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EDITOR'S WELCOME

God is a writer. He wrote on tablets of stones, the wall of a king's palace and today, on the hearts of men!

Welcome to this year's edition of our annual magazine. This copy you are reading is a special edition titled "SONGS OF VICTORY" to celebrate our 10th anniversary.

I will be taking you on a trip back in time with pictures dating back to 2008, the earliest members who started as a bible study group, memorable events and several guest ministers who have been with the church for a decade.

"Mene Mene Tekel Uphasim" is one of the indelible writings of God on the wall of a rebellious king's palace in Daniel 5:1-35. God was watched this king from heaven, placed him on a scale and evaluated him. This implies that God is always watching our labor of love for his kingdom and that's why He's called "Thy Exceeding Great Reward".

This magazine is a success because of the efforts of our media team members and our contributors.

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I am sure that the content of this magazine will definitely bless you and your friends and family. Please make sure you share the copies to many people as possible.

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Parish pastors of The Redeemed Christian Church of God, Jesus House Huntsville, Alabama.



WELCOME MESSAGE

Exodus 15:2 -The Lord is my strength and my song. He has given me Victory. This is my God and I will praise Him. My Father's God and I will exalt Him. Glory be to God in the Highest. You are specially welcome to the 10th Anniversary of The Redeemed Christian Church of God, Jesus House Huntsville Alabama.

The Theme of this Year's Anniversary is SONGS OF VICTORY (EXODUS 15:2.) The children of Israel sang Victorious songs. I prophesy into your life that this is your Season for Songs of Victory in Jesus name. Amen.

As we celebrate the 10th Anniversary of RCCG JHH, I declare that your Songs of Victory will be so loud that the entire world will sing with you in Jesus name, Amen. Surrender your life to Jesus. Live a life of holiness, humility and total dependence on God and you will begin to sing a new song of Victory in Jesus name, Amen.

Let me use this medium to thank all the members of RCCG JHH for their prayers and unwavering support through the years towards the propagation of the gospel in Huntsville Alabama and worldwide.

Thank you and May God richly reward all your Labor of love in Jesus name, Amen

- Pastor Peter Oyediran

CHILDREN DEPARTMENT IN ACTION

ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

“Our children department
headed by Sister Linda
performing on Mother’s
Day.”

PHOTOGRAPH BY SANMI AYOTUNDE

OUR DEPARTMENTS

Women of Valor

WHAT DO WE DO? We build homes, lives and destinies! We strive to be the heartbeat of the movement of God. We are responsible for coordinating overall activities of the women at Jesus House Huntsville. We are focused on building Godly homes and families by helping our women achieve their full potentials spiritually, economically and in marriage.



Men of Vision

WHAT DO WE DO? We lead by example! We are not just leaders, we bear the responsibility of bringing men together for mentoring and discipleship. Our other duties include planning church events (such as Family Summer Picnic, seminars and conferences) aimed at developing our men in Godly character and for the overall growth of the Church.



Children Coordinators

WHAT DO WE DO? We train and disciple our children through sound biblical teachings and exemplary living. To achieve this objective, field trips, outreach programs and age-appropriate class activities that teach life lessons based on biblical principles to help them learn how to be Godly at an early age.



Sunday School

WHAT DO WE DO? We teach the Word of God. Our Sunday school is the only school you attend without paying tuition fee or collecting a student loan. We teach the bible and explain biblical principles through practical down-to-earth methods, fresh insight into the Word of God and sound doctrines through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.



Choir

WHAT DO WE DO? We bring down the Shekinah glory of God. Worship is the Holy business of heaven and the only eternal activity of heaven. We are a big family of vocalists, instrumentalists, sound engineers, and many more. Our best moments are yet to come as we strive to become better and bigger at every new service.



Sanitation

WHAT DO WE DO? We keep the house of God clean! Yes, our department is responsible for keeping the sanctuary, lavatories and the church environment clean at all times. From Genesis to Revelation, our Lord is Holy and He dwells in clean, tidy and beautiful environment. We are sold out to the responsibility of making this church clean and beautiful.



Welfare/Welcome

WHAT DO WE DO? We keep in touch with every member of the church. This is done through follow up and routine checkup calls of new and old members, visiting the sick and mothers of newly-born babies at home or in the hospital. We also do this by praying for all pregnant women and attending to the welfare needs of all the Church members as such needs arise.



Decoration

WHAT DO WE DO? The beauty of the church is our joy and we give the altar, the sanctuary and our events a glamorous look. Immediately you enter our church, our decoration team's handiwork is written all over, from the beautiful flowers to the stage setup and craft decorations.



OUR DEPARTMENTS

Ushers and Protocols

WHAT DO WE DO? We serve, direct and protect. We are specifically tasked to serve the pastors and other visiting ministers as well as maintain orderliness throughout services and programs. When distractions are minimized, attention is maximized and the Word can reach out to souls.



Youths

WHAT DO WE DO? We PUSH - We are not just young, we are brilliant and we are taking over! The youths are the future and we are not ignorant of the devices of the devil to lure us into the world. We are determined make a difference, we are taking over the streets for the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. We arrange events, support and help each other to get to the next level in life.



Kitchen

WHAT DO WE DO? We feed the nation with our small fishes and loaves of bread...lol. We cook the best jollof rice anyone can taste! Every first sunday of the month and during special events, we cook and serve our community the best African and American delicacies.



Media Team

WHAT DO WE DO? We ensure the sound and visuals of the church are well projected and organized. We produce the digital assets such as videos, live streaming and printed media for the church to reach our to our online and offline church members.



OUR STORY



OUR STORY 2016 - 2018

WRITTEN BY SANMI AYOTUNDE

GRACE
SPEAKS
VOLUME

1 Decade = 10 years
10 Years = 120 Months
120 Months = 522 Weeks
522 Weeks = 3650 Days
3650 Days = 87600 Hours
10 Years = 5,256,000 Minutes

Just like yesterday, the family of the Oyedirans relocated from Chicago Illinois to become the parish pastor of a newly formed Redeemed Christian Church of God in Huntsville Alabama. Today 10 years later, the church has become a home to thousands of people in Alabama. Jesus House Huntsville is a unique place of worship and an atmosphere of divine encounter. In 2008, Pastor Enefa Fenny, the parish pastor of RCCG Jesus House Birmingham was inspired by the Holy Spirit to start another parish of the church in Huntsville, AL.

