

Sermon Summary for 29th April, 2018

"MAY THE NATIONS PRAISE YOU"

Psalm 67: 1 - 7; Revelation 7: 9 - 12 (Mr. Phil Bauman)

To be known v2 God created humans to fellowship with them - to know them and to be known by them. Sin has broken that.

To be Praised v3&5 God's desire and purpose is that all people praise him. Thanksgiving often focuses on the gift, praise focuses on the giver!

To be Enjoyed v 4 God wants his people to enjoy Him. To be delighted in! Do we consciously, intentionally, enjoy God?

To be feared v 7 God is to be feared. We are completely unworthy to be known or loved by him. Yet he knows us and loves us. He is to be feared and revered.

Why this great purpose? So that we know, praise, enjoy and fear God as a God of

- **Grace v 1 & 2.** God will be gracious to us and what better way does he show that, than in redeeming us. God's salvation is the ultimate expression of grace.

- **Justice v 4** We live in a fallen world where judgement is often unjust, unfair and inequitable. As people learn that God is a God of true justice that is worth celebrating.

- **Power v 4** History and the present show us rulers that think that they are in complete control and the results can be truly terrifying. To know that our God guides nations, is a very reassuring thought.

The Purpose of our Blessing V 1&2 and v 6&7

God loves you and he wants to bless you! But Why? This is not about you and me! God chooses to bless his people – from whatever nation, language or people we are from, SO THAT all other peoples who don't yet know, praise, enjoy and fear him will do so!

We serve a God who loves us immensely. He loves us and has chosen us to be his witness to the nations! God blesses so that we can do that. God is most likely to bless us when we are planning and intent on making him known to the nations.

If we want to pray for blessings, what are we planning to do if God should so choose to bless us? Let's make sure our priorities are God's priorities! Let's seek what God desires not what we desire.

God's intention is clear. His purpose is that all people, everywhere, should know him, praise him, enjoy him and fear him and he commissions us to show him to the nations. The river of God's purpose and blessing is flowing toward the nations. When we are intentional about showing people that do not know God, who God is, we are not earning the blessing of God; rather as John Piper puts it, we are leaping into the river of blessings that is already flowing to the nations.

God does not bless us with material things or bring the nations and various ethnicities into this building to make a great name for us. We are not the terminal or the endpoint recipients of God's blessings.

Whether Ghanaian or International, God has blessed you or is blessing you, not for the blessing to come to you, but to allow you to be a channel of God's blessing to the nations.

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us so that His ways may be known on earth and His salvation among all nations.

QUESTIONS FOR INTERACTIVE SUNDAY

Members who have questions concerning the Book of Judges or any other Sermon topic are encouraged to send them via e-mail to the Church Office (licadmin@licfamily.org.gh) latest by **Sunday, 20th May**. This is in preparation towards our Interactive Service on Sunday, 10th June, 2018.

This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Pray that as disciples of Christ, we would walk in love, even in the face of trials and temptations (1 Corinthians 12:13; 13:13; Romans 5:5)

✠ Pray for Christian homes; that the Holy Spirit will teach children to obey and honor their parents, for fathers not to make their children bitter about life, but rather bring them up in Christian discipline and instruction. Ask that Christian homes will be preserved from the attacks of the evil one (Ephesians 6:1-4)

✠ Pray for the president of Ghana and all in positions of authority in the country; ask for wisdom for them to build a prosperous and peaceful nation and also to formulate policies that will improve the lot of all Ghanaians (1 Timothy 2:1-3)

CONGRATULATIONS!!! BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

6 May: Mr. Elorm Nyahe
6 May: Mr. Edward Nii Mensah Tetteh
6 May: Mr. Kwabena Agyeman
6 May: Mrs. Jackie Larbi-Akor
6 May: Ms. Esi Osam
6 May: Ms. Pearlyn Ewool Budu
6 May: Mr. Alistair Nii Tetteh Josiah
7 May: Miss Folashadé Dada
8 May: Mr. Stephen Adu-Amoani
8 May: Mr. Isaac Agyeman
8 May: Dr. (Mrs.) Joycelyn Dame
8 May: Kweku Adom Ocran
8 May: Rev. (Dr.) Emmanuel Olu-sawyer
8 May: Mrs. Josephine Van-Ess
9 May: Mr. Prince Afrim
9 May: Mrs Emma Anamuah-Mensah
9 May: Mr. Kwabena Effah Osei
9 May: Mrs. Jacqueline Owusu-Biney
10 May: Mr. Ebenezer A. Tetteh-Baah
10 May: Mr. Kwabena Boateng
10 May: Mr. Rexford Yaw Dorgbadzi
10 May: Dr. Mrs. Akua Ofori-Asumadu
11 May: Mr. Joseph Mawuse Adigbo
11 May: Mr. Albert Edmond
11 May: Mr. Benjamin Yaw Manu
11 May: Dr. Francis K. Peterson
12 May: Mr. John Agbeti
12 May: Mr. Samuel O. Asare
12 May: Mr. Samuel Asare-Konadu
12 May: Mr. Gbassay Kargbo
12 May: Mr. Eric Kutoati

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

9 May: Clarence and Sarah Ago
11 May: Frank and Clarinda Osei
11 May: Enock and Beatrice Dankyi
11 May: Mr. and Mrs. Enchill
12 May: Bethel and Henrietta Kwansa-Bentum

WELCOME



TO

LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, 6TH MAY, 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, 6TH MAY, 2018 — SERVICE STARTS @ 9: 15AM

Officiant: Mrs. Lillian Phillips-Kumaga
 Sermon Topic: **"Jesus Re-States His Mission"**
 Preacher: **Rev. Austin Okomohwo**
 Lectors: Mr. Fred Buame and Ms. Naa Kaaley Addo
 Notices: Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful

Baby Dedication



Scripture Passages: **Isaiah 52: 13 - 15; 53: 7 - 12; Mark 10: 41 - 45**

Opening Hymn: "O heavenly King, look down from above"

Closing Hymn: "O for a heart to praise my God"

REFLECTION: His mission should be our mission...

