

## YOU NEED ANY HELP?

Contact the Cathedral Office for all necessary information and the Office will direct you to the appropriate persons to help. Below are the Contact Persons.

- A. **For Booking of all Services of the Church**  
*The Dean; The Canon Residentiary*
- B. **For Social Welfare and Charity**  
*The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Grace Odukomaia 08033247831*
- C. **For Cathedral Societies**  
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- F. **For Cathedral Missionary Society**  
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- H. **For The Youth Ministry**  
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- Q. **For Sports Ministry**  
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- R. **For Board of Directors for Economic Empowerment**  
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- S. **For Cathedral Christian Mothers Matters**  
*Mrs Mercy Adewole, 08062910315; Mrs. Folake Owolabi - 08023156546*
- T. **For Chaplains to Societies**  
*The Dean; The Canon Residentiary*
- U. **For The Choir**  
*The Dean; Mr Sunday Olawuwo - 08023030357*
- V. **For Booking of the Hall**  
*The Dean, Mrs. Tola Famade - 0803-3109378,*
- W. **For Booking of the Guest House**  
*Mr. Kehinde Akinola - 08023050022; Tobi Balogun - 08033716752*

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#### Our Vision:

"CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS"

#### Our 2024 Theme:

**" FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH " I Tim. 6:12**

IN GOD'S PRESENCE, THERE IS FULNESS OF JOY AND AT HIS RIGHT HAND, PLEASURES FOR EVERMORE. A GOOD INDICATOR OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS EAGERNESS TO BE IN GOD'S HOUSE FOR WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP. WELCOME TO HIS PRESENCE.

#### WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. - Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2024

#### EPIPHANY 1

Theme: **How God Leads**

Colour: **WHITE**

Dr. Dayo Omogbehin  
Cathedral Warden

Sir. Charles Ojo  
Cathedral Warden

The Ven. Ebenezer Adewole  
Dean of the Cathedral

The Rt. Rev. Dr. James O. Odedeji  
The Bishop, Diocese of Lagos West

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*Support God's Mission through the Covenant Seed  
Be A Diocesan Covenant Seeder*

**1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2024**

**A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**

**Celebrant:** The Dean  
**The Epistle:** Lay. F. Okey-Ogbu  
**The Gospel:** The Rev. Michael Obembe  
**Preacher:** The Dean  
**Intercessor:** The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 164
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence –**Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu**
- ❖ The Epistle Acts 10:34-38a
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: A Time like this.....
- ❖ The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17
- ❖ **SERMON**
- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace (*Let there be peace*)
- ❖ **Procession of Elements:** CONH 82
- ❖ All Offerings: Choruses
- {First Fruit, Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed, Sunday Offering & All other offerings}*
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: CONH 246, 641, 503, 608
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 835
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **Thanksgiving:**
  - i. Monthly Thanksgiving
  - ii. New Year Thanksgiving for those who were not around on New Year day
  - iii. Those born and / or married in December
  - iv. The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere thanking God after successful collation on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> January and God’s numerous blessings.

- ❖ Doxology CONH 491 ....(page 9)
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 458

WE WELCOME ALL OUR FIRST TIMERS IN JESUS NAME. WE REQUEST THAT YOU PLEASE MOVE TO THE LADY’S CHAPEL AFTER THE SERVICE WHERE OUR EVANGELICAL TEAM IS WAITING TO ATTEND TO YOU. REMAIN BLESSED AND RAPTURABLE.

**AVMCC DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT**

**Account Name:** AVMCC Development Fund  
**Account Number:** 1021733207 **Sort Code:** 033154512  
**Branch Address,** UBA Plc, 51A Adeniyi Jones Str. Ikeja.

**USSD CODE:** **BILLER CODE:** 40195  
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**How to use it:**

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- \*737\*000\*40195+5000# to give #5000 from a GTB account


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**29. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS**

BANK	ACCOUNT NUMBER	SORT CODE	PURPOSE
ACCESS	0017948337	044151245	Building Fund Evangelical Fund
WEMA	0120970667	035150695	Offering & Thanksgiving
GTB	0570015856	058152120	Offering & Thanksgiving
FIRST	2025018178	011151841	Harvest (kindly signify the purpose e.g. Family harvest, Youth Harvest etc.)
FIRST	2001350641	011151841	Project Support
STANBIC IBTC	9200212515	221150027	First Fruits
GTB	0007899440	058152120	Tithes
ECO	0953002198		Building Fund
ZENITH	1011097083	057150314	Covenant Seed
FCMB	9318228020		AVMCC Choir
WEMA	0122245798	035150695	Endowment Fund

For the New Cathedral Development Account details please refer to page 2 of this bulletin.

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## **VESTRY ELECTION 2024**

This year's Vestry Meeting and Elections will hold on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 after 10.00am Service. The following Offices will be contested for:

- i. Cathedral Warden (1)
- ii. Synod Delegates (4)
- iii. Greater Chapter (8)
- iv. Standing Committee Members (10)

### **Notes:**

- (a) Each Society to nominate only **TWO** Candidates per position.
- (b) Ministries are not eligible to nominate any candidate.
- (c) Three people must nominate the candidature of the Cathedral Warden. The FORM must be signed by the President & Secretary of the Society and one other member.
- (d) The form for nomination is available in the Cathedral Office.
- (e) Nomination closes by 2.00pm on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb, 2024.

Interested persons may wish to collect **Nomination Form** from the Cathedral Office. Only **FINANCIAL & REGISTERED MEMBERS** of AVMCC can vote or be voted for. You must have paid your **Annual Dues (N5000)** as at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2023.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**ANNUAL CHURCH DUES N7,500 FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 2024. GOD BLESS.**

### **26. COMMITTEE'S & MINISTRIES REPORTS**

This is to inform the above that the next Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2024. Kindly send the report of your activities for the year 2023 to [tolafamade2012@gmail.com](mailto:tolafamade2012@gmail.com)

### **27. NAMES OF CURRENT PRESIDENTS & SECRETARIES & THEIR PHONE NUMBERS**

This is to inform all Societies that the Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2024. Kindly send the names of your current Presidents, Secretaries & their phone numbers to Mrs Famade on 08033109378.

### **28. SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMPTION: On Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.**

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- B. 10.00am**  
**Celebrant:** The Dean  
**The Epistle:** Lay. Moni Oshikoya  
**The Gospel:** The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju  
**Preacher:** The Dean  
**Intercessor:** The Rev Michael Obembe

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 164
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence – Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu
- ❖ The Epistle: Acts 10:34-38a
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: A Time like this .....
- ❖ The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

### **SERMON**

- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace (*Let there be peace*)
- ❖ Procession of Elements: CONH 607
- ❖ All Offerings: Choruses

*{First Fruit, Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed, Sunday Offering & All other offerings}*

- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: CONH 810, 249, 184, 450
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 420
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer

### **❖ Thanksgiving:**

- i. Monthly Thanksgiving
- ii. New Year Thanksgiving for those who were not around on New Year day
- iii. Those born and / or married in December
- iv. 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Remembrance of Late Emeritus Professor Oyewusi Ibadapo-Obe and God's numerous blessings on the family he left behind.
- v. Thanksgiving after burial of Late Barr. Olayinka Oyeniyi Farounbi and journey mercies.