Every Sunday evening after regular church service in Birmingham, Pastor Enefa and his family travels down to Huntsville to conduct bible study for the first set of families they could put together. The beginning was very challenging, sometimes they will drive down to Huntsville and before getting to the assigned venue, the few people have gone back to their various houses because they all need to prepare for work the next day.

Through persistence and hard labor, they were able to raise few members who often meet with them every Sunday evening for bible study. This group of bible lovers began to yearn for a more frequent and regular meeting. This yearning led them into prayers and Pastor Enefa started making contacts through the redeemed Christian Church of God to find a resident pastor who would like to relocate to Huntsville.

It is worth noting that in 2008, only a handful of Africans were around and this group comprised mostly lecturers and students who were always busy. People in the bigger cities were reticent about coming to Huntsville, Alabama. Finally, Pastor Bayo Adewole of Jesus House Chicago called Pastor Peter to his office and told him there was an assignment for him in Huntsville AL. Pastor Peter did not take much time to even think and consider because he already knew his time and moment of assignment has just begun. Today, the rest is history! Ten years and we are just beginning.



Meet Pastor
PETER OYEDIRAN

Presented by: Kassandra Ozabor

► CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR CHILDHOOD?

By the grace of God, my name is Pastor Peter Oluseun Oyediran. I grew up in an Anglican house hold and I was born into the family of Late Pa Alfred Oyediran and Late Mrs. Comfort Oladoja Oyediran. My dad was an Anglican priest and we hailed from Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria. After the passing of my dad unto glory, I decided to live with my elder sister late Mrs. Cecilia Oyetunji.

► CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND?

I had my primary education at the last place my father pastored; which was St. Thomas Anglican School Iroko before proceeding to Iwo grammar school. In 1986, I finished my secondary school education at Iwo. In 1989, I attended Oyo State School of Nursing Ibadan where I graduated as a Registered Nurse in 1992. Furthermore, I proceeded to Neuro-Psychiatric hospital Aro, Ogun State, in Abeokuta where I graduated as specialized Psychiatric Nurse in 2003. Presently, I am completing a Bachelor's degree program at Western Governors University.

► CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR WALK / PATH WITH THE LORD?

Honestly, I had no plans of becoming a Pastor at all. My plan was to serve the Lord and my goal was to become a Medical doctor or a Pharmacist. In 1989, while in nursing school, I thought I was finally free from home, since I was off to College and my life was on track, and I could do whatever pleases me, and date as many ladies as I want, however, I had no idea that God had a different plan for me. I attended a nursing school fellowship which was a welcoming service for new nursing students in November of that year. As the man of God was preaching, I found myself in front of the altar and I surrendered my life to God.

► WHEN AND HOW DID YOU RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL AS A PASTOR?

Immediately I gave my life to Christ, there was tremendous outpouring of support from fellow believers in the nursing school. With the strong spiritual leadership, nurturing and guidance from the nursing school fellowship, I began to discover my walk with the Lord and I noticed a lot of changes in my life. At the end of the year, I became the secretary of the school fellowship for about two years until I graduated from school. I do not take that experience for granted.

► CAN YOU GIVE US A BACKGROUND INFORMATION ABOUT THE FORMATION OF RCCG JESUS HOUSE HUNTSVILLE?

I attended Redeem Bible College in Birmingham, Alabama. Also, I attended School of Disciples back in Nigeria. With that been said, I pastored two churches back in Nigeria before moving to Jesus house Chicago in 2004. Pastor Enefa Fenny (JHBHM) started JHH as a house fellowship, for almost one year he went back and forth between Birmingham, AL and Huntsville, AL every Sunday. It was later moved to 2907 Governors drive and that was when it became a church. Finding a pastor for the church was difficult until Pastor Enefa spoke to Pastor Bayo Adewole of (JH Chicago) where I was residing and worshipping at the time. In 2009, I moved to AL after four years of experiencing pastoral life in Jesus house Chicago. In Nov 2009, I started pastoring RCCG Jesus house Huntsville in AL.

► CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY (WIFE & CHILDREN)?

When I gave my life to Christ during nursing school, I took it so seriously and I could not think of chasing women. As a matter of fact, at a point, I had hoped that I would marry one of the nursing female student; little did I know God was preparing a precious Gem for me in the future. I am pleased to inform you that I am married to Pastor Mrs. Kehinde Oyediran and we have four children in all. I thank her so much for her tremendous love and support to me, the children, career and the church. Her prayers, love and support has taken my ministry and career to the highest levels.

► WHAT IS THE VISION OF THIS CHURCH AND YOUR PERSONAL VIEW TOWARDS IT?

The vision for Jesus house Huntsville goes in line with RCCG and our main goal/vision is to make heaven. I follow the vision of RCCG worldwide itself. And my personal vision is to develop individuals into maturity in God's work, having the capacity to proffer solutions to critical problems, and above all, offering assistance to everyone I come across in life.

► TELL US ONE BITTER EXPERIENCE YOU WILL NEVER FORGET AS A PASTOR?

My bitter experience was when the church wanted to purchase the main church auditorium. It was so challenging that I almost gave up on everything especially when people tend to talk behind my back without knowing the other side of the story. To God be the glory he gave me faith and strength to look forward and ignore the negativities behind me. I listened to people in terms of advice, but God prevailed victoriously. My advice to others will be whenever you embark on any journey, hold on to God, walk with people that have the same vision as you, let God be your anchor and trust in Him. Also, passing my NCLEX board exam when I got to the States was a challenge at first but after several trials, God gave me victory over it.

► WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR THIS CHURCH IN 2019?

By his infinite mercy, as we proceed into 2019, I want to focus on evangelism and community outreach program. I want to develop a portfolio of programs that will make the church an integral part of the community. These programs will focus on several areas of ministry and the community such as prison outreach, community health and safety, medical missions (if the resources are available), food banks to feed the indigent and homeless people in the community, and most importantly taking the gospel to the next level outside of church.

