

Sermon Summary for 25th March, 2018

“LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME”

Exodus 2: 1-10; Luke 18: 15-17; John 12: 12-19 (Mr. Theo Aryee)

Parents were bringing their babies to Jesus so he would touch and bless them; His disciples were rebuking these parents. Perhaps the disciples considered the children burdensome and of no economic value. In a worldview where righteousness was gained through a pile of human effort and morality, perhaps they did not see how a child could be of relevance to Jesus. The Lord's masterful response to them is so insightful: 'let the little children come to me' He said. Jesus used the children as an object lesson to teach that His Kingdom belongs to people who are like children in their faith. Specifically, he mentioned that those who don't receive the Kingdom of God like children, cannot enter the Kingdom of God.

Jesus was teaching that children are valuable and He loves them, and we should respond to the message of the gospel with humble child-like trust in Him. Picture the little boy who places his out-stretched hand into mummy's. He strives to keep pace as mummy lovingly walks him to school, enjoying the mummy-son chat along the way, believing her promise of a ball and lollipop. In many respects, the life of a child is an image of how we should respond to God – humble disposition and utter trust.

Teach: Every loving parent must be concerned about the eternal destination of the child. How can the children believe unless they hear? And how can they hear unless you teach them? Our homes should be places where the Bible is intentionally opened, and taught to children. Primary responsibility for this role lies with the home, and should not be outsourced to the church. Although both parents have a role to play, fathers are specifically mentioned to bring the children up in the training and instruction of the Lord'. (Eph. 6:4). Bed time stories are ever great. Regular family devotions are helpful, and they should be brief, regular and flexible in terms of locations, content and general approach.

Model: The effective teaching of a child must be affirmed with a modelling of the gospel, through lifestyles that reflect what the bible teaches. A constant display of unfeigned love and respect between mum and dad is a particularly helpful means of affirming the gospel to children. Parents should do well to enforce healthy interactions at home.

Pray: Trust the Lord for the salvation of your child. When they are young and yet to reach what some call the age of accountability, they are more open at heart to your teaching and influence. One of the key points is that you really don't know the child you are holding and what he or she will turn out to be. You can only do the hard work, and trust the Lord for the future.

Traditions: There are common notions about children one needs to consider prayerfully and thoughtfully in the light of scripture. These include, 'children must be seen and not heard', leaving left over food and time to children', and the like. Dear parent, may you be ever reminded that the child belongs to the Lord, and you are privileged to partner with the Lord as a caretaker to raise him/her. The child is a human being, with full and complete rights. When it comes to children, let every position and action of ours take sides with Christ: 'let the little children come to me'.

BIBLE STUDY LEADERS' & ASSISTANTS' MEETING

All Bible Study Leaders and Assistants are reminded of their meeting with the Coordinators at 6.30pm on **TUESDAY**, 10th April and **THURSDAY**, 12th April.

Please prepare **Lesson 4** (The Book of Judges) **BEFORE** the meeting.

This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Thank the Lord for all the prayers He has graciously answered. Indeed, He is a prayer answering God (Psalm 118:21; 1 John 5:14-15)

✠ Pray for every heart that constantly embraces the Word of God; that regardless of our experience and knowledge, we will seek to grow deeper in our walk with the Lord. Pray also that we will find our sufficiency in Christ (Mark 10:15; Hebrews 13:5-6; Ephesians 1:3)

✠ Pray for the physical, emotional, and psychological healing of all who have suffered from various forms of abuses. Pray that the Lord, who is our Healer, will heal them from within and grant them joy unspeakable. (Acts 10:38; Malachi 4:2; Galatians 5:22-23)

