



F **FOUNDATION** **SCHOOL**

MANUAL



FOR
LOVEWORLD CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Beloved Children's Church Coordinator,

Our Foundation School is a compulsory part of our Children's Church Ministry, with clearly defined Aims and Objectives as summarized below.

1. To preserve every child first timer or new convert in your Children's Church, and successfully transit a soul saved into a soul won.
2. To introduce the new converts and new members in your Children's Church to the Foundational Doctrines of our Christianity and the Principles and Structures of our Ministry.
3. To help them understand our Vision and Mission, and see their role in them.
4. To introduce them to the discipline of consistent learning, self -study, carrying out Christian exercises and producing results.
5. To introduce children to fellowship with fellow children Christians and the Holy Spirit.
6. To set them on a permanent path of continuous growth and service in the Local Assembly and beyond.
7. To help kids fulfill the first requirement for eligibility and consideration for higher responsibilities in Ministry.

The Foundation School is tried and tested, and has been proven to work in any location and for any Church size and children from ages 10- 12 inclusive.

I congratulate you in advance of the testimonies you will surely have in your Children's Church Foundation School, as you contribute to our ever-growing chronicles of victories in the work of the Master.

Please use the "Feedback information" at the end of this Manual to send your praise reports.

God bless you.

Pastor Chris

HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

This Manual has been prepared under the care of the Holy Spirit, to help your coordination work and assure sustainable growth in your Children's Church. If you diligently apply the information and instructions contained in here, you will have repeatable and predictable success with every Foundation School Cycle in your Preteens class.

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SCOPE OF THIS MANUAL

This Manual covers all aspects of the establishment, administration and monitoring of the Foundation School in every Church to which the Children's Church is a vital part.

The Foundation School is the first and essential Training School for all New Converts and New Members into our Churches (children inclusive). Graduation from the Foundation School is a pre- requisite for consideration or admission into other leadership positions in the Church.

The Content and Processes contained in this Manual are adequate for this purpose. It is expected that as the kids go through this training they would receive impartation and requisite training to function exceptionally in the Teens Church when they eventually leave Children's Church.

FOUNDATION SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

1. **Who is qualified to attend?** ALL New Converts (Children (ages 8-12years) and adults) to our Churches (including Cells) and New Members, who may have been born-again before joining our Ministry.
2. **Course Duration:** The Foundation School Runs for 7 weeks with an additional Week for the Graduation Examination.
3. **Interruption:** In Cases where a pupil's class attendance is interrupted at any time within the 7 weeks, he or she should continue from the Class at which the interruption occurred. However, if the interruption is more than 3 Months, it is recommended that he or she start the cycle all over again.
4. **Class Duration:** The normal duration of a Class should not exceed 1hr 30mins. The Class should be interactive and punctuated by at least 1 interval, to ensure the attention span is sustained.
5. **Special Circumstances:** In special circumstances as determined by the Pastor, accelerated or make-up, Foundation School Schedules may be considered if carefully approved by the Zonal Pastor, in line with Chapter 6 of this Manual. However, such occurrences should be rare. Under no circumstance should the accelerated Schedule be less than 4 weeks. Because the discipline of sustained attendance and learning over a period is part of the Training, the Foundation School is designed to impart.
6. **Head:** It is recommended that a coordinator, appointed by the Pastor, head the Children's Church Foundation School Administration. The qualifications of this Officer is summarized in the next Section.
7. **Records:** Diligent Records of all Foundation School attendees and their performance must be kept, as these will be referred to when considered for higher assignments, or other relevant purposes.

SELECTION OF TEACHERS, APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPALS, TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

Selection of Teachers

The selection of Teachers is the most important decision to be made by the Church, and it is a critical factor in the success of the Foundation School in that Church.

The work of a Teacher is beyond the Classroom and the impact of the Teaching delivered is for life. This is a stewardship of eternal impact.

It must be emphasized that ALL Teachers must be deliberately selected and none should be self - appointed, or a Volunteer. The Foundation School is not open to Volunteers. That is not to say, a qualified member cannot desire to be a Teacher, but he or she must be accepted by the Pastor and should meet the prescribed qualifications below.

Here are compulsory guidelines for selection of new Children's Church Foundation School Teachers:

1. He/ she should be a children's church teacher
2. Must be a graduate of Foundation School.
3. Must be personally selected by the Church Pastor and Profile submitted to the Zonal Office for confirmation.
4. Must be an effective leader in the Cell Ministry, a consistent Soul-winner (with Soul Tracker verified Records), Tither, Partner and full of the Spirit.
5. A proven disciple and helper, the type the Pastor will be delighted to multiply
6. Must participate in a 1-month orientation Program that includes the following.
 - a. Attend the compulsory Children's Church Teachers Certification Program organized by the Children's Ministry
 - b. Attend the compulsory Foundation School Teachers Certification Program with satisfactory submission of post Training assignment. This Training will be deployed via the assigned Ministry Training Portal
 - c. Work as an Observer in at least 3 Foundation School Classes handled by a senior Foundation School Teacher
 - d. Attend a Briefing Meeting with the Zonal or Ministry Center Pastor, and receive a Foundation School Teachers' Badge, which has a photo ID, and 6-month validation period. This is renewable every 6 months as detailed in the "Training and Certification" Section below.

For all existing Teachers, it is required that the Zonal Office conducts an audit to ensure satisfactory compliance with the guidelines above, and also completion of Steps 6b and c before their next Foundation School Class.

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

All Foundation School Teachers are required to attend a compulsory Training hosted on the assigned Ministry Training Portal, plus satisfactory completion and submission of the assignments specified during the Training.

All properly selected and trained Foundation School Teachers will receive a personalized Badge with picture ID and validation period of 6months, which should

be worn when in the Class. The Badge will be issued at the Briefing Meeting with the Zonal or Ministry Center Pastor, and is the property of the Office of the Zonal or Ministry Center Pastor.

Badges will be re-issued every 6months by the Office of the Zonal or MC Pastor, following the minimum guidelines below:

1. Attendance of bi- annual Training Meeting of ALL Foundation School Teachers with the Zonal or Ministry Center Pastor
2. 100% Class attendance by the Teacher when on duty, except for approved absences.
3. Satisfactory performance of Students at Graduation and post-Graduation integration in the Church
4. Confirmation that the Teacher's personal discipleship records are in good standing.
5. Submission of at least, 1 innovation or improvement idea, or implementation of such, in the preceding 6months to increase impact of the Foundation School in the Children's Church and beyond.

CLASS ONE: THE NEW CREATURE

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should:

- Know who a new creature is.
- Understand and accept that he/she is a new creature with a life and nature that is from God.
- Know that he/she is superior to defeat or failure, and is for glory and virtue (2 Pet 1:3)
- Learn to display the virtues and perfections of God (1 Peter 2:9 Ampc).
- Know that salvation is by Grace. It is of God. No man qualified you for it and no man can disqualify you.
- know that man is a spirit; he has a soul and lives in a body.
- Understand that the new creation is complete in Christ; He is now in God's Kingdom, a citizen of God's Kingdom.

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCES: Some important read-out scriptures: 2 Corinthians 5:17-18, Romans 6:4, Ephesians 2:10 (Ampc), 2 Pet 1:3, 1 Peter 2:9 (Ampc)

LESSON:

UNDERSTANDING John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (NIV) This famous statement by the Lord Himself, contains vital truths that you must accept and never forget.

Firstly, "...whoever believes in Him should not perish..." This means if you believe in Jesus, you are forever separated from those that should perish. It is a law! You are forever separated from those that should fail, or be destroyed, or be victims, or be defeated! You are now in a new category. You have been "delivered" from the domain of darkness where all such things happen, and translated into the kingdom of His dear Son (Colossians 1:13).

You will never be ashamed; nothing can put you to shame or embarrass you again (Romans 10:11). You have received a life of glory and virtue (2 Peter 1:3). This is a permanent truth, but you have to accept it and walk in it.

Secondly, "...but have eternal life" When you believe in Jesus and received Him as your personal Lord and Saviour, you received something. What did you receive?

Teachers, read the scriptures below or asked kids to do so and explain to them thereafter:

1. Eternal Life (1 John 5:11-12)
2. Righteousness (Romans 5:18-19)
3. Fellowship with God (1 John 1:3, John 17:21)

The most amazing of all three is the Fellowship with God. This was the reason for the eternal life, which is same life the Father has, and for Righteousness, which is the nature of God. Now, you can have Fellowship with God. Hallelujah!

LET US DISCUSS FURTHER

1. 2 Corinthian 5:17-18 "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a NEW CREATURE, old things are passed away; behold all things are become new, and all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation" Observe the following points from these verses;
 - i. The New Creature is very new; a new species without a past.
 - ii. His new life comes directly from God (John 1:12-13)
 - iii. You are to "behold" i.e. look, notice, accept that all things are become new!
 - iv. The new things are of God. So don't accept anything that is not of God. Failure is not of God. Sickness is not of God. Accept only the things that are of God. All good and perfect things! (James 1:17)
 - v. Notice that not only did He save us and reunite us to Himself, but He also gave us a ministry to reunite others to Him. We will discuss this some more in Class 4a

2. Ephesians 2:8 "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast".

Your salvation is by Grace. It is of God. No man qualified you for it and no man can disqualify you. You now have abundance of grace to enjoy the beautiful life and reign in life by Jesus Christ (Romans 5:17, Ephesians 2:4-5; Romans 3:24)

Always remember that you received your salvation by faith and confession, according to Romans 10:9-10. You don't need to do anything more to receive salvation. Furthermore, through faith in Christ, you are now justified (Romans 5:1-2). **(We will discuss this further in Class 3).**

Two proofs of the certainty of our Salvation are:

- (a) The Word of God (Romans 10:9-10, 1 John 5:11-13)
- (b) The witness of the Holy Spirit in our hearts (Romans 8:16)

Our feelings have nothing to do with this. So your feelings don't decide for you whether you are saved or not. Just like whether you feel it or not, your brain is working.

3. From scriptures we know that man is a spirit, he has a soul and lives in a body (1 Thessalonians 5:23). As a new creature, you received eternal life in your spirit. You now have to renew your mind by feeding on the word of God (Rom 12:2). This renewal takes place in your mind and is capable of transforming your whole life. Hallelujah! Colossians 3:10 says, "And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:" so we see that as we study and grow in the Word, and exercise ourselves in godliness which is our nature, we are renewed in the image of Christ, and bear the fruits of the recreated human spirit found in Galatians 5:22-23.

ALSO NOTE THAT:

The new creature is complete in Christ (Colossians 2:9-10) He is now in God's Kingdom, a citizen of God's Kingdom (Colossians 1:13, John 17:14) He sits in the place of power in Christ (Ephesians 2:6, 1:20-21)

He is a carrier of God's divine presence in the world today (Colossians 1:27; Ephesians 2:22; 1 Corinthians 6:19) He is indestructible (1 Peter 1:23)

CONCLUSION

As a new creature, you belong to the family of God. You are a joint-heir with Christ. Your salvation is by grace, no one qualified you and no one can disqualify you. Your life is now one of continuous victory and success. Hallelujah!