► HOW DO YOU BALANCE MINISTRY, CAREER, FAMILY, AND DAILY LIFE?

In general, it has been hectic but with my wife standing and supporting me, and most importantly God almighty by my side, I have been able to manage it all and keep things under control. However, it has not been easy I must confess because I have a lot on my agenda but God is still faithful to see me through it all.

► WHAT IS YOUR FINAL WORD WHEN YOU REFLECT BACK ON YOUR JOURNEY FROM NIGERIA TO AMERICA?

God is ever faithful to his word. As many that trust in him, he will never put them to shame. Also, all those going through trials, should never give up because it will be turned to joy and celebration very soon.

2008 PICTURES

... a house fellowship in Bro. Toye Ogunfowokan's

The Church started by the inspiration of God given to Pastor Enefaa Fenny. The Church started to meet as a house fellowship in Bro. Toye Ogunfowokan's house then later to Church of Christ Sanctuary where services are held in the evenings. They started praying for a pastor, interceding to God for a revival and the establishment of a RCCG Parish in Huntsville AL.

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* Some of the pictures above may be from 2009.

2009 PICTURES

... Pastor Peter arrives from Jesus House Chicago

The church moved to 2907 Governors Drive through the generosity of Dr. Adebimpe Adebiyi who surrendered a space for the church rent free. Pastor Peter and his family were commissioned and sent from RCCG Jesus House Chicago, Illinois under the leadership of Pastor Bayo Adewole to pastor the church in November, 2009.

2907 GOVERNOR'S DR



POPULAR EVENTS

Memory Lane ...



Birthday Celebration, Anniversary, Car Dedication and Father's Day Celebration in 2009.

Birthday Celebration



Father's Day Celebration



2010 PICTURES



2011 PICTURES



2012 PICTURES



2013 PICTURES



POPULAR EVENTS



Some of the pictures above were taken from at the last couple of months in 2012.

2014 PICTURES



POPULAR EVENTS



2015 PICTURES



2016 OLD PICTURES ACHIEVE

2016 PICTURES



2017 OLD PICTURES ACHIEVE

2017 PICTURES





TURNING YOUR PASSION INTO A CAREER



Written by: **ABEL OSAGIE**
Team Review

Passion is a feeling of intense enthusiasm towards the desire for something or someone. Passion can be seen as an interest or admiration for an idea or a drive that gets you into creative activity. Passion is more than a feeling or emotion, it is a drive to help you accomplish things you enjoy doing, and ultimately destiny. It could be playing a sport, cooking or even expressing your love for your spouse. For a child of God, being passionate about the things of the kingdom and leading souls to Christ should be the cornerstone and priority of us as children of God.

Most successful men and women, in the bible and in contemporary times in the world today did what they were passionate about and that made them successful in their chosen area of endeavor. Passion gets you going even when you reach an impasse, because it is built upon and powered by an internal drive. Passion makes the difference between achieving success and failing in the long term. Although it does not require you to be led or persuaded by anything or anybody, adequately developing your passion requires mentorship and could be stirred up by someone or something. Being passionate about everything you embark upon is the key to becoming successful at it.

In order to be successful, don't focus on the wrong reasons

for achieving success. Desist from focusing on the fame, pleasures as this may block your vision and prevent you from focusing on value because value attracts wealth. One of the greatest advantages of passion is, it pushes you beyond your comfort zone and into the unknown as you quest for exploration. It creates courage and confidence in you and brings you before royalty (Prov 18:16). In the Bible, David's first introduction to how the kingdom and palace operated for his eventual role as king was through his musical talent and passion which brought him before King Saul (1 Samuel 16:14-23). Applying your passion to talent will get you all the added benefits like money, fame and success.

While passion is usually associated with positive emotions and hard work, applying passion to negativity can also birth very grave consequences. Passion can be a great asset when properly applied or a terrible liability when misused. Passion does not only lead you to achieving success, it will also lead you to having a fulfilling life.

Remember a seed has to be planted before it can bear fruit. Find your passion today, plant it, and nurture it and watch how it brings you success. The things we love, are never far away.



KUNBIFIJAYI WILLIAMS
from The Youth Class

A modest or low view of one's importance. It really pays to be humble. James 4 vs 6 says, God opposes the proud, but he gives grace to those that are humble. The humble attain God's help. Humility puts us in a position to acquire God's grace. The proud always want to do something influential that will make people admire them, but the truth is that you don't have to do something important to be important. You could do something that no one would expect it to come out big, but just then the result would be big. A humble person is quick to forgive others, patient, and always ready to repent. A humble person is a peacemaker, making peace anywhere. We have some men in the bible that showed the act of humility. Apostle Paul is one of them, David (humility to remember God's goodness) when he defeated Goliath,

Joseph (humility through difficult situations) his power over Egypt. In genesis 50 vs 20; he said even though his brothers meant evil against him, God meant good towards him. He was still humble to notice God's hand in everything. So many people misunderstand the Bible, God, and humility. They interpret humility as being weak or a state of inferiority to others. This interpretation is totally different from what the bible says. The bible defines humility as a state of being free from pride and arrogance. A humble person can easily handle situations and disputes even when angry. You can easily defuse a disagreement when you are humble. Proverbs 22 vs 4 **"By humility are riches, honor, and life".** Our God is humble himself, so we should emulate him.

ARTICLES

HOW GOD DECORATES & BEAUTIFIES



SHOLA ORUSARA
Proverbs 16:10-14



"I dressed you in embroidered gowns, gave you shoes of the best leather, a linen head band, and silk cloak. I put jewels on you, bracelets and necklaces, I gave you nose rings and earrings, a beautiful crown to wear. You had ornaments of gold and silver, wore clothes of embroidered linen and silk. You ate bread made from the best flour; you had honey and olive oil to eat. Your beauty was dazzling and you became the queen. You became famous in every nation for your perfect beauty because I was the one who made you lovely"; said the Sovereign Lord. Ezekiel 16:10-14 GNT

DECORATIONS & BEAUTY

The art of decorating and beautifying involves the use of a combination of colors, shape or form to adorn, and make things look beautiful and attractive. Decorations involving the use of different accessories can be done to beautify humans, places or things. Its importance is the first impression that it creates and this depends on the beautifying elements and accessories used. The impact and influence of proper decoration cannot be underestimated. Decorations play a very important role in enhancing the mood and set a perfect ambiance for different types of events.

