## 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.

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The Dean; The Canon Residentiary

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The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Grace Odukomaiya 08033247831

#### For Cathedral Societies

The Dean; The Society Chaplains; Presidents & Secretaries of Societies

#### For The Elderly Ministry D

The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Ayo Akideinde - 07068610707

#### For The Evangelical Ministry E.

The Dean; The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju; Mr. Cyril Mgbamoka 07053334081

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The Dean, Rev. Michael Obembe; Chief (Mrs.) Funmi Ogunbadejo -08033025033; Miss Bolanle Joseph - 08025490166

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The Dean, The Rev. Fikayo Adenle; Sister 'Seun Oyediran - 07051083385; Mr Ayo Tetede - 08020691247

#### For The Medical Board

The Dean; The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere; Prof. (Mrs.) Ronke Akinsete 08023000496

#### For The Counselling Ministry

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The Dean; Rev. Michael Obembe; Mr. Steve Aladesawe - 08033261047

#### For Intercessory Ministry

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The Dean; The Canon Residentiary, Mr Desmond Odiase- 08033066901 Mr Steve Ahua - 07038816041

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Mrs Mercy Adewole, 08062910315; Mrs. Folake Owolabi - 08023156546

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The Dean;

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The Dean, Mrs. Tola Famade - 0803-3109378.

#### For Booking of the Guest House

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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, 1st Dec. - Saturday, 7th Dec. 2024 **Advent Sunday** 

Theme: The Coming Reign of Christ BISHOP'S HARVEST & 51<sup>ST</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF CHRISTIAN MORNING STAR

Colour: Purple

Dr. Dayo Omogbehin Cathedral Warden

Mr Olawale Fasuyi 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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1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY - 1<sup>ST</sup> Dec., 2024

A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION BISHOP'S HARVEST

Celebrant: The Diocesan

Epistle: Layreader Cyril Mgbamoka The Gospel: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

The Diocesan

Intercessor: The Dean
Processional Hymn: CONH 73

Praise & Worship

Preacher:

Preparation to Penitence-The Dean
 The Epistle Romans 13:8-14
 Gradual Hymn: CONH 559
 The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

SERMON

Nicene Creed & Intercession

♦ The Peace (Let there be peace)

Procession of Elements: CONH 788 (I)

All Offerings: Choruses

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

The Eucharistic Prayers

The Administration: CONH 184, 65, 614, 607

The Ablution: CONH 213

Post Communion Prayer

Thanksgiving

i. Clergy Harvest: The Bishop & his Family

ii. Monthly Thanksgiving

iii. Those born and / or married in November

iv. Birthday thankgiving of Dr (Mrs) Ebele Stella Okere (Wife of Ven Dr Benjamin Chijioke Okere) and God's numerous blessings.

v. 18<sup>th</sup> years birthday thanksgiving of Praise Miriam Ogbu & God's numerous blessings.

vi. Thanksgiving after burial of Late Mrs Florence Ogbuka & journey mercies.

Doxology CONH 491

Benediction

Notices

Diocesan Anthem

Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 206

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

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For the New Cathedral Development Account details

please refer to 'page 2 of this bulletin.

## 21. HARVEST NEWS

# THEME - HARVEST OF GOOD FAITH - Matthew 17:20

- A. Family Harvest for Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2024
  7.00am: The Bishop & his Family.
  10.00am: The Bishop & his Family
- B. Harvest Flag Handover Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> 2025

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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

KINDLY TAKE CARE OF YOUR BELONGINGS IN THE CHURCH PLS

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22. **Busy Bees Father Christmas Grotto**Father Christmas has arrived at the **GROTTO** from Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December till 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 with beautiful gifts to our children. Fee: **N2,500**.

2024 SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

DATE: SUNDAY 8TH OF DECEMBER

TIME: 8AM

VENUE: VINING HALL

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# 23. SOCIETIES, COMMITTEE'S & MINISTRIES REPORTS

This is to inform the above that the next Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025. Kindly send the report of your activities for the year 2024 to the Cathedral Office on or before Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2024. The report must be signed.

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24. NAMES OF CURRENT PRESIDENT & SECRETARIES & THEIR PHONE NUMBERS
This is to inform all Societies that the Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025. Kindly send the names of your current Presidents, Secretaries & their phone numbers to the Cathedral Office to enable us update the 2025 Vestry Report latest by Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

25. SOCIAL WELFARE MINISTRY

Members of the Cathedral to please donate clean and used Clothes, Shoes, Bags, Household utensils etc to be distributed to the poor and the needy at Christmas. Please call: 08033247831.

