

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**
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- B. **For Social Welfare and Charity**
The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Grace Odukomaia 08033247831
- C. **For Cathedral Societies**
The Dean; The Society Chaplains; Presidents & Secretaries of Societies
- D. **For The Elderly Ministry**
The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Ayo Akideinde - 07068610707
- E. **For The Evangelical Ministry**
The Dean; The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju; Mr. Cyril Mgbamoka 07053334081
- F. **For Cathedral Missionary Society**
The Dean; The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere; Mr Tunji Odeneye 08033163337
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- Q. **For Sports Ministry**
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- R. **For Board of Directors for Economic Empowerment**
The Dean; Rev. Michael Obembe; Dr. Oladimeji Alo;
- 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;
- V. **For Booking of the Hall**
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- W. **For Booking of the Guest House**
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Vol. 21/1/03/2025

Our Vision:

"CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS"

Our 2025 Theme:

"BE A BEACON OF LIGHT" – Matt. 5:16

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, 19th Jan. - Saturday, 25th Jan. 2025

Epiphany II

Theme: **The Sociable and Approachable
Jesus Christ**

LADIES CHRISTIAN CIRCLE ANNIVERSARY

Colour: Green

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

1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 19th January, 2025

A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju
Epistle: Layreader Raymond Agu
The Gospel: The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem
Preacher: The Dean
Intercessor: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

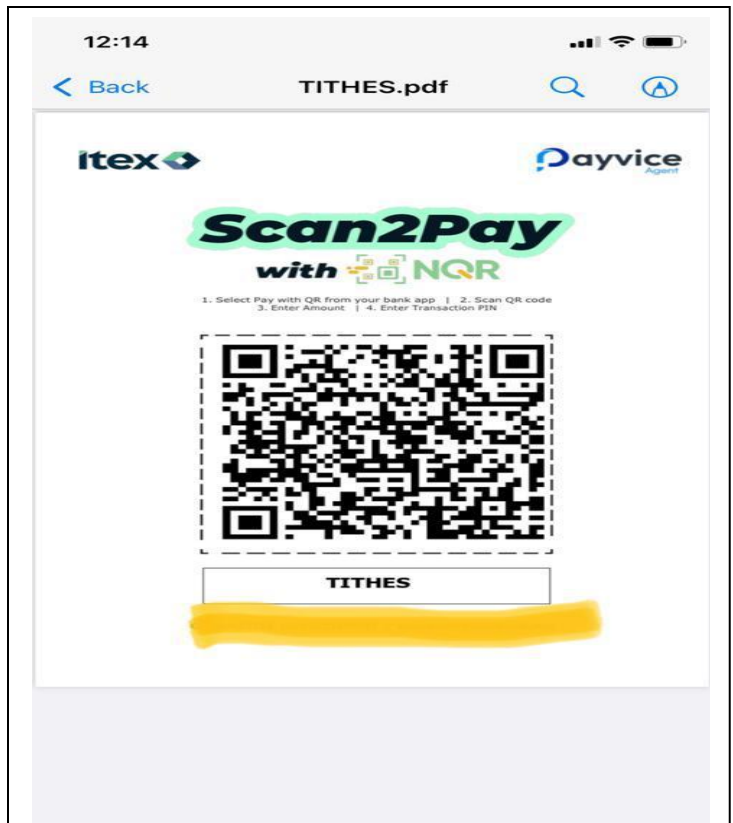
- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 253
- ❖ Praise & Worship
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence– **Rev. Fikayo Adenle**
- ❖ The Epistle 1 Corinthians 6:11b-20
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: A time like this
- ❖ The Gospel: John 2:1-11
- ❖ **SERMON**
- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace (*Let there be peace*)
- ❖ All Offerings: Choruses
- {First Fruit, Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed, Sunday Offering & All other offerings}*
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: CONH 596, 427, 499, 624
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 421
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **Thanksgiving**
 - i. Birthday thanksgiving of Lady Margaret Ezeh, journey mercies & God’s numerous blessings.
 - ii. Birthday thanksgiving of Dame Elizabeth Omene & God’s numerous blessings.
 - iii. Fountain of Hope 10NG International Thanksgiving Day & God’s numerous blessings.
 - iv. Thanksgiving after burial of Late Mr Godwin Ohiara & journey mercies.
 - v. Thanksgiving after burial of Late Mr Christopher Chukwuemeka & journey mercies.
- ❖ Doxology CONH 491
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 509