GOD THE DECORATOR AND BEAUTIFIER

God is a spirit and He is supreme over all things both in heaven and on earth. John 4:24 says "Those who worship Him must be led by the spirit, to worship Him in spirit and in truth". God's sanctuary or vineyard requires workers who are led by the Holy Spirit to work for Him. This requires commitment and devotion to the things of God. Believers must be spiritually, physically and morally strong in coordinating, proclaiming and ministering the gospel of Christ to win souls. They should also be responsible for providing, maintaining, and protecting His sanctuary or vineyard to ensure continuity in having an abode of worship.

The workers are the Body of Christ who come together to beautify and decorate His sanctuary, from the top to the least, be it Pastor, Minister, Deacon/Deaconess, Protocols, Ushers, Decorators, Media, Sanctuary keepers, Sunday School teachers, etc. They all have a role to play in beautifying and decorating the Sanctuary in honor of God. "What so ever you do to the least of my brothers that you do unto God" is a

song that aptly captures this important requirement.

In other words "Decoration or Beautifying" is not only putting or using accessories or ornaments to beautify that which serves as attractions. It also means total devotion and commitment to Him, and ensuring that whatever God commits to our care is well kept and used to the glory of His name. God who knows his sheep by their names will beautify and decorate the works of our hands with everlasting honor in Jesus name.

SOME EXAMPLES IN THE SCRIPTURES

The Shunamite woman was one of the virtuous women devoted and faithful to God's work despite her inability to bear a child. She was humble and continued to serve God faithfully. She provided food and shelter to Prophet Elijah and God beautified her womb with a child (2 kings 4:8-15).

Esther was another virtuous woman who surrendered herself to save her people by serving God faithfully. Through her commitment to God, He decorated her with the great honor of becoming a Queen (Esther 2:16-17).

Finally King Solomon, a great man of wisdom was also devoted and committed in his service to God's work. He beautified and decorated God's Temple with beautiful sculptures on the wooden door of the temple made with fine olive wood, flowers of best scent, as well as beautiful cedar. He also decorated God's temple with gold. When God asked him what he wanted, he didn't ask for riches, nor wealth, nor good health, nor the death of his enemies, nor or long life. Rather, he asked for God's divine wisdom and God in His divine sovereignty decorated and beautified Solomon with riches, great honor and other things including long life (1king 3:10-14).

In conclusion, if you devote your time to beautifying and decorating God's sanctuary by submitting yourself in obedience to the voice of the Holy Spirit, you will attract God's attention. When you give him the chance to take total control of your entire life as HIS dwelling place, he will decorate and beautify your life with great honor because you have chosen to make your body His Sanctuary where He will dwell forever.

ARTICLES



DEACONESS TOUN ALABI
PROVERBS 19:11

OVERLOOKING AN OFFENSE

Team Review ★★★★★

INTERPRETATION OF OFFENSE

An offense can be described as an ill feelings, annoyance, or resentment brought about by a perceived insult or disregard to someone's standards or principles. Based on its definition, it is pertinent to mention at this point that our perceptions are not always right.

An offense can also be described as the devil's bait to lure believers to sin. (Ephesians 4:26-27). Knowing fully well that sin is a robber of blessings. Wisdom requires that one should take precautions about getting easily offended, and if it eventually comes, do not allow yourself to be dragged into sin, rather make a frantic effort to overlook the insult.

DANGERS OF OFFENSES

Problems associated with offenses include backsliding, strife, sin of disobedience to God and those in authority over you, anger, unforgiveness, resentment, unanswered prayers, emotional distress, physical sickness, and battered relationships. This can eventually lead to physical and spiritual death with the resultant effect of eternal condemnation. (Ezekiel 18:20)

HOW TO OVERLOOK OFFENSES

The Bible makes it clear that offenses will surely come most especially if you are relevant in the work of the kingdom. What you are not sure of is when, how, and to what extent? It is therefore your responsibility to make a strong decision that you are unstoppable; and that nothing can separate you from the love of Christ.

(Luke 9:62) You cannot afford to let other people's actions, thoughts or words destroy you or ruin your relationship with your maker.

THE FOLLOWING POINTS CAN BE USED IN MAKING DRASTIC EFFORTS TO OVERLOOK OFFENSES:

Make excuses:

Give people the benefit of doubt, perhaps they are having a bad day or dealing with some other issues in their lives. It could be a misunderstanding and the person might not mean any harm (Proverbs 17:9)

Meditate on the Word of God:

Use the word of God as a standard to get rid of any root of bitterness and speak peace into your situation. Create an open mind and atmosphere and allow the Holy Spirit to heal and restore.

Pray without ceasing:

To be a carrier of the fruit of the Spirit as written in the Book of Galatians 5: 22- 23, requires constant prayer because the human flesh contradicts the fruits of the Spirit. You also need to pray for those who have offended you because no one is perfect. (Ephesians 4:32)

Examine the "Self In Me":

Some people are so easily offended due to the pride of life or just focusing on their own selfish interests. Learn to address the issues of life from different perspectives rather than just focusing on yourself. Also, sincerely examine yourself for any acts of low self-esteem, envy, hatred, or jealousy from your side. (Gal 5: 19-21)

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COOPERATION: AN HONOR TO GOD AND AN INSTRUMENT FOR CREATIVITY AND GOOD

"None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things, with great love, and together we can do something wonderful." – Mother Teresa

Dr Bryan Gere

Team Review



One of the greatest disservice that we can do to ourselves as we pass through life is to be unfulfilled in many areas of our lives. When we closely examine our lives, or the communities in which we live, we can see that sometimes even with the best talents, education, finances, and several other endowments that people have, there are still significant disparities between what could have been and what is the reality. One important means through which we can live out our greatest potential is through cooperation. God has created humans with a capacity for cooperation with him, and with others.