TAKE HOME ASSIGNMENT FOR CLASS 1

1. According to the lesson, "If any man be in Christ he is a NEW CREATURE" as stated in 2 Corinthians 5:17 (*Explain in your own words, using yourself as an example*).

2. Enumerate the two proofs of the certainty of our Salvation? (**Discuss**)

STUDY MATERIAL BEFORE CLASS 2 BOOKS

- i. Now That You Are Born Again For Kids
- ii. Recreating Your World

MESSAGES

"Jesus"

"The Overcoming Life"

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:17(NIV)

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creature has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

CLASS TWO: THE HOLY SPIRIT

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should:

- Know who the Holy Spirit is.
- Have a firm understanding of the Ministry of the Holy Spirit in the life of every Christian.
- Get filled with the Holy Spirit and speak in tongues
- Know the Seven Synonyms of the Holy Spirit.
- Know about the Seven Spirits of God.
- Know About the Fruit of the Recreated Human Spirit, Ministry Gifts and The Gifts of the Spirit and the differences between them.

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCES: Some important read-out scriptures: John 14: 16 -20 and Acts 1:8

SOME IMPORTANT FUNDAMENTALS

1. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit is not optional. It is not possible to live a successful Christian life without the Holy Spirit. In Luke 24:49, our Lord Jesus instructed the Disciples to "tarry" i.e. wait until they receive power from on high referring to the Holy Spirit. And this happened on the Day of Pentecost as shown us in Acts 2:1. And the term "Pentecost" was the Greek name of a Jewish celebration (Leviticus 23:9-17) and marked annually 50 days from the feast of first fruits. It's not a New Testament or Christian feast. Therefore, the common convention of using "Pentecostal" to describe Christians and the Holy Spirit is a misleading term and has no scriptural basis. In fact on that day, in Acts 2, the Disciples of Christ who weren't celebrating Pentecost received the outpouring of the Holy Spirit: the Pentecostal outside didn't.

2. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit occurs when a person is born again. The Holy Spirit baptizes you into the Body of Christ, 1 Corinthians 12:13.

3. A Christian is then required to receive the Holy Spirit to live in him, which is a separate experience from the above, but can occur at the same moment. We will discuss how to receive the Holy Spirit later in this class.

4. When He takes up His abode in you, you have access to the full advantage of His personality and ministry. What is commonly referred to as the anointing is actually the power of the Holy Spirit. And because He lives in you wholly, you don't need nor can you receive a "double-anointing" or more anointing, because you have the whole! What you require is to know how to activate what you have received and be full of Him, from inside you and not from outside. This will also be discussed further in this class.

1) WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

The Holy Spirit is Himself God. He is co-equal with God. He is the one who proceeds from the Father. Our Lord Jesus gives us the best description and character of the Holy Spirit. In John 15:26 He said "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:"

- We see the first reference to the Holy Spirit in Genesis 1:2 "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters". He is the doer of the Father's intentions. It was the Holy Spirit in action in the creation account of Gen 1 & 2.
- He is the one who communicates the presence of God. He is the one who brings us the presence of God and makes it real to us. In the Old Testament in Isa 63: 9-10 he was referred to as the Angel of His presence. He is the conveyor of God's presence.
- The Father dwells in us through the Holy Spirit, as we see in Ephesians 2:22 "In whom ye also are budded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit."
- Being a Spirit, we cannot see Him with the optical eyes, but we can experience His manifestation. He is as real as the person sitting next to you. (John 14:17). He has personality and emotions. He can be grieved (Ephesians 4:30), and can talk (Acts 13:2).
- He is the Comforter that our Lord Jesus introduced in John 14:16 "and I will pray the Father; and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever"; and confirmed in John 14:26 "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost..
- He is the one who reproveth the world of sin, and of righteousness and of judgement as stated in John 16:8.
- He is the one that makes salvation possible for any man as we see in Joel 2:28; "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh:"and the one who baptizes a believing one into the Body of Christ, as we see in 1 Corinthians 12:13 "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body..."

2) **THE PRIMARY MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN**

Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth"

When one receives the Holy Spirit, one received the dynamic ability to live the Christian life successfully and be a witness for Jesus.

3) **SEVEN SYNONYMS OF THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN US**

Synonyms: Is a word that has the same meaning as another. When our Lord Jesus introduced the Holy Spirit in John 14:16, He referred to Him as the "Comforter". The Greek word 'paracletos' meaning one called alongside, has the following synonyms. Understanding them will enhance your fellowship with the Holy Spirit.

They are:

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| i. Comforter | ii. Counsellor | iii. Helper |
| iv. Intercessor | v. Advocate | vi. Strengtheners |
| vii. Standby | | |

From here, the Teacher is to read directly from pages 27-31 of the Book, "7 Things the Holy Spirit will do in You"

4) **HOW TO RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT** - Acts 2:17, Acts 5:32, Galatians 3:14, Rhapsody of Realities, February 4, 2021

Every Christian can and should receive the Holy Spirit. This is the Father's blessing, and has been poured out upon all flesh as we see in Acts 2:17. He is one of the cardinal gifts of God to all men. By simply obeying His call to believe the Gospel, anyone can receive Him. And since you have believed the Gospel, all you need to do is receive Him by faith (Galatians 3:14).

You can simply and with reverence, say, *"In the Name of Jesus Christ, I open my heart now, and I receive the Holy Spirit"*. Then by faith, receive as simply as you received Christ.

And when you receive something valuable, what do you do next? You thank the giver! So even while you are thanking Him, you can be filled with the Spirit, speaking with tongues and prophesying.

In Acts 19:6, we also see an example of how a Christian can receive the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands of someone who had already received the Holy Spirit.

5) **SPEAKING IN TONGUES AND ITS PURPOSES**

When a Christian has received the Holy Spirit, one of the advantages is he receives the ability to speak in tongues. Speaking in tongues is one of the signs mentioned by our Lord Jesus Christ in Mark 16: 17.

The benefits of speaking in tongues are endless but let's look at some that are revealed to us in scriptures:

- To help us operate at our highest level of faith, Jude 1:20 (ampc) When we speak in tongues like this, we edify ourselves, we improve ourselves, we promote ourselves. This is an amazing "self-building" advantage available to you!
- To utter mysteries, 1 Corinthians 14:2
Again, when you speak in tongues, things happen within you and for you, and all good. There is no disadvantage for speaking in tongues, only benefits. Every time you speak in tongues, you are improved.
- To glorify God, Acts 10: 46
Speaking in Tongues gives us a language to express purest praise and worship to God. It is a language of the Spirit and not contaminated or restricted by the limitations of earthly languages. Without tongues, you will be limited in your prayer, praise and worship.
- To speak unto God, 1 Corinthians 4:2
You are speaking directly with God, not man - not even yourself; you are speaking mysteries. That's why praying in tongues first before praying in your understanding is so important (1 Corinthian 14:15). Because in your understanding, all you know is what you know, and may not be adequate. But, when you speak in tongues, there are no limitations because you are speaking mysteries.

6) **THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD**

In Isaiah 11:2, We are introduced to a remarkable revelation about the Holy Spirit, expressed in 7 unique characteristics or features of the self-same Holy Spirit, to help us understand and function in the fullness of the Spirit.

It is to be noted that this does not mean there are 7 Spirits but refers to the many sided dimensions of the Holy Spirit, which are to our benefit. When we receive the Holy Spirit, we have all of Him.

We will only list the 7 Spirits as revealed in Isaiah 11:2, and then you will ask the pupils to do a further study with the Book by our Man of God **"The Seven Spirits of God"**.

- A. The Spirit of the Lord
- B. The Spirit of Wisdom
- C. The Spirit of Understanding
- D. The Spirit of Counsel
- E. The Spirit of Might
- F. The Spirit of Knowledge
- G. The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord

7) **THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE MINISTRY GIFTS**

a. **The gifts of the Holy Spirit:** These are gifts given to Christians by the Holy Spirit as He wills for the common good, and the edification of the Church.

It has been taught in some places that there are nine gifts of the Spirit, but it is better rendered that there are nine listed in 1 Corinthians 12:8-10. There are several others in other portions of scripture.

The Fruit of the Spirit referred to in Galatians 5:22 are the fruit of the recreated human spirit, and not the Holy Spirit.

When a man is born again, he receives a new spirit, and these fruits are inherent and expected to manifest as he grows and matures. They come with the nature of righteousness (which we will discuss further in Class 3 on Doctrines).

Galatians 5:22 "But the fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness, Temperance".

These, are expected attributes that a Christian should manifest because he has received the nature and ability to produce them.

b. **Ministry Gift or Office:** This is a call into an Office for the Body of Christ. Ephesians 4:11 lists 5 offices for us namely: Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor and Teacher. As revealed in Hebrews 5:4, these are by God's calling.

Those called into these specific offices are given the responsibility to perfect i.e. equip the saints for the work of the Ministry. In other words, to prepare and build up the saints, so they can fulfil God's purpose for their lives on earth. The Ministry Offices are an advantage for the Body of Christ.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Read the Book "The Seven Spirits of God"
2. Speak in Tongues for at least 10 Minutes each Day till the next class. Note observations or changes you notice about yourself, or specific thoughts or direction that you received as you prayed.

Reference Material for Further Study

1. Seven Things the Holy Spirit will do in You
2. Seven Things the Holy Spirit will do for You
3. The Holy Spirit and You
4. The Oil and the Mantle

CLASS THREE: CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should know about the following:

- Supremacy of the Bible
- Living in Two Worlds
- Doctrines and why they are important
- Key Christian Doctrines
- Christian Activism and Apologetics
- Loveworld Exceptionalism, Expansionism and Perfectionism

1. THE SUPREMACY OF THE BIBLE

The Bible contains the Word of God, and will never be updated or go out of fashion. It is infallible, has no contradictions and is complete.

The Bible contains the Word of God, which is described by our Man of God as follows: "The Word is that message from God that reveals or communicates His works, will, thoughts, plans, purposes, and pursuits; to bring men into or promote fellowship with Him in love.

It is His message of truth with the content and power to build His image into the life of the hearers. Its content is the embodiment of Christ's revelations, provisions, perfections and instructions. It is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction or training in righteousness" Pastor Chris - June 18, 2019.

2. LIVING IN TWO WORLDS

As a Christian, you have been translated into the Kingdom of God. You are not in transit. You were successfully transported into God's Kingdom the instant you received salvation. You are there now. Not when you get to Heaven.

Heaven is a part of God's Kingdom and with a definite location, but while here on earth, you are in the part of God's Kingdom established in the earth, and headed by Jesus, called the Kingdom of Heaven.

In this Kingdom, as with any Kingdom, there is a King and there are rules or a constitution to live by. Your knowledge of these will help you function most effectively and benefit most optimally in the blessings and provisions of the Kingdom in which you now belong.

Colossians 1:13 "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:"

However, you may ask, "how come I still live in my house"? Because the Kingdom of God is a spiritual Kingdom, and God is a Spirit. Nevertheless, this doesn't make it less real than the physical, in fact it makes it superior to the physical! Because the Spiritual pre-existed the physical, and gave birth to the physical and hence is greater than the physical!