## B. 10.00am HOLY COMMUNION 51<sup>ST</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF CHRISTIAN MORNING STAR & BISHOP'S HARVEST

Celebrant: The Diocesan

Epistle: Christian Morning Star The Gospel: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

Preacher: The Diocesan Intercessor: The Dean Processional Hymn: CONH 197

Praise & Worship

Preparation to Penitence-The Dean
 The Epistle Romans 13:8-14
 Gradual Hymn: CONH 561
 The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

♦ SERMON

Nicene Creed & Intercession

The Peace (Let there be peace)

Procession of Elements: CONH 66 (I)

All Offerings: Choruses

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

The Eucharistic Prayers

The Administration: CONH 608, 624, 821, 604

The Ablution: CONH 835

Post Communion Prayer

The Anniversary:

i. Christian Morning Star Anthem - CONH 99

ii. Rededication of Members

iii. Members, Patrons/Patroness & The Church

Thanksgiving

i. Clergy Harvest: The Bishop & his Family

ii. Monthly Thanksgiving

iii. Those born and / or married in November

iv. Society Harvest: Christian Friends Society

v. 80<sup>th</sup> birthday thanksgiving of Mr J.O. Onayemi & God's numerous blessings.

vi. Family thanksgiving, & successful Knighthood of Mr Bode Ogunlela & God's numerous blessings.

vii. Mrs Olamide Adesanya family thanksgiving & God's numerous blessing.

viii. Olori Atinuke Fabelurin family thanksgiving & numerous blessing.

ix. Mrs Oyin Oshikoya family thanksgiving & numerous blessing.

 Engr. Kunle Olaosebikan family thanksgiving & God's numerous blessing.

xi. The Churching of Mrs Chiamaka Mbamalu for the gift of twns (Boys) and God's numerous blessings.

Thanksgiving after burial of Late Mr Amaopu Edwin Pepple & journey mercies.

1. Presentation of cheques to students under the AVMCC Scholarship Scheme

2. Presentation of Trophies to winners of the National Harvest Competitions

3. Presentation to winners of the Annual Bible Quiz Competition.

Doxology CONH 491

Benediction & Notices

Diocesan Anthem

Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 205 (page 18)

C. 2.00PM 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OF MRS FEBISOLA AKINROTIMI

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- D. EVENTS AHEAD
- 1. 7 HOURS OF PRAISE Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2024 at 4.00pm organized by Agape Christian Sisters.
- DLW Christmas Carol Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2024 at 5.00pm sponsored by Master Energy.
- 3. AVMCC Christmas Carol Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2024
- Christmas Day Service / Special Birthday Gift to Jesus
   Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.
- 5. Watchnight Service Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2024 at 9.00pm.
- 6. New Year Service Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2025.

# E. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2024 EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES

- 1. Sunday, Dec. 1, 2024 Lord's Vessels
- 2. Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024 Diocesan Harvest
- 3. Sunday, Dec. 15. 2024 DLW Christmas Carol
- 4. Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024 Torchbearers
- 5. Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024 YMCA

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## F. ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to inform parishioners and other users of our facilities, that may need to have services at the Tent church or reception ceremonies at any of our halls, that decorations must be done the day prior to the event, and must be concluded by 10pm. This is for security reasons amongst others. Thank You.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

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

### E. 7.00a.m & 10.00am - YOUTH SERVICE

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe
Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe
The Coming Reign of Christ

Opening Hymn: CONH 73

- \* The Preparation to Penitence
- The Epistle: Romans 13:8-14
- Praise Worship
- The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44
- Nicene Creed to PeaceOfferings: Praises
- (a) First Fruits (b) Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering
- \* The Eucharistic Prayers
- \* The Administration: Worship Songs
- Post Commuion Prayer
- Word and Prayer Ministration
- Youth Anthem
- Notices
- Prayer & Benediction
- Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 206





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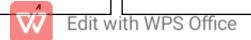




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#### 18. **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS**

- Christian Mothers Bible Study comes up on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2024 at 5.00pm. Topic: Surmounting the marital hurdles. Speaker: Mama Dean.
- ii. All women prayer meeting {Cathedral Deanery) Every 1st Thursday of the Month. Venue: The AVMCC Main Sanctuary. Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm.
- iii. Bible Study for Christian Mothers Every 1st Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iv. Fasting & Prayer for Christian Mothers -Every last Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- v. All Sunday School Children from ages 5years upward meeting every last Sunday between 7.00am - 9.00am.
- vi. Adult Education Programme: This course is for young and old every Monday Wednesday by 3.30pm at the Vining Hall.

