

## Sermon Summary for 14th April, 2019

### “EMPOWERED TO SERVE”

Mr. Nana Fosu Nyante

Ps 118: 26-27; Zech 9: 9-10; Matt 21: 1-11; Matt 21: 12-17

To empower means to give (someone) the authority or power to do something. Other synonyms include authorize, permit, allow, warrant, commission, certify, qualify; invest, endow.

To serve also means to help, to aid, to assist, attend, oblige, work, work for and to **function** – The proof that a product/item/machine works is when it functions.

When a computer works/functions, then it is fulfilling its intended purpose. i.e. the purpose for which it was built.

#### Young People in God's Plan

Right from the Old Testament through the New Testament God has had a special place for young people. We see God protecting, nurturing, loving, strengthening, empowering, and using them in mighty ways.

- God protected baby Moses & provided a place for him to be nurtured.
- Joshua and Caleb had godly courage.
- Brave young David defeated Goliath the giant when everyone was afraid.
- Young Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego refused to bow.
- A little girl showed mighty Naaman where to go for his healing.
- A little boy gave 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish to Jesus to feed the 5000.

It's clear throughout Scripture that young people have a place in God's grand plan. He loves them; He put a special gift in them and wants them to be of use for His praise and glory.

How then can we all be Empowered for His service?

1. **We need to have a revelation (see and know) Christ Jesus.** The young people called him Lord and Saviour because Christ had been revealed to them and they knew. Even the teachers of the law didn't catch this, rather they were upset (Mt 21:15 & 16). From the lips of children, God has ordained praise...Ps 8:2. God has given grace in this season for children to see, to hear, to know. Yes to know the deep things, the revealed Word, to know God as Father, Lord and Saviour! Parents, guardian, and the Church must make room and provide opportunities for them. Mt 19:14, are we hindering or helping young people to come to Christ and have a relationship? They're neither a nuisance nor an inconvenience. Don't keep them away from Service, Prayer Meetings, Sunday School where they can encounter Jesus. Lead them to Christ.

2. **Grow, Nurture, Activate the gifts.** We must commit to studying, meditating, applying the Word. Also give yourselves to prayer, fellowship, witnessing. Let's stir up the gifts in us 2 Tim 1:6. There is no shorter route... Activate the gifting by doing. Let's be intentional, deliberate, consistent and guided by the Holy Spirit.

3. **Serve and be of use to the Lord.** Let's use what we have; our talents, gifts, profession, knowledge, money to function. Let it count in Heaven. The Children shouted, they made voices, even when the Scribes were upset. But Jesus allowed them, Mt 21:16, and they shouted the more. Let's continue in good work, do not faint purity, holiness. Jn 15:16, Rom 12:1, 1 Cor 15:58, 1 Tim 4:12, Gal 6:9, 1 Tim 4:15

A church that intentionally emphasizes & invests in its Children's Ministry and young people will ultimately by the grace of God have empowered young people becoming responsible adults. And if we are intentional, deliberate, consistent and guided by the Holy Spirit, then these same young ones you see today, will take up leadership in the Church, and will be positive influences in our society & generation for God's glory.

### BIBLE STUDY LEADERS' MEETING — THIS WEEK!

All Bible Study Leaders and Assistants are informed of their meeting with the Coordinators at 6.30pm on **TUESDAY**, 23rd and **THURSDAY**, 25th April.

Please pick a hard copy of the additional Study,

**Lesson 19** (of the Judges Study) and prepare **BEFORE** the meeting.

### This Week's Prayer Topics

✚ Pray for yourself: Thank the Lord for His finished work and pray that the power of the resurrection will fully manifest in your life (1 Peter 3:18; Romans 8:11)

✚ Pray for all who have committed their lives to ensuring that all hear the Good News of Christ: Pray that God Himself will turn the hearts of unbelievers to the Good News, making them receptive to His Word. Pray also for His provision, comfort and anointing for all missionaries, especially those in difficult mission fields (Matthew 28:18-20; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3)

✚ Pray for open heavens in LIC: Ask that the Lord will rend the heavens and pour down grace, righteousness and His very presence. Pray that the manifestations of the Holy Spirit will become a daily experience in LIC the same way it was in the early Church (Isaiah 64:1-2; Acts 4:29-30; 1 Cor 12:7-11)