The word cooperation consist of two main parts; co" meaning "together or with," and "operation" which mean "a working." Thus when we speak of "cooperation," we mean "a working together of two or more in the achievement of a common purpose. Paul emphasized the significance of cooperation using the functioning of the human body in I Cor. 12:14-31 and Romans 12: 4-8. You can only do so much by yourself, but you can always do more when you willingly agree to work with God, and others. This means that in all that we do with God and others, there is a need for togetherness.

Are you really "present" when you are with God on the projects that you have. In your marriage relationships, do your spouse see your presence and if we extend this to your work and other spheres, can you people feel your absence when you are not around. It also means commitment (devotion, dedication, faithfulness, allegiance etc.). This means that you must give your time and energy to it, whether it is convenient or not. The second and most significant part talks about working. Think about the several areas of your life that you will need to work with others to achieve a common purpose. Are you accepting of other people's viewpoints and ideas? Are you willing share what you have with others, or do you live for yourself, Do you pour yourself out to others, can you sacrifice for the relationship or the projects that you are involved in. Think about your life, are you holding back! You can do much more. Visualize the immense power and the possibilities that are inherent in the act of cooperation! Learn to work together with God and others, and always give it your best and greatest.. It is a worthwhile investment.

Team Review



STAND YOUR GROUND

GOODNESS OLABODY
from The Youth Class



Do you ever feel like it's hard to be friends with other people, especially when they ask you to do something you know is wrong? By definition, peer pressure is the direct influence on people by another person of the same age, status, or ability in their social circle. It's effect on an individual can be positive or negative.

For example, being encouraged to follow your peers to church and adopting Godly attitudes, values or behaviors to conform to those of the influencing group or individual can be an example of a positive outcome of peer pressure. Contrastingly, getting drunk and smoking could result from peer pressure but these are negative actions with negative consequences. Using a relatable example, imagine a friend

asks you for the answer to a test question. You shake your head in denial, but he/she whispers, "I was sick last night, and couldn't study. Can you help me just this once?" Do you stand your ground and still say no, even if they were a close friend or sibling?

Deuteronomy 13:6 warns us that the person asking you to do wrong may be your very own brother or your best friend. However, Deuteronomy 13:8 gives us clear instructions saying, "Do not yield to them or listen to them. Show them no pity, do not spare them or shield them". According to Isaiah 57:21, there is no peace, saith my God, for the wicked. Don't compromise your peace for a life of sin. Living a non- Christian life just isn't worth it.

ARTICLES

CHRISTIAN PARENTING

Proverb 2:26 "Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it"

Genesis 18:19 "For I know him, that he will command his children and household after him, and they shall keep the way of the lord, to do justice and judgement, that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him."

The above bible verses make it clear to all Christian parents that it is the will of God for parents to train their children in the way of the lord.

The life that parents are living before their children has a lot to do in the training of these children because as parents you are the immediate teachers, pictures, television, internet etc. these children watch. Parents are living epistles that their children are reading. Just like the adage says "like father, like son," every parent is a model to his or her child/children.

The best method that parents can use to train their children is in the way of the Lord. Be a good role model, an example that is worthy of emulation to your children.

HOW CAN A PARENT BE A LIVING EPISTLE THAT IS WORTHY OF EMULATION?

1. Be genuinely born again, John 3:6, 1:12. There is no way you can become a living epistle that is worthy of emulation without Jesus.
2. Follow the footsteps of Jesus Christ, be like Him. You are an ambassador of Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:20, Proverb 13:17.
3. Live according to the standard of the word of God James 1:22. Obey the word of God and be ye the doer of the word not the hearer alone.
4. Be filled with the Holy Spirit, let the fruits of the spirit be your character Galatians 5:22-23.
5. Lead your children to salvation at their early age. Especially when they are much younger at the ages of 5 to 6 years and make sure they are genuinely born again and know Christ personally.

HOW TO TRAIN CHILDREN IN THE WAY OF THE LORD

1. FEAR AND HONOR GOD: Prov 1:7, 9:10 Let your life show and teach them to fear and honor God. By taking God first in everything you do. By being punctual to church services. By the way you constantly read the word of God with them, leading them through morning and night devotion. By following the words in the bible, wives are to show respect and submission to their husbands and husbands should show love to their wife. By following this commandment in the bible, you honor God. Your children are watching and will notice this. They will also choose to fear and honor God because that is the life they have learnt from you and will pass God's commandment to their generations till Jesus comes. The word of God promises that parents who fear the Lord will see their children's children Psalm 128. May you see your grandchildren in Jesus name.

2. DISCIPLINE: Titus 1:8, Revelation 3:19, Proverb 13:24, Proverb 22:15, Proverb 29:15-17, Proverb 23:13-14, Proverb 3:11-12.

Parents should live a disciplined life, you cannot give what you do not have, so you need to work upon your own weaknesses for you to discipline your children. A parent that is telling lies,



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how can they now discipline a child for telling lies? E.g. you are sleeping, a visitor comes to visit and you tell your child to inform the visitor that you are not home. So why should you now beat the child for telling his/her own lies. That child will not understand, he/she will be confused and feel the punishment is unjustified. Whatever you are correcting them for, let them know the reason why and lead them to the scriptures to make them aware of the implication and the consequences. Do it with love and not with anger or annoyance.

3. LOVE: I Corinthians 13:13, 1 John 4:7-8, Proverb 10:12, Ephesians 5:25, Romans 13:8. Always express the love of God to your children. Let them know that God is love and they should love God, their parents, siblings and their neighbor. Let them also be most aware of the unconditional love of God and likewise the love of a parent for their child. As you teach them, you should allow them to see you love them. It is then they will be able to know how to love since they have experienced it from you. Explain to them the difference between love, lust and like so they are aware of the difference and do not make the mistake of confusing one for the other.