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
***BankUSSDCode *000*BILLER CODE+Amount#**
How to use it:
***919*000*40195+1000# to give #1000 from a UBA account**
***737*000*40195+5000# to give #5000 from a GTB account**

AVMCC Development Fund
Bank FCMB LTD
Account Number Naira – 2003086651
Sort Code: 214150377.
USD Account Number - 2003086682



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23. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS

<u>BANK</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>SORT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
<u>ACCESS</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>CODE</u>	
	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	9200212515		
IBTC		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.

VESTRY ELECTION 2025

This year's Vestry Meeting and Elections will hold on Sunday 23rd February, 2025 after 10.00am Service. The following Offices will be contested for:

- i. Cathedral Warden (1)
- ii. Standing Committee Members (10)

Notes:

- (a) Each Society to nominate only **ONE** Candidate per position.
- (b) Ministries are not eligible to nominate any candidate.
- (c) Three people must nominate the candidature of the Cathedral Warden and Council. 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 Monday 3rd February, 2025.

Interested persons may wish to collect **Nomination Form** from the Cathedral Office as from today, Sunday, 5th January, 2025. Only **FINANCIAL & REGISTERED MEMBERS** of AVMCC can vote or be voted for. You must have paid your **Annual Dues (N7,500)** as at 31st Dec. 2024.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

KINDLY TAKE CARE OF YOUR BELONGINGS IN THE CHURCH PLS

THE CATHEDRAL WORKERS' SUMMIT

is scheduled to hold on Saturday, January 25, 2025.

The program will commence with a Holy Communion Service at 7:00 AM.

Participants include:

1. All Guild of Stewards
2. All Lay Readers
3. Choir Executives
4. All Vergers
5. All Altar Servers
6. Executives of Societies
7. Coordinators and Secretaries of Committees/Ministries
8. Sunday School Teachers
9. Youth Executives
10. All Church Workers

Lunch will be served. Registration is required.

23. CONFIRMATION CLASS

Kindly register with Rev. Adefope Adetujoye on 0803-5552146. Thank you.

22.

B. 10.00am HOLY COMMUNION

LADIES CHRISTIAN CIRCLE ANNIVERSARY

Celebrant: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle
The Epistle: Ladies Christian Circle
The Gospel: The Rev. A. Adetujoye
Preacher: The Dean
Intercessor: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 252
- ❖ Praise & Worship
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence– **The Ven. A. Omoyelu**
- ❖ The Epistle 1 Corinthians 6:11b-20
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: A time like this
- ❖ The Gospel: John 2:1-11
- ❖ **SERMON**
- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace (*Let there be peace*)
- ❖ All Offerings: Choruses
- {First Fruit, Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed, Sunday Offering & All other offerings}*
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: CONH 619, 431, 596, 426
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 421
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **The Anniversary**
 - i. Ladies Christian Circle Anniversary
 - ii. Rededication of Members
 - iii. Ladies Christian Circle members, Patrons & Patroness
- ❖ **Thanksgiving**
 - i. The Alo family is thanking God for the elevation of Professor Babajide Alo to Emeritus Professor of Chemistry by the Council and authorities of the University of Lagos and for God's numerous favours and blessings.
 - ii. 50th birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Abioye Balogun & God's numerous blessings.
 - iii. 80th birthday thanksgiving of Mr Benson Olatunji & God's numerous blessings.
 - iv. Fountain of Hope 10NG International Thanksgiving Day & God's numerous blessings.
- ❖ Doxology CONH 491
- ❖ Benediction & Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 254

C. 2.00PM.

REDEDICATION OF ROYAL GEMS & VESSELS

D. EVENTS AHEAD

1. **FIRST FRUITS SUNDAY** – Sunday, 2nd February, 2025 at 7.00am & 10.00am
2. Rededication of Sunday School Teachers – Sunday, 26th January, 2025 at 10.00am Service.
3. Rededication of Ikeja Zonal Christian Mothers – Sunday, 26th January, 2025 at 2.00pm.
4. **VESTRY MEETING** – Sunday, 23rd Feb. 2025 after 10.00am Service
5. **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** – Wed. 5th March, 2025 at 6.00pm.
6. **Collation of Mothers Union** – Sunday, 16th March, 2025 at 2.00pm

