

possibly be declared 'Not Guilty' in his sight and treated as though we had never sinned? Jesus provides the answer. His perfect life met all the demands of God's law - he was 'holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners' (**Hebrews 7:26**) - and his death paid in full the penalty that God's law demands. This is why the apostle Paul claims, 'Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ' (**Romans 5:1**). To be justified means to be made right with God for time and eternity.

What is more, the justified sinner receives eternal life *immediately*. When one of the criminals crucified alongside Jesus turned to him in faith, Jesus promised him, 'Truly, I say to you, *today* you will be with me in Paradise' (**Luke 23:43**). Their bodies would soon be buried, but the spirits of the sinner and his Saviour would by then be in heaven.

The Proof of Promises Fulfilled: Christ's Resurrection

The answer lies in the earth-shattering truth that *on the third day after he died and was buried Jesus rose from the dead*.

Jesus undoubtedly died on the cross.

His tomb was empty.

The Bible has many convincing proofs' (**Acts 1:3**) of the resurrection of Jesus. Six independent witnesses record Jesus appearing after his death in eleven separate incidents over a period of forty days. On one occasion over 500 saw him at the same time, and when the apostle Paul recorded this well over half of them were still alive and could confirm the fact (**1 Corinthians 1:6**). To those who found life empty, without meaning or purpose, for those who are weary and burdened; Jesus said, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in

Order of Service

- ✂ Transformation Class / Workers Meeting 9.00am
- ✂ Sunday School
- ✂ Call to Worship/Praise and Worship
- ✂ Welcome & Announcement
- ✂ Prayer/Intercession
- ✂ Tithes and Offering
- ✂ The Word
- ✂ Prayer and closing

me shall never thirst' (**John 6:35**) and Christ

alone can give you rest (**Matthew 11:28**).

He alone can give you spiritual life and then sustain you day by day as you seek to live for him.

God Bless you all
Pastor Olayemi Hassan.

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRIES ROJ APRIL 2018 PROGRAMMES:

Sundays

April 1: Call To Prayer & Thanksgiving (Triumph Of His Resurrection)

April 8: Necessity Of His Ascension

April 15: The Certainty Of His Return

April 22: The Glorious Ministry Of The Holy Spirit (1)

April 29: The Glorious Ministry Of The Holy Spirit (2)

Tuesdays (Search The Scriptures)

April 3: The One Thing Needed

April 10: RCCG Workers Rally with Daddy G.O.

April 17: Accepting The Implanted Word

Thursdays (Prayer Meeting)

April 5: Divine Leading & Guidance

April 12: Divine Increase & Enlargement

April 19: Praying for The Workers Programme on April 21

April 26&27: 2 Days of Praying Through (Psalm 126:1-6)

2nd Saturday of the Month (April 14): Women

Pastors Olayemi & Olaronke Hassan

Host Pastors
Rivers of Joy Dagenham

Pastor E.A Adeboye

The General Overseer
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2018- YEAR OF FULFILMENT THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST 2

"God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken "...Hebrews 1:1-3 & 8:14

WHAT DO THE CROSS AND RESURRECTION MEAN FOR US?

First, let's start with the cross. This will help us to understand how poor we are in the spirit and how rich we can become by His grace, when we submit ourselves to His lordship.

1. Substitution

'Christ died for sins once for all, *the righteous for the unrighteous*, to bring you to God' 1 Peter 1:18 (NIV). Another scripture, **1 John 1:16** says 'He laid down his life *for us*'. The Bible tells us that death is the result of sin; so how could Jesus die when he did not have a sinful nature and never committed sin of any kind? The Bible's answer is that in his death Jesus was bearing sin's penalty (which he did not deserve) in the place of others (who did). His death was certainly an impressive example of meekness, forgiveness and faith, but it was much more than that.

2. Propitiation

'Propitiation' means appeasing an offended person by paying the penalty he demands for the offence. This

enables him to receive back into his favour the person who committed the offence. In the New Testament the original Greek word for 'propitiation' is sometimes translated 'atonement'. This is easier to understand, as to 'atone' means to deal with an offence so that the offender and the person offended can be 'at one'. This is what Jesus did in dying on behalf of others: 'In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins' (**1John1 :10**).

3. Ransom

The Bible teaches that sin not only separates sinners from God but imprisons them. They are 'slaves of sin' (**Romans 6:17**). What is more, sinners are not merely the captives of a sinful principle, but they are in 'the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will' (**2 Timothy 2:26**). Most people reject this, but every sinful habit confirms its truth. Jesus said that he had come to 'give his life as a ransom for many' (**Mark 10:45**). His death on the cross was the essential ransom price so that God's justice could be satisfied and the sinners in whose place Jesus died set free.

4. Redemption

We welcome you today into this sanctuary. Join us in the presence of the Most High God as He reveals to us His counsel, and you will never remain the same.

This year 2018 is our year of fulfilment: a call for commitment. Surely your lives shall be fulfilled in Jesus name Amen.

Worshipping with us for the first time?

You are most welcome. Please fill out the card given to you by the ushers and drop the completed card in the basket when it is passed or return to an usher.

Please join us for a brief reception after the service today.