4. INSTRUCTION AND TEACHING: Luke 11:40, Proverb 8:33, 22:6, 1:8, 4:13, Ephesians 6:4.

Read the bible with them and explain it to them. Teach them about having a quiet time and during devotion, let them participate. Always have a family program at least once a month apart from church program. This is where you can study the word God together, by this you will be able to impact them spiritually and they should be free to ask things bordering their heart. Live the life of what you are teaching them, this will really assist them to understand and live the life of a child of God.

5. CONTENTMENT: Ephesians 4:12-13, Hebrew 13:6, 1 Timothy 6:6-7, Luke 12:15

Live a life of contentment by practice. Do not live a fake life, or a life of falsehood. Some people live above their income, so let them know your financial status, and how much you are capable of providing. Make them understand the value of things. Through this, they will know that life is step by step and that it is the will of God for them to be with what they have. By this they will know how to live within the provision of God without subjecting themselves into unnecessary trouble.

6. COMMITMENT: 1 Kings 18:6, 2 Timothy 1:12, Deuteronomy 6:5, Galatians 6:9, Luke 9:62, Psalm 37:5.

Be committed to whatever you do especially in the things of God. Take your children through the bible every day and let them know that God has a reward for those who are committed. At the time you are teaching them they will understand very quickly the result of living a life full of devotion to God.

7. DRESSING: 1 Timothy 2:9-10, Proverb 31:30, 1 Corinthians 19:20, 1 Peter 3:3, Romans 12:2, Hebrew 2:11, Revelation 16:15

The bible says cover your nakedness but some Christians love the world to the extent that instead of being examples to the world, they are the ones copying the style of the world. If you are dressing in a way that exposes your body, like your breast and more sensitive skin, do not be surprised that your children will not be inclined to dress decently. By dressing decently yourself, it is then you will have the boldness to correct and instruct them. Again you can't give what you don't have

ARTICLES



WHEN IT'S OK TO BE F.A.T

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F-aiithful

1. Read your bible at least twice a day, morning and evening. If you read your bible for 5-10 mins every day it will make a big difference in your life. Romans 10:17 NKJV "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ"
2. Pray to God. You should pray to God when you are happy, sad, angry, scared, or even when you are just bored. You can just tell him about how you're feeling, how your day is going or what you have experienced throughout the day, etc. Philippians 4:6 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

A-vailble

Being faithful to God, means you are available to Him, because people who are faithful will always be available to whomever or whatever they are being faithful to. It does not require you to have a special skill or gift to be available to God, it just takes you being willing to serve God, and you have to be available to do that. Mark 1:17-18 "And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. Romans 12:1 "I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship."

Christian Parenting Continued ...

8. OBEDIENCE: Romans 13:1-7, Hebrew 13:17, 1 Samuel 15:22-23, Parents should be able to teach their children obedience to God and authority in the church or circular world. And to honor and respect their parents and elderly people. Let them know the implication and consequences of disobedience. Let them know that stubbornness is like the sin of witchcraft and make them aware that rebellion is satanic and it can bring them down and destroy their destiny. Let them know that obedience is holiness and that is where their blessing lies Deuteronomy 28:1-14.

9. TIME MANAGEMENT: Ephesians 5:18-19, Ecclesiastes 13:1-3, Psalms 128. Many parents are missing it in this area because of the cares of the world. There is time for everything. As you have time for work or job, parties, and friends, you must have time for your children because your family is the labor of your hands (Psalms 128). They are your future and the best of your time should be for your family. Parents are supposed to plan their time, and have time for their children. Time to study the word of God together, time for prayer and fasting as a family, time to take them for holiday, picnics and time to celebrate their birthday. Parents must have time to prepare them for their future. We will not labor in vain in Jesus Name.

10. PRAYER AND FASTING: Luke 18:1, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Prayer is a very important means for us to support our children. Before the time they leave us and make their own way in the

world, we must make sure their spiritual life is solid in term of prayer, fasting and reading of the bible. Furthermore you should never slack in praying for your children because Satan is a bad and wicked being, and will always thrive to steal, kill and destroy what the Lord has given to you (John 10:10). If we are praying for them and they likewise have been well taught and are able to pray for themselves, no matter what the devil does he will surely fail. The power of the Holy Ghost will make all the parents and their children to always prevail over the attacks of Satan and his agents in Jesus name.

In conclusion, be a good role model to your children, an example that they can always follow. Be a testimony to them spiritually, materially, socially, physically, emotionally and psychologically. You can only achieve this through the assistance of the Holy Spirit. Parents should live a life that fears and honors God, shows love to others, be committed to the work of his kingdom, content with the blessing he provides and also grateful for it, obey his commandments and words, continuously praying, as so as to fulfill the God-given assignment of training your child in the way of the Lord. Finally regardless of whatever may happen during the journey in raising your child in the way of the Lord, never give up on them, just as God will never give up on us. God will help us in training our children in His way in Jesus name.

Interview of Pastor's boyz

INTERVIEW BY KASSANDRA OZABOR

Team Review



As in children holding responsibility in supporting the temple. We are one of the many children of God in this church that are assisting in the work of the Lord. As children of a pastor, we have accepted Christ and also support our parents with best of our ability. Here is a short look into the life of a pastor seed.

Mark 10:13-16 (KJV) "And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them."

IS IT HARD TO BE A PASTORS CHILD?

Taiwo Joshua Oyediran: Yes, most days of the week.

Ayanfe Samuel Oyediran: Maybe sometimes.

Kehinde Caleb Oyediran: The way I view it being a pastor's child is not difficult in my opinion. The way I see it is that there are more benefits to it than disadvantages. Being a pastor's child, you get to meet different people and get to learn about them which to me is one of the many benefits of being a pastor's child.

Timi Johnson Oyediran: No, it is just the mindset you have about being a Pastor's child. People think it's not exciting or fun but it actually is and you get to see what is good and what is bad and you meet strong people in the Lord.