You now live in two worlds, a spiritual world and a physical world. As a member of God's spiritual Kingdom, you have authority to dominate the physical world and not to be subject to its limitations.

Let us read the following scriptures for more light on this:

John 8:23 "And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world.'

John 18:36 "Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world:"

Romans 12:2 "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." John 15:19 "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."

Colossians 3:1-2 "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."

Hebrews 12:22 "But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem,"

We live in a new Kingdom, with principles that govern life in the Kingdom. The next segment discusses some of these, which we call Doctrines.

3. WHAT ARE DOCTRINES AND WHY THEY ARE IMPORTANT

A Doctrine is a recognizable set of beliefs, teaching, values or instructions that are obeyed, believed, taught and practiced by a set of people.

In Christianity, our Doctrines are based on the Scriptures. We do not have doctrines or form doctrines from human beliefs, cultures, society norms, assumptions, mental or human experiences.

Our Doctrines are of God and provide us a sound, unshakable and tested pattern to follow, based on the infallible and indestructible Word of God.

Doctrines are transferable through teaching, through example and by being nurtured by those appointed of God to do so, not by just anyone (Philippians 3:17, Philippians 4:9)

Following the pattern given us in the scriptures also protects us from erroneous doctrines of men and devils (see 1 Tim 4:1)

4. SOME KEY CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES

A. Doctrine of Righteousness

Romans 5:21 "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."

This is one of the most glorious statements in the scriptures. And this scripture concisely puts side by side, what God made us with what God made Jesus for our sake. And this aptly communicates the Doctrine of Substitution.

If Jesus was successfully made sin for us, then we have been successfully made righteous! God did it!

Righteousness is a gift, Rom 5:17 "For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)"

Righteousness is a nature, the nature of God who is our Father, and hence we have same nature because we are His offspring.

You can't have more Righteousness than you received when you were born again. Just as a human being can't have more humanity from when he is a baby till adulthood. He was born 100% human with the human nature. Same with you, when you were born again, you received the 100% nature of Righteousness.

Some have erroneously thought you can become righteous by deeds but the truth is you can only do righteous deeds when you are righteous by nature!

You are Righteous now and have the power and authority to do the right things, and reject the wrong things. It is in you. What you learn to do is walk in your nature of Righteousness, which is walking in the Spirit. See Galatians 5:16 "This I say then, walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh."

For the full message on this crucial teaching, a mandatory exercise before you can move to the next class is listening to the message "Understanding Righteousness"

B. Fundamental Doctrines

In Hebrews 6:1-2, the Scriptures reveal some more fundamental doctrines as follows;

- i. **Repentance from Dead Works** Hebrews 9:12-14
 - It is essential for a Christian to realize that he is justified by faith and not by any thing that he did or does.
 - In Hebrews 9:11-14, the writer lets us know that through the blood of Christ, we have our consciences purged from dead works to serve the living God.
 - What are these dead works? Studying from verses 12-14 of the same chapter, we can see references to sacrifices of old which were no longer required having been superseded by the perfect work of salvation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

You can't kill 100 cows to appease God to give you salvation. All you need is faith in what Jesus Christ has already done.

- ii. **Faith Towards God:** Hebrews 11:1-6 Rom 1:17; 2 Corinthians 5:7.
 - The Bible says in Hebrews 11:1-2, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report".
 - The Christian walk is a life of faith. As God's children, we walk by faith and not by sight. 'Sight' here means sensory perceptions. (2 Corinthians 5:7).
 - Before we got born again, we were led by our sensory perceptions, but now God wants us to change. He wants us to live by faith.

- The life of faith is not supposed to be a struggle. If you are a Christian, you already started out in that life. The Bible says in Romans 12:3 that God gave to every man the measure of faith, which is exactly all the measure you need, and then all you need is grow and make it stronger, by hearing the word and putting it to work.

iii. **Baptisms**

The word 'baptize' is derived from the Greek word 'baptizo', which means to 'immerse completely into'.

- a. **Baptism of the Holy Spirit (the new birth):** 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 4:4-5
 - This is the Baptism into Body of Christ. This is what happens when a man is born again.
- b. **Water Baptism:** Romans 6:3-5; 1 Peter 3:21
 - **Baptism by immersion in water:** This is one of the Sacraments of the Church. It is the complete immersion of one into water, and is an outward manifestation of what happens to a man when he is born again, and baptized into Christ. The Lord, as a sign of faith, showing the world that we have believed and identified with His death, burial and resurrection, commanded it.

iv. **Laying on of hands:**

The Laying on of hands is to impart or bestow a divine blessing, impartation of a supernatural advantage or benefit upon an individual. For example in Numbers 27:18-23, where Moses laid hands on Joshua. Deuteronomy 34:9 later records that Joshua was full of the spirit of wisdom because Moses laid hands on him. We see other examples below of the laying on of hands:

- For healing: (Mark 16:18);
- For ministering the Holy Spirit: (Acts 19:6);
- For impartation of spiritual gifts: (1 Timothy 4:14);
- For ordination into the ministry: (Acts 13:1-3)

vi. **Eternal Judgment**

There are two types of judgment, one for believers and the other for unbelievers:

- a. **Christian Judgment for Reward:** Romans 14:10; 1 Corinthians 3:11-16, 1 Corinthians 4:5

Judgment Seat of Christ: The judgment seat of Christ is where Christians receive rewards for their deeds while on earth (1 Corinthians 3:13-15). Note that the Christian will not face the judgment seat to be condemned or judged. There is absolutely no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:1).

b. **Judgment of the Unbelievers for Condemnation:** Revelation 20:11-15
The Great White Throne Judgment: This is when the unbelievers will be judged for not accepting Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. Here the Church also will be present together with Christ to pass judgment on the them (1 Corinthians. 6:2-3).

C. **Doctrine of Sanctification:** Hebrews 10:10; 1 Corinthians 6:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:23, 1 Corinthians 1:30

This means 'consecration' or separation from others for a special use. It is two-fold:

- The first is the separation of the believer from the world when he gets born again. This is instantaneous upon receiving Christ.

In this, God separated you from the world. He took you out of sin and all unrighteousness. "But ye are washed, but ye are sanctified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God". 1 Corinthians 6:11, see also Hebrews 10:10, Jude 1:1.

The second is the continuous sanctification - spirit, soul and body - of the Christian unto God.

This is by the Word of God (Romans 12:1-2, John 17:17) and Ministry of the Holy Spirit affecting his whole being.

In this, the world is taken out of the believer. His mind is renewed. It's like first taking a man out of the mud, and then taking the mud out of the man.

It is your personal responsibility to receive the word into you through study and meditation.

We have an abundance of Ministry Platforms to help you accomplish this. More Scriptural references: 1 Corinthians 6:11, 1 Thessalonians 4:4, 2 Timothy 2:22

d. **Doctrine on Holiness:** 1 Corinthians 6:19; Hebrews 3:1
The presence of God is what confers holiness (for example in Exodus 3:5). He lives in you, and that makes you holy. Your body is now the temple of the Holy Ghost who dwells in you. 1 Corinthians 6:19. Your Holiness has nothing to do with what you did, but what God did with you. God therefore wants you to live holy and present you body to Him as a living sacrifice for His glory (Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 6:20)

e. **Doctrine on Deliverance:** Colossians 1:12-13
The word "deliver" means 'to take out' 'to save' 'rescue from', for example, from danger. God delivered us out of the control and the dominion of darkness. We are now free from the power or authority of darkness, Colossians 1:13.

Jesus made a public display of Satan's defeat. He conquered and disarmed the power of darkness and spoiled them, that is, he took everything they had that was of value from them - Colossians 2:15.

We "have been" delivered (past tense) out the domain of failure, fear, poverty, sickness, Not "will be" delivered. It happened already. God did not stop here; he also gave us authority over Satan and all his cohorts in the name of Jesus - Ephesians 1:22, Philippians 2:9-11.

We now have the power of attorney to use his name, and in that name, we can cast out devils Mk 16:17. So a Christian does not need to be delivered from the devil, he is superior to the devil in the name of Jesus.

5. **CHRISTIAN ACTIVISM AND APOLOGETICS**

Apologetics refers to a systematic argumentative discourse in defense of the gospel or defense of a doctrine.

Activism is an activity that expresses active or vigorous action or confrontation on the side of a controversy or cause.

From the above we see that what the Church needs now to advance, as we should is Activism. Jesus said in Matt 6:18 "...I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." And the picture here is not of holding a stationary position but rather that the church will advance and satan can't stop it!

This awareness and necessity of Christian Activism is one of the important areas our Man of God has brought into focus these past few years.

There is a place and requirement for Apologetics, but it seemed that the tilt to defence had gained so much, that actual activism had been relegated. And instead of forcefully advancing our position, Christians had become boxed into a corner of defending and explaining to the antagonists.

Activists control and dictate things, and we must not allow the Church to be at the mercy of the world system. So be passionate and take your place as an activist for Jesus. The message of life you have received is worth it. It is worth fighting for, living for and if necessary, dying for.

A necessary Study Material is the Message "Activism vs Apologetics"

6. **LOVEWORLD EXCEPTIONALISM, EXPANSIONISM AND PERFECTIONISM**

As a Member of the Loveworld Nation, and a participator in the Vision of our Ministry, you immediately enter into a very special graces given us, consistent with the Word of God, and the Mission the Lord has given us.

They are ideologies we have received and accepted. And as a member, your consciousness and acceptance of them will cause you to walk in the unique blessings they carry.

a) **LW Exceptionalism:** This is the theory or idea that we are uniquely different in some way; it connotes a superiority of ideology and supremacy of calling, which also confers on us the burden and responsibility of leadership for the whole world.

b) **LW Expansionism:** This is the doctrine and endeavour of expanding our reach and influence through the relentless spreading of our message, we have that calling that Abraham had to take over the World and there are no limits for us.

c) **LW Perfectionism:** This is the idea, doctrine and disposition to regard anything short of perfect and excellent as unacceptable.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Listen to the following Messages:
 - i. Understanding Righteousness
 - ii. 3 Important Laws Apologetics vs Activism
2. Write three Striking things you learnt which you would put to work, from each message.

CLASS FOUR: EVANGELISM

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should know about the following:

- What evangelism is and the purpose for evangelism
- Evangelism As Personal Responsibility
- How that God equips us for this work
- 7 Steps To Perfecting Soul Winning
- Introduction To Cell Ministry
- Some Important Facts About The Cell Ministry

EVANGELISM:

Evangelism refers to reaching someone else with the message that you have believed and which changed your life, with the intention that it will change his or her life also.

We often refer to this as “Soul Winning”. However, our Man of God made a powerful explanation that what many do amounts only to “Soul Saving” meanwhile what is required to complete the job is “Soul Winning”!

So don't stop at “saving” the soul, you must complete the work by “winning” the soul. The commandment of the Lord in Matthew 28:19-20 is very instructive on this, “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”

We can see that the Lord doesn't want us to just preach or witness, but to teach and raise disciples. It is just like when a woman gives birth to a child, the work is not over. She can't give birth and then abandon the child. It is expected she will bring the child home, to be raised.