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

Apr 01: Mr. Emmanuel Akrofi Ocansey
Apr 01: Ms. Korewa Ahwoi
Apr 01: Ms. Dionne Reindorf-Partey
Apr 02: Mr. Sefakor Kwame Adzanku
Apr 02: Mr. Charles Kumi-Amoah
Apr 02: Miss Gracelle Asante
Apr 02: Mr. Obed Owusu Asare
Apr 02: Dr. Jemima Owusua Yeboah
Apr 03: Mr. Kwamina Baffoe Awotwi
Apr 03: Mrs. Akofa Anyidoho Abanam
Apr 03: Mr. Alfred Amoah
Apr 04: Maame Ama Yeboah
Apr 04: Ms. Rosalind Eugenia Ocran
Apr 04: Ms. Dzifa Kwadzo
Apr 05: Mr. Emmanuel Oteng-Debrah
Apr 05: Mr. John Pray
Apr 05: Mr. Nelson Mawuli Zotoo
Apr 06: Ms. Cecilia Adjei
Apr 06: Mrs. Patience M. Amattoe
Apr 06: Mr. Nii Kpakpo Ankrach
Apr 06: Ms. Fariida Bedwei
Apr 07: Dr. Samuel Ofori Onwuona

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Apr 03: Mr. and Dr. (Mrs.) Sackey
Apr 03: Gayus & Christine Dakwa
Apr 04: Yaw & Deborah Kyei
Apr 06: Peter and Deborah Nuro-Ameyaw
Apr 06: Solomon and Olipa Nyirenda
Apr 06: Steve and Erica Dadzie

WELCOME



TO

LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, 1ST APRIL, 2018



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LIC: SAVED TO SERVE!

The Council of Elders and Pastors heartily welcome you to God's House this Sunday morning: Akwaaba!

YEAR'S THEME: "THE MISSION OF JESUS - A CALL TO PARTNERSHIP"

SUNDAY, 1ST APRIL, 2018 — SERVICE STARTS @ 9: 15AM (EASTER SUNDAY)

Officiant: Dr. Mrs. Shola Safo-Duodu
 Sermon Topic: "Death Could Not Hold its Prey"
 Preacher: Dr. Yaw Perbi
 Lectors: Mr. Fred Buame and Ms. Stella Nyarko
 Notices: Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful
 Scripture Passages: **Luke 24: 1 - 12 and 1 Cor. 15: 3 - 22**
 Opening Hymn: "Christ the Lord is risen today"
 Song Ministration: Dr. Teddy Totimeh
 Song Ministration: LIC Choir
 Closing Hymn: "Low in the grave He lay"

Jesus is alive!
ALLELUIA!

REFLECTION: The stone has been rolled away...forever!

Death has been conquered. It is no longer the end; it is the beginning of eternity. The dead in The Lord will rise again. Christ did and we too will. Christ lives forever, and we too will live forever with Him. This is why we have been born again – to live again; to live forever. His tomb still stands empty and so will our tombs. It is sure, Christ is risen. It is sure, we will also rise.
—JNA (April - 2018)

STUDENTS' SERVICE @ 6:30AM

SUNDAY, 1ST APRIL, 2018
No Student's Service

Students' Service resumes on 8th April

NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL, 2018 (COMMUNION SERVICE)

Sermon Topic: "Blindness in Degrees" Preacher: Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah
 Scripture Passages: Isaiah 6: 8-10 and Mark 8: 11-26 Time: 6:30am

NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL, 2018

Officiant: Mr. Romeo Bugyei
 Sermon Topic: "Jesus Welcomes Little Children"
 Preacher: Dr. Mrs. Araba Sefa-Dedeh
 Lectors: Mrs. Dinah Agbeko and Ms. Victoria Dodoo
 Scripture Readings: **Psalms 127: 3 – 5 and Mark 10:13-16**
 Notices: Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful



Activity for 1st April, 2018
NO MEETING TODAY

Visitors' Reception for APRIL, 2018

Mrs. Amanda Derban & Ms. Aileen Asafu-Adjaye

NO EASTER MONDAY PICNIC ON 2ND APRIL

A new date will be communicated later

OUTREACH TO OTHER CHURCHES:

