to be ever watchful for those who are struggling, that we might be the support and encouragement that they need in times of sickness, or discouragement.

Thank you for being there for us all when we cry out to you Father.

In Jesus name. Supplied by Estella





WhatsApp continued

I read last night of John Wimber's words, "I never met a Christian until I was 25 - or at least, if I did, he was almost certainly undercover." We have ask ourselves if those around us and who we meet know we are Christians. We must come out of hiding to make Jesus known. Supplied by Eddie

I read a testimony from Jeff Lucas last evening where he told how he had 'Bible-bashed his father for 17 years with to no effect. His father eventually became a Christian and said that it was the love he saw in Christians and received from Christians that was the turning point.

May our love for each other be evident and our love for all be real remembering that when we show kindness to others we are showing kindness to the Lord. Supplied by Eddie.

We sing because the Lord is our light and our salvation.

We can be strong and bold because the Lord our God is with us.

The grave could not hold Jesus, and so He is alive, and will be with us always, Emmanuel.

We can celebrate the Holy one.

For our God reigns, and He's seated on the throne.

And so - we can lift our voice and sing these songs to the praise of our awesome God and King.

Supplied by Estella

Love One Another

Our Words, Thoughts and Actions

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

John 13:34-35 NIV



WhatsApp Continued

I wonder how we would manage in the task of evangelism if we didn't have the New Testament. Let me quote again from Adolf Saphir, "Where have you got your Christianity from? Who has converted you into worshippers of God and Christ? Have you not derived everything from the Apostles?

Are you not built upon the foundation of the Apostles? And how did the Apostles preach? 'That Christ died according to the Scriptures.' Not a single syllable of the New Testament was written then. And they preached that Christ rose again, 'According to the Scriptures.' And when people came to believe in Jesus, how did the Apostles teach them? They taught them from Daniel about the man of sun, the Antichrist that was to come. They referred them to the whole of prophecy saying that by the consolation which the Scriptures give us, and by patiently waiting for the fulfilment of the Scripture, we should have the hope of Christ's second advent." And so Saphir goes on demonstrating that the Apostles evangelised and taught the people, Jews and Gentiles alike from the Old Testament. And, as they did so, they were being and writing the New Testament. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God" Supplied by Eddie



All scripture is given
by inspiration of God,
and is profitable for doctrine,
for reproof, for correction,
for instruction in
righteousness: That the
man of God may be perfect,
thoroughly furnished
unto all good works.
2 Timothy 3:16-17



WhattaApp Continued

Devotion - great love and loyalty. "But because of his great love for us, God who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions - it is by grace you have been saved".

God is devoted to those he loves, to the reconciliation of all people to himself, through the sacrifice of his son, Jesus Christ, who died once for all.

How devoted to him, is 'his church' today? We have been called upon to devote our hearts and souls to seeking the lord our God. If we do so, we can come before him unashamed and we will stand firm through all the trials, tests and storms of life, without fear.

Devoting our lives and time to God, in service to Christ, can be difficult at times. We can get immersed in the cares, worries and stresses of life. In caring for our families and loved ones.

All these can distract us from spending time with our lord and with one another. "Be joyful always, pray continuously: give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus"

Let us continue to persevere in our devotion to him, to one another and to prayer, being rooted and built up in him, strengthened in our faith, giving thanks for all that he has done, is doing and will do in the future. "For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing". Supplied by Mack



CHURCH? PART 1

Have you ever thought what does church mean, because we hear and say “lets go to church” and we get the idea that the church is a building, over the next few months let us consider what the word church means and with that understanding how that will make a difference in our lives. Before we get into the meaning of the word church, building is involved,

Matthew 16:18 (NKJV)

18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

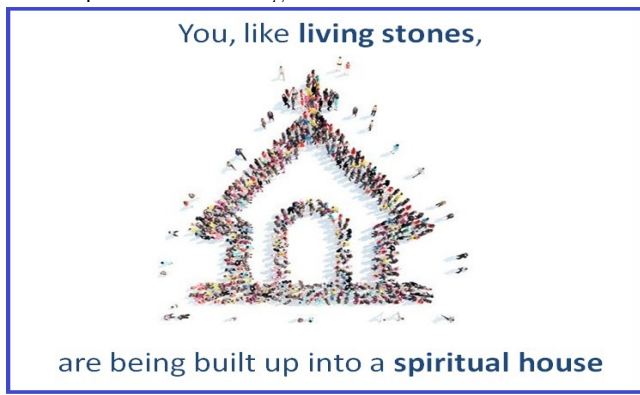
Ephesians 2:22 (NKJV)

22 in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Just from these two verses we can see that those who are believers in Jesus as individuals; the church that Jesus is building a group of people coming together, being built for the dwelling place of God.

1 Peter 2:4-5 (NKJV)

4 Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious,
5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.





Church continued.

I hope you get this picture of those called out of darkness into His light are being built together, this building is not dead, it's living because Jesus is alive.

Jesus is the builder, He is also the Architect, He is in control of the project, the building of His church.

Those of us who are living stones and work under Him will follow His plan and take orders from Him, as we have been thinking this month we are His servants.

Let us be without doubt this building will be a success and lasts, no storm will destroy the church because it is built upon the Rock and Jesus said I will build my church and nothing can or will destroy it.

As His workers we need to always be in contact with Him, and study the blueprint His word, because:

Psalm 127:1 (NKJV)

Unless the Lord builds the house, They labor in vain who build it..

Next month we will look more closer what the word church means, who are the living stones?

**UPON THIS ROCK
I WILL BUILD
MY CHURCH**

AND THE GATES OF HADES WILL NOT OVERPOWER IT

Matthew 16:18



Confession for overcomers

A PROCLAMATION ABOUT DEDICATION TO CHRIST

My body is a temple for the Holy Spirit, ¹
redeemed, ² cleansed, ³ and sanctified by
the blood of Jesus. ⁴

My members, the parts of my body, are
instruments of righteousness, ⁵ yielded to
God for His service and for His glory.

**The devil has no place in me, no power
over me, no unsettled claims against me.**

All has been settled by the blood of Jesus. ⁶

I overcome Satan by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of my testimony, and I love
not my life unto the death. ⁷

My body is for the Lord and the Lord is for
my body. ⁸ **Amen.**

BIBLE REFERENCES: ¹ 1 Corinthians 6:19 ² Ephesians 1:7

³ 1 John 1:7 ⁴ Hebrews 13:12 ⁵ Romans 6:13

⁶ Romans 3:23-25, 8:33-34 ⁷ Revelation 12:11

⁸ 1 Corinthians 6:13



Weekly services.

Sunday - Service at 11.00am now on WhatsApp

Tuesday - House group 7.30pm on WhatsApp

Wednesday - Praise and Prayer meeting now on WhatsApp

For your Diary

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