#### 19. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

(a) **OBITUARY** 

> We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Godwin Ohiara of AVMCC Choir Aged: 78years). Burial arrangements are as follows:

- Service of Songs: On Thursday, 12th (i) December, 2024 at Adetiloye Hall at 4.00pm.
- Funeral Service: On Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> (ii) December, 2024 at St. Matthew's Anglican Church, Mgbedeala, Umuikaa junction, Isiala Ngwa South, Abia, State at 11.00am.

### **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.

## G. 6.00 pm. EUCHARIST WITH ANOINTING

Celebrant: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju Preacher: Layreader Teju Akindolire

Sponsor: Lord's Vessels Organist: Mr Sina Oyeneye

Processional Hymn: CONH 197

Preparation to Collect Psalm

The Epistle: Romans 13:8-14 - Lord's

Vessels

The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon

Nicene Creed, Intercession to Peace

Offerings **CONH 503** 

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

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion: **CONH 184** Ablution Hymn: **CONH 835** 

\* Post Communion Prayer

Prayer & Benediction

Notices

Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 131

## 2. SENTENCES FOR SUNDAY ADVENT Introductory Sentence

Look up and raise your heads because your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21:28.

## Collects for the Week:

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility so that on the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious majesty; to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through Him who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

## **Post Communion Sentence**

The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. Romans 13:11.

# 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 mightu nama of Idalia Christ alir Lard and Cavialir

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# 4. PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2024

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

- Pray for Most Rev. Dr. Henry Ndukuba our Primate, Most Rev. Dr. Olusina Fape our Archbishop and Olusola our Bishop for them to remain oracles of the MOST HIGH GOD and not orators in the discharge of their Episcopal assignments.
- ii. For the Rt. Revd. Precious Nwala, his family and all members of the Diocese of Etche.

## 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 Islamnization agenda so that Christianity in Nigeria will never go the way of TURKEY nor NORTH AFRICA in Jesus Name. Amen.
- ii. For the spirit of oneness in moving this Country forward to the next level be released from the throne of grace.
- For the blessed Trinity to reign supreme in our country.

## C. Prayer for AVMCC

- That all the blessings in the word of God shall be our portions.
- ii. That the new month will be the month of grace and mercy in our lives.
- iii. That the Lord shall frustrate every enchantment and divination against every member of AVMCC.

# D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Olagbaju Family, Oloko Family, Olomolehin Family, Oloniniyi Family, Olopade Family, Olorunfemi Family, Olorunfemi-Ojo Family, Olorunhundo Family, Olorunsola Family, Oloruntoba Family, Olowojoba Family.

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

- For Mr Oludolapo Aboderin, Mr Abel Ajayi, Hon. Justice Bisi Akinlade, Mrs Olufolake Adubi, Mrs Caroline Akinrotimi, Mrs Oluwakemi Braimah, Miss Adaobi Ezirim, Mr Andrew Iteghete, Mr Joseph Nwamuno, Mrs Joy Ochogu, Mr Joseph Onayemi 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, Mrs. Gladys Odedairo, 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





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### AVMCC HARVEST ACCOUNT

## 17. 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
- 4 "60" Inch Television
- 1 Sony XDCAM PMW-EX3 Camera for AVMCC Media
- 2 Dispenser, 2 DVD Player & 2 TV (for AVMCC Creche)
- 40 Sewing Machines @ N80,000 each for Diocesan Vocational Centre, City of God, Ipaja.

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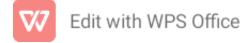
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SCREEDING OF THE WALLS = 1,130,000

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VINYL FLOOR CARPET = 469,220 Premium underlay for crèche = 47,800

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# 25. NOTICE TO DECORATORS AND SANCTUARY USERS FOR EVENTS

To preserve the furniture, fittings and fixtures within the sanctuary, the Church will not allow the use of nails, tacks, staple pins or any other items capable of damaging or defacing the furniture for purposes of installing decorations. Stand-alone decorative items must be used without exception. Decorators and users will be penalized for any damages observed.