Emmanuel Oni: If people ask me that now, I reply by saying it is just like any other situation where parents have demanding jobs. Being a pastor's child can be considered hard for those who have yet to understand and as a child, I was no exception. Going to church almost every day, being much more respectful to the other members and generally running all the necessary errands. My parents were also usually busy with the work of God and rarely could we go on vacations. Forward to many years later, I no longer see it as a hardship but as a privilege given to me by God so that I could have the opportunity to help with his kingdom. I have gained so much from it and have come to know that God is truly a rewarder of them that diligently please him and work according to his purpose. I am also more grateful for those rare moments I got to spend time with my family. Despite how busy their time was, they managed to create time to be there for us.

HOW DO YOU SUPPORT THE TEMPLE?

Taiwo Joshua Oyediran: Through helping in any way I am needed.

Samuel Oyediran: I support the temple by cleaning the church up and helping in activities.

Kehinde Caleb Oyediran: I support the temple by cleaning up the church, setting up before almost every service, assisting the media by turning on the microphones, the camera, the screens, and also make sure the program is being live streamed. Also, I support the temple by playing the trumpet at church on Sundays.

► THE DOCTOR COLORECTAL CANCER

Team Review



As a physician and a member of this church, I feel passionate about this topic. One of the many reasons is because I have a family member diagnosed last year with colon cancer, precisely my father. He was 68 years old and of course like many of us never had a screening colonoscopy prior to his diagnosis.

INTRODUCTION — Colorectal cancer (CRC) is a common and lethal disease unfortunately most of my sisters and brothers in Christ are not aware or simply ignore this very important disease (Proverbs 18:15, Proverbs 2:11).

The risk of developing CRC is influenced by both environmental and genetic factors.

EPIDEMIOLOGY: CRC incidence and mortality rates vary markedly around the world. Globally, CRC is the third most commonly diagnosed cancer in males and the second in females, with 1.4 million new cases and almost 694,000 deaths estimated to have occurred in 2012.



Olaoluwa Odofin, MD

RISK FACTORS:

1. Low socioeconomic status,
2. Age is a major risk factor for sporadic CRC. Large bowel cancer is uncommon before the age of 40; the incidence begins to increase significantly between the ages of 40 and 50.
3. Gender- incidence is about 25 percent higher in men than in women.
4. Race-African Americans have the highest CRC rates of all ethnic groups in the United States. CRC mortality is about 20 percent higher in African Americans than it is in whites
5. Personal or family history
6. Inflammatory bowel disease- Ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease.
7. Abdominal radiation history.
8. Tobacco use
9. Alcohol intake

COLONOSCOPY

Colonoscopy is used both diagnostically and therapeutically and permits examination and treatment of the rectum, colon, and a portion of the terminal ileum.

Colonoscopy is indicated for the diagnostic evaluation of signs and symptoms of a wide variety of gastrointestinal disorders, for colon cancer screening, and for therapeutic interventions.

INDICATIONS FOR COLONOSCOPY:

Abnormal imaging

Lower gastrointestinal bleeding and unexplained iron deficiency anemia

Lower gastrointestinal symptoms (e.g., chronic diarrhea)

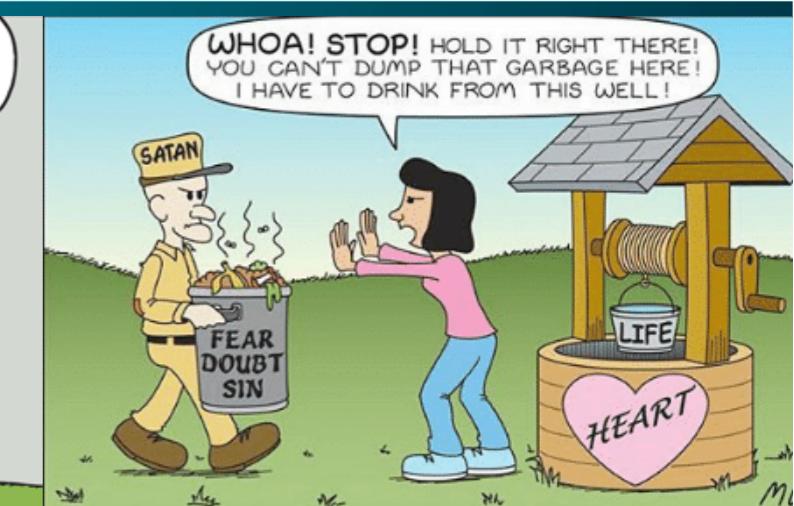
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Colon polyp

Colon cancer

Inflammatory bowel disease

I hope this will be a reminder that we all need to do the needful. Thank you all for your time.