- ❖ Doxology: CONH 491 .....(page 9)
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 250

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Cathedral is privilege to host all Clergy in the entire Lagos Metropolis between **January 16 and 17, 2024. Dioceses of Lagos, Lagos West, Lagos Mainland, Badagry and Awori.** A total of **856 Priests** and **five Bishops**.

We need parishioners who would want to secure special blessings from God and who want to be a special blessing to God's Servants to sponsor breakfast or lunch for the period. With an average of **N1,250 per plate**, a round of breakfast or lunch would cost **N1,070,000:00**.

Kindly see the **Wardens** to indicate your interest. God bless you for your support always.

### **C. EVENTS AHEAD**

1. **Universal Week of Prayer – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 at 6.00pm daily – (pg 17)**
2. **Annual DLW Prayer Conference on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 at 8.00am**
3. **Rededication of Royal Gem & Vessel – Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2024 at 3.00pm.**
4. **Rededication of DLW Christian Mothers – Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 at 3.00pm.**

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5. New Year Special Thanksgiving tagged “I Have Returned” – Sunday, 28/01/24.
6. ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 at 6.00pm.
7. ANNUAL LENTEN SPIRITUALITY Conference organised by Christian Brothers – Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 at 9.00am.
8. VESTRY MEETING - Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 after 10.00a.m service.
9. Enrolment Service: Mothers Union – Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

**D. FIRST FRUIT – LEV. 23:10-11; DEUT. 26:1-10**

1. Your first salary on a new job.
2. The first profit from a new line of business
3. For those already working, it is the first salary in the year.
4. When promoted to another level, the difference between your former salary and the new one.
5. To the aged with no pension, it is your first allowance from your children.
6. For Landlords and Landladies, the rent for the first month in the year is your first fruit.
7. For students, the poor, the jobless, it is your first gift in the year.

**TEST GOD WITH IT, TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD – Mal. 3:10, Ps. 34:8 Acct NO - STANBIC IBTC - 9200212515- First Fruits**

**E. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2023 EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES**

1. Sunday, Jan. 7, 2024 - Clergy Family & Evangelical Ministry Members
2. Sunday, Jan. 14, 2024 - Anglican Fellowship
3. Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024 - Rededication of Royal Gems & Vessel
4. Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024 - Rededication of Diocesan Christian Mothers
5. Sunday Feb. 4, 2024 – Apostle of Peace
6. Sunday Feb. 11, 2024 – Ambassadors of Christ
7. Sunday Feb. 18, 2024 - Agape Sisters

**F. 7.00a.m & 10.00am - YOUTH SERVICE**

**Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Ayodeji Oluwatusin**

**Preacher: The Rev. Canon Ayodeji Oluwatusin**

**Theme: How God Leads**

- ❖ Opening Hymn: CONH 26 (1,2,7 & 8)
- ❖ The Preparation to Penitence
- ❖ The Epistle: Acts 13:1-12
- ❖ Opening Praise
- ❖ The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-21
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace
- ❖ Offertory: Praises
- (a) *First Fruits* (b) *Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering*
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: Worship Songs
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ Alpha Thanksgiving
- ❖ Youth Anthem
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Prayer & Benediction
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 458 – Lead us heavenly...



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## 20. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

- i. All women prayer meeting {Cathedral Deanery} Every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month. Venue: The AVMCC Main Sanctuary. Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm.
- ii. Bible Study for Christian Mothers - Every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iii. Fasting & Prayer for Christian Mothers - Every last Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iv. All Sunday School Children from ages 5years upward meeting every last Sunday between 7.00am – 9.00am.
- v. **Adult Education Programme:** This course is for young and old every Monday & Wednesday by 3.30pm at the Vining Hall.

## 21. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

### A. OBITUARIES

- i. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Sir Isaac Chigbundu Achonu of YMCA. Aged: 87 years. Burial arrangements will be announced later.
- ii. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Engr. Ebenezer Odedairo of Torchbearers Society. Aged: 93 years. Burial arrangements are as follows:  
**Service of Songs:** On Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 at Vining Hall by 4.00pm.  
**Funeral Service:** On Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 at AVMCC by 9.00am.
- iii. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Engr. Chief Elijah Olufemi Tetede. Aged: 80 years. Burial arrangements are as follows:  
**Service of Songs:** On Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2024 at Vining Hall by 4.00pm.  
**Commendation Service:** On Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2024 at AVMCC by 9.00am.  
**Funeral Service:** On Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2024 at Christ Church Cathedral, Ilaro by 9.00am.

### B. VACANCIES

- i. Office Assistant is urgently required at a company in Adeniyi Jones, Ikeja. Interested persons to call: 08033348405.
- ii. Teachers are also needed at Destiny Moulder Primary & Nursery School, AVMCC, GRA - Ikeja. Interested persons to submit their applications to the Church Office.

## 24. AVMCC CLINIC

### **Specialist/Consultant Clinic days to take off 2024.**

Parishioners are hereby informed that the AVMCC Clinic will start operating Specialist/Consultant Clinic days in the clinic with effect from 2024 in the following areas.

#### (1) Cardiology

#### (2) Urology (Prostate etc)

#### (3) Gynaecology

Members or members relative who desire the above specialized health needs should go to the Clinic to Register with their name, phone number and special area of need.