The Wardens.

## WITHDRAWAL HYMN FOR 10.00AM CONH 205

- Lo! He comes with clouds descending, Once for favoured sinners slain; Thousand thousands saints attending, Swell the triumph of His train. Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ appears, in power to reign.
- 2. Every eye shall now behold Him, Robed in dreadful majesty Those who set at naught and sold Him Pierced and nailed Him to the tree Deeply wailing, Deeply wailing, Shall the true Messiah see.
- 3 Those dear tokens of His Passion Still His dazzling body bears Cause of endless exultation To His ransomed worshippers. With what rapture, With what rapture, Gaze we on those glorious scars.
- 4. Yea, amen, let all adore Thee, High on Thy eternal throne, Saviour, take the power and glory Claim the kingdom for Thine own, Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou shalt reign, and Thee alone.
  Amen

5. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK SUNDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2024

THEME: THE COMING REIGN OF CHRIST PSALM 122; ISAIAH 2:1-5; ROMANS 13:8-14; MATTHEW 24:36-44.

Dearly beloved, Happy New Christian Year. Welcome to the Season of Advent. In Advent season, the Church prepares for the coming of Christ as the King and examines the preparedness of the Church at His second coming. Every Christian is expected to be prepared for him as for the King of kings. May the King of kings reign supreme in your situations and circumstances. May He reign in all facets of live in our nation Nigeria, in Jesus name.

The topic for our meditation is "The Coming Reing of Christ"

Season of Advent is the beginning of the Church Year for most churches in the Western tradition. It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day, which is the Sunday nearest November 30, and ends on Christmas Eve (Dec 24). If Christmas Eve is a Sunday, it is counted as the fourth Sunday of Advent, with Christmas Eve proper beginning at sundown.

The word Advent means "coming" or "arrival." The focus of the entire season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, and the anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his Second Advent. Thus, Advent is far more than simply marking a 2,000 year old event in history. It is celebrating a truth about God, the revelation of God in Christ whereby all of creation might be reconciled to God. That is a process in which we now participate, and the consummation of which we anticipate. Scripture reading for Advent will reflect this emphasis on the Second Advent, themes of accountability faithfulness at His coming, judgment on sin, and the hope of eternal life.

In this double focus on past and future, Advent also symbolizes the spiritual journey of individuals and a congregation, as they affirm that Christ has come, that He is present in the world today, and that He will come again in power. That acknowledgment provides a basis for Kingdom ethics, for holy living

people. So, as the church celebrates God's inbreaking into history in the Incarnation, and anticipates a future consummation to that history for which "all creation is groaning awaiting its redemption," it also confesses its own responsibility as a people commissioned to "love the Lord your God with all your heart" and to "love your neighbor as vourself."

Advent is marked by a spirit of expectation, of anticipation, of preparation, of longing. There is a yearning for deliverance from the evils of the world, first expressed by Israelite slaves in Egypt as they cried out from their bitter oppression. It is the cry of those who have experienced the tyranny of injustice in a world under the curse of sin, and vet who have hope of deliverance by a God who has heard the cries of oppressed slaves and brought deliverance!

It is that hope, however faint at times, and that God, however distant He sometimes seems, which brings to the world the anticipation of a King who will rule with truth and justice and righteousness over His people and in His creation. It is that hope that once anticipated, and now anticipates anew, the reign of an Anointed One, a Messiah, who will bring peace and justice and righteousness to the world.

Part of the expectation also anticipates a judgment on sin and a calling of the world to accountability before God. We long for God to come and set the world right! Yet, as the prophet Amos warned, the expectation of a coming judgment at the "Day of the Lord" may not be the day of light that we might want, because the penetrating light of God's judgment on sin will shine just as brightly on God's people.

Because of this important truth, especially in the Eastern Orthodox Churches, the Season of Advent has been a time of fasting and penitence for sins similar to the Season of Lent. However, a different emphasis for the season of Advent has gradually unfolded in much of the rest of the church. The season of Advent has come to be celebrated more in terms of expectation or anticipation. Yet, the anticipation of the Coming of the Messiah throughout the Old Testament and Judaism was not in connection with remembrance of sins. Rather, it was in the context of oppression and injustice, the longing for redemption, not from personal guilt and sin but from the systemic evil of the world expressed in evil empires and tyrants. It is in that sense that all creation groans for its redemption as we witness the evil that so dominates our world (Rom 8:18-25).