This is the important focus of Evangelism in these last days. It is not enough to witness, we must teach and disciple those we reach with the gospel. This is the command of the Lord.

This is exactly what is happening to you now! So when you begin your work of saving souls, focus on bringing them to your own Christ Embassy Church or send them to the Christ Embassy Church in the city or country, where they live. So that the work of soul winning can start.

In addition, to help you retain this consciousness of “soul winning”; our Ministry Platform (SOULTRACKER) is available for recording your work of soul winning in a structured way.

We will watch a short tutorial on how to sign up, and use the SOULTRACKER towards the end of this Class.

PURPOSE FOR EVANGELISM

Everything God does is for a purpose. And when you have clarity on the purpose of God for soul winning, all excuses, confusion, hesitation perish. Purpose brings conviction.

When God saves you, He makes you His partner in saving others. There is no honour greater than this. To be involved in bringing the message of God's plan of salvation to others.

In 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 we see this amazing truth, that we must accept and live by. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;"

It is a Ministry given to us by God. No man can give you a Ministry. Men may give you a job. Only God can give you a Ministry. All the Presidents and Governments of the world cannot appoint you to this Ministry, or make you a Soul winner. Only God can. And this is why you must be forever grateful you have received this Ministry of Reconciliation.

"You are a Minister of Reconciliation". Say it. "I am a Minister of Reconciliation".

EVANGELISM IS MY PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

For a long time, many have had the wrong impression that evangelism is for some people and not for some people. Some think maybe it is for the pastors or evangelists or some people in the Church who are not very busy. This, is an error that the devil has used to rob many from living the beautiful and exciting life God prepared for them as soul winners.

As we have seen from 2 Corinthians 5:17-18, evangelism, the ministry of reconciliation, is for every Christian. Once you are saved, God wants you to join Him in saving others. You must not let the blessing stop with you! You have a responsibility to tell those in your world.

GOD EQUIPS US FOR THIS WORK

In Acts 1:8 and Ephesians 4:11-13, we see two very important scriptures that show us how the Lord Himself made provision for us to be equipped as effective witnesses and soul winners.

Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Ephesians 4:11-12 "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:"

AN IMPORTANT QUESTION:

In a Pastor ChrisLive Segment during one of our Communion Services, someone asked the question "Will a Christian that doesn't win souls go to heaven?"

The real question is why should a Christian not want to win souls?

If truly you have received Jesus as Lord and Saviour, why will you not do the very thing He asked you to do, which is tell others about Him so they can also be saved as you have been saved?!

See what Jesus said in Matthew 12:30 (MSG)

"This is war, and there is no neutral ground. If you're not on my side, you're the enemy; if you're not helping, you're making things worse."

So, if He really is your Lord, you do what He said. You join Him in His mission and work. You should not be sitting in the place of disobedience. This is wisdom!

Proverbs 11:30 "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise."

Daniel 12:3 "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

Romans 10:15 "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" Don't you want these to be your testimony? Just see this scripture below, which should settle all controversy! 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

"For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again."

If He is truly your Saviour, you shouldn't be trying to do less for Him, you should be living your whole life for Him! Hallelujah!

THE SUPREME ADVANTAGE OF THE SOULWINNER

As you begin your ministry of reconciliation, and winning others, the adversary (satan) will try to use different things to stop you or slow you down. Our Lord Jesus warned of this in several scriptures (eg Luke 21:34).

But, your secret and guarantee of an effective, ever fervent, dynamic and fruitful life of soul winning is the Holy Spirit. First is to receive Him, and second is to be continuously filled with Him.

In Acts 1:8, our Lord Jesus told the disciples to wait until they receive the Holy Spirit. If they needed Him, you also need Him.

And in Ephesians 5:18-19, the scriptures tell us to be ever full of the Spirit. Remember we discussed this in Class 2. This is your secret. If you are full of the Holy Spirit, you will have a dynamic lifestyle of soul winning. We will see more of this below

PART 2

7 STEPS TO PERFECTING SOULWINNING

These are 7 Steps, given us by our Man of God under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that will take your work of soul winning to perfection.

We will just read the 7 Steps and then the full text of each will be made available to you, for Take Home Assignment #1 for this Class.

STEP 1: BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

The expression "be filled with the Spirit" refers to being loaded, fully imbued or abundantly fortified, satisfied and complete with the power of the Spirit. The fact that you've received the Holy Spirit doesn't mean you'll always be full of Him. You must continually practice being filled with Him.

This is the first step to perfecting your soul winning efforts. You must be afire, aglow, enthusiastic and full of zeal about the Kingdom. Romans 12:11 (AMP) says: "Never lag in zeal and in earnest endeavor; be aglow and burning with the Spirit, serving the Lord." This is what happens to you when you are filled with Spirit.

When you're constantly filled with the Spirit and overflowing with His fullness, you won't need to try to muster boldness to say or do things. No! Whenever you open your mouth to speak, you'll speak the wisdom of God; words that are divinely inspired, because you're full of the Holy Ghost.

As highlighted in our opening verse, to get yourself filled with the Spirit, you speak to yourself in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs! And consciously talk, sing, and make melody of the Word, in your heart, to the Lord! Then give thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is a simple but very profound instruction given to us by the Spirit through Apostle Paul, and if you'll practice it constantly and consistently, you will experience the blessings thereof.

Hallelujah!!!

STEP 2: HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE GOSPEL

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2Timothy 2:15).

Having a clear understanding of the Gospel is vital to effectively communicate it. Otherwise, you'd preach the gospel alright, but your message will not produce the best results. Sadly, there are many Christians around the world that don't have a clear understanding of the Gospel, hence their effectiveness in soul winning is impeded.

“The Gospel, in a nutshell, is that in Christ's substitutionary vicarious death, my sins were remitted; and in His resurrection and new birth, I resurrected”

We've made available a wealth of teaching materials that give in-depth an explanation of what the Gospel of Jesus Christ is. You can get these materials on the Pastor Chris Digital Library to enhance your comprehension of the Gospel. The Rhapsody of Realities is one important material that'll also help build your understanding of the Gospel of Christ.

For many years, as I studied the Scriptures and as the Holy Ghost ministered to me, I would write down my understanding of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I did that over and over again. Consequently, it was easier for me to run through it, analyze it and effectively communicate it. I encourage you to do the same for yourself. At different times, write down your understanding of the Gospel and compare it with the Scriptures. This will help you analyze, review, clarify and communicate the Gospel more effectively.

STEP 3: EXPLAIN THE GOSPEL

“And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself” (Luke 24:7).

In Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus instructed us to 'teach all nations...' This means to make disciples of all nations. We make this happen by explaining the Gospel. This is where your personal understanding of the Gospel comes to play; you can't explain it if you don't have an understanding of it.

There's a difference between preaching the Gospel and explaining the Gospel. When we preach the Gospel, it is an announcement of what Jesus came to do – to give us liberty from sin, disease, infirmity, darkness, death and the devil. It is an announcement of the blessings, inheritance, righteousness, healing and all that Christ has made available.

But in explaining the Gospel, we expound it so that our hearers know what it entails. If you don't explain the Gospel to them, they may not understand what it means. Remember, your explanation of the Gospel is hinged on your own understanding of the Gospel.

STEP 4: LEAD THEM INTO SALVATION (THE CONFESSION)

“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation” (Romans 10:9-10).

Do you realize that sometimes, Christians preach the gospel, and explain it, but don't actually lead the hearers into salvation? When you preach the gospel and explain it, you've got to give the hearers an opportunity to come into Christ; you have to lead them into salvation. That's the essence of your evangelism.

How do you lead someone into salvation?

The Bible declares: "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Romans 10:9). You lead a person into salvation by helping them in the confession of the Lordship of Jesus.

After you share the gospel with someone or a group of people, you must then proceed to ask if they believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and when they believe, you lead them in the confession of the lordship of Jesus.

Romans 10:10 gives us the principle: "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." So when one believes in his heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, the righteousness of God is imparted into that individual, but he is only catapulted into salvation upon the confession of the Lordship of Jesus.

STEP 5: RECEIVE THEM INTO GOD'S FAMILY (THE AWARENESS)

"Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son" (Colossians 1:12-13).

Many times, we preach the Gospel and fail to receive those we lead to Christ into God's family. Imagine a woman who gives birth to a child at the hospital and leaves the baby there; wouldn't she be remiss in her duty as a mother? Absolutely! She's expected to take her child home and bring the child into a family. In the same vein, when you lead someone to Christ, that individual is like a babe that's been born into God's family, and hence should be brought to Church to fellowship with other Christians.

All those that come to Christ need to know where they are now; they need to know that they've been translated from the domain of darkness into the Kingdom of God's dear Son. They have to become aware of their new environment; God's Kingdom; His very presence. They must be brought into the awareness of their new place; their new home and that they are now in Christ Jesus – that's what it means to receive them into the family God.

This is why you must ensure they are brought to Church. The Bible tells us that the Church is the pillar and ground of truth: "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Timothy 3:15). The only place to hear the voice of truth and encouragement is the Church.

The Church is a place of refuge and security. They must be stable members of a local church; preferably the local assembly you are a part of, because there, you can take them on the next step – Introduce them to the Church's mentorship program.

STEP 6: INTRODUCE THE CHURCH'S MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

The Church has a mentorship program. Their membership in a local church is a strong support system for their spiritual growth and effectiveness in the Kingdom of God. You must ensure that they are nurtured, taught and brought in the way of the Lord.

Matthew 28:19-20 says "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen"

Now that our new converts have come to the Lord, we have to teach them to observe and to do all things that Jesus taught us to do; the things that the Holy Spirit has revealed to us through the Scriptures. The Church teaches these things to build and mentor the Christian.

The church runs its mentorship program through various structures such as the cell system, foundation school, activity departments, and the various levels of leadership and responsibilities that the new convert passes through in the house of God. All these activities help build the Christian, mentoring the individual until they become a fully mature Christian and dependable leader.

The Soul Tracker app is a platform we have created to help you monitor and keep tabs on new converts as they participate in the Church's mentorship program. Make sure you take advantage of this platform.

STEP 7: RELEASE THEM INTO LEADERSHIP

Maturity is for responsibility. Maturity is not an end in itself; it is for responsibility; it is for ministry. Therefore, when we mentor people to a stage of maturity where they can be a blessing to others, we release them into leadership.

Our work of soul winning is not done until that individual we have won has grown to a level of maturity where he or she has taken the responsibility of winning others to the Lord.

In raising others, we teach them to copy us; to do the things we have taught them to do. Jesus taught His disciples to do the things that He was doing, He also charged them to teach others, "...teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen" (Matthew 28:20).

Carefully following these seven steps will enable you carry out ministry effectively and produce the right results.

JOIN THIS CHARIOT

If your work of evangelism is a Ministry as we said in the early part of this Class, then how do you combine it with your academics as a student, dependent? How do you find time in your busy schedule? Is it ok to limit your evangelism to weekends when you're not very busy? How do you win souls in the school?

Such questions that have troubled many over the years, and made them settle for less, have been answered in this Book, which reveals the wisdom of God for you to be an effective and busy soul winner in a busy world!