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL, 2018

Mr. Victor Tweneboah and Mrs. Isabella Agra will preach at Korleman Methodist Society and Narhman Emmaus Presbyterian Church respectively. Both will preach on the Topic: "Meet the risen Christ". Scripture Reference: Acts 4: 32-35; 1 John 1:1-14; John 20:19-31. Let us bear them up in prayer.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We publish for the SECOND TIME, the bans between Mr. Joshua Andrews Asante Okyere Mensah of LIC and Ms. Stephanie Afriyie Yeboah of Victory Bible Church International, Destiny Sanctuary, Kasoa. Please inform the Pastors or Presiding Elder if you know of any just and valid reason why these two may not be lawfully joined together in marriage. Kindly keep them in prayer.

SUNDAY, 1ST APRIL, 2018

Mr. Charles MacCarthy (0244-353522)
 Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo (020-8161624)

Mr. Theo Aryee (0204-315133)
 Mr. Samuel Owusu Yeboah (0504441114)

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NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL, 2018

PRAYING WITH ONE ANOTHER

The Prayer Ministry requests the under-listed persons to kindly provide the Ministry with their active/current contact numbers and professions as they pray for them this week. The Ministry's week begins on Monday and runs until Saturday.

Mr. Tetteh Suomi MacCarthy Elorm kaitlyn Amattoe Nana Jeremy Amattoe Mrs. Patience Mantebe Amattoe Ms. Sarah Tefe	Mr. Ofotsu MacCarthy Ms. Adutwumwaa Kerzia Adu Ms. Twumwaa Keren Adu Mr. Sylvester Amoah Mr. Derrick Okpoti Charway	Ms. Kathleen Zenabu Sakara Mr. Felix Aboagye Mrs. Cecilia Ackah Ms. Ama Serwaa Arko
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Kindly contact the following people with any two specific prayer requests, latest by 12 noon on Wednesday: Mr. Kofi Yeboah - 0244875493 and Mrs. Ruth Opoku - 0509547267. Also, **please update your records with the Church Office.**



MID-WEEK SERVICES SCHEDULE AND OTHER PROGRAMMES

YEAR THEME: "THE MISSION OF JESUS — A CALL TO PARTNERSHIP"
 Coordinator - Mr. Stanley Asante-Berko (0243061884)

DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Wed. 4-Apr	6:30pm-8:00pm	Mr. Tsatsu Adogla-Bessa Jnr.	Prayer & Teaching Service	"The Believer's Mission: The essence of the Charismatic Gifts (The Holy Spirit)" - 1 Cor. 12: 7-11	Mr. Edem Senanu
Fri. 13-Apr	10:00pm-4:00am	Mr. Kofi Yeboah	All-Night Prayer Meeting	SHOW US THY GLORY (Exodus 33: 12 - 23)	Dr. Yaw Perbi
Wed. 18-Apr	6:30pm-8:30pm	Mr. Terry Jumah	BETHESDA MOMENT (John 5:1-9)	To be led by Mr. Kofi Yeboah. Music by the LIC Choir.	
Sat. 21-Apr	9:00am-12:30pm	CHURCH RETREAT			
SUN. 22-Apr	9:15am	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING			

◇ **PRAYER MEETINGS:**

Sunday Morning: Prayer for Sunday Activities @ 7:30 am - 7:50 am; Sunday Evening: In the Conference Room @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm; Monday: In the Vestry @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm; Wednesday: Prayer & Teaching Service @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Sanctuary, except for 'Bethesda Moment' which will be from 6.30 – 8.30 pm; Saturday: Prayer for Missions @ 7:00 - 8:30am on the Right Verandah of the Sanctuary; All Night Prayer Meeting: 1st Friday of the Month @ 10 pm - 4:00 am in the Sanctuary.

◇ **BIBLE STUDIES:** Sunday: 8:00 - 9:00am; Monday: 6:45 - 8:00pm