#### C. Cathedral Youth Chapel Regular Weekly Programmes

- Strictly Feminine Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.
- Just 4 Guys Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at 3.00p.m
- iii. Youth Fellowship every Saturday by 3.00pm.

## Sunday:7.00am. & 10.00am. Services

**Venue**: Youth Chapel (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Adetiloye House) Co-ord -Sola Aladesawe Strictly Feminine 08135431392.

Just 4 Guys Co-ord. - Okechukwu Ofoegbu - 08064463886

#### D. Elderly Ministry

All Senior Citizens are welcome every first and second Tuesday of each month from 11.00 am to 1.00pm.

- Medical Check-up in the Clinic; Spiritual Talks; Games /Exercises and Handicrafts in the Vining Hall.
- Please send names of sick and shut-in Elders to the Coordinator Elderly Ministry or the Cathedral office for visitation.
- iii. 2025 Bible Quiz Book -The Book of Zechariah

#### E. Evangelical Ministry

## Monthly Meeting

- 1<sup>st</sup>& 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month at 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Vining House by 6.00pm.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday has been shifted to 3<sup>rd</sup> (b) Saturday.

### Home Fellowships:

All Parishioners and their friends are encouraged to attend a Home Fellowship of their Choice and convenience near their homes or work places. Please check the list of Home Fellowship Centres.

### Visitation:

Do you know any Parishioner who needs to be visited by the Church? Please send the name and address to the Evangelical Ministry, the Intercessors or the Dean for a follow-up.

## **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.

## Men & Women of Grace Fellowship

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

Identify with one and other via care, love and support by fellowshipping of God's grace every last Thursday of the month at 11 00am



### 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. 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.

# F. 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.

G. Lagos Anglican Dioceses Bible College, Lagos Admission to Lagos Anglican Bible College (LABICO) for 2024 Calendar year is ongoing. Please obtain your form at the Church Office or contact: 08033083851. Admission form is N3.000.

H. Admission to Anglican Girl's College, Ketu-Ijanikin
The form for the school is out at the rate of N10,000.00.
Payment should be made into Wema Bank Account
No.0120980406. Account Name: Anglican Girl's College,
Ketu-Ijanikin. Forms can be obtained from the Cathedral
Office, please fill and submit to the school.

### I. Admission to Lagos Anglican Schools

- Anglican Comp. High School, College Road, Ipaja,
- Anglican Girls Grammar School, Surulere,
- CMS Grammar School, Bariga
- Bishop Howells Memorial Grammar School, Bariga
  The forms for the above schools are out at the rate of
  N15,000. Payment should be made into Union Bank Acct
  N0 0002516850. Account Name: Lagos Anglican Schools
  Management Board and Collect the form at the Cathedral
  Office and submit to the school of your choice.

# 14. MINISTRIES & FELLOWSHIPS A. Children's Ministry

Parents are requested to send their children to the Sunday School with Bibles, Note Books & Biros. 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.

Counsellees from overseas (with evidence) who intend to spend a short period in the country for their wedding,

Of course, there is the problem of longing for vindication from an evil world when we are contributors to that evil. This is the power of the images of Amos when he warns about longing for the "Day of the Lord" that will really be a day of darkness (Amos 5:18-20). Still, even with Amos' warning the time of Advent is one of expectation and anticipation, a longing for God's actions to restore all things and vindicate the righteous. This is why during Advent we as Christians also anticipate the Second Coming as a twin theme of the season. So, while some church traditions focus on penitence during Advent, and there remains a place for that, the spirit of that expectation from the Old Testament is better captured with a joyous sense of expectancy. Rather than a time of mourning and fasting, Advent is celebrated as a time of joy and happiness as we await the coming of the King.

There will be time enough during the rest of the journey through the Church Year to remember our sins. It begins in Epiphany when we hear about the brotherhood of the Kingdom, and realize our failure to effect it. Then as we move toward and through Lent we realize that the coming of Jesus served more to lay bare our own sin than it did to vindicate our righteousness. There will be time to shed Peter's bitter tears as we realize that what started with such possibility and expectation has apparently ended in such failure.