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In Christ Alone My Hope Is Found

"thou has been our dwelling place in all generation" Psalm 90:1

- In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; this Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
- In Christ alone! who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones he came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied - For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
- There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain; Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave he rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine - Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
- No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath. Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man,

Take My life And Let It Be

"Draw me, we will run after thee" Songs of Solomon 1:4

- Take my life, and let it be Consecrated Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love. Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- Take my voice, and let me sing, Always only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose.
- Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne.
- Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be Ever only all for Thee.

There Shall Be Showers Of Blessings

"His ears are open unto their prayers" Peter

Refrain:

Showers of blessing,
Showers of blessing we need:
Mercy-drops round us are falling,
But for the showers we plead.

- There shall be showers of blessing, Precious reviving again; Over the hills and the valleys, Sound of abundance of rain.
- There shall be showers of blessing; Send them upon us, O Lord; Grant to us now a refreshing, Come, and now honor Thy Word.
- There shall be showers of blessing: Oh, that today they might fall, Now as to God we're confessing Now as on Jesus we call!
- There shall be showers of blessing, If we but trust and obey; There shall be seasons refreshing, If we let God have His way.

I Need Thee Every Hour

"Bow down thine ear; O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy" Psalm 86:1

- I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford.

Refrain:

- I need Thee every hour, In joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, Or life is vain.
- I need Thee every hour; Teach me Thy will; And Thy rich promises In me fulfil.
- I need Thee every hour, Most Holy One; Oh, make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son.

Praise My Soul, The King Of Heaven

"I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live" Psalm 104:33

- Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To his feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore his praises sing:

Refrain:

Praise Him, Praise Him!
Praise the everlasting King.

- Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise him still the same for ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless:
- Father-like, he tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hand he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes.

CONTINUATION

'redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us' (Galatian 3:13). By nature, we are under the 'curse' of God's holy law, which pronounces us guilty in his sight. Jesus was under no such curse, yet in order to satisfy the demands of divine justice he bore the curse of the law in full. The ransom price to bring redemption to helpless sinners was nothing less than his death in their place, and he paid it in full, setting prisoners of sin free to live in a way that is pleasing to God.

5. Forgiveness

The Bible sees sin as a debt owed by the sinner to God, but those on whose behalf Jesus died receive not only 'redemption through his blood' but also 'the forgiveness of sins' (Ephesians 1:7).

6. Reconciliation

Reconciliation means bringing together those who are separated for one reason or another. As Jesus put it, 'The light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil' (John 3:19).

'For the wrath of God is revealed

from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness men' (Romans 1:18). In the death of his Son, God not only punished human sin but also satisfied his own righteous judgment, and in this he way removed the barrier separating him from sinners. Paul writes, 'While we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son' (Romans 5:10). 'You who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ' (Ephesians 2:13). Now, all those for whom he died could be reconciled to God and have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body' (Hebrews 10:19).

7. Justification

It describes what happens when a judge declares that the prisoner before him is not liable to any penalty demanded by the law and is to be treated as though he had never broken it. Yet, as sinners stand condemned by a God whose eyes are 'too pure to look on

BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

We rejoice with the following brethren who were born in April:

Vivian Eghator 1st
Micheal Awofolu 2nd
Opeyemi Olayemi Hassan 4th
Daniel Oyelaja 4th
Adebowale Adeyemi 4th
Ruth Afidahun 6th
Olayemi Akinseye 8th
Jessica Oladeinde 9th
Lawrence Fajembola 10th
Oluwabukonla Sultan Kuti 11th
Adesoji Ade-Ojo 11th
Amirat Odofin 11th
Anu Adenuga 12th

Jordan Akpan 12th
Christian Odenigbo 21st
Bola Akpan 24th
Evelyn Iyamu 26th
Blesings Babatunde 27th
Segun Matins 28th
Doris Ekighalo 30th

Did we miss out your name?
Forgive us. Please let us know.



Congratulations on your Wedding Anniversary

Michael & Seyi Talabi 3rd
Tale & Ranti Ogunyemi 5th
Abimbola & Florence Adetoye 14th

OUR SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Weekly Services

Worship Service
Sundays
10.00am - 12.30pm

Digging Deep (Bible Study)
Tuesdays
7.30pm - 9.00pm

Prayer Meeting
Thursdays
7:30pm - 8:30pm

Evangelism
"Our father's business"
Saturdays from 12noon

House Fellowship
@ Lighthouse Centres

Memory Verses for April

- Romans 6:4-5
- Ephesians 1:18-21
- Matthew 24:4-13
- Romans 15:13
- John 14:26

May the Lord give us the grace to live worthy of him in Jesus mighty name.

Monthly Services

Thanksgiving Service
1st Sunday of the month
10.00am - 1.00pm

Men's Bible Study & Meeting
2nd Saturday of the month
10:00am -12:00am

Women's Bible Study & Meeting
3rd Saturday of the month
9.00am - 10.30am

3 Days Of night Of Divine Encounter
With God
last Wed., Thur. 7.30pm - 9.00pm &
Fri. (Night Vigil) / Holy Communion
10.00pm - 1.00am
of the month