### CONGRATULATIONS!!!

#### BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

- Apr 21: Mr. Nana Ofori Ampofo
- Apr 21: Mrs. Gladys Kwadzo
- Apr 21: Ms. Gertrude Alamu-Lumoro
- Apr 21: Mrs. Emma Baaba Quarcoo
- Apr 22: Ms. Josephine Dadzie
- Apr 22: Mr. Samuel Abu Jinapor
- Apr 22: Mr. Charles Kwesi Agyeman
- Apr 22: Mrs. Hadija Nyante
- Apr 22: Joseph Enyimnyam Taylor
- Apr 23: Mr. Eric Nsarkoh
- Apr 23: Mr. Raphael Obed Ammah
- Apr 23: Mr. Dominic Annor
- Apr 23: Ms. Sally Boateng
- Apr 23: Ms. Ivy Newton
- Apr 23: Ivanna Edudzai Alou
- Apr 23: Mr. Kweku Afreh-Nuamah
- Apr 23: Mrs. Mawuli Akosua Kanyi
- Apr 24: Mr. Jeff K. Doves Hutordzesoo
- Apr 24: Mr. Sena Mensah Agbeko
- Apr 24: Mr. Etonam Adoboe
- Apr 25: Mr. Samuel Kwame Owusu
- Apr 25: Mr. Collin Kwayisi-Dokyi
- Apr 25: Mr. Aaron Antwi-Asare
- Apr 25: Ms. Emefa Homenya
- Apr 26: Ms. Nana Afriyie Dattey
- Apr 27: Ms. Trixie Akpedonu
- Apr 26: Noah and Irene Osei-Tanoh
- Apr 26: Sena and Adobea Adiepena
- Apr 27: Francis and Nancy Boachie

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

## WELCOME



TO

# LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

(University of Ghana, Legon)

*The Council of Elders and Pastors heartily welcome you to today's Service this Sunday morning! Akwaaba!!*

**SUNDAY 21ST APRIL, 2019**

**YEAR'S THEME: "EMPOWERED FOR SERVICE"**

**Half-Year Theme: "The Role of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer"**

**BIBLE STUDY: 8:00AM TO 9:00AM (FOR JOINT SERVICE SUNDAYS)**

**JOINT SERVICE: 9:15AM TO 11:15AM**

<b>Pastors:</b>	Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah	Tel: 024 464 6205
	Rev. Julius Duah Coomson	Tel: 055 526 9155
<b>Presiding Elder:</b>	Prof. Esther Sakyi-Dawson	Tel: 050 256 8615
<b>Church Administrator:</b>	Mr. K. K. Ohene-Adu	Tel: 024 463 1600

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**LIC: SAVED TO SERVE!**

## SUNDAY, 21ST APRIL, 2019 (EASTER SUNDAY) JOINT SERVICE

Officiant: Dr. Mrs. Shola Safo-Duodu  
 Sermon Topic: **“EXPERIENCING THE RESURRECTION”**  
 Preacher: **Rev. Julius Duah Coomson**  
 Lectors: Dr. Mrs. Akua Ofori Asumadu and Mr. Kwame Attrams  
 Notices: Mr. Nuku Kumaga

Bible Readings: **John 20: 1 - 18 and John 20: 19 - 31**

Opening Hymn: *“Christ the Lord is risen today”*  
 Song Ministration: LIC Choir  
 Pre-Sermon Hymn: *“The day of resurrection”*  
 Closing Hymn: *“Christ Arose!”*

**Jesus is alive!**

**ALLELUIA!**

### NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, 28TH APRIL, 2019

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

**BIBLE STUDY: 9:15AM TO 10:15AM**

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

Officiant: 1st & 2nd Services - Mrs. Efua Ohene-Adu || Prof. Mrs. Regina Appiah-Opong

**“THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES A WORD OF KNOWLEDGE, A WORD OF WISDOM AND DISCERNING OF SPIRITS”**

Preacher: Pastor Selassie Mawuenyegah

Lectors: 1st Service - Mr. Arnold Poku-Adu and Dr. Elsie Effah Kaufmann  
 2nd Service - Dr. Ekua Ekumah and Mr. Jonathan Ntsiful

Scripture Passages: **2 Kings 5:20-27 and Acts 13:4-12**

Notices: 1st & 2nd Services - Mr. Nuku Kumaga || Dr. Millicent Cobblah

### LOCATE A C.A.R.E. (CARING FOR AND REACHING EVERYONE) CELL NEAR YOU

Would you like to grow as a disciple to become more like Jesus? Contact any of the under-listed leaders.