## G. 6.00 pm. EUCHARIST WITH ANOINTING

**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Canon Ayodeji Oluwatusin*

**Preacher:** *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

**Sponsor:** **Clergy Family & Evangelical Group**

**Organist:** *Mr Sina Oyeneye*

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 770
- ❖ Preparation to Collect
- ❖ The Epistle: Acts 10:34-38a
- ❖ The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Nicene Creed, Intercession to Peace
- ❖ Offerings CONH 570

### (a) *First Fruits* (b) *Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering*

- ❖ Eucharistic Prayer
- ❖ Communion: CONH 420
- ❖ Ablution Hymn: CONH 867
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ Prayer & Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 452

## 2. SENTENCES FOR EPIPHANY 1

### **Introductory Sentence**

To all who received Him, to them He gave power to become children of God. *John 1:12.*

### **Collect for the Week:**

Almighty God, Who anointed Jesus at His baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed Him as Your beloved Son: inspire us, Your children, who are born of water and the Spirit, to surrender our lives to Your service, that we may rejoice to be called the Sons of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Post Communion Sentence**

I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God.  
*John 1:34.*

### **TOWARDS THE NEW CATHEDRAL**

#### **THE COLLECT:**

Heavenly Father we acknowledge the fact that without You, we can do nothing, for except You build, those who are building are doing it in vain. Empower us to build to Your glory and honour O Lord. Provide for us unto overflowing and over abundance. Make way where there seems to be none, silence every spirit of Sanballat and Tobiah and fill us with the anointing of Zerubbabel unto a glorious timely and speedy completion for with You there is no abandoned project. All of these and many more mercies and grace we ask for in the mighty name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

#### 4. PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2024

##### A. Prayers for the Anglican Communion and for Christian Denominations and Organizations

- i. Pray for Most Rev. Dr. Henry Ndukuba our Primate, Most Rev. Dr. Olusina Fape our Archbishop and Olusola our Bishop that the Lord will empower them in their Episcopal duties to lead His people in seeking and finding the Lord more than ever before.
- ii. For the Rt. Revd. Christian Onyia, his family and all members of the Diocese of Nike.

##### B. Prayer for Nigeria & the World

- i. *Pray that the Lord of Host in His mercies will on account of His elects and remnants in Nigeria frustrate every raging from the pit of hell and all evil counsels, gang-ups and schemes in form of Boko Haram, Herdsmen and Islamization agenda so that Christianity in Nigeria will never go the way of TURKEY nor NORTH AFRICA in Jesus Name. Amen.*
- ii. That God will raise for us men and women using them as His vessels of solutions to the challenges of our nation.
- iii. For restoration of peace to every troubled areas of the world.
- iv. That the Lord will fight for and defend all Christians all over the world.

##### C. Prayer for AVMCC

- i. That God be enthroned permanently over the affairs of AVMCC.
- ii. That AVMCC shall become a solution centre to all Parishioners.
- iii. That this season shall cause us to draw nearer to God more than ever before.

##### D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Aghanya Family, Agida Family, Agiddi Family, Aginam Family, Agoha Family, Agomuoh Family, Agomuo Family, Agu Family, Agubata Family, Agudosi Family.

##### E. Prayers for all our members who are having their Birthdays and/or other Anniversaries today:

- i. For Rev. Emeka Madubuike, Engr. Obanifemi Aluko, Dr. (Mrs) Adekemi Adeyemo, Mrs Oluwatoyin Olabiyi, Engr. Felicia Agubata, Mrs Ogechi Oparaugo-Asonye, Barr. F Okechukwu Ogbu, Mr Abiodun Olowoniyi, Mrs Olabisi Onayemi, Mr Victor Dairo, Mrs Oluwafemi Adekoya who are celebrating their birthdays today.
- ii. For those having their Wedding Anniversaries or any other positive Anniversaries today.

**F. Prayers for the following people:** Miss Anna Idehen, Engr. & Mrs. Odedairo, Mrs. Beatrice Akinola, Mrs M.O. Ilori, Mrs M.M. Aruofor, Mrs Roseline Anyadikwa, Mr Samuel Chukwudum.

**G. Prayers For:** The barren, the pregnant, spinsters, bachelors, the jobless and the homeless among us that God will open a book of remembrance covering them all and help them speedily to the shame of the devil, removing their reproaches.



#### COVENANT SEED

##### 18. AVMCC CHURCH NEEDS

Dear Parishioners,

***Be encouraged to pick one or more of the items listed below to mark your birthday, wedding anniversary and other occasions of joy. Do endeavour to get in touch with the WARDENS for specifications or monetization.***

Development of our landed properties

Painting of the Adetiloye & Vining halls

Sound System Overhaul (Mixer, Amp etc) N1.8m

400 Plastic Chairs for the Halls

80 Plastic Tables for the Halls

2 Hiace Buses

1 Coaster Bus

2 Money Counting Machine

2 Desktop Computer System

6 “86” LG Television

4 “32” Television

**2 Dispenser, 2 DVD Player & 2 TV (for AVMCC Creche)**

**40 Sewing Machines @ N80,000 each for Diocesan Vocational Centre, City of God, Ipaja.**

<b>MURAL &amp; CREATIVE PAINTING OF A MODERN CRECHE AND PLAYGROUP</b>	<b>= 642,000</b>
<b>SCREEDING OF THE WALLS</b>	<b>= 1,130,000</b>
<b>WALLPAPER &amp; SAV SCTICKERS</b>	<b>= 84,000</b>
<b>EDUCATIVE/PLAYTIME SAV FLEX</b>	<b>= 169,000</b>
<b>FLOOR SYNTHETICS (TURF)</b>	<b>= 765,000</b>
<b>VINYL FLOOR CARPET</b>	<b>= 469,220</b>
<b>Premium underlay for creche</b>	<b>= 47,800</b>

##### 19. ICT LOUNGE:

Kindly patronize the AVMCC ICT LOUNGE at Adetiloye House (Ground Floor), which opens at 9.00am - 5.00pm on Monday to Friday, for your: Typing, Printing, Photocopy, Scanning, Bulk SMS, Laminating, Tinted Permit, Internet Work, Binding, Scratch Cards (Jamb, WAEC, NECO etc) and Computer Training. *Contact: Call/Whatsapp 07063214646.*

## PROPHETIC DECLARATION FOR 2024

THIS YEAR 2024 SHALL BE MY YEAR OF SUPERNATURAL ACCOMPLISHMENT, I SHALL ENJOY DIVINE INTERVENTION IN EVERY ASPECT OF MY LIFE FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY FIRST.

THE YEAR 2024 SHALL BE MY YEAR OF SCALING HEIGHTS IN ALL MY ENDEAVOURS. EVERY SHAME AND REPROACH AROUND MY LIFE SHALL BE TURNED TO FAME AND PRAISE. IT SHALL BE MY YEAR OF ENTHRONEMENT, AS I SHALL BE BREAKING LIMITS IN ALL SPHERES OF LIFE –**ECCLESIASTES 8:4**. I AM THE BLESSED OF THE LORD WHO IS POSITIONED TO RIDE UPON THE WINGS OF THE EAGLE, I WILL BE CARRIED BY THE STRENGTH OF THE LORD THAT CAN NEVER FAIL AND NOTHING SHALL BE ABLE TO BRING ME DOWN.

MY GATE SHALL BE OPEN CONTINUALLY, THEY SHALL NOT BE SHUT DAY AND NIGHT, THAT MEN MAY BRING TO ME THE WEALTH OF THE NATIONS; AND THEIR KINGS LED IN PROCESSION TO BLESS ME, ISAIAH 60:11.