Assignment #2 for this Class is to Read the Book, and answer the questions at end of each Chapter (in the book), and bring your completed Book to the class next week.

TUTORIAL ON HOW TO USE SOULTRACKER

SOULTRACKER is our Ministry Platform for you to Track and Monitor your efforts and results in your personal soul winning.

You need it. So after this tutorial, you will sign up and begin to use from today.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Read the explanations of the Seven Steps to Perfecting Soul winning
2. Get your Personal Copy of **"Join This Chariot"** Read it, and answer the questions at end of each Chapter (in the Book), and bring your completed Book to the class next week.
3. Reach out to 2 people and bring them to Church next week. Submit their names at the next class. Note any challenge or testimony you encountered, and share with us.

INTRODUCTION TO CELL MINISTRY

The Objective of this Class is to introduce the Foundation School Student to the necessity and benefits of the Cell Ministry and also make clear his/her responsibility to participate and contribute.

The Cell Ministry is a potent strategy for producing the results of Eph 4:11-16 where every member grows, every member matures and every member supplies to the growth of the Church.

At some point during the Class, Two previous Students who are now vitally involved in the Cell Ministry should be brought in to testify of the efficacy of the Cell Ministry in their own personal journey of growth and relevance.

SOME IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT THE CELL MINISTRY

1. The Cell Ministry is a strategy of the Spirit given to us by our Man of God.
2. The Cell Ministry provides a tested, proven and scripturally based Roadmap to win new converts, build them, and send them.

3. The Cell Ministry is not one of the programs of the Church, it is how the Church grows via the growth and development of every member. Our Pastor and President is the leader of the Cell Ministry. He hosts all Cell Leaders across the Ministry to a yearly Conference to sharpen, impart and equip; and is also the custodian of the Cell Manual and provider of the Weekly Bible Study Outlines used by every Cell in the Loveworld Nation.

4. The Cell Ministry is not optional. There is no substitute to it. The advantage and benefits it is designed to deliver to the member cannot be obtained in any other way. The Cell Ministry is necessary for the orderly and stable growth of the Christian.

5. The Cell Ministry is the same across all our Churches in the Loveworld Nation. There are no versions. The Cell Ministry in every Church is the same Cell Ministry, it

6. The Cell Ministry transcends the peculiarity of any Individual, Location or Human systems because it is of God, and has overcome all barriers. When properly executed, the Cell Ministry produces predictable results of growth and maturity in the Members.

7. The Cell Ministry ensures no member is left behind in the Church. It is a master strategy for ensuring every member is known, well cared for and looked after. It is an effective System that guarantees that every member receives adequate Pastoral Care, however large the Church is.

8. The Cell Ministry provides every member an effective platform to develop and express their Christianity and render service to the Church and to their world.

9. Participation in and development through the Cell Ministry is a pre-requisite for a member to be considered for leadership responsibilities in the Church.

10. The Cell Ministry is designed to produce continuous growth through the multiplication of Cells. It doesn't allow stagnancy.

WHAT IS A CELL?

A Cell is the basic Fellowship and Outreach Unit of the Church. It provides an avenue for soul winning by the members and soul development of the members. It is usually made up of 5-25 members at one time.

The Cell constantly grows through the addition of more members by evangelism, and therefore constantly produces new Cells. The Cell belongs to the Church and is connected to the Church.

WHAT HAPPENS IN A CELL?

We have a Manual which provides guidance and knowledge on the appropriate activities that should happen in a Cell. Every Cell Leader is well trained in the use and right application of the Manual.

Over time you may hear the phrases “Cell Ministry” and “Cell System” being used interchangeably and wonder what is the difference? Simply put, the Cell System (which refers to the Cell System Manual) is the System for conducting the Cell Ministry.

Now, before we review the activities that happen in a Cell, let us restate that the primary purpose of a Cell is growth. If a Cell is not growing, it is not functioning. So the activities of a Cell are not meant to be an end in themselves but aimed to produce growth of each member, addition of members and consequently, multiplication of the Cell.

It is a righteous expectation that every Cell, without exception, should grow and reproduce itself in a short matter of time.

When the Cell System is applied, unstoppable growth will occur.

ACTIVITIES THAT HAPPEN IN A CELL

1. Prayer
2. Bible Study
3. Love and Pastoral Care
4. Evangelism to the Cell's defined catchment and Outreaches to same or regions beyond
5. Addition of New Members
6. Visitations
7. Follow-up, Retention and Recovery (as required)
8. Nurturing and Training of members
9. Member Assignments and Responsibilities
10. Growth and Multiplication
11. Leadership Development and Mentoring
12. Supply of Leadership to the Church
13. Effecting Instructions from the Pastor to every Member
14. Demonstration of Love to one another and Christian Maturity
15. Celebrations
16. Support in times of Need
17. Protection of Members

The Cell System provides a proper structure for these activities to happen, and for every member to be a provider and a beneficiary of these.

SUMMARY OF THE CELL SYSTEM STRUCTURE

1. Every Cell meets once a Week. Every meeting should have first timers (won and invited by the members)
2. Meetings usually take place in a conducive venue outside the Church premises, that allows the Meeting to be accessible to the unconverted also

3. There are 4 Types of Meetings namely,
 - a. **Prayer and Planning Meeting** where all members of the Cell and first timers are present to pray and plan for the Cell's activities for the Month, including assigning of targets and responsibilities to each member.
 - b. **Bible Study Meeting 1**, where each member participates in an exciting and deep study with the Outline from our President.
 - c. **Bible Study Meeting 2**, same as above, Part 2.
 - d. **Outreach Meeting**, where the Cell harvests large numbers of souls in a special evangelical meeting.
4. Every Cell has Officials chosen from among the members, namely the Cell Leader, Bible Study Class Teachers and Cell Executives (such as Cell Secretary, Venue Officer). These positions are occupied by members of the Cell, and provide valuable opportunity for leadership training and development.
5. Every member of the Cell attends the Meetings and brings new members or converts to every Meeting. This is a key privilege of every member. The honour of winning and bringing new members to the Cell.
6. Cell Reports are submitted to the Church every Week so that all activities and happenings in the Cell are well received and attended by the Pastor, as required.
7. Cell Leaders meet with the Pastor every Week, so there is proper guidance, training and direction for every Cell

HOW DO I JOIN A CELL AND WHICH CELL DO I JOIN?

In Children's Church, we have Cells that are organized along age groups, geographical location, residential or other special considerations.

The objective of the different types is to ensure maximum care, growth for the members and ability to reach and nurture new converts.

As a new member, you can join a Cell in the following ways:

1. Join the Cell of the Church Member who won you to his/her Cell Meeting and brought you to the Church
2. If you came to the Church directly, and not through a Cell, then your teacher or his/her designated Official will put you in a Cell best suited for your participation, growth and development

LIVE TESTIFIERS SEGMENT

(As mentioned in the Introduction at the top)

CONCLUDING CHARGE

The Cell System is God's advantage and the recipe for your orderly development as a Christian. Your participation is a testimony of wisdom and humility. Wisdom in trusting your Pastor who said this is what you need, and humility in yielding to the Holy Spirit who gave us the Strategy.

The Cell Ministry has produced multitudes of leaders across every level in our great Nation; it has never failed and will not fail with you.

Give yourself to it fully, enjoy it, rejoice in it, be grateful for it, and contribute to it. (1 Corinthians 15:58)

CLASS FIVE: CHRISTIAN CHARACTER AND PROSPERITY

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should know about the following:

- God's desire for their growth
- Their role in their growth
- Principles of prosperity

INTRODUCTION

The new Creature has a new life, which makes it possible to develop a new character and lifestyle that is consistent with his calling in Christ. While your salvation is instantaneous, your growth is progressive, and is from glory to glory. Growth can be seen in the quality of your Character, which as a Christian is expected to be Christ like. This is not only possible, it is necessary.

In this class we will look at some fundamentals from the scriptures to set you on a course of irreversible and progressive growth!

GOD'S DESIRE FOR YOUR GROWTH

The Vision of our Ministry contains the phrase "...and demonstrating the Character of the Spirit" which is so instructive. This means there is a Character of the Spirit and we can demonstrate it.

1Cor 6:17 gives us a stunning revelation - "But he that is joined to the Lord is one spirit". Our Man of God further explained that when the Holy Spirit takes up His abode in us, He seeks to mingle with our spirit to the extent that there is one expression of character from us. And that's why we are instructed in Eph 5:18-21 to be filled with the Spirit, so that we are under His continuous influence and sway at all times and in all things. His personality is seen through us.

2Cor 3:18 gives us another amazing insight "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." (kiv, ampc). Here we see some important truths:

- Beholding or looking into a glass i.e. a mirror. What mirror? The mirror of God, which is the Word of God because it reveals.
- A progressive but irreversible change occurs, a metamorphosis
- Into the same image not another image, the same image you see...wow!
- It's from glory to glory, ever increasing glory, one direction only
- It is the work of the Spirit.

Ephesians 4:13 is climatic "Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ". This is possible not when we get to Heaven but here on earth! No wonder 1Jn 4:17 says "as He is, so are we in this world" and 1Pet 2:9 (amp) says "...and display the virtues and perfections of Him. ".Alleluia!

So from the foregoing, we can see God's desire for us, and what He has prepared for us. God didn't save us so we can be inferior or less. He wants us grow to be the expression of Christ. Our Man of God stated that the highest form of Christianity is the expression of Christ.

YOUR ROLE

You have a role in your growth. Just like the food you eat, though it has all the nutrients for your body to develop, until and unless you eat it in sufficient quantities and consistently, your body will not grow. One of the most important things to understand about life in Christ, is that you have a role. When you study scriptures or hear about God's plan for you, ask yourself what is my role because therein is wisdom.

So let's us look at some important things you must do, to grow as God planned for you to.

1. Renew your Mind

When you received salvation, you received eternal life into your spirit. But, your mind was still same, and that's why you could still remember, talk or process thoughts as you did before. And if nothing changes, even though you are born again, your mind will remain same and you will behave and demonstrate same character as before.

That's why Rom 12:2 gives us an instruction not to be conformed to this world (because we now belong to another Kingdom) but be transformed i.e. metamorphosed. The biggest thing here is he tells you how - "by the renewing of your mind"! This is the secret! If your mind is renewed, you will be transformed! Because your mind is where thoughts are processed, actions are decided, which lead to habits and which produce character. And the agent for renewing your mind is the Word of God. So you literally feed on God's Words and exchange your old information with the new divine information. In the classic Book "Power of Your Mind", our Man of God deals extensively with this and uses a phrase in the Introduction called the "character of your mind". Your mind can have a character, which will determine and show in your outward character. A Study of the "Power of Your Mind" is Assignment #1 for this Class.

2. Let the Word dwell in you richly

To grow and develop, you must study the Word. There is no option. 1 Pet2:2 says "...desire the sincere milk of the word that you may grow thereby...". But an even more important instruction is that you are taking in the word voraciously i.e. a lot until it dwells in you richly as Col 3:16 says. And it is your responsibility. No one can do this for you. So, give attention to the daily study of the Word. Prioritize this, and you can. Don't become too busy that you can't find time to study the Word. Just like you can't be too busy such that you don't eat, or else something will happen to your body. Now, the word is food for your spirit, so don't do to your spirit what you won't do to your body.

