

Sermon Summary for 14th October, 2018

“WRESTLING IN PRAYER FOR THE WILL OF GOD”

Colossians 4: 12 & 13

(Mr. Kofi Asomaning)

Paul at the end of his letters, typically sends greeting to his recipient from the believers he shares fellowship with. He sends a testimonial of Epaphras's devotion to praying for the church in Colossae.

Epaphras was the first to share the gospel at Colossae (Col 1: 7) but it is in his prayer-ministry, however, that Epaphras is conspicuous. This giant in prayer knew how to lay all before the Lord, and labouring in secret, made the Christians to be perfect and complete in their standing through his kneeling. He “wrestled in his prayers” for the Colossian Christians that they might be perfect in the perfection of Christ, and “fully assured in all the will of God.”

Why is Epaphras wrestling in prayer for a Church that is doing well?

The Greek word translated as wrestling is “Agonizomai” means “to enter a contest; contend with adversaries, fight; to contend, struggle, with difficulties and dangers.

All the six other occurrences of this translation related to people who wanted to do God's will in the face of severe opposition - (1 Tim 6:12; John 18:36; 2 Timothy 4:7; Luke 13:24; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Colossians 1:28-29).

Epaphras must have learned this from Paul himself who in Col: 1:28 & 29 “wrestled” to see everyone mature in Christ as he admonished and proclaimed Christ.

We learn from Epaphras that the will of God must be contended for and effected in fervent prayer. We learn that this is hard work but also very rewarding.

Have you been relaxed about pursuing God's will? Do you know God's will but are yet to see it fulfilled in your life? This is an exhortation to rise up and pray - Let your will be done on earth as it is in heaven! Amen

Epaphras, *who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always wrestling in prayer for you, that you may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured. I vouch for him that he is working hard for you and for those at Laodicea and Hierapolis.* Colossians 4:12-13 NIV

QUESTIONS FOR INTERACTIVE SUNDAY

Members who have questions concerning the Book of Judges, Gospel of Mark or any Sermon topic are encouraged to send them **via email** (licadmin@licfamily.org.gh) to the Church Office latest by

Sunday, 11th November. This is in preparation towards the next Interactive Service scheduled to take place on Sunday, 2nd December, 2018.

BIBLE STUDY LEADERS' & ASSISTANTS' MEETING — NEXT WEEK!

All Bible Study Leaders and Assistants are informed of their meeting with the Coordinators at 6.30pm on **WEDNESDAY**, 31st Oct. and Thursday, 1st Nov.

Please prepare **Lesson 13** (The Book of Judges) **BEFORE** the meeting.

This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Pray for yourself and for LIC: for a true understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Christ, so that we can be committed to what God has called us as believers for. Also ask for grace to be a true example of a follower of Christ (Eph. 1:17-19; Prov. 2:6; 1 Pet 2:12; Matt 5:16)

✠ Pray for the lost: especially for unbelievers you know, that they will encounter the Lord Jesus and surrender their lives to Him (2 Cor. 4:4; Luke 19:1-10)

✠ Pray for anyone going through an identity crisis, that they will know who they are in Christ and understand their purpose. Pray also for anyone battling with fear and anxiety, that the peace of God will fill their hearts and minds (Eph. 1:4-10; Eph. 2:10; Phil 4:6-7; 2 Tim 1:7)