It is only as we experience that full cycle, beginning with unbridled joy in Advent that slowly fades into the realization of what we have done with and to the Christ, that the awful reality of Good Friday can have its full impact. And in that realization we can finally be ready to hear the Good News on Resurrection Sunday! That is the journey that the disciples took. And so there is value in taking the same journey beginning with the anticipation and joy of Advent!

So, we celebrate with gladness the great promise in the Advent, yet knowing that there is also a somber tone as the theme of threat is added to the theme of promise. This is reflected in some of the Scripture readings for Advent, in which there is a strong prophetic tone of accountability and judgment on sin. But this is also faithful to the role of the Coming King who comes to rule, save, and judge the world.

Because of the dual themes of threat and promise, Advent is a time of preparation that is marked by prayer. While Lent is characterized by fasting and a spirit of penitence, Advent's prayers are prayers of humble devotion and commitment, prayers of submission, prayers for deliverance, prayers from those walking in darkness who are awaiting and anticipating a great light (Isa 9)!

The spirit of Advent is expressed well in the parable of the bridesmaids who are anxiously awaiting the coming of the Bridegroom (Matt 25:1-13). There is profound joy at the Bridegroom's expected coming. And yet a warning of the need for preparation echoes through the parable.

#### 6. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK November 24 – November 30, 2024

7.00 am Holy Communion 867 7.00 am Youth Service

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10.00 am Mattins	689
10.00 am Youth Service	=
10.00 am Sunday School	_
Tuesday Bible Study	87
Wednesday Holy Communion	

123

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting** 245

#### 7. **MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

The following Societies will meet immediately in the Church after service:

- 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

### 8. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

## A. Cathedral Health Centre

i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 1st Dec., 2024 7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. Olivier Akinola, Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm. Chie Nwerri, Mrs Nkiru Arah, Mrs A. Amah-Jerry.

7.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Dr. Remi Oladapo-Sanu, Pharm. Dele Ajala, Mrs Bola Awobiyi, Mrs Chinelo Emenike.

ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 8th Dec., 2024

7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Dr. B. Ibidapo-Obe, Pharm. Deji Osinoiki, Pharm Mrs Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs Nkiru Arah.

7.00am-2.00pm: Dr. (Mrs) Irene Okwerekwu. Pharm. Dele Ajala, Sister Nike Adefila, Mrs E. Osibajo.

#### B. Security & Traffic Control

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. - Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2024 i. Bolaji Dania (Captain), Ogunleye Adeboboye, (Assistant Captain), Ayo Tetede, Dare Sigbeku, Juliet Chimezie, Omotola Onakoya, Akinniran O. Temidayo, Rita Osibodu, Olusegun Esan, Michael Enujioke, Segun Openiyi, Okedurum Andrew, Gbenga Ojo, Ola Martins, Newman Ekwegh, Helen Adewale.

Sunday 8th Dec. - Saturday, 14th Dec.. 2024 ii. Oyebanji Toba (Captain), Helen Arhagba, (Assistant Captain), Segun Adeniji, Chioma Obi, Caroline Omowhara, Funso Fagbuyiro,

11. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY Advent II December 8

Theme: The Supremacy of the Word of God

Purple Colour:

7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Rev. Yinka

Akinpeju

Epistle: Romans 15:4-13

Layreader Helen Adewale

John 5:36b-End Gospel:

The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem

Address: The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu

THE YOUTH SERVICE

The Adetilove House Venue: The Rev. Michael Obembe Cantor The Rev. Michael Obembe Preacher:

10.00am: **MATTINS** 

**COUNSELLING & ELDERLY MINISTRIES ANNIVERSARIES** 

The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere Cantor:

O.T. Reading Isaiah 11:1-10 Counseling Ministry

John 5:36b-End N.T. Reading:

Elderly Ministry

The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye Address:

2.00pm: **DIOCESAN HARVEST** 

#### 12. **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

We publish the Banns 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.

