

Sermon Summary for 24th June, 2018

“GOD'S PLAN; CHRIST'S MISSION; MAN'S RESPONSIBILITY”

John 8: 46 - 58; Acts 10: 34 - 48

(Rev. J. F. K. Mensah)

Is Jesus God the Son?

It is important for Christians to be convinced that Jesus is God, although it often offends people of other religions. However, it is evident that He was the greatest leader and personality that ever lived. After merely 31 or 32 years of being known, 33% of the world over 2000 years after His death bow to His name. He was born in a manger and died on a cross, resisted by the Jewish and Roman authorities, but He transformed fishermen into world changers. For His legacy to have survived this long, is proof enough that He is greater than a normal human being. Furthermore, He himself claimed to be God, the people who followed Him believed this as truth, and the Jews understood Him to be saying this (Jn. 8:51; 5:17, 18; 10:30; 6:35; 8:12; 11:25, 26; 14:6; 10:8, 9; 15:5; 5:22, 23; 1:1-3; 20:28; Matt. 24:35; 11:27). These claims make it impossible for anyone to be on the fence about Him: you either completely disregard Him or completely bow to Him. You cannot listen to Him and be neutral. All mankind is to honor the Son just as they honor the Father (Jn. 5:22, 23; 14:7-9). Who you think Jesus is affects everything else in your life (Matt. 22:42).

Was He sent by the Father? Why?

What merits the presence of God on earth? What was the mission of Jesus? The Bible says that God sent Him (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 5:8) because His blood was needed for forgiveness of our sin (Heb. 9:22). Sin cannot be cleansed by water or sand, and the problem is deeper than we think (Jn. 8:31, 32; Jer. 17:9; 2 Cor. 4:4; 1 Jn. 5:19; Eph. 2:1-3). You cannot save yourself from sin, you cannot stop sinning even if you wanted to; sin cannot be wished away by positive confessions or imagination. God could have sent an angel to rescue us, or to announce our forgiveness from heaven, but sin cannot be so easily dealt with. The person against whom you sin determines the severity of the penalty, and mankind has sinned against the God of the whole universe. The punishment for our sin is death (Ezek. 18:4; Rom. 3:23; 6:23). There is no excuse for even those who have never heard of Christ (Rom. 1:20). This is why Heaven had to pay the ultimate price for the forgiveness of our sin. It was God's final call.

What is man's responsibility?

Our minds and hearts have been deadened to eternity, so our priorities are all wrong. We don't contribute to eternity in the time that we have. We worry about dying here and now, but death on earth is entertainment. Eternity in hell or heaven is what we should fear (Lk. 12:4, 5). It is important to remember that God respects our freewill. He has done so right from the Garden of Eden, to the salvation of our souls in the last book of the Bible (Rev. 3:20). I challenge your free will today to acknowledge Christ's position and identity. Make the decision to entrust your life to Him. God bless you.

OUTREACH TO OTHER CHURCHES:

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, 8TH JULY, 2018

Mr. K.K. Ohene-Adu and Mrs. Efua Ohene-Adu will preach at **Korleman Methodist Society** and **Narhman Emmaus Presbyterian Church** respectively. Both will preach on the Topic: "Authority over unclean spirits". **Scripture Reference: Ezek. 2: 1-5; 2 Cor. 12: 2-10; Mark 6: 7-13.** Let us bear them up in prayer.

This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Thank the Lord for His faithfulness to LIC; for His leading and guidance these 40 years. Thank Him also for the direction in which He is taking us for the next 40 years (Ps 106:1; Ps 136:3)

✠ Ask for God's forgiveness for LIC: for the many times we leaned on our own understanding and abilities and conducted our affairs independently of Him. Ask Him for mercy. Pray also that LIC will lean solely on the Lord, fully trusting and obeying Him in the coming years (Proverbs 28:13; Proverbs 3:5-6; Isaiah 48:17)

✠ Pray against every evil altar meant to hinder the plan of God for LIC. Use the blood and God's Word to overthrow witchcraft manipulations, occultic manipulations and demonic projections aimed at LIC and Christian groups and Churches on Legon Campus (Num. 23:23; Matt. 16:18; Judges 6:25-27; Mark 11:22-24)

CONGRATULATIONS!!! BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

- 1 Jul: Mrs. Elizabeth Amoakoa Osei
- 1 Jul: Ms. Roselyne Gyamfuwaa Addai
- 2 Jul: Mrs. Comfort Faustina Antwi
- 2 Jul: Prof. Jason William Acheampong
- 2 Jul: Miss Kesia Yaa Addo
- 2 Jul: Prof S.K.B. Asante
- 2 Jul: Mrs. Susan Aful
- 2 Jul: Ms. Abigail Nettey
- 3 Jul: Ms. Afua Amponsaa Gyasi
- 3 Jul: Ms. Elizabeth Amarteley Odametye
- 3 Jul: Mrs. Judy Enchia
- 3 Jul: Mr. Samuel Anokye-Mensah
- 3 Jul: Nana Ama Ampofo-Tenkorang
- 3 Jul: Mr. Kwabena Nifa Kurankye
- 4 Jul: Dr. Frederick Lloyd Phillips
- 4 Jul: Mr. Michael Mikado
- 4 Jul: Mrs. Yaa Obuo Duedu
- 4 Jul: Mr. Samuel Owusu Yeboah
- 4 Jul: Mr. Selassie Lantei Lamptey
- 4 Jul: Mr. Yaw Obuobisa Newman
- 4 Jul: Mrs. Amanda Derban
- 5 Jul: Mr. Andrew Paa Nii Quao
- 5 Jul: Mrs. Deborah Osam
- 5 Jul: Mr. Fred Sitsofe Buame
- 6 Jul: Mr. Isaac Amoako
- 6 Jul: Ms. Precious Cramer
- 6 Jul: Mrs. Winnie E. Halm Whajah
- 7 Jul: Mrs. Sylvia Pokua Tetteh
- 7 Jul: Mrs. Lawrencecia Mawusi Botchie
- 7 Jul: Master Paa Kow Owusu-Biney