IT WILL BE EVIDENT THAT THE LORD'S PRESENCE IS WITH ME, THIS YEAR, GOD SHALL HOLD MY RIGHT HAND AND LEAD ME INTO THE FUTURE. I SHALL DWELL IN SAFETY, WHEREVER I GO I AM DIVINELY SECURED, THE LAND SHALL YIELD HER INCREASE IN MY FAVOUR AND MY HEAVENS SHALL CONTINUALLY DROP-DOWN DEW OF MERCY, FAVOUR, AND GRACE DEUTERONOMY 33:28. THE SUMMARY OF MY JOURNEY THIS YEAR SHALL BE "THESE IS WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE", I WILL CONSTANTLY ENJOY OVERSIZED BLESSINGS AND MIRACLES, INNUMERABLE CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES AND GREETINGS SHALL COME TO ME.

ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF GOD, I DECREE THAT I AM SATISFIED WITH FAVOUR, AND FULL OF THE BLESSING OF THE LORD, I SHALL GAIN POSSESSION OF EVERY TERRITORY I FIND MYSELF THIS YEAR IN JESUS NAME.

I WILL BE TAKEN TO THE HEIGHT OF GLORY BEYOND MY EXPECTATION THROUGH THE GOODNESS AND MERCY OF GOD IN MY LIFE IN JESUS NAME. IN THIS YEAR, MY PATH IS FREE OF EVIL AND SHAME. I WILL WALK THROUGH THIS YEAR UNHURT AND UNINJURED.

EVERY POWER THAT IS PLANNING TO OPPRESS, MOCK AND DISGRACE ME SHALL BE FRUSTRATED. I WILL NEVER BE CONFUSED, DESPAIRED, DEPRESSED AND KNOCKED DOWN BY SATAN. ALL MY FOES SHALL COME IN PROCESSION AND BOW BEFORE ME IN JESUS NAME.

THE COVENANT OF LONGEVITY IS HEREBY ACTIVATED IN MY LIFE TO OVERRIDE ANY COVENANT DESIGNED TO CUT SHORT MY LIFE, DESTINY AND INFLUENCE. I SHALL NOT DIE, I WILL LIVE AND MY MEN SHALL NOT BE FEW IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, DEUTERONOMY 33:6.

I WILL NOT RUN INTO ERRORS. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD SHALL ALWAYS BE MY GUIDING LIGHT DAY AND NIGHT. DOING THE WILL OF GOD WITH ALL MY HEART SHALL BE MY MEAT, JOHN 4:34.

LIFE SHALL NOT BE DIFFICULT FOR ME AND MY HOUSEHOLD. IN THIS 2024, INCREASE THAT THE EYES OF MEN HAS NEVER BEHOLD SHALL FLOOD MY LIFE, MY BUSINESS AND CAREER. THERE SHALL BE NO LOSS OF ANY GOOD THING AND MY HEALTH SHALL NOT FAIL.

I RECEIVE SUFFICIENT GRACE FOR THE JOURNEY OF 2024, I WILL FINISH STRONG THIS YEAR, I WILL NOT END MY JOURNEY HALFWAY, I WILL BE ALIVE TO CELEBRATE THE END OF YEAR 2024 WITH UNPRECEDENTED TESTIMONIES ORCHESTRATED BY THE INTERVENTION OF THE SUPERNATURAL GOD, IN JESUS CHRIST'S NAME. AMEN.

## 5. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK SUNDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2024

THEME: HOW GOD LEADS

READING: ISA 42:1-9; ACTS 10:34-38a; MATT 3:13-17

### 1. Introduction:

Today is the first Sunday of the brand New Year 2024. Happy New Year to all of us. We thank God who brought us into the New Year by his grace and mercy. 2023 was a year of many colours and happenings. It was a very difficult year in terms of the economy and governance but God saw us through by his love. Being alive is beyond anyone's permutation or calculation or carefulness or ability. It is basically the grace of God. We must approach the new year with renewed hope, believing God is able to do new things in our lives. We can prophetically lay claim to Deuteronomy 6:23 **"Then He brought us out from there that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our fathers"** God brought us out of 2023 on purpose and brought us into 2024 for a greater purpose. We must be sensitive to the doings of God and flow on same wavelength with the Holy Spirit. Our God who brought us to the first Sunday of 2024 is constant and able to take us to the last Sunday of 2024. For our medication this morning, we are considering the topic 'How God Leads'. God's ways are far above our ways but he has made his dwelling with us in Emmanuel. He is interested in revealing himself to us always.

### 2. God leads his people:

Jeremiah 10:23 says, *O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.* In Psalm 25, the psalmist kept praying; *"Show me your ways... Teach me... Guide me..."* (Psalm 25:4,5&9). None of us really knows the happenings of this year. We can only rest on the one who knows the end right from the beginning. We have examples of God's leading in the Bible.

- (i) Abraham left his native country on God's instruction not knowing where he was going. He was wholly dependent on God's leading (Genesis 12:1);
- (ii) Eliezer, Abraham's servant: He prayed to God to guide him as he went in search of a wife for Isaac (Genesis 24 : 42-67);
- (iii) Moses and the children of Israel: They were led by the pillar of cloud by day and of fire by night (Exodus 13:21-22);
- (iv) David: He inquired of God, saying, *"Shall I go up against the Philistines? And will You give them into my hand?"* Then the Lord said to him, *"Go up, for I will give them into your hand."* So they came up to Baal-perazim, and David defeated them there". (1 Chronicles 14:10-11). The Philistines made yet another raid in the valley. David inquired again of God, and God said to him, *"You shall not go up after them; circle around behind them and come at them in front of the balsam trees"*. (1 Chronicles 14:13-14)
- (v) Philip: He was led by the Spirit of God to leave Samaria in search of the waiting eunuch of Ethiopia who needed salvation (Acts 8:5 and 26).
- (vi) Prophets and Teachers who were praying in Acts 13:1-2: God told them, *"Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them"*
- (vii) Wise men in Matthew 2:13-15: A mysterious star led them all the way from the East to Jerusalem and to Bethlehem. It was a long journey but they were safely guided. They didn't miss their way.
- (viii) Joseph, Mary and Baby Jesus: God sent his Angel to go and tell Joseph to flee with the baby and mother to Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15) because Herod was seeking to destroy him. Again, after the death of Herod, God spoke to Joseph in a dream to return, saying *"for they are dead which sought the young child's life"* Matthew 2:19-21.

### 3. How does God lead us:

#### a. God leads by his Spirit, the Holy Spirit:

Romans 8:14 *“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God”*. This is the very primary way God leads us. When Jesus bodily left the earth, he promised that his Spirit will come and stay with us. *“Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come”* (John 16:13).

**What to do:** This year, let us release ourselves to the leading of the Spirit of God. We must stop struggling with him.