A good way to begin training yourself to be consistent with the Word is our Daily Devotional, Rhapsody of Realities. As you study it daily, and follow the 1 or 2yr Bible Study Plan, you will become addicted to the Word and your profiting will appear to all!

3a. Cultivate a Culture of Prayer

Some have asked, how much prayer is enough? When you understand that prayer is a fellowship with God, you will seek to have it always. Our Lord Jesus said in Luke 18:1 that men ought always to pray. 1Thess 5:17 says "pray without ceasing". So we see the mind of God about this. And a powerful benefit of Prayer is that more than the situation it may change, it's the change it produces in you that is even more valuable. Because of this fellowship, you become more God like in character. People who pray often are never discouraged, are usually patient with others, always hopeful and always confident.

Now, for the sake of structure in your prayer pattern, you can adopt these guidances:

- Select your personal and definite times of the day and duration for daily prayer
- In addition to the above, pray as instructed by Church or your Cell, for example, our Ministry Prayer Times with Pastor, special Church or Cell corporate prayer programs
- In addition to all of the above, you can set special prayer times to address a specific situation or specially worship the Lord
- In addition to all of the above, always respond to the special prompting of the Spirit to pray

3b. A Foundational Instruction on Prayer

Our Man of God has brought to us the emphasis of the Spirit revealed in 1 Tim 2:1-4 on the priority in Prayer. The Church seems not to have given the due attention this clear pattern, and the resultant blessings have eluded Nations of Men. Many have desired the results of a "quiet and peaceable, in all godliness and honesty" without following the pattern or praying in the manner that would produce the results!

Verses 1-2 instructs that "first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and for all that in authority..."

This is the priority...."first of all", so this comes before any personal or selfish request or ambitions in prayer! Take care of this first!

And Verse 2 continues "...that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty". This would be the necessary results! It is cause and effect. You don't pray for the effect, you enable the cause, the effect is the result. So as a Christian, this is your priority in prayer, and you will be functioning in accuracy as desired by the Holy Spirit.

Here are 4 straight forward prayers you can use as a guide to praying with this pattern

a. Pray for all men, declaring that this is the day of salvation and grace, so we break the hold of satan from their lives. Acts 26.18; 2 Corinthians 6.2 declares that we're in God's acceptable time and day of Salvation.

b. Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send forth laborers into the harvest fields of leaders of nations. Luke 10.1-3

c. Pray that God will change the hearts of leaders from foolishness and deception to wisdom and truth. He's able to do it, and will when we pray. Proverbs 21.1

d. Pray to overthrow the work of ungodly men who fill the world with poverty, violence and death, keeping men from experiencing the goodness of the Lord that fills the earth. Psalm 33.5; 2 Corinthians 10.4

4. Walk in the Spirit

To grow in godly character, there are habits from the old life that must be discontinued. And this is not difficult at all. Our Man of God once said, to stop a bad habit, replace it with a good one. There is no void in nature. You can't just stop doing some things but stay idle. Gal 5:16 gives a direct and straightforward instruction. "...walk in the Spirit and you will not fulfill the lust of the flesh". You can't walk in the Spirit and in the flesh at the same time. Rom 13:15 adds another guidance saying "and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lust thereof" i.e. don't create for yourself opportunity for wrong doing.

5. Avoid wrong associations

Your associations and relationships will affect your growth and character. You may not think so but the scriptures, God's wisdom, says it will. 1 Corinthians 15:33 says "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners". Also, we see in Proverbs 13:20 "He that walks with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed". So what you must do, is carefully choose your associations in the direction of your growth desire. And this is one of the reasons you shouldn't neglect the assembly of the saints, church services, cell meetings, and other fellowship opportunities arranged for you. They are part of God's plan for you to grow and develop.

6. Be Consistent in Church Services and Cell Meetings

Hebrews 10:25 "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." This is part of the security and advantage for the Christian. The corporate blessing in our gatherings together provide for you what you can't get in any other way. This is the wisdom of God for you.

As a Christian, attending Church Services regularly is not negotiable. The Church Service is not like another activity, like going to school, it is a divine convocation and special divine time of appointment. In Class 6, we will also see that the proper way to express and render Christian Service as a Christian is by membership in a local Church. This is how you are an active member of the Universal Church. This is God's pattern.

7. Be Available for Service

Growth is for responsibility. The way you know you are growing in character and maturity is when you take up, or are trusted with more responsibilities. In any house, that's how adults are distinguished from the children. When you start becoming responsible in the House of God, rendering Service, taking up Tasks, then maturity is in progress. Maturity is not by how long you have been in the Church, it is by how much responsibility you have taken up, and Service you are rendering. Eph 4:16 says the Body grows "...by that which every joint supplies.." Every member of the Church has a definite role to fulfill. No one was called to be idle.

8. Your Communication

An outward evidence of your growth and character development is the character of your communication. Your words locate you. It is impossible to, pretend. What you have on the inside will reflect in your words. Recall in Points 1&2 above, we talked about the importance of renewing your mind and letting the word dwell in you richly. These are connected to your talking. In Luke 6:45, our Lord Jesus said "...for of the abundance of the heart, his mouth speaketh". What you have in your heart in abundance will come out in your talking. They are connected!

In James 3:2 "For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man. ". This is instructive.

Your communication is vital. Life or death depends on it (Proverbs 18:21). You must speak in line with God's truth. This is what confession i.e. homologia means, saying the same thing in consent with God, so what God says about anything is the truth you accept and you respond to, in word and deed (Hebrews 13:5-6).

Another aspect of communication is not to allow corrupt communication come out of your mouth (Ephesians 4:29). As a Christian, some words are not befitting. The same mouth used for prayer cannot be used for dirty language (James 3:10-11). Instead you speak only gracious words that edify and bless the bearer (Colossians 4:6)

9. Be filled with the Spirit

This is the ultimate advantage of the Christian and the enabler of unstoppable growth and character development. Ephesians 5:18 says "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;". The proper rendering is "to be being filled" with Spirit. Don't come out of the over flowing influence of the Spirit! So it a conscious exercise you do. No one can do it for you. And verses 19-21 tells you how to start.

If you are always under the influence of the Holy Spirit, then demonstrating the character of the Spirit and expressing the Christ life becomes your lifestyle.

PRINCIPLES OF PROSPERITY

We will introduce this Topic and like all aspects of our Christian life, the learning is progressive and lifelong. But it must be emphasized here, and again like every other aspect, the blessing is not in the hearing but in the doing.

As a Christian, you have become a joint-heir with Christ (Romans 8:17). This alone makes it impossible for a Christian to genuinely be in lack.

We also see in Ephesians 3:8 (amp) "To me, though I am the very least of all the saints (God's consecrated people), this grace (favor, privilege) was granted and graciously entrusted: to proclaim to the Gentiles the unending (boundless, fathomless, incalculable, and exhaustless) riches of Christ [wealth which no human being could have searched out]"

2 Corinthians 8:9 says "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich".

Then Is 1:19 (TLB) "If you will only let me help you, if you will only obey, then I will make you rich!" If any of God's children is in lack, the challenge is not the lack of provisions by God but of insufficient knowledge or ignorance of God's word and His provision. There is no substitute to knowledge. In Hos 6:4, God through the Prophet said "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge".

So it is possible for a Christian to be in lack but that is not what God planned. Instead God planned that you should have over and beyond what you need, so that you can be a blessing to your world! As the seed of Abraham, you are not to just be blessed but to be a blessing.

That's why as a Christian, you shouldn't expect to just have for you and your family, you should have enough to bless others and join forces with other Christians to bless the whole world.

This is what we do when we give into the sponsorship of the Gospel through our various organized structures such as Partnerships and Programs.

The Kingdom of God has principles, and these include principles for consistent and ever increasing financial prosperity. A fundamental principle is "giving". Our Lord Jesus said in Luke 6:38 "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again"

We also see in Acts 20:35 "...it is more blessed to give than to receive". This is clear because there is no promise to the receiver. It is the giver that has a promise of harvest and increase!

So prosperity starts with giving. And listed below are some fundamental giving to get you started.

- I. **TITHE:** This refers to the one tenth of the value of your income. It is unto God and not man. We must pay it irrespective of the size. Mal 3:10
- II. **FIRST FRUITS:** This refers to the first and the best of all your increase. By releasing your first fruit to God, you are declaring that the rest of the fruits are sanctified. Rom 11:16
- III. **FREEWILL OFFERING:** As its name implies, you give as you desire to give as you make up your mind 2Cor 9:7
- IV. **SEED OFFERING:** This is given with expectation of a specific outcome or just to sow into a special grace. 2Corinthians 9:10
- V. **SERVICE OFFERINGS:** When we come to Church, a very special moment is when we have the opportunity to give our Offerings. God expects us to, and it's our privilege to do so. And it is a strong testimony of the presence of God, because we give offerings to God not to man.
- VI. **PARTNERSHIP SEEDS:** These are givings through our Ministry Partnership Arms, for the furtherance of our work, reach and impact through that specific Partnership Arm. One important characteristic of Partnership Seeds is they must be definite and consistent. Because as the name implies, the seed is a partnership commitment. And based on the expectation of it, commitments are made in the execution of the partnership. It must not default. Once there is willingness, there should then be a corresponding determination to carry it out. And there is always grace.

TAKE HOME ASSIGNMENT FOR CLASS 5:

1. Get Your Personal Copy of the Book "Power of Your Mind" and read it. Discuss 2 striking thoughts you received as you studied the Book and submit. It should be at least 1 page long.
2. Download from PCDL and listen to "Topical Teaching Highlights on Christian Growth and Maturity"
3. Listen to the Message "Tithes and Offerings". Sign up for at least one Partnership Arm.

CLASS SIX: THE LOCAL ASSEMBLY AND LOVEWORLD Inc. (CHRIST EMBASSY)

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should know about the following:

- The Universal and Local Church
- Why You Must Go To Church
- Christ Embassy And You
- Our Statements Of Faith
- Christ Embassy And You

In this Class, we will discuss the necessity of belonging to a Local Assembly, why you must attend Services consistently and a review of our Ministry's Vision, Mission and Statements of Faith.

I. THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

The word Church is translated from the Greek word ECCLESIA which means the gathering of the called out people. The Universal Church refers to the entire Body of Christ in the earth, since its inception till date.

II. THE LOCAL ASSEMBLY

The Universal Church is divided into Local Assemblies organized in different parts of the world and operating under various Ministry names.

Every Christian must be a member of a Local Assembly to be able to be nurtured, grow and function effectively as a member of Universal Body of Christ. The Holy Spirit of God has endowed the Church with all that is required for the perfect nurturing of every Christian to fulfill God's purpose (Ephesians 4:11-16).

The structure and governance in the Local Assembly is divinely ordained and by it, every member can find his or her unique part in the Body and fulfill it (1 Corinthians 12:12-18).