2<sup>nd</sup> NOTÍCE:

- 1. Mr. Adeyemi Adebakun & Miss Jennifer Onyinyechi
- 2. Mr. Olusegun Abioye & Miss Oluebube Iwuchukwu

#### **NOTICES** 13.

#### **Visitors and New Comers** Α.

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, December 6, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion
Theme: The Lord is the Judge of all
Celebrant: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

For the Epistle: Dan. 7:9-14- Lay. Ada Ejikeme

Gospel: Luke 20:41-21:4

Hymns: CONH 116, CONH 848, CONH 828

Preacher: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

**Prayer Points:** 

- For the Rt. Revd. Oluwagbemiro Ayodele, his family and all members of the Diocese of Oke-Osun.
- For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Williams Aladekugbe, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ibadan North.
- For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Prince Adeboye Adewoyin, Mrs Treasure Ani, Mr Amos Akinsanya, Mr Victor Joshua, Mr Paul Egbo, Miss Cynthia Anyanwu, Mr Paul Egbo, Mr Oludayo Immanuel Mrs Edith Ifezue, Mrs Nneka Obika.
- For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Omaghi Family, Omajuma Family, Omajunwa Family, Omame Family, Omelie Family, Omene Family, Omianwele Family, Omisore Family, Omiunu Family, Omogbehin Family.

## 6.00pm Choir Practice

Saturday, December 7, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Make effort to know more Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe

For the Epistle: Daniel 7:15-22 -Lay. G. Nnadi

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

Hymns: CONH 125, CONH 867, CONH 458

Preacher: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

**Prayer Points:** 

- \* For the Rt Revd. Akintunde Popoola, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ibadan South.
- \* For the Rt Revd. Olukemi Oduntan, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ovo.
- For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Olusegun Agbaje, Miss Amanda Agu, Miss Adedoyin Sennaike, Barr. Funmilayo Falade, Mr Olusegun Idowu, Mrs Modupeola Opanubi, Mr Iheanyi Opurum.
- For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Omoigberale Family, Omokhodion Family, Omokwale Family, Omikunle Family, Omole Family, Omoniyi Family, Omooba Family, Omopariola Family, Omoragbon Family, Omoregie Family.

# 9. LIST OF CENTERS FOR HOME CELL FELLOWSHIP

S/N	NAMES	LOCATION	PHONE NO		
	Mr. Cyril				
1.	Nwannunu	Egbeda	08033480112		
	Mrs. Georgina	Oko-Oba GRA			
2.	Bamigboye	Scheme 1	08023414415		
	Obum Osy-	Maryland			
3.	Onyekwelu	Crescent	08036684298		
4.	Victor Adenuoye	Fagba	08069206291		
5.	Lady Gina Okolo	Mangoro Ikeja	08033235796		
	-	College Road,			
6.	Ugochi Osinigwe	Ogba	08092147012		
	Rtd. Col. C. O.	54, New Ipaja			
7.	Ajala	Road	08081654907		
	Mrs. Ebele S.				
8.	Okere	Ajao Estate	08023270247		
	Chukwuemeka				
9.	Ejiofor	Dopemu	07030463556		
		Toyin Street,			
10.	Adekoya M. O.	Ikeja			
	Olusunkanmi				
11.	King	Maryland			
12.	Chinyere Umealo	Oregun	08033052131		
13.	Ada Obi	Cement	08062074465		
14.	Obi Divine	Cement	08062074465		
	Mrs. Udoka				
15.	Omoniyi	Fagba	08023082792		
	Mayokun				
16.	Ogedengbe	Anifowose	08069530744		
	Gbadeyan	Alagbole			
17.	Ademola	/Akute	08171373722		
18.	Chinyere Okpara	Adealu	08035792201		
19.	Umeadi Juliana	Dopemu	08057474558		
20.	Bro. I.O Odeniran	Opebi	08023096565		
	Umeadi	Dopemu Road,			
21.	Christopher	Agege	08055901853		
	Tochi				
22.	Anyalewechi	Oke-Ira, Ogba			
	Mrs Teju				
23.	Akindolire	Ogudu, GRA	08175160830		
24.	Mr Tunji Odeneye	Gbagada	08033163337		
	Mr Makinde				
25.	Ogunleye	Omole Phase 2	08033078004		
	Porr E Okov				
26.	Barr. F. Okey Ogbu	lyana-lpaja	08023192145		
20.		туапа-траја	06023192143		
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10. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 2, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion
Theme: Daniel: The Man of courage

Ante Communion: Layreader Uzor Ejikeme Celebrant: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju The Rev. Michael Obembe* 

For the Epistle: Dan. 6:10-15 – Lay. P. Enwezor

**Gospel:** Luke 20:1-20

Hymns: CONH 822, CONH 847, CONH 854 Preacher: Layreader Kike Akinyemi

**Praver Points:** 

\* For the Most Revd. Blessing Enyindah, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ikwerre.