Name	Contact No.	Area/Location	Name	Contact No.	Area/Location
Mrs. Isabella Agra	0244337249	Sakumono-Spintex	Mr. Victor Tweneboea	0244324667	Nsawam Road
Mrs. Efua Ohene-Adu	0244420657	Haatso	Mr. Charles MacCarthy	0244353522	Adenta
Mr. Frank Y. Yeboah	0244636841	Legon Hill/ Ayido	Mr. Charles Ayarkwa	0248895940	Agbogba/North Legon Extension
Dr. Emmanuel Sina-yobye	0244524499	Pantang-Abokobi, Aburi Road	Mr. Charles Adomako	0249953141	Haatso/Papao
Mr. Nuku Kumaga	0243319328	Haatso Adenta	Mr. Kenneth Appiah-Opong	0208118468	LIC (Legon campus)
Mrs. Monica Senanu	0244748746	Nungua/Sakumono	Mrs. Serena Boamah	0277418396	Spintex
Mr. Isaac Agyeman	0202022572	Dome Pillar 2	Dr. (Mrs.) Akua Ofori-Asumadu	0244313122	Ministries Enclave
Ms. Mabel Kotey	0242111268	LIC (Legon campus)	Mr. Dan Agamah	0208170000	Teshie Nungua
Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo	0208161624	Adenta Housing Down	Mrs. Florence Yeboah	0506761399	Agbogba/North Legon Extension
Mr. Kofi D. Asomaning	0208115481	Adjiringanor	Mr. Kwame Attrams	0244281927	Taifa/Dome/Atomic
Mr. Alfred Amoah	0268504572	Nsawam Road	Dr. Ben Diabah	0509225772	Link Gate/LIC
Mr. Justice Larbi-Akor	0244623265	Adenta	Dr. Ezekiel Clotey	0244474891	Ayido Flat



### Activity for 21st April, 19

To be communicated

Leaders:

To be communicated

Time is **4:00pm @ LIC**

### Visitors' Reception for APRIL, 2019

- Mrs. Amanda Derban
- Mrs. Aileen Asafu-Adjaye; Mr. Spike Boaitey Jnr.

### BABY DEDICATION

This will be on **Sunday, 12th May**.  
 Deadline to register at the Church Office is  
**Wednesday, 8th May, 2019.**

### LIC FAMILY FAIR 2019

Immediately after the Service on Easter Sunday, 21st April.  
 Perishable items can be donated on the day of the event at **8AM**.  
**Don't miss out on the fun... come and let's share!**

### 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. Zena Ampofo-Tenkorang	Mr. Ebow Anamuah-Mensah	Mr. Timothy Asare Andoh
Ewurabena Y. Ampofo-Tenkorang	Mrs. Emma Anamuah-Mensah	Ms. Afua Asiedua Anim
Ms. Ewurama Amposa-Dadzie	Beatrice Ewuraba N. Anamuah-Mensah	Mrs. Rebecca Kissiwa Steele-Dadzie
Ms. Rose Egyakwa Amusah	Mr. Kwesi Ackon Anderson	Mrs. Rosina Anim Dankwa
Mr. John Anaba	Ms. Juliana Andoful	Mr. William Anim Dankwa

Kindly contact the following people with any two specific prayer requests, latest by 12noon on Wednesday: Mr. David Avor - 0207628947 and Mr. Otabil Arthur—0269654873. Also, **please update your records with the Church Office.**

### ELDERS ON DUTY

#### SUNDAY, 21ST APRIL, 2019

Dr. Awo Mana Asiedu (0244-575177)

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

#### Reception

#### Counseling

#### NEXT SUNDAY, 28TH APRIL, 2019

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

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

### MID-WEEK SERVICES SCHEDULE AND OTHER PROGRAMMES

DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Wed. 24-Apr	6:30pm-8:00pm			CHRISTIAN LIFE SEMINAR: <b>‘How to take better care of your teeth’</b>	
Fri. 3-May	10:00pm - 5:00am	Mr. Terry Jumah	All-Night Prayer Meeting	“LORD REVEAL THE POWER IN THE BLOOD TO US” (Revelation 12: 9-17)	Rev. Julius Coomson & Prophet Afriyie-Jenkins
SUN. 5-May	9:15am			<b>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (JOINT SERVICE)</b>	
Wed. 8-May	6:30pm-8:00pm	Mr. Kofi Afum Karikari	Prayer & Teaching Service	“Empowered for Service: Persistence in Faith” (Luke 18: 1 - 8)	Mr. Edem Senanu

### ◇ PRAYER MEETINGS:

Sunday Morning: Prayer for Sunday Activities @ 8:45am - 9:15am; Sunday Evening: In the Conference Room @ 6:30pm- 8pm; Monday: In the Meeting Room 1 @ 6:30pm - 8pm; Wednesday: Prayer & Teaching Service @ 6:30pm - 8pm in the Sanctuary, except for 'Bethesda Moment' which is from 6:30pm - 8:30pm; Saturday: Prayer for Missions @ 7am - 8:30am on the Right Verandah of the Sanctuary; All Night Prayer Meeting: 1st Friday of the Month @ 10pm - 4am

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

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