III. WHY YOU MUST GO TO CHURCH

Being a member of the Local Assembly, your first and most important personal responsibility is to attend the corporate Services. No one can do this for you. And nothing else can give you the benefits you will get by attending Services. In other words, if you don't attend Services, the blessings you require to receive can't be received in any other way. There are no options.

We will now briefly review 11 Reasons why you must attend Services. However, these will be given to you as a pamphlet or sent to you electronically so you can study in detail as Assignment #1 for this Class.

1. God Said So
2. Jesus went! Showing us a Pattern to Follow
3. It is the Vehicle by which you function in the Body of Christ

4. The Church is the Pillar and Ground of Truth – 1 Timothy 3:15
5. The Church is a Place of Fellowship with other Christians
6. The Church is a Place where Christian Growth and Character are enhanced
7. The Church is a Place where you hear the Word Required for Faith and Life
8. The Church is a Place of Training
9. The Church is a Place of Solution to Life's Questions
10. The Church is a Place where you Experience the Corporate Anointing
11. The Church is a Place of Refuge, Comfort and Refreshing

CHRIST EMBASSY AND YOU

- a. Our Vision – To take the divine presence of God to the nations and peoples of the World and to demonstrate the character of the Spirit.
- b. Our Mission – To raise generations of men and women who will come into their inheritance to fulfill God's dream.
- c. Our Purpose – To make known and bring them into their inheritance.

OUR STATEMENTS OF FAITH

Our Statements of Faith have their source in the Bible and are in total alignment with the doctrines of Christ.

1. We believe that the Bible contains the inspired Word of God a. (2 Titus 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21)
2. We believe that there is one God eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 4:4-5; 1 Corinthians 8:6)
3. We believe in the Deity of Christ
 - a. He was born of a virgin; (John 1:1-4, 10:30, Hebrews 1:1-5).
 - b. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit; (Matt 1:18-25; Luke 1:30-35)
 - c. He died (John 19:30-3, 5)
 - d. He rose again from the dead bodily; (John 20:25-29, Luke 24:36-40)
 - e. He ascended into heaven bodily, (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, Matthew 24:29-30)
4. We believe in the Rapture of the Church, and the Second Coming of Christ (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Mat 24:29-30).
5. We believe that the only means of being cleansed from sin is repentance and faith in the precious blood of Jesus Christ (Acts 3:19, Luke 24:47, Ephesians 1:7)
6. We believe that regeneration by the power of the Holy Ghost through the Word of God is essential for personal salvation (Titus 2:5, John 3:3-5, Ephesians 5:27)

7. We believe that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides divine healing for the body and salvation for the soul to everyone that believes (Acts 3:16 Acts 9:32-35, 1 Peter 2:24).
8. We believe that when an individual receives the Holy Ghost, he receives divine enablement for Christian service and witness (Acts 1:8; 2:4; 3:1-26; 4:5-12)
9. We believe in the sanctifying power of the Holy Ghost. (1 Corinthians 6:11; Romans 15:16)
10. We believe in the final resurrection of both the saved and the lost. The former to eternal life and the later to eternal judgment (Revelations 20:11-15, 1 Corinthians 12:23).

TAKE HOME ASSIGNMENT FOR CLASS 6:

1. Special Study on "Why We Must Go To Church" and provide answers to the questions in the Pamphlet.
2. Listen to to the Special Message "The Church, Yesterday, Today and Forever"

CLASS SEVEN: INTRODUCTION TO MOBILE TECHNOLOGY FOR PERSONAL GROWTH, EVANGELISM AND CHURCH GROWTH

LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN: At the end of this class, the children should know about the following:

- Learn about technology as a tool for evangelism.
- Introduced to Ministry Technology Platforms & App for evangelism- Soultracker.
- Learn how to use these apps

In Christ Embassy, we believe strongly that Technology is primarily for the propagation of the Gospel. Technology and all its best advantages are suited for the Work of the Ministry. Therefore, in Christ Embassy, we are foremost users of existing technology and creators of new technology for the furtherance of the gospel.

For this reason, it is desirable for every member of our Churches to have sufficient knowledge of our Ministry Technology Platforms and Apps, and how to use them for personal growth, access information, contribute and share information, and how to use them to reach souls and disciple others.

The two learning features of this Class are:

i. Play out of a Tutorial Video that introduces our major Ministry Technology Platforms and Apps, with emphasis on how to download, signup, use for evangelism and share with others.

ii. A practical download Session with the Students using their own Phones. The prerequisite for this class is that every member should have an internet enabled phone for the practical. Since it is expected that some Students may not be in possession, the Church should provide them with demo phone sets for the practical sessions so everyone in Class has a device to work with. These demo handsets are not to be taken away, so they are available for the next Class.

VIDEO TUTORIAL SEGMENT (Play out of Approved Ministry Video)

FOUNDATION SCHOOL EXCELLENCE AND BEST PRACTICES IN CLASS

OBJECTIVE

The Objective of the Foundation School Excellence Program is to ensure that EVERY First Timer to ANY Church in the Zone/ Ministry Centre has access to PROMPT and MINISTRY Standard Foundation School leading to graduates that are disciples of our message.

As good intentioned as our Foundation School Program is, if left to the individual Church Pastors and Coordinators, some may not participate, as they should because of constraints of size, classroom venue, teachers or methodology.

The Zonal Foundation School Principal in conjunction with the Zonal Office will investigate and devise a pragmatic Foundation School Operational Plan for the entire Zone that provides access for EVERY First Timer, to any Church in the Zone. Part of the Plan will include organizing the classes in Sub Group or Group Centers for better coverage, pooling of teachers, provision of multiple class dates for attendance flexibility, and provision of make-up classes for the inevitable missed classes.

BEST PRACTICES AND TIPS

In the desire for sustained perfection in our Foundation School, where every Student excels, every Class is effective and all Processes produce optimum results, here are some Best Practices and Tips to apply.

1. CONVERSION OF EVERY VIABLE FIRST TIMER INTO A GRADUATE

A major goal for the Foundation School is 1:1 conversion of every viable first timer into a graduate. This is in line with our mandate to not only save souls but win them. In addition, as reflected in our Soul Tracker APP, successful graduation from Foundation School is the measure to transit from "soul saved" to "soul won". The Conversion Rate of a Zone will be reported and assessed annually.

2. MAGNIFY THE FOUNDATION SCHOOL FROM THE PULPIT

The Pastor should talk about the Foundation School from time to time. Also, short promos or testimonies or talk shows can be taken during Service to magnify the need and impact of the Foundation School. This visibility will not only encourage the Students and Officials, it will give validation to the Students attending, when they hear the Pastor amplifying the Foundation School. On the contrary, if a Student keeps attending, but never hears a mention from the Pastor during Service overly weeks, he may rightly think it is not so important to the Pastor or the Church, and hence treats it as same.

3. WELL PACKAGED OVERVIEW AND ORIENTATION OF THE FOUNDATION SCHOOL DURING THE FIRST TIMERS BRIEFING

The welcome and briefing of First Timers after each Service is a good opportunity for an exciting and well delivered overview of the Foundation School. It should be done by the most senior Official, if not handled by the Pastor himself. It should be scripted and not left to the speaker's memory, or if possible, even a short video overview that encapsulates the purpose, enrollment, duration, examination, graduation and testimonies of the Foundation School. This will help set a high tone of expectation and readiness for the prospective students, but most importantly provides clarity of purpose why they must attend the Foundation.

4. TURN THE CLASS INTO A LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

The Foundation School Class Venues should be neat and conducive for learning. The classes should be well aerated and adequately decorated and lit. The venue should not be used for other activities during the Foundation School class, so as to avoid distractions. The class should have visual aids and also sound system, if large. Teachers must be conscious of minimizing distraction. The orientation of the class should always have windows behind, not in front, of the Students, and the entrance door preferably at the back so that late comers don't distract, which will be the case if it is front. Where windows are unavoidably in front, then thick opaque drapes or material should be used to cover them to minimize distraction.

5. MAKE REFERENCE MINISTRY MATERIAL FOR THE CLASS AVAILABLE IN THE CLASS NOT AT THE REMOTE BOOKSHOP!

The Ministry Materials such as Books and Audio Visuals, relevant for each Class, should be made available in the respective Foundation School class. This is part of a Teacher's responsibility in conjunction with the Church Ministry Material Manager. It helps to reinforce immediate availability of the reference materials to the Students. Also, for Students who may not be able to purchase, the Ministry Material Manager should be resourceful and secure partners to sponsor Foundation School Class Bundles to be given as a gift from the Pastor for Students unable to purchase at the moment.

6. FOUNDATION SCHOOL LIVE TESTIFIERS

Some of the Classes or Class Segments such as Cell Ministry, Evangelism, Partnership, can be enhanced by have short visits by live Testifiers who were previous Students but now excelling in those areas. This will inspire the Students and also further encourage the Testifiers to keep abounding. And it also provides opportunities for more members of the church to be involved in Foundation School and ministry.

7. PARTNERSHIP SIGN UP FORMS

During the Class Segment that introduces and discusses Partnership, a just expectation is that the Students will be inspired to become Partners. Partnership sign up forms should be available for them to act their faith immediately, instead of pointing them to respond at the next Partnership Day which may be weeks away, and the inspiration may have dissipated. So the Teachers and the Partnership Managers should work together to ensure the Forms and Pledge Envelopes are available for those who wish to take immediate action.

8. GET-ACQUAINTED/ VETTING PROGRAM WITH THE PASTOR BEFORE THE GRADUATION

This has become necessary because a graduate from Foundation School in any of our Churches, is considered a Ministry graduate for life. He or she will not be expected to attend Foundation School again. This means that the local Church hosting the Foundation School must understand that it is on behalf of the Ministry and hence must be to Ministry Standard. A forum that allows the prospective Graduates who have completed the classes and examinations, meet with the Group Pastor or other Senior Pastor is beneficial. The objective is for the Senior Pastor to interact with them, and vet their readiness by asking random questions, ask for testimonies, ask to share on striking things they learned, maybe some to speak about their assignments, and as led by the Spirit ascertain they are ready to be presented for admission as graduates of the Foundation School.

9. STRATEGIC MEDIA RECORDINGS

Where available, the media team can capture strategic interviews of the students before enrolling in the Foundation School (as first timers), during and after completing the Classes, to track the remarkable metamorphosis in their testimony and communication. This can be packaged into a short promo for play out in the Church, to further demonstrate the efficacy of Foundation School.