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

Oct. 21: Mr. Xose Kakane
Oct. 21: Mr. Isaac Andoh-Newton
Oct. 21: Mr. Kofi Afum Karikari
Oct. 21: Nii Aryee Dromo Aryee
Oct. 21: Ms. Eunice Nyinaku
Oct. 21: Ms. Ruth Tenkoramaa Nyarko
Oct. 22: Ms. Dora Sackey
Oct. 23: Mr. Abraham Otabil Arthur
Oct. 23: Mr. Hanson Darkey
Oct. 23: Dr. Timothy Asibey-Berko
Oct. 23: Mr. Medford Kanyi
Oct. 23: Ms. Nasca Owusuwaa Bonsu
Oct. 24: Mr. Peter Annor Mensah
Oct. 24: Miss. Sarah A. Abuosi
Oct. 24: Ms. Doris Abena Asare
Oct. 24: Dr. Esi Ansah
Oct. 24: Mr. Emmanuel Darkey
Oct. 25: Mr. Justice Larbi-Akor
Oct. 25: Mrs. Mavis MacCarthy
Oct. 25: Mr. David Darkey
Oct. 25: Ms. Yaa Safoa Darpaah
Oct. 25: Mr. Jay Yibo
Oct. 26: Mrs. Isabella Agra
Oct. 26: Nana Esi Agyeman-Serebo
Oct. 26: Kwami Woenam Baku
Oct. 26: Mr. Kwaku Barnes
Oct. 26: Mr. John Djisenu
Oct. 26: Ms. Elizabeth Mbahi Tetteh
Oct. 26: Ms. Valorie Eduakua Greene
Oct. 26: Mrs. Janet Ayamga
Oct. 27: Mrs. Vickita Harvey
Oct. 27: Ms. Isobel A. Nimo
Oct. 27: Mrs. Joyce Ofori-Anyinam
Oct. 27: Mr. Alfred S. K. Kutsoati
Oct. 27: Dr. Ekua Ekumah

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 21: Felix & Naa Dzama Mettle
Oct. 24: Medford & Mawuli Kanyi

WELCOME



TO

LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 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"

FIRST SERVICE: 7:00AM TO 9:00AM

BIBLE STUDY (NOT OPTIONAL): 9:15AM TO 10:15AM ON SUNDAYS

SECOND SERVICE: 10:30AM TO 12:30PM

SUNDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 2018 (COMMUNION)

Officiant for 1st Service: Prof. Esther Sakyi-Dawson
Officiant for 2nd Service: Mr. Dan Agamah

Sermon Topic: **"Jesus' Supreme Test"**
Preacher: **Rev. Mrs. Agnes Phillips**

Lectors for 1st Service: Mr. Arnold Poku-Adu and Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey
Lectors for 2nd Service: Mr. Delali Kumaga and Dr. Awo Asiedu

Notices for 1st Service: Dr. Esi Ansah
Notices for 2nd Service: Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful

Scripture Passages: **Psalms 42: 5 - 11 and Mark 14: 27 - 42**

Opening Hymn: *"Let all the world in every corner sing"*

Pre-Sermon Hymn: *"Great Sacrifice"*

Closing Hymn: *"Hark, my Soul! it is the Lord"*



REFLECTION: Your wish, His Will

God's will is non-negotiable. Faced with the horror of the crucifixion magnified by the intense agony of being separated from God on the cross (because of the weight of the sins of the world), Jesus negotiated for a way out but God stuck to His way, His will. It is okay to ask for a way out but soon after, ask for strength to walk in His way because His Will, will not change. — JNA (October - 2018)

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN THE LIC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sign-up if you are an LIC member and have *love for children*. You will be trained in the skills required. Kindly pick up a Form from the Church Office for this purpose.

NEXT SUNDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 2018

Officiant for 1st Service: Prof. Mrs. Regina Appiah-Opong
Officiant for 2nd Service: Dr. Maureen Iheanacho

Sermon Topic: **"Jesus the King is arrested and tried"**
Preacher: **Mr. Julius D. Coomson**

Lectors for 1st Service: Mr. Kwadwo Otu Addae and Mrs. Alberta Adukor-Asola
Lectors for 2nd Service: Ms. Naa Karley Addo and Mr. Fred Buame

Scripture Passages: **2 Samuel 16: 5 - 13 and Mark 14: 43 - 65**

Notices for 1st Service: Dr. Esi Ansah
Notices for 2nd Service: Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful



Activity for 21st October, 2018

BIBLE STUDY (TREASURE HUNT)

Leaders: Nana A. Yirenkyi-Boafo; Joel Abuosi; Kofi Kaufmann
Time is 4:00pm @ LIC

Visitors' Reception for OCTOBER, 2018

1st: Mrs. Amanda Derban
2nd: Ms. Aileen Asafu-Adjaye; Mr. Spike Boaitey

PARENT AND YOUTH EXECUTIVE MEETING

All parents of the newly graduated Sunday School class are reminded of their meeting with the leadership of the Youth Fellowship TODAY Sunday, 21st October, 2018; at 4:00pm in the LIC Sanctuary. Please plan to be there!