#### b. God leads by His Word:

Psalms 119:105 *“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path”*. God leads us by his word in the immediate (lamp to my feet) and in the future (light to my path). We cannot navigate the terrain of 2024 successfully without the word of God. The key to living well, living right and living successfully is in the word of God. *“Man shall not leave by bread alone but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God”* (Matt 4:4)

**What to do:** Immerse yourself in the word of God this year. Read, Study, Meditate and listen to Sermons. You can't separate the Word of God and the Spirit of God. They are inseparably the same (1Jn 5:7). As you immerse yourself in the word of God, the Holy Spirit interprets and illuminates your heart furnishing you for every good work (2Tim 3:17)

#### c. God leads by His Angels:

Exodus 20:23 *“Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared”*. Angels are still actively involved with us. They are God's foot soldiers (Heb 1:14). They carry out his directives. Angels ministered to *Daniel Dan 6:22, Jesus Mtt 4:11; Lk 22:43; Philip Acts 8:26; Peter Acts 12:7-9; Paul Acts 27:23-24*. We might not see them and we might see them but they are at work. Infact, most of the miracles we experience are carried out by them as God instructs them (Psalm 103:20).

**What to do:** Be sensitive in the Spirit. The Angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him and rescues them (Psalm 34:7)

#### d. God leads by His Servants:

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”*. There were set leaders at different times in the history of God's people. Moses led. Joshua led. David led. Solomon led. Peter led, Paul led. Timothy led. Their main duty is to lead the people as God directs. They declare the counsel of God (Acts 20:27). They are overseers feeding the flock of Jesus (Acts 20:28). They serve in perfecting the saints. They do the work of the ministry. They serve to edify the body of Christ.

**What to do:** Pay attention to the Church Leaders. They have spiritual mandate to lead in the will of God.

#### e. God leads by Dreams, Visions and Prophecies:

Proverbs 29:18 *“Where there is no vision, the people perish”*. Acts 2:17-18 Acts 2:17-18 *“And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams. And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; and they shall prophesy”*. We are in the hour when God is pouring out His Holy Spirit. This outpouring of this Spirit is characterized by dreams, visions and prophecies.

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## 2024 UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

**Date:** Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
**Venue:** First Baptist Church Olowu  
**Worship Leader:** Methodist Priest  
**Intercessors** Rev. David Osagbodje  
**Preacher:** Ven. G.A. Fawole

**Date:** Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
**Venue:** Bola Memorial Ang. Church, Ikeja  
**Worship Leader:** First Baptist Church, Olowu, Ikeja  
**Intercessors** Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu  
**Preacher:** Very. Rev. O.E. Daramola

**Date:** Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
**Venue:** Archbishop Vining Mem. Church Cathedral  
**Worship Leader:** St. Peter's Anglican Church, Alausa  
**Intercessors** Ven. E Oluwadare  
**Preacher:** Rev. Dr. K.S. Ogokunle

**Date:** Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
**Venue:** St. Leo's Catholic Church, Toyin, Ikeja  
**Worship Leader:** St. Luke's the Physician, LASUTH, Ikeja  
**Intercessors** Rev. Dr. Dele Ajayi  
**Preacher:** Rev. Canon Opeyemi Ibikunle

**Date:** Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
**Venue:** Methodist Church, Opebi, Ikeja  
**Worship Leader:** Strong Tower Baptist Church, Opebi  
**Intercessors** Rev. Lekan Adeosun  
**Preacher:** Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Omoroke SMMM

**Date:** Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
**Venue:** Anglican Church of Ascension, Opebi,  
**Worship Leader:** DIMAC, G.R.A. Ikeja  
**Intercessors** Rev. P.O. Okunlola  
**Preacher:** Ven. Ebenezer Adewole

Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> January – Thanksgiving in every church

### F. Prisons & Hospital Ministry

(a) Hospital Visitation every 3<sup>rd</sup> and last Sundays of the month. (b) Prison visitation every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month (c) Meeting comes up every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after 10.00a.m Service at the Church gallery. For more information, call (08033136370 and 08036695837).

### G. Intercessory Ministry

This Group meets for prayers every Tuesday from 5.00pm to 6.00pm. They visit the sick and all those needing spiritual support and prayers etc after 7.00am Midweek Communion service every Wednesday. Please avail yourself of the services of this group as and when required.

### H. Men & Women of Grace Fellowship

1. Are you a widower or a widow?
2. Are you aware of the existence of above fellowship for widowers and widows?
3. If yes to no. 1, Are you a registered member of the fellowship?
4. Kindly pick and complete a registration form to register or update your data.

Identify with one and other via care, love and support by fellowshiping of God's grace every last Thursday of the month at 11.00am.

For the fellowship's objectives, registration form and other information, visit the church office or call 08023125243.

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**D. AVMCC Guest House**

Stay within a Christian environment, also visit the restaurant for tasty and affordable meals all located at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of Vining house within the Church complex. Laundry services are also available. Contact us on 09158070000 and 09158060000.

**E. Admission to DLW Vocational Center, City of God, 10 Majiyagbe Layout, Ipaja.**

The form for DLW Vocational Center is out. The programme includes *(Catering, Clothing & Fashion, I.T. Computer, Textile Design, Photography, Shoe & Leather work, Barbing & Hairdressing)*. Kindly note that registration forms are available in all Archdeaconry Headquarters and the Dean’s Office.

**17. MINISTRIES & FELLOWSHIPS**

**A. Children’s Ministry**

Parents are requested to send their children to the Sunday School with Bibles, Note Books & Biro. Please instruct your children to remain in the Sunday School and not wander about looking for things to buy. Children are better and safer in the Sunday School.

**B. COUNSELLING MINISTRY**

Prospective couples are counselled in the ministry after which they are referred to the priest assigned to them for the concluding part of the Counselling session. Counselees from overseas (with evidence) who intend to spend a short period in the country for their wedding, undergo crash programmes because of their time limitations.

**INVITATION TO TENDER FOR ALTERNATE POWER SUPPLY i.e. SOLAR AND INVERTER TO ARCHBISHOP VINING MEMORIAL CHURCH CATHEDRAL**

We invite reputable and competent contractor and power providers to please submit quotation for the provision and installation of Solar panels and inverters as necessary and applicable to serve as alternative source of power generating to the entire Cathedral buildings i.e the Dean’s building, the Canon Residentiary house, the Priest Quarters, the service building and the entire security office of the Cathedral.

Premises to be visited during office hours of between 9.00am and 4.00pm contact Mr Daniel Oluwaseun on 08127112493 for access to the premises.

All tenderers to pay and submit a non-refundable application receipt of Twenty thousand Naira only (N20,000) to AVMCC Zenith Bank 1011097083.