- \* For the Rt. Revd. Funkuro Amgbare, his family and all members of the Diocese of Northern Izon.
- For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Angela Abara-Ogbonna, Miss Damilola Adebayo, Mrs Margaret Akinware, Mrs Phyllis Ihekire, Mr Evans Okeke, Engr. Uchenna Okonkwo, Mr Adegunwa Osinubi, Mr Davis Omoigberale, Miss Deborah Adeyemi, Mr Segun Awolope, Mrs Folasade Shobowale, Mr David Adebayo, Mrs Busayo Adebayo-Fakoya.

For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Olowokande Family, Olowole Family, Olowoniyi Family, Olowosile Family, Olowoyo Family, Olowu Family, Olowu-Fadeyibi Family, Oloyede Family, Olua Family, Olubobokun Family.

12.00noon Social Welfare Ministry
6.00pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion Theme: Dare to be a Daniel

Celebrant: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

For the Epistle: Daniel 6:16-24- Lay. B. Dania

Gospel: Luke 20:9-18

Hymns: CONH 123, CONH 598, CONH 435

Preacher: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

**Prayer Points:** 

- For the Rt. Revd. James Oruwori, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ogbia.
- \* For the Rt. Revd. Innocent Ordu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Evo.
- For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Ifeyinwa Nduka, Mr Opeyemi Akinduro, Mrs Susan Oduyemi, Dr. Uchenna Emmanuel, Miss Rabi Oguta, Miss Laura Ogbechie, Mrs Nancy Agwuncha, Mrs Chinwe Okolo, Miss Temitope Agbaniyaka, Miss Omonigho Omokwale, Mrs Oluyemisi Oyinlola.
- For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Olubodun Family, Olufade Family, Olufowobi Family, Olufunwa Family, Olugbogi Family, Olugbuo Family, Olukole Family, Olukolu Family, Oluleye Family, Olumide Family.

5.00pm - 6.00pm Intercessory Prayer 6.00pm BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 Colour:

Purple

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Exalting God through Faith Celebrant: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju* 

For the Epistle: Dan. 6:25-28 - Lay. B. Oloyede

Gospel: Luke 20:19-26

Hymns: CONH 124, CONH 403, CONH 428,

CONH 120.

Preacher: The Dean

**Prayer Point** 

- \* For the Most Revd. Joseph Akinfenwa, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ibadan.
- For the Rt. Revd. Prof. Dapo Asaju, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ilesa.
- For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Faustina Amanchukwu, Mr James Diala, Mrs Oluwatoyosi Amanchree, Mrs Nkiru Chiaghanam, Mrs Sarah Suberu, Mr John Elijah, Mr Christian Obinwa, Dr. Arinze Okolo, Mr Godwin Okpala, Mrs Aramide Omisore.
- For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Olumoroti Family, Olumuyiwa Family, Olundegu Family, Olupitan Family, Olupitan Family, Olusa Family, Olusanya Family, Olusegun-Adeyanju Family, Oluseye Family, Olusina Family.

8.00am Vining Intercessor's Visitation

6.00pm PRAYER MEETING

Thursday, December 5, 2024 Colour: Purple

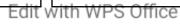
7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: God speaks in mysterious ways Celebrant: *The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem* For the Epistle: Dan. 7:1-8- Lay. D. Mac-Eze

Gospel: Luke 20:27-40

Hymns: CONH 118, CONH 877, CONH 455
Preacher: The Ven. Dr. Benjmain Okere
Prayer Points:

- For the Rt. Revd. Olugbenga Babatunji, his family and all members of the Diocese of Osun.
- For the Rt. Revd. Olubunmi Akinlade, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ife.
- For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Miss Tejumade Adeyemo, Chief Mrs Comfort Amade, Miss Oluwabukola Dairo, Mr Benjamin Nwankwo, Mr Benjamin Ugwu, Miss Adedamola Ashogbon, Chief Mrs Eunice Egbedeyi, Miss Chimamanda Unogu, Mrs Phyllis Okeke, Mr Stanley Nzeh, Mrs Christian Onwachei.
- For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Olusodo Family, Olusoga Family, Olusola Family, Olutayo Family, Oluwakoya Family, Oluwase Family, Oluwatosin Family, Oluwatusin Family, Oluwole



# 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)

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 Sanhallat and Gosham continue

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).

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.

# 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**

 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).

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