It was Christ who pioneered servant leadership; that authority is based on service not power; that getting ahead means staying behind; that leading actually means following; that it is not how loud your applause was but how loudly you applauded others; that a lasting legacy is not what you built but the people you built up. His mission was to minister to the needs of people and he woke up every morning deliberately looking for needs to meet, neglecting His own needs. If only we also set out daily looking for each other's needs to meet, then we will all have our needs met.
 —JNA (May - 2018)

STUDENTS' SERVICE @ 6:30AM

SUNDAY, 6TH MAY, 2018 (COMMUNION SERVICE)

Topic: "Jesus Heals a Deaf-Mute Boy" Preacher: Mr. Theo Aryee
 Scripture Passages: Exodus 4: 10 - 12; Mark 9: 14 - 29 Time: 6:30am

NEXT SUNDAY, 13TH MAY, 2018

Topic: "Jesus foretells His death and resurrection" Preacher: Mr. Ibrahim Baidoo
 Scripture Passages: Isaiah 53: 3 - 7, 10 - 11; Mark 9: 30 - 32; 10: 32 - 34 Time: 6:30am

NEXT SUNDAY, 13TH MAY, 2018 @ 9: 15AM



Officiant: Prof Esther Sakyi-Dawson
 Sermon Topic: **"The God of Comfort"**
 Preacher: **Mr. Theo Aryee**
 Lectors: Nana Yaw Ofori-Asumadu and Ms. Asibi Ofori
 Scripture Readings: **Isaiah 66: 12 - 14 and 2 Corinthians 1: 3 - 4**
 Notices: Mr. Nuku Kumaga



Activity for 6th May, 2018

PRAYERTHON & TEACHING

Leaders:
 William Delong; Philip A. Mensah; Justice Abuosi
 Time is **4:00pm @ LIC**

OUTREACH TO OTHER CHURCHES:

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, 13TH MAY, 2018

Mr. Joseph Akwei Allotey and Prof Akosua Anyidoho will preach at Korleman Methodist Society and Narhman Emmaus Presbyterian Church respectively. Both will preach on the Topic: "That all may be one".
 Scripture Reference: Acts 1: 12-14; 1 John 5: 9-13; John 17: 6-19. Let us bear them up in prayer.

Visitors' Reception for MAY, 2018

Dr. E. Sinayobye; Dr. Mrs. Awo Asiedu; Ms. Cecilia Adjei

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We publish for the **SECOND TIME**, the banns between Mr. William Kofi Osew and Ms. Vera Hackman both of LIC. Please inform the Pastors or Presiding Elder if you know of any just and valid reason why these persons may not be lawfully joined together in marriage. Kindly keep them in prayer.

LIC EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

Applications for the 2018/2019 academic year may be submitted from now till Sunday, 15th July. Applicants should be registered members of LIC with a minimum of 2 years of membership. The Fund supports vocational, technical and tertiary levels up to First Degree ONLY.

SUNDAY, 6TH MAY, 2018

Mr. Charles MacCarthy (0244-353522)
 Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo (020-8161624)
 Mr. Theo Aryee (0204-315133)
 Mr. Samuel Owusu Yeboah (0504441114)

ELDERS ON DUTY

Reception

Dr. Mrs. Eureka Ahadjie Adomako (0244-281821)
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Dr. Awo Mana Asiedu (0244-575177)
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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.

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| Mr. Joseph Obeng-Sem | Ms. Abena Adomah Kissi-Twum | Ms. Josephine Acheampong |
| Master Aaron Akwei Allotey | Ms. Vera Hackman | Ms. Hannah Akoto |
| Mr. Richard Nana Boakoh | Mr. John Henry Myers | Mr. Rich Kofi Kofituo |
| Mr. Murphy Ohene-Owusu | Mrs. Christiana Worwui | Mr. Gideon Kodo |
| Master Henry Andrew Kpakpo Allotey | Ms. Akua Danquah Obeng-Dwamena | Mr. David Ezekiel Antwi |

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 - Ms. Patience Ampomah (026 714 0558)

DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Wed. 9-May	6:30pm-8:00pm	Mr. William Berko Asamoah	Prayer & Teaching Service	"The Believer's Mission: The Essence of the Ministry Gifts (The Lord Jesus Christ) (Ephesians 4: 7-14)	Mr. Kofi Osew
Wed. 16-May	6:30pm-8:30pm	Mr. Vincent Dogbey	BETHESDA MOMENT (John 5:1-9)	To be led by Mr. Eugene Birikorang. Music by the LIC Choir.	
Wed. 23-May	6:30pm-8:00pm	CHRISTIAN LIFE SEMINAR			
Fri. 1-June	10:00pm-4:00am	Mr. Terry Jumah	All-Night Prayer Meeting	WHO ART THOU O GREAT MOUNTAIN? (Zechariah 4:1-7)	Pastor Selassie Mawuenyega

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