Submission of tender comprising current prices, validity period, work experience/similar work executed etc, duration of work should be addressed in a sealed envelope to THE DEAN, AVMCC, IKEJA. And to reach him not later than 3 weeks from the date of this publication of this tender invitation. (Date to be after 1<sup>st</sup> publication in the bulletin) or send an e-mail to tolafamade2012@gmail.com.

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We should be open to such activity of the Holy Spirit. **Prophecies** are in three ways; i)Prophetic Confirmation - God can use prophecy to bring confirmation of what He has been speaking to us. ii)Prophetic Direction - God can use prophecy to show us what He wants us to do. Iii)Prophetic Revelation - God can use prophecy to reveal things about the future so that we can prepare ourselves.

In dreams, i)God meets us (Jacob in Genesis 28:12; Solomon in 1 Kings 3:5-15) ii)Encourages us (Paul at Corinth Acts 18:9-11) iii)Instructs and teaches us (Job 33:14-18 ; Psalm 16:7; Joseph in Matthew 1:20). **In Vision**, we can i)see angels (Daniel 9:21; Luke 24:23; Acts 10:3), ii)see into the spiritual realm (2 Kings 2:12; 2 Kings 6:17), iii)see into other locations in the natural realm (2 Kings 5:26), iv)see into heaven (Isaiah 6:1-4; Acts 7:55-56).

**What to do: I Thess 5:19-20 Quench not the Spirit and despise not prophesying. We must engage in the spirit, desire the gift of the Spirit and be desirous of God talking to us.**

**4. Conclusion**

God wants us to follow him closely and intimately. He desires to shepherd us. The benefits stated in Psalm 23 come to us as we willingly follow him. None of us shall lack anything good. Our needs are met in Christ Jesus. In 2024, we will lie down in green pastures and not in thorns. We shall be led beside the still waters as nothing will trouble us. Our soul, life, wealth and health are restored. We will stay in the paths of righteousness by the enablement of the Holy Spirit. No matter what comes our way, we shall fear no evil for God’s presence is with us. All through 2024, we enjoy divine guidance and comfort. In the presence of those who hate us, we shall flourish unto overflowing in Jesus Name. We remain God’s anointed and God’s favorites. Surely, God’s goodness and mercy shall follow us as we follow the leading of God. Have a beautiful year 2024.

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**8. ANNOUNCEMENT**

Notices and Thanksgiving must get to Church Office not later than Thursday of the week.

**HYMN FOR DOXOLOGY - (CONH 491)**

1. Let Your blessings, Lord, attend us,  
As we go out of this place,  
And abiding in Your presence  
Basking in Your joy and grace.
2. Let us in Your sight find favour  
In all on which our hands lay  
Make Your face Lord shine upon us  
As You lead us on our way.
3. May Your heavenly peace surround us  
Turn our darkness into light,  
Give us strength, now and forever  
So, to live within Your might.
4. God, our compassionate Father,  
Look upon us with mercy  
Let Your Name receive our praises  
Now and for eternity. Amen.

## 9. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

December 31 – January 6, 2024

7.00 am Holy Communion	841
7.00 am Youth Service	-
7.00 am Sunday School	-
10.00 am Mattins	654
10.00 am Youth Service	-
10.00 am Sunday School	-
Tuesday Bible Study	-
Wednesday Holy Communion	119
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	-

## 10. MEETINGS THIS WEEK

The following Societies will meet immediately in the Church Church

-  *Band of Peace Society*
-  *Ascension Fellowship*
-  *Christian Brothers Society*
-  *Ambassadors of Christ Executive*
-  *Y.W.C.A. Executive*
-  *Agape Christian Sisters*
-  *Sons & Daughters of Egbaland*
-  *Band of Light Executive*
-  *Lords Labourers Fellowship*

## 11. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

### A. Cathedral Health Centre

#### i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2024

**7.00a.m-10.00a.m:** Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Dr. B Ibidapo-Obe, Pharm. Y. Olorunsola, Mrs Nkiru Arah, Mrs Amah-Jerry.

**10.00am-2.00pm:** Dr. (Mrs) Irene Okwerekwu, Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Mrs E. Osibajo.

#### ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2024

**7.00a.m-10.00a.m:** Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Dr. B Ibidapo-Obe, Pharm. Dele Ajala, Mrs Gina Okolo.

**10.00am-2.00pm:** Prof. I. Akinsete, Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Pharm. Deji Osinoiki, Pharm Mrs Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs Bola Awobiyi, Mrs Chinelo Emenike.

### B. Security & Traffic Control

#### i. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. - Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2024

Oyebanji Toba (**Captain**), Helen Arhagba, (**Assistant Captain**), Segun Adeniji, Chioma Obi, Caroline Omowhara, Juliet Chimezie, Funso Fagbuyiro, Kene Obimma, Chukwuemeka Osaka, Funmi Ladele, Ekwegh Lilian, Michael Enujioke, Olusegun Esan, Enujioke Michael, Odibo Fanny Efe, Odanye Mojisola.

#### ii. Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. - Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2024

Omotola Onakoya, (**Captain**), Goke Uthman; (**Assistant Captain**), Ogunleye Adeboboye, Adeyemi Muiyiwa, Segun Adeniji, Dare Sigbeku, Chioma Obi, Juliet Chimezie, Akinniran O. Temidayo, Rita Osibodu, Olusegun Esan, Michael Enujioke, Nwaorgu Chinedu, Okedurum Andrew, Gbenga Ojo.

## 14. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

### Epiphany II

January 14

**Theme:** Obedience Leads to Blessing

**Colour:** Green

**7.00 am:** HOLY COMMUNION

**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

**Epistle:** *1 Cor. 6:11b-20*

*Layreader Gloria Okeke*

**Gospel:** *John 2:1-11*

*The Rev. Michael Obembe*

**Preacher:** *The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere*

### THE YOUTH SERVICE

**Venue:** *The Adetiloye House*

**Cantor:** *The Rev. Canon Ayodeji Oluwatusin*

**Preacher:** *The Rev. Canon Ayodeji Oluwatusin*

**10.00 am:** MATTINS

**Cantor:** *The Rev. Michael Obembe*

**O.T. Reading:** *1 Sam 3:1-10*

*Layreader Abeke Nubi*

**N.T. Reading:** *John 2:1-11*

*Layreader Oluremi Onabolu*

**Preacher:** *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*

**6.00pm:** FAMILY EVENING

**Cantor:** *Layreader Titilayo Afolabi*

**Psalm:** *121*

**Lesson:** *Luke 5:1-11*

**Preacher:** *Layreader Cyril Mgbamoka*

## 15. BANNES OF MARRIAGE

We publish the Bannes of Marriage between the persons under-listed: If anyone knows any just cause in law why the persons listed may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, he should declare it immediately.

