

Sermon Summary for SUNDAY, 12th May, 2019

“USE THE GIFT YOU HAVE RECEIVED”

1 Corinthians 6: 19 - 20; 1 Peter 4: 7 - 11 Mr. Theo Aryee

In line with the focus of our AGM to review our stewardship of God's resources, we are urged to use the gifts God has given us. Based on 1 Peter 4: 10 – 11 here are four key lessons we can learn.

1. Who are the gifted ones? Every Christian has a gift from God.

Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. (1 Cor 12:7). A gift is any endowment or capacity given freely by God to his people. Some of the gifts are listed in Rom 12: 6-8, 1 Cor 12:8 –11, and Eph. 4:11. They range from eye-popping miracles to simply hosting guests. We don't acquire these gifts by human effort; they are given by God. We however need to exercise them regularly so we don't lose their effectiveness. Each Christian is gifted uniquely, because the gift comes with a measure of grace (Eph. 4:7) and a measure of faith (Rom 12:3). These factors, together with our individual personalities and up-bringing, make each of us unique in our gifting. It is therefore unnecessary to be envious of someone's gifting. You may lack merit but not value. Don't look down on your gift. Don't be afraid to be you. Only you can exercise your gift the way you can. No gift is more, or less important than the other. Use the gift God has given you. Start from home - serve your family. Serve your nation and church. As much as possible, link your service to your gifting. Let us give all Christians the opportunity to serve. The popular imagery of the church is that of the human body. When one person does not serve for whatever reason, the entire body suffers. A person may lack merit, but certainly not value.

2. What are the gifts to be used for? The gifts should be used to serve others.

We are channels not terminal points. It has pleased God to channel some of our blessings through others, and those for others through us – that is the wisdom of God. A good practice is to probe our hearts for the motivations underlying our acts of service. There is a satisfaction that belongs to only those who serve others. The rivers of our gifts flow within us. They are divinely formed to flow into the sea of service to others for God's glory.

3. How are the gifts to be used? When we serve by speaking, we should do so as ones speaking the very words of God. In all service, we should depend on the strength God provides.

It is important to ensure that whatever we say in service is supported by scripture, properly interpreted. One way to do so is to ensure we know the original context of each verse. We should serve faithfully, not for selfish gain, depending on the Holy Spirit's help.

4. What is the purpose of the gifts? They are for God's praise and his glory. In serving God and His people, there are moments of discouragement, criticisms and accusations. But a focused commitment to bring praise to God through our service will often guide our efforts properly.

BIBLE STUDY LEADERS' MEETING — NEXT WEEK!

All Bible Study Leaders are informed of their meeting with the Coordinators at 6.30pm on **WEDNESDAY**, 29th and **THURSDAY**, 30th May. Please pick for yourself and your members, hard copies of the NEW STUDY ON COLOSSIANS from the Church Office. Prepare on Study One **BEFORE** the meeting.

LIC EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

Applications for the 2019/2020 academic year may be submitted from now till **Sunday, 9th June**. 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**.

This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Pray for yourself and for all LIC members: that we will be deeply rooted in God's Word and that the Lord Himself will preserve us, so we don't fall prey to deceiving spirits and false doctrines (Ephesians 4:11-16; John 8:31-32)

✠ Pray for the newly elected leaders in LIC: that God will anoint them with the Holy Spirit and with power and clothe them with wisdom and great grace as they lead the Church. Pray for God's guidance for them (Acts 4:33; Acts 10:38)

✠ Pray for a personal and unique encounter with the Holy Spirit, that your life will bring Him glory daily. Ask for grace and wisdom for making Him known to the world by our words and conduct (Luke 4:18; Matthew 7:7-8)

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

19 May: Ms. Sena Mary Adogla-Bessa
19 May: Mr. Emil Mawuli Afenyo
19 May: Ms. Enyonam Emefa Akotia
19 May: Mrs. Lorna Avedzi
19 May: Miss Nana Ekuia Senanu
20 May: Ms. Akosua Addae Agyeman
20 May: Ms. Abena Ameyaa Effah
20 May: Mr. Kevin Kwesi Offei
20 May: Ms. Asibi Ofori
21 May: Prof. Emmanuel Doku
21 May: Mr. Moses Resario
21 May: Ms. Lynn Beatrix Tamakloe
22 May: Mr. Nana Yaw Odei Danso
23 May: Mrs. Adjoa Amuenyiwa Adika
23 May: Master Kevin Eyram Dzorgbo
24 May: Dr. Esther Acolatse
24 May: Miss Ama Mansa Adomako
24 May: Ms. Nana Ekuia Awotwi
24 May: Mrs. Erica Dadzie
24 May: Mrs. Victoria Dodoo
24 May: Nana Aba Ocran
24 May: Mr. Kwabena Ofori-Anyinam
24 May: Mr. Emmanuel A. Richard (Jnr.)
25 May: Mr. Nii Addotey
25 May: Ms. Sefakor Amabel Agbanu
25 May: Ms. Worlanyo Dzifa Ahlijah
25 May: Ms. Vivian Adobebe Ata
25 May: Miss Naa Lamle Lamptey
25 May: Mr. Marcel Okorie
25 May: Mrs. Adetutu Sanuade
25 May: Mrs. Joselyn Tackie

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

19 May: Mr. and Mrs. Agbenyo
19 May: Kofi and Vera Osew
21 May: Nana Nketia and Eugenia Perbi
24 May: Mr. and Mrs. Adabie
25 May: Joseph and Ruth Adigbo
25 May: Israel and Salomey Kpekpena
25 May: Ebenezer and Nana Adwoa Eyiah

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 19TH MAY, 2019

YEAR'S THEME: “EMPOWERED FOR SERVICE”

Half-Year Theme: “The Role of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer”

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

BIBLE STUDY: 9:15AM TO 10:15AM ON SUNDAYS

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

Pastors:	Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah Rev. Mrs. Agnes Phillips Rev. Julius Duah Coomson	Tel: 024 464 6205 Tel: 026 638 0874 Tel: 055 526 9155
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LIC: SAVED TO SERVE!