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Jul: Benedict & Nana K. Quagrain
- 1 Jul: Samuel & Araba Sefa-Dedeh
- 1 Jul: Mr. & Mrs. Albert Edmond
- 1 Jul: James & Eureka Adomako
- 2 Jul: Philip & Doreen Ashon
- 2 Jul: Mr. & Mrs. Dzorqbo
- 2 Jul: Daniel and Alice Ofee
- 4 Jul: Nii Kpakpo & Elorm Ankrach
- 4 Jul: Nuku & Lillian Kumaga
- 4 Jul: Frederick & Agnes Phillips
- 4 Jul: Mr. & Mrs. Mensah
- 5 Jul: Derick & Nana Aba Adogla
- 6 Jul: Mr. & Mrs. Afriyie
- 7 Jul: Mr. & Mrs. Mbahi Tetteh
- 7 Jul: George & Esther Nimo
- 7 Jul: Dr. & Mrs. Timothy Asibey-Berko

WELCOME



TO

LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, 1ST JULY, 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 SERVICE STARTS @ 8:00AM WITH BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY, 1ST JULY, 2018 (PRAISE SUNDAY)

Officiant: Mrs. Nina Ivo
 Sermon Topic: "I will Extol the Lord at All Times"
 Preacher: Mr. T. V. O. Lamptey
 Notices: Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey
 Scripture Passage: Psalm 34: 1 - 10
 Opening Hymn: "Worship, and thanks, and blessings"
 Song Ministration: Uncle TVO and The LIC Choir
 Pre-Sermon Hymn: "Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee"
 Closing Hymn: "O Thou who camest from above"



"Let us come before Him with thankful hearts and songs of praise." - Psalm 95:2

REFLECTION: Inspired from the theme of Psalm 34

God pays attention to those who call on Him. Whether He offers escape from trouble or helps you through the trouble, you can be certain that he always hears and acts on behalf of those who love Him. It is your prerogative to pray, His promise to answer and His prerogative how to answer. — JNA (July - 2018)

NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH JULY, 2018 (ORDINATION SERVICE)

Officiant: Mr. Dan Agamah
 Sermon Topic: "God's Approach to Ministry Today"
 Preacher: Rev. J. F. K. Mensah
 Lectors: Mrs. Monica Senanu and Mr. Kwadwo Otu Addae
 Scripture Passages: Ephesians 4: 7 - 16 and Mark 10: 35 - 45
 Notices: Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey

ELDERS ON DUTY

SUNDAY, 1ST JULY, 2018

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

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NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH JULY, 2018

Dr. Awo Mana Asiedu (0244-575177)

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Activity for 1st July, 2018

PRAYER MEETING/
 SHARING THE VISION

Leaders:

Philip Annor Mensah; Rachael Odjeawo;
 Nene Afadzinu

Time is 4:00pm @ LIC

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.

Visitors' Reception for JULY, 2018

Mrs. Amanda Derban and Ms. Aileen Asafu-Adjaye



BANNS OF MARRIAGE



We publish the banns for the THIRD and FINAL TIME, between Mr. Samuel Mawuli Adadey of LIC and Ms. Joy Afua Mensah of Great Commission Church International, Breakthrough Assembly, Pantang.

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.

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. Theophilus Tweneboah Kodua | Mr. Michael Kwabena Osei | Mrs. Barbara B. Annor |
| Ms. Priscilla Aseye Nanam | Mrs. Grace Appiah-Agyekum | Mr. Richard B. Annor |
| Mrs. Nancy Sialely Kkwafkwao | Mrs. Caroline R. Kaluwa | Ms. Afua Anoff |
| Mrs. Lydia Dada | Mr. Chawanangwa Kaluwa | Mr. Enock Kofi Anku |
| Mr. Adetunji Dada | Mrs. Grace Boamah | Ms. Portia Vandervell Alison |

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. Tsatsu Adogla-Bessa Jr. (050 001 8351)

| DATE | TIME | OFFICIANT | ACTIVITY | SERMON TOPIC | PREACHER |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Mon. 2-July | 9:00am-1:00pm | 40 TH ANNIVERSARY BARBECUE (PICNIC – ON SITE) | | | |
| Fri. 6-July | 10:00pm - 4:00am | Ms. Patience Ampomah | All-Night Prayer Meeting | BREAK CAMP AND ADVANCE (Deuteronomy 1:5-8) | Prophet Emmanuel Afriye-Jenkins |
| Wed. 11-July | 6:30pm-8:00pm | Mr. William Berko Asamoah | Prayer & Teaching Service | "The Believer's Mission: When Two Shall Agree" (Matthew 18: 19-20) | Mr. K. K. Ohene-Adu |
| Thurs. 12th to Sat. 14th July | Discipleship Workshop | | | | |
| SUN. 15-July | 3:30pm-6:00pm | VBS TRAINING FOR TEACHERS AND VOLUNTEERS | | | |
| Mon. 30th July to Fri. 3rd August | VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018: Deadline to register — 15th July Register Wards - http://bit.ly/2ta5Q7f Volunteers - http://bit.do/VBS18-Volunteers T-Shirts - Ghc 20.00; CD/DVD - Ghc 5.00; Pendrive with music (limited copies) - Ghc 30.00 | | | | |
| Sunday, 5th August | BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION: Deadline to register - THIS SUNDAY, 1ST JULY Classes will be held on Tuesdays & Thursdays ... starting date will be communicated soon | | | | |

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