### 1<sup>ST</sup> NOTICE:

1. *Mr Adetunji Adenle & Miss Mojisola Mepaiyeda*

## 16. NOTICES

### A. Visitors and New Comers

We welcome Visitors and New Comers to Archbishop Vining Memorial Church Cathedral, Ikeja. We pray that the joy of the Lord will be yours today and always. You are requested to please move to the Lady's Chapel after the service where our Evangelical Team is waiting to attend to you.

### B. Library:

The Cathedral Library opens daily:

Monday – Friday - 8.00am to 5.00pm

Closed on Saturday & Sunday.

We request everyone to make use of this opportunity.

### C. Vining Bookshop

Kindly patronize the Bookshop at Adetiloye House, which opens at 9.00am-5.00pm Tuesday to Friday, 10.00am-4.00pm on Saturdays and 9.30am-2.00pm on Sundays.

**Friday, January 12, 2024 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Grace upon Grace**

**Celebrant: The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem**

**Epistle: Colossians 3:18 -4:6 Lay. A. Ochoku**

**Gospel: John 1:14-18**

**Hymns: CONH 770, CONH 828, CONH 878**

**Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe**

**Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Geoffrey Ibeabuchi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Umuahia.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Felix Olorunfemi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Etsako.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Oluwabusi Obisesan, Mr Victor Amuta, Mr Bankole Lawani, Mr Chika Okonkwo, Mrs Elizabeth Olorunfemi-Ojo, Dr. Moses Anemeje, Mr Ugochukwu Onyema, Mr Adetayo Sodade, Mrs Alice Owolabi, Mr Chikodinaka Nwanjoku, Miss Olapeju Sonusi, Mrs Rita Iteghete, Mr Ugochukwu Ekegbogu, Mr Ndubuisi Odebeatu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ajibo Family, Ajibodu Family, Ajinro Family, Ajoku Family, Ajomale Family, Ajomiwe Family, Ajose Family, Ajudua Family, Ajulu Family, Ajuwon Family.
- ❖ **70<sup>th</sup> birthday of Mr Oluwabusi Obisesan today**

**6.00pm UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER**

**Saturday, January 13, 2024 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: A voice for Christ**

**Celebrant: Rev. Canon Ayodeji Oluwatusin**

**Epistle: Hebrews 4:1-13 - Lay. Kike Akinyemi**

**Gospel: John 1:19-28**

**Hymns: CONH 50, CONH 603, CONH 453**

**Preacher: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju**

**Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Cletus Tambari, his family and all members of the Diocese of Gombe.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Chibuzor Oguamanam, Mrs Margaret Akideinde, Miss Oluchi Onuekwusi, Pharm Abayomi Osinoiki, Mrs Titilayo Idhalama.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ajuzieogu Family, Aka Family, Akabike Family, Akalanna Family, Akaelu Family, Akaeme Family, Akande Family, Akano Family, Akeredolu Oso Family, Aketch Family.

**8.00am Annual DLW Prayer Conference**

**11.30am Wedding**

**Mr Jackson Amadi & Miss Uchenna Nwagbo**

**6.00pm UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER**

**4.00 pm Baptism**

**4.00 pm Youth Fellowship**

**4.00 pm Boy's Brigade & Girls Brigade**

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## 12. LIST OF CENTERS FOR HOME CELL FELLOWSHIP

S/N	NAMES	LOCATION	PHONE NO
1.	Mr. Cyril Nwannunu	Egbeda	08033480112
2.	Mrs. Georgina Bamigboye	Oko-Oba GRA Scheme 1	08023414415
3.	Obum Osy-Onyekwelu	Maryland Crescent	08036684298
4.	Victor Adenuoye	Fagba	08069206291
5.	Lady Gina Okolo	Mangoro Ikeja	08033235796
6.	Ugochi Osinigwe	College Road, Ogba	08092147012
7.	Rtd. Col. C. O. Ajala	54, New Ipaja Road	08081654907
8.	Mrs. Ebele S. Okere	Ajao Estate	08023270247
9.	Chukwuemeka Ejiofor	Dopemu	07030463556
10.	Adekoya M. O.	Toyin Street, Ikeja	
11.	Olusunkanmi King	Maryland	
12.	Chinyere Umealo	Oregun	08033052131
13.	Ada Obi	Cement	08062074465
14.	Obi Divine	Cement	08062074465
15.	Mrs. Udoka Omoniyi	Fagba	08023082792
16.	Mayokun Ogedengbe	Anifowose	08069530744
17.	Gbadeyan Ademola	Alagbole /Akute	08171373722
18.	Chinyere Okpara	Adealu	08035792201
19.	Umeadi Juliana	Dopemu	08057474558
20.	Bro. I.O Odeniran	Opebi	08023096565
21.	Umeadi Christopher	Dopemu Road, Agege	08055901853
22.	Tochi Anyalewechi	Oke-Ira, Ogba	
23.	Mrs Teju Akindolire	Ogudu, GRA	08175160830
24.	Mr Tunji Odeneye	Gbagada	08033163337
25.	Mr Makinde Ogunleye	Omole Phase 2	08033078004
26.	Barr. F. Okey Ogbu	Iyana-Ipaja	08023192145
27.	Princewill Ihemerendu	Mafoluku	

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### 13. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 8, 2024 Colour: Green

6.00am Alpha & Omega Prayer

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Living for His glory

Ante Communion: Layreader Amaka Okpara

Celebrant: *The Rev. Michael Obembe*

Epistle: Colossians 1:15-23 – *Lay. Adeola Sanya*

Gospel: John 1:1-5

Hymns: CONH 126, CONH 867, CONH 120

Preacher: *Layreader Gloria Okeke*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Olukayode Adebogun, his family and his ministry.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Chief Olusanya Jegede, Engr. Lucien Bagbonon, Mrs Abimbola Omotoso, Mrs Sandra Ikwudinma, Mr Sunday Odia, Mrs Evelyn Opayemi, Mr Okey Ilo.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Aguguom Family, Agunobi Family, Agwuna Family, Agwuncha Family, Aham Family, Ahumaraeze Family, Ahade Family, Ahmadu Family, Ahua Family, Ahunaya Family.

6.00pm UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

Tuesday, January 9, 2024 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: The Purpose of Your Existence

Celebrant: *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

Epistle: Colossians 1:1-20 – *Lay. E. Osibajo*

Gospel: John 1:6-8

Hymns: CONH 19, CONH 590, CONH 419

Preacher: *The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Martyn Anagbogu, his family and his ministry.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Augustine Unuigbe, his family and his ministry.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Victoria Bartels, Mrs Dolapo Ologunde, Mrs Olubunmi Dolu-Adebisi, Miss Chinomso Nwannunu, Mr Emmanuel Okoye, Mrs Ijeoma Ene, Mr Christopher Poluyi, Chief Sofoluke Solanke.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Aigbe Family, Ailoje Family, Aina Family, Aiyenomuro Family, Ajaari Family, Ajagu Family, Ajagunmo Family, Ajakpovi Family, Ajala Family, Ajanaku Family.