FOUNDATION SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

GENERAL GUIDELINES

The Foundation School Examinations are a vital and compulsory part of the Foundation School and are governed by the following guidelines:

1. Only Pupils that have completed all Classes and completed prescribed Class Assignments should be allowed to seat for the examinations.
2. It is expected that Pupils complete the entire Foundation School in one unbroken School Term. However, in situations where a Student's schedule is interrupted for reasons such as relocation, temporary unavailability or similar, he or she can be admitted to the appropriate Class for continuation, or asked to start over if the break period was more than 3months. In cases of interrupted Schedule, the Student is allowed for the Examinations upon satisfactory completion of all Classes in no more than 2 Terms.
3. The Examination Questions will be as posted on the designated Ministry Training Portal. The approved set of Questions and the Marking Scheme are to be downloaded by the Office of the Zonal or Ministry Centre Pastor, and sent to the Foundation School Exam Centres.
4. The Examination Date, Rooms, Seating Arrangement, Invigilation, Collection and Marking should all be approved, and monitored for compliance by the Office of the Zonal or Ministry Centre Pastor.
5. The Names of the Pupils who sat for the Examinations and their Scores should be forwarded by the Principal, to the Zonal or Ministry Centre Pastor within 48Hours of completion of the Examination.
6. Adequate Picture and / or Video documentation of the Examination should be made for record purposes, and available when requested by the designated Ministry Office.
7. Pupils are not to remove the examination questions from the examination Room.
8. Examinations should be completed at least 1 Week before the set Graduation Day to allow for completion of all due-diligence checks, exam re-sits and final checks before presenting the Pupils for Graduation.

EXAMINATION MAKE-UP AND COMPOSITION

It is to be noted that the Examinations provide a final assessment of the Pupil's satisfactory participation in, and completion of the Foundation School, and well equipped for a vibrant and glorious lifetime of Christian service. So the Examinations are made up of the following Sections, with brief explanation of each:

Section A: Class Attendance and Participation (100%)

- a. A Pupil must have attended all the Classes of the Foundation School including any special Sessions that may have been included to fully satisfy the Course Curriculum.
- b. A Pupil must be in a Class for the full duration. If a Student arrives more than 15minutes into a scheduled Class, he or she should retake the Class, or stay on beyond the Class to receive makeup for the portions missed earlier.

Section B: Completion and Submission of Class Assignments (100%)

- a. The prescribed Ministry Material at the end of each Class are mandatory assignments to be completed by the next Class. If a Pupil doesn't complete them, he or she should tarry in that Class until completion, before advancing to the next Class. There should be no accumulation of uncompleted assignments.
- b. The Take-home practical assignments for any Class should be completed satisfactorily before advancing to the next Class.

Section C: Examination Questions (100%)

- a. These are the Set of Questions to be answered in the Examination Hall, and designed to test understanding and life time application of the learning ministered during the Foundation School Classes.

EXAMINATIONS PASS SCORE AND RE-SIT REQUIREMENTS

1. There are no optional parts of the Examination Segments - from Class Attendance to Final Examination Questions. All are required and necessary and really should be graded on a "100% Pass / Not Passed" standard. Just like a Pilot will not be certified to fly if he scored 80% in his assessment of 100 compulsory questions. The 20% questions failed could be fatal in flight time. You can't be 80% fit to fly, it's either you can fly or you cannot.

2. It is expected that ALL Classes are attended, and ALL Assignments are completed before the Final Examination. If there are gaps, such as Classes missed or Assignments not taken, they should be completed before the Student is presented for the final Examination.

3. The importance of Class Participation and Class Assignments are cannot be over emphasized. Emphasis should be placed on this at the orientation in the first class so that they pay due attention from the start.

4. By the time a Pupil is presented for the Final Examination, any score less than 100% should require the Student to retake the examination. The teacher should sit the pupil down and teach through the questions failed. The idea is that no child is expected to score less than 100%

PROCESS FOR ACCELERATED FOUNDATION SCHOOL PROGRAM

It is not recommended that the Foundation School Duration be accelerated, that is, shortened from the usual 7 Weeks required for an exhaustive delivery of the Class Work.

The Foundation School Duration together with the curriculum and structures are designed to train and impart knowledge in such a way that the outcome is guaranteed for life.

During the prescribed 7 Weeks Duration, the Pupils are taught, knowledge is imparted, take home studies and assignments to enhance understanding are done. And most important is that all these develops in the Student a certain discipline and stability, plus consistency of attendance in pursuit and attainment of the goal. Which are needed virtues in their Christian walk.

The Scriptures tell us plainly in James 1:4 about the essence of patience "but let patience have her perfect work, than you may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing".

Some things cannot be rushed if you want perfect results. The Foundation School is one of such.

But if exigencies arise that makes it compelling to accelerate the normal schedule for a batch of Students, the accelerated Program must be a one-off, and designed and approved only by the Zonal Or Ministry Center Pastor with assurances that the quality of the Graduates is not compromised in any of the required dimensions.

However, under no circumstance should the accelerated Schedule be shorter than 4 Weeks.

PROCESS FOR SPECIAL FOUNDATION SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR OUTREACHES AND OUTSIDE CHURCH LOCATIONS

Our dynamic evangelical work may give us opportunities to reach out to people in places that are remote or where their movement is confined (for example,) Prisons and Boarding Schools.

Even though these may not be available to attend regular Church Services, if we have the opportunity and access to train and disciple them through the Foundation School, we should do so but with the following guidelines.

1. The Foundation School Teaching Curriculum will not be modified, though the field assignments may be adjusted for the Students who are in confined locations. For instance, a field activity of reaching out to souls and bringing them to Church the next Sunday will not be achievable for the inmates, so within the parameters of what the environment allows, we will have to make some adjustments to the assignments.
2. In such locations, we may have Christians from other Ministries desire to participate in our Foundation School. While this is good, because every Christian can benefit from our Curriculum, only the Students that are confirmed as members of our Ministry and will attend our Church Services upon release or graduation should be admitted for the Foundation School Graduation. Every Graduate of the Foundation School of Christ Embassy is a full member of the Ministry. It will be a contradiction to call someone a FS Graduate but is not a member of the Ministry.
3. The Foundation School Classes must be delivered by approved Teachers (not the Coordinators of the Fellowship Location) and with the same completeness and excellence as would be done in a usual Church Location.
4. In every situation of conducting the Foundation School in Outreach and Outside Church Locations as described above, the approval and input of the Zonal Pastor must be sought and obtained before commencement. The Zonal Pastor should be notified of any special consideration that maybe required depending on the particular situation and must ensure the Foundation School Curriculum, teaching and quality are not diluted.

FOUNDATION SCHOOL GRADUATION

The Foundation School Graduation marks the completion of a successful Foundation School Season. It is the proof of effectiveness of the Foundation School Program in the Zone, and indeed of the work of evangelism and discipleship.

The Foundation School Graduation is to hold every quarter. It is expected that every Cell should have candidates for graduation each quarter, and mandatory that every Church has candidates in the Graduating class each quarter.

The Zonal Pastor working with the Principals is expected to supervise this important Ministry Event, taking place in the Zone.

Here are some important guidelines;

1. The Foundation School Graduation is a very solemn and inspiring ceremony that should be carried out with a high level of sobriety, decorum and gravity. Of course as with any graduation ceremony there will be activities of celebration and felicitations, but the essence of the Ceremony must be in focus during the planning and the execution. The Zonal Pastor is to kindly ensure this.
2. Though it is a graduation from the Foundation School, it is really a pressing into further Ministry Service for the Students. Therefore they are graduating not to retire but to qualify for greater Service. They are now qualified to take up higher responsibilities in the House of God.
3. The Foundation School Graduation can be held during Service in Church or on a special day set aside by the Zone just for the purpose of the Graduation. There are different factors that could dictate which is optimum for a particular Zone, and it's advisable that it's carefully considered and chosen.

One of the advantages of having the Foundation School Graduation during a Church Service is that it allows all members of the church to be a part of the ceremony and for those who haven't attended Foundation School, it serves as an inspiration. And for those who have attended, it serves as a reminder. And then also, the students themselves being in the midst of all the members of the church will feel a sense of support and accomplishment, and that atmosphere of corporate faith can be quite powerful. And so whenever it is feasible to have it during the church service, that option should be considered. But reasons such as space, or timing, might dictate having the foundation school graduation outside of the church service, on a special day and time.

And when done outside the Church Service day or time, the announcement of the foundation school should still be rigorous and members of the church, who are able to attend, should. But specially and mandatorily, the leaders/cell leaders of the students graduating ought to attend. All the leaders in the church/zone should attend.

Also, when the graduation is held outside the church service time, the recording or picture highlights should be shown at the next Sunday service, and possibly asking the students that graduated to stand up for recognition.

4. The Foundation School Graduation ceremony should follow an approved order of service such as the one below:

5. The preparation of Officials and Ministers at the Foundation School Graduation is very important. All Officials, from the ministers, choir, ushers and to those who are going to assist with the presentation of the certificates, should be carefully selected and prepare prayerfully. Every official participation should contribute to create the environment for the Holy Spirit to bless the students.

6. A dress rehearsal involving the Students and key Officials, a day before, is always advisable.

7. It is expected that we use the Foundation School graduation as an evangelical opportunity, by organizing the students to invite their families and friends. This is termed "Turning Your Foundation School Graduation Ceremony Into An Outreach" (see 3 simple steps in the next page).

8. Finally, the Foundation School Graduation should be an inspiring Program and by the end of it, every graduating student should have been inspired to do more for the Gospel and to love the Lord Jesus even more. Foundation School is a very important part of our structures and must be attended to with the importance that it deserves.

FOUNDATION SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY PROGRAM:

As designed by the mother Church

TURNING YOUR FOUNDATION SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY INTO AN OUTREACH IN 3 SIMPLE STEPS

1. Inform the impending Graduands to invite 2 "Special Guests" to celebrate the big day with them. The key step is to start early to prepare the Students for this. Start mobilizing from Class 3 or 4.
2. Make special IVs (see sample below), insert the special guest names and send from the Church. Make an occasion of it. Plan to receive them.
3. With this, a Graduating Class of 1000 can have up to 2000 1st timer guests! Another harvest opportunity!

POST GRADUATION ASSESSMENT

The Post-Graduation assessment is an initiative for us to monitor the growth and development of the graduating students.

This Post-Graduation assessment period is expected to last three (3) months, which typically should be the time between two graduating classes.

Those that graduated from one set are immediately in the post-graduation assessment period which is 3 months.

Post-Graduation, the Foundation School principal and teachers should have a way of assessing the students monthly on their progress in church.

Below at the end of this chapter is a simple sample form that could be used where every student that graduates monthly will be given this form to fill.

The form contains 5 questions, and it gives us an idea of their progress. If you do this from month 1 to 3, at the end of the assessment period, which coincides with the next Foundation School graduating set, a collated Report is available.

Part of the Foundation School Graduation ceremony would then be to give a status or summary of the students that graduated in the previous foundation school graduation.

This must be one of the highlights of the speech of the principal. It will contain statements such as a summary of where and how the foundation school graduating students of the previous set are doing. For instance "200 graduated at the March Foundation School graduation and I'm pleased to report that 100 are now cell leaders, 50 are bible study class teachers in their cells and on their way to becoming cell leaders and all of them, and 25 are members of the choir and other service units".

It's like a victory report to confirm that these students have added to the workforce of the church and are contributing to the work, as we expected they would.

This post Foundation School Graduation assessment, and collating the data and information on the students is very important because it will be part of what the principal is going to refer to in his or her speech and by the time that's spoken of, it encourages even those who are going to graduate, standing in front of the pastor, as they hear about the feats of those that graduated before them. They are inspired to do more and so this is an important part of our Foundation School program and administration.



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