BABY DEDICATION

Members are reminded that there will be Baby Dedication on Sunday, 11th November. All who wish to have their babies dedicated should kindly visit the Church Office to fill a form. **Deadline is Wednesday, 7th November, 2018.**

Are you a student or national service person, seeking to deepen your relationship with God? ...then sign up for **ONE** of the Week-days LIC Discipleship sessions. Monday to Friday: 3-4pm (Level 100); 4-5pm (Continuing Students); 6:30-8pm on Thursdays (Medical Students and National Service personnel). You don't need to be an LIC member to join. Call 0241487506 for more details.

SUNDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 2018

Dr. Awo Mana Asiedu (0244-575177)

Mr. Frank Yaw Yeboah (024 463 6841)
Mrs. Monica Senanu (0244748746)

ELDERS ON DUTY

Reception

Counseling

NEXT SUNDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 2018

Mr. Charles MacCarthy (0244353522)
Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo (020-8161624)

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

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.

Mrs. Gladys Agyeman-Serebo	Mr. Paul Ekow Baiden	Ms. Evelyn Stacy Adjei
Mr. John Elorm Agra	Mrs. Agnes Opoku	Dr. Maureen O. Iheanacho
Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah	Mr. Kofi Opoku	Nana A. A. Addae-Mensah
Mr. Franklin Eleblu	Mr. Kwabena Yeboah Opoku	Ms. Dorcas Appiah-Opong
Ms. Emefa Sedinam Homenya	Mrs. Serena Beecham Boamah	Mr. Kenneth Appiah-Opong

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. David Avor (020 762 8947)

DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Wed. 24-Oct	6:30pm-8:00pm		CHRISTIAN LIFE SEMINAR — 'FIGHTING CORRUPTION: A NATIONAL CIRCUS OR A CHRISTIAN IMPERATIVE?'		
Fri. 2-Nov	10:00pm-4:00am	Ms. Emefa Aveh	All-Night Prayer Meeting	"THE ABRAHAMIC BLESSING" (Genesis 12: 1-14)	Rev. Dr. George Wilfred Arthur
Wed. 7-Nov	6:30pm-8:00pm	Mr. Daniel Twimasie	Prayer & Teaching Service	"The Believer's Mission: Honouring God with the work of our hands" (Colossians 3:22-25)	Mr. Kofi Asomaning
Wed. 14-Nov	6:30pm-8:00pm	Mrs. Hetty Yirenkyi-Boafo	Prayer & Teaching Service	"The Believer's Mission: Obedience unto death" (Philippians 2:5-11)	Rev. Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor
Sat. 17-Nov	9:00am-12:30pm	LIC FAMILY MEETING			

PRAYER MEETINGS:

Sunday Morning: Prayer for Sunday Activities @ 7:30am - 7:50am; Sunday Evening: In the Conference Room @ 6:30pm - 8:00pm; Monday: In the Vestry @ 6:30pm - 8:00pm; Wednesday: Prayer & Teaching Service @ 6:30pm - 8:00pm in the Sanctuary, except for 'Bethesda Moment' which will be from 6.30 - 8.30pm; 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 - 4:00am in the Sanctuary.

BIBLE STUDIES: Sunday: 9:15 - 10:15am (for 2 Services); 8:00 - 9:00am (for Joint Services); Monday: 6:45 - 8:00pm

REHEARSALS: LIC BAND: Tuesdays @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm LIC CHOIR: Saturdays @ 4:00pm - 7:00pm