TODAY: SUNDAY, 19TH MAY, 2019 (COMMUNION SERVICE)

Officiant: 1st & 2nd Services - Mr. Edem Senanu || Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful

Topic: "THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES GIFTS OF HEALING AND THE WORKING OF MIRACLES"

Preacher: **Rev. J. F. K. Mensah**

Lectors: 1st Service - Mrs. Hetty Yirenkyi-Boafo and Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo
2nd Service - Mr. Kwame Attrams and Ms. Asibi Ofori

Notices: 1st & 2nd Services - Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey || Mr. Jonathan Ntsiful

Scripture Passages: **2 Kings 4: 1 - 11; 6: 1 - 7 and Acts 19: 11 - 20**

Opening Hymn: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" || "All things praise Thee"
Pre-Communion Song: "Thank You for the Cross, Lord!"
Closing Hymn: "Crown Him with many Crowns" || "Fill Thou my life"



NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, 26TH MAY, 2019

Officiant: 1st & 2nd Services - Dr. Mrs. Shola Safo-Duodu || Mrs. Nina Ivo

Topic: "THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES SPEAKING IN TONGUES AND INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES"

Preacher: **Mr. Kofi Osew**

Lectors: 1st Service - Mr. Kwadwo Otu Addae and Ms. Jemima Jackson
2nd Service - Mr. Kofi I. Agamah and Mrs. Juliana Asante-Dartey

Scripture Passages: **1 Corinthians 14: 1 - 19 and 1 Corinthians 14: 22 - 33**

Notices: 1st & 2nd Services - Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey || Mr. Jonathan Ntsiful

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 Tweneboa	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 Sinayobye	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 19th May, 19

"DEBATE" || 4PM @ LIC

Sena Adogla-Bessa; Philip Annor Mensah; Lois Appiah Opong; Frances Abedu Quashie

Visitors' Reception for MAY, 2019

1st Service: Ms. Cecilia Adjei; Mrs. F. Washington-Nortey

2nd Service: Dr. E. Sinayobye; Dr. Awo Asiedu

LIC DISCIPLESHIP CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP, 2019

Thurs. 4th to Sat. 6th July @ LIC.

"A Church About Our Master's Mission"

Registration **ENDS** on Sunday, 2nd June @

<https://licdiscipleshipworkshop19.eventbrite.com>

REFLECTION: The gifts of Healing and working of miracles are extraordinary reminders from God, working through ordinary men, that we and everything else are still and simply God's creation. It is how God through His Spirit, partners ordinary men to teach men of His extraordinary sovereignty over men. — JNA (May, 19)

LIC MISSIONS, 2019 @ Bono East and Ashanti Regions

From 20th to 30th June. Registration ends on 8th June

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/2nocUbS5is9EY4wq5>

QUESTIONS FOR INTERACTIVE SUNDAY

Members who have questions on the study of Judges; any sermon preached; or any other issue in the Bible are encouraged to send them via email (licadmin@licfamily.org.gh) to the Church Office latest by Sunday, 2nd June. This is in preparation towards the next Interactive Service on Sunday, 23rd June.

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. Kobina Kum Armah-Tetteh	Franklyn Affailba Arthur	Mrs. Abigail A. Sarpong
Mr. Ayitey Armah-Tetteh	James Thomas Arthur	Mrs. Agatha Aryee
Ms. Adwoa Ayeley Armah-Tetteh	Mr. Kwaku Gyasi Arthur	Mr. Ebenezer Kobbie Aryee
Mrs. Cynthia Arthur	Mrs. Yvonne Arthur	Dr. Emmanuel Jojo Aryee
Mr. Frank Affail Arthur	Mrs. Abena Adwo Aryee	Ms. Esther Maame Efua Aryee

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

SUNDAY, 19TH MAY, 2019

Mr. Frank Yaw Yeboah (024 463 6841)
Mrs. Efeh Amoah (026 371 0742)

Mrs. Elizabeth Amoakoa Osei (024 462 2277)
Mr. Kenneth Appiah-Opong (020 811 8468)

ELDERS ON DUTY

Reception

Counseling

NEXT SUNDAY, 26TH MAY, 2019

Mr. Charles Adomako (024 995 3141)
Mr. Kofi Obeng Yeboah (024 487 5493)

Dr. Mrs. Shola Safo-Duodu (020 201 7545)
Dr. Stephen Afranie (024 461 3530)

MID-WEEK SERVICES SCHEDULE AND OTHER PROGRAMMES

DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Wed. 22-May	6:30pm-8:00pm		Christian Life Seminar: "Understanding the effect of stress on our health" with Elizabeth-Irene Baitie, Laboratory Director, Patholab Solutions		
Fri, 31st May & Sat, 1st June	6pm-8:30pm & 8:30am-3pm		MEN'S FORUM: "Men Behaving Godly" with Rev. Arnold Hammond & Rev. J.F.K. Mensah Register online: bit.ly/licmensforum or at registration desk after Service		
Fri. 7-June	10:00pm - 5:00am	Mr. Kofi O. Yeboah	All-Night Prayer Meeting	"LORD TEACH US THE POWER OF FASTING" (Matthew 17: 14 - 21)	Rev. Julius Coomson & Prophet Afriyie-Jenkins
Friday 14-June	6:30pm-8:30pm		WORSHIP NIGHT ... with Mr. Frank Eleblu as the coordinator		

◇ **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