6.00pm UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

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Wednesday, January 10, 2024 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: The True Light

Celebrant: *The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere*

Epistle: Colossians 2:8-23

*Lay. Cyril Mgbamoka*

Gospel: John 1:9-11

Hymns: CONH 770, CONH 570, CONH 420, CONH 452

Preacher: *The Dean*

Prayer Point

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Ndubuisi C. Obi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Nnewi.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Pirusola Oluseyi, his family and all members of the Diocese on the Coast.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Folake Akinola, Mr Ugonna Okeke, Mr James Ajayi, Mr Michael Mimiko, Mr Tunde Bamgbade, Mr Oluwajimi Olowu, Miss Oluwatosin Olawuwo, Sir Charles Iheagwam, Mr Uchechukwu Don-Samuel, Miss Modupeola Sanu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ajao Family, Ajayi Family, Ajayi-Obe Family, Ajewole Family, Ajibade Family, Ajibo Family, Ajibodu Family, Ajinro Family, Ajoku Family, Ajomale Family.

8.00am Vining Intercessor's Visitation

6.00pm UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

Thursday, January 11, 2024 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: The Right to become children of God

Celebrant: *The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu*

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-17 –

*Lay. Dorothy Mac-Eze*

Gospel: John 1:12-13

Hymns: CONH 18, CONH 421, CONH 458

Preacher: *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Foluso Babatunji, his family and all members of the Diocese of Osun.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Benjamin Okeke, his family and all members of the Diocese of Orlu.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Helen Fashina, Mrs Stella Iroabueke, Mrs Elizabeth Sorinmade, Mrs Ayotunde Ajayi, Mr Mudiaga Owhe, Mrs Eugenia Okafor, Mrs Comfort Ihemadu, Mr Somtochukwu Chukwukelu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ajomiwe Family, Ajose Family, Ajudua Family, Ajala Family, Ajanaku Family, Ajao Family, Ajayi Family, Ajayi-Obe Family, Ajewole Family, Ajibade Family.

6.00pm UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

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## WISDOM / TRUTH FOR THE CHURCH AND THE CONTRACTORS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your Spirit of wisdom hover over the site and take charge of every thought and activity.  
*Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the Lord put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the Lord had commanded (Exod 36:1)*
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, fill us with wisdom, understanding, knowledge and all kinds of skills needed to build to Your glory.  
*And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, (Exod. 31:3)*
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, saturate the entire atmosphere as we build with wisdom that descend from above.  
*This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish (James 3:15).*
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your fear permeate the heart of everyone that will touch this project.  
*There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back anything from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? (Exod. 39:9)*
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we pray that everyone will hand this project with truth and integrity of heart  
*And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favoured. (Gen. 39:6)*

### SPEEDY COMPLETION, NO DELAY

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, frustrate every mischievous plan to wreak havoc on any member/worker to cause a delay on the project.  
*That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief (Nehemiah 6:2).*
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, empower and make me a man to further the refurbishment of Your church.  
*When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard of it, it grieved them exceedingly that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel (Nehemiah 2:10).*

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3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your divine hand be upon this project for unique supernatural speed.  
*And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel (1Kgs 18:46).*
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, stir up the hearts of people in high places to support and work for this project and not against it.  
*Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent captains of the army and horsemen with me (Nehemiah 2:9).*
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, fill the hearts of every worker on the site, that no one will be an agent of delay.

**So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work (Nehemiah 4:6).**

### REVIVAL AND MIRACLE SEASON

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, wrought wonders that will proclaim Your majestic power in our midst this season.  
*Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses (Josh 1:3).*
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your presence be present always to heal and deliver anytime we gather.  
*“And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judaea, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them” (Luke 5:17)*
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, go before your church and miraculously make a way, and supply every need of this project.  
*I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron: And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel (Isaiah 45:2-3).*
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, do the miraculous as the work of the Cathedral kicks off, honour your word and your name.  
*Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert (Isaiah 43:19).*

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5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we decree that at every gathering, You will send Your Word to us in power.

*Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? (Acts 2:37)*

### **SHUTTING THE MOUTH OF SANBALLAT AND TOBIAT GERSHEM**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, disappoint every plan of the enemy over this project, show your strength and power to do the impossible.

*And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and all the heathen that were about us saw these things, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God (Nehemiah 6:16).*

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, shut up every satanic agent assigned to weaken the hands of the Church.

*Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building, And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia (Ezra 4:4-5).*

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, close every legal, policy, or religious door opened to attack this project. **Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes' letter was read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and made them to cease by force and power. Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia (Ezra 4:23-24).**

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as far as this work is concerned, raise a standard against everyone who will stand as enemy.

*then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries (Exodus 23:22).*

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, do not hold your peace before, during and after this project, let praises and Thanksgiving be our testimonies at the end of the day. *For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth (Isaiah 62:1).*

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## **REFURBISHMENT PRAYER**

### **INTRODUCTION**

*Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain (Psalm 127:1).*

Prayer is the key in any kingdom assignment. As we finally commence the Cathedral refurbishment project, it is important for every member of the Cathedral (and non-members) to be mobilized in prayer.

The following are scriptural prayer points that God has commanded us to pray at our personal prayer time, family altar, every ministry or society time of prayer and fellowship.

Please let us be committed and dedicated to these prayers.

### **THANKSGIVING**

Heavenly Father, we give You thanks for You are so good to us. Your love and mercy towards us in this Cathedral are boundless and immeasurable. We are extremely grateful. Especially, for the commencement of the refurbishment of the Cathedral. You are always working things out for our good, and we trust that this time You will also come through for us. Help us to rest in the truth that You are our Creator and that there nothing impossible for You. Thank You loving and faithful Father, for who You are in Jesus Christ name. Amen.

### **ABUNDANT PROVISION**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, open the floodgate of abundant provisions that will be enough to start and complete the work within the record time.

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work (2 Corinthians 9:8).

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, bless and make every member a channel of blessing

**And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it withal. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every morning (Exod 36:3).**

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let the love of your house fill our hearts to give in abundance as the work goes on.

**And they spake unto Moses, saying, the people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the Lord commanded to make (Exod 36:5).**

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we decree that we shall never experience lack and paucity of fund till the work is completed

**And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So, the people were restrained from bringing (Exod 36:6).**

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, release the grace to enjoy constant access to divine treasury.

**For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much (Exod 36:7).**

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