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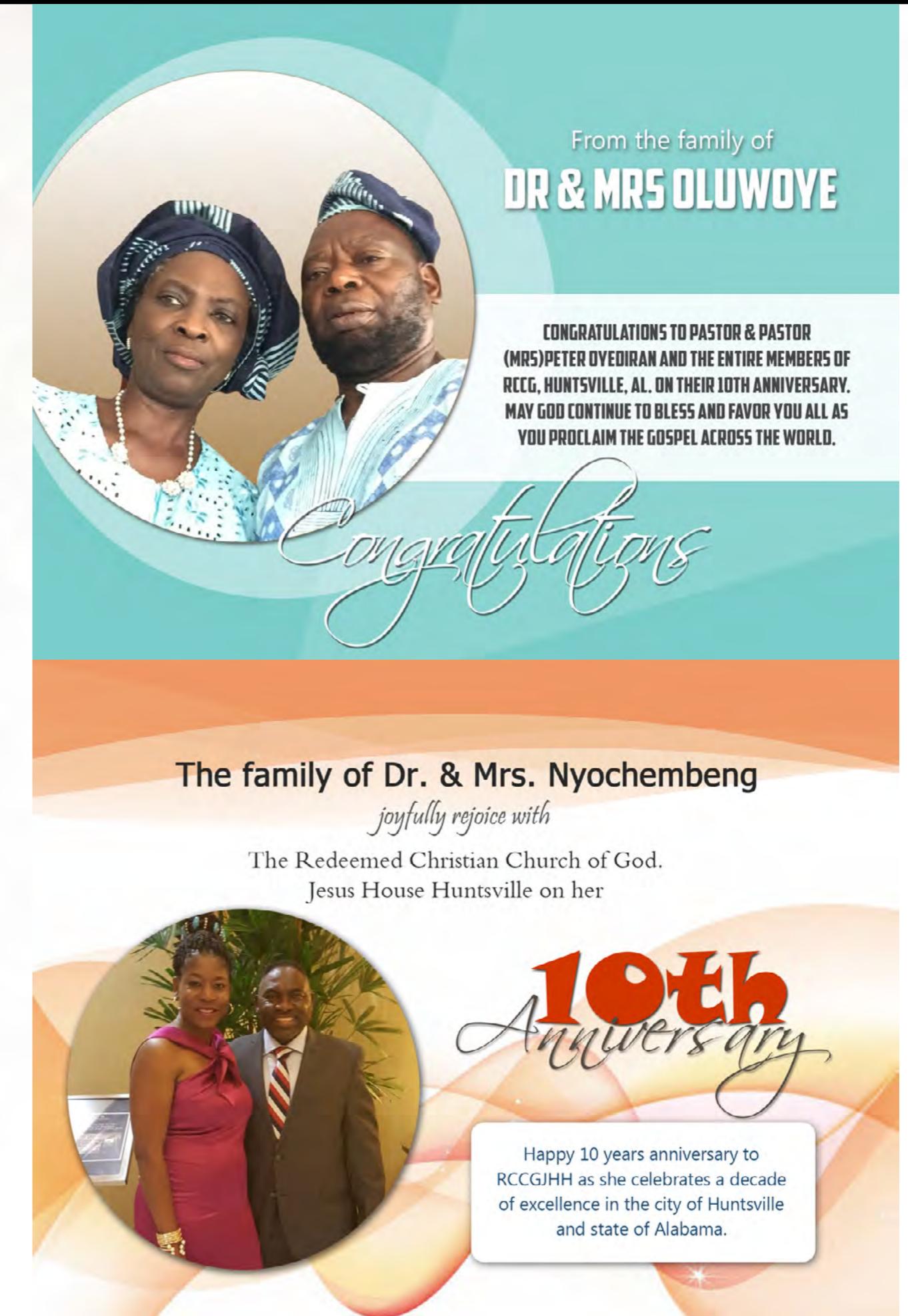
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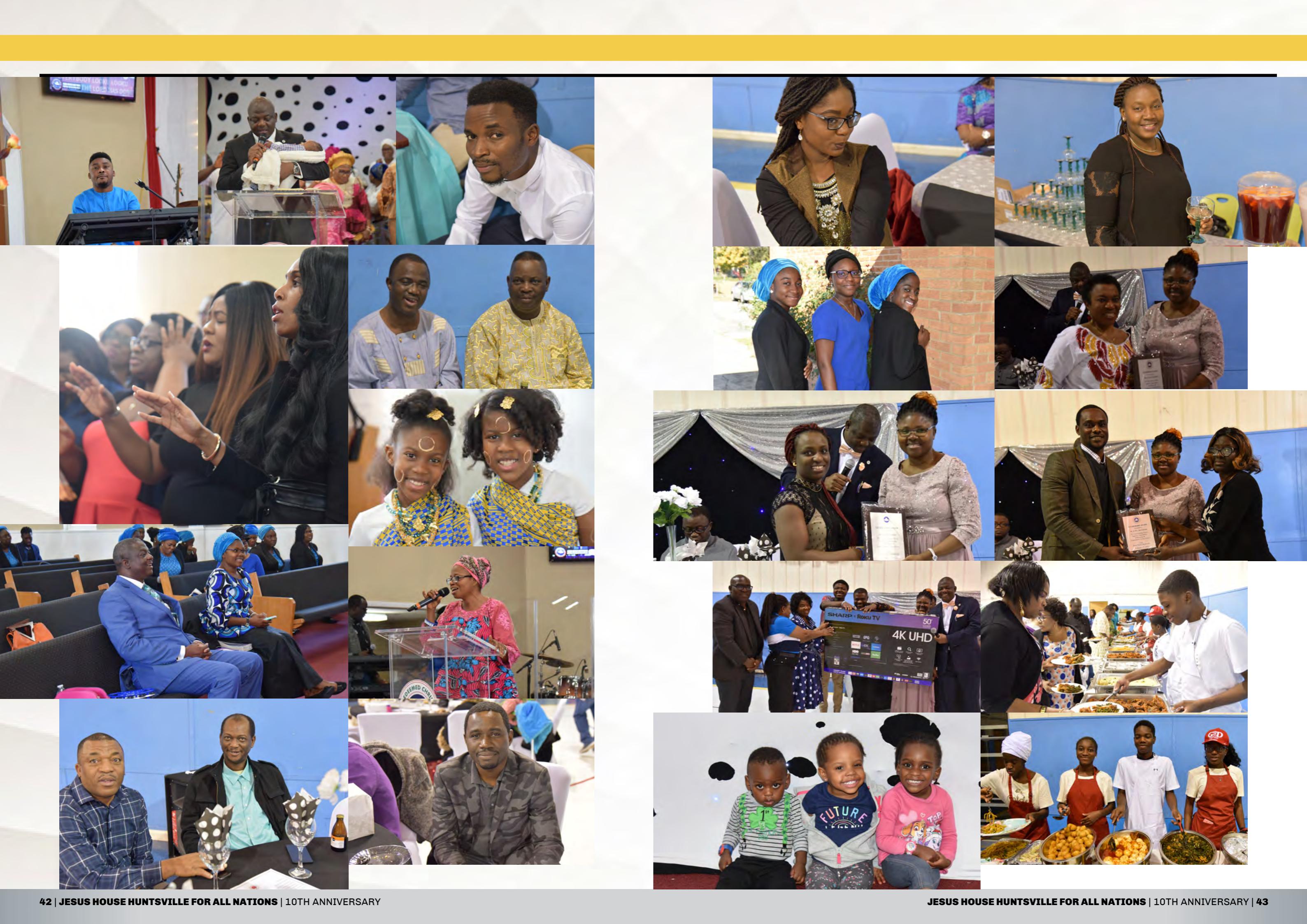
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