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7. **MOTHERING SUNDAY – Sunday, 30th March, 2025.**
8. **Enrolment Service: Mothers Union – Sunday, 6th April, 2025 at 2.00pm.**

**E. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2025
EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES**

1. Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025 - Rededication of Royal
Gems & Vessel
2. Sunday, Jan. 26, 2025 - Rededication of Diocesan
Christian Mothers
3. Sunday Feb. 2, 2025 – Anglican Fellowship
4. Sunday Feb. 9, 2025 – Apostles of Peace
5. Sunday Feb. 23, 2025 – Vestry Meeting
6. Sunday Mar. 2, 2025 - Ambassadors of Christ
7. Sunday Mar. 9, 2025 - Agape Sisters
8. Sunday Mar 16, 2025 - Collation of
Mothers Union
9. Sunday Mar 23, 2025 - Band of Faith

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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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G. ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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H. 7.00am & 10.00am - YOUTH SERVICE

- Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe**
Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe
Theme: The Sociable & Approachable Jesus Christ
- ❖ Opening Hymn: CONH 253
 - ❖ The Preparation to Penitence
 - ❖ The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:11b-20
 - ❖ The Gospel: John 2:1-11
 - ❖ Sermon
 - ❖ Nicene Creed to 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
 - ❖ Youth Anthem
 - ❖ Notices
 - ❖ Prayer & Benediction
 - ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 509



OFFERING & THANKSGIVING



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21. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

- i. All women prayer meeting {Cathedral Deanery} Every 1st Thursday of the Month. Venue: The AVMCC Main Sanctuary. Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm.
- ii. Bible Study for Christian Mothers - Every 1st 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.

22. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

OBITUARIES

1. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Pa Raphael Babatunde Oyebola-Salami. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Service of Songs: On Wednesday, 22nd January 2025 at 44, Ferguson Osagie Street, Ayobo at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 24th January, 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am. Interment at Providence Estate, Eleyele, Ibadan.
2. We announce the passing into glory of our Mother, Mrs Christiana Olusola Yusuff of Anglican Fellowship, Choir, Medical & Men & Women of Grace. Aged: 68years.
Burial arrangements are as follows:
Wake Keep: On Thursday, 30th January 2025 at AVMCC Adetiloye Hall at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 31st January, 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am..
3. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Benjamin Olajide of YMCA. Aged: 85years
Burial arrangements are as follows:
Service of Songs: On Monday, 3rd February, 2025 at Vining Hall at 3.00pm.
Commendation Service: On Tuesday, 4th February, 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 7th & Saturday 8th February, 2025 at Ogale, Idi-Oro, Kogi State.
4. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Emmanuel Adedeji Oyeneye of Charity Band and Choir. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Service of Songs: On Wednesday, 19th February, 2025 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
Commendation Service: On Thursday, 20th Feb. 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
5. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Chief Clement Babatola of CUBN. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Service of Songs: On Thursday, 27th Feb. 2024 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 28th Feb. 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.

2. SENTENCES FOR EPIPHANY II

Introductory Sentence

Jesus said to the fishermen, follow me and I will make you fishers of men. **Mark 1:17.**

Collect:

Almighty Father, look on the heartfelt desires of Your servants, and stretch forth Your powerful right hand to be our defence against all our enemies: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence

We have seen His glory; the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14.

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.

3. **LET THERE BE PEACE (ADAPTED)**

**Let there be PEACE shared among us
Let there be Peace in our hearts
May NOW your Peace sweep this church
Cause us O Lord to Arise
Give us a fresh understanding
Of Brotherly Peace that is Real
Let there be Peace shared among us
Let there be Peace.**

3. PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY, 19TH JANUARY, 2025

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 God will increase them in Godly wisdom.
- ii. For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Temple Nwaogu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Isiala Ngwa.

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 the whole world will experience peace and victory all around the world in Jesus Name.
- iii. That the grace that disgrace all insults and usher in newness for higher level shall fall upon every Christian all over the world.
- iv. That every Islamization agenda, law and enactment in Nigeria shall be exposed and frustrated.

C. Prayers for AVMCC Members

- i. That God will bless and prosper every lawful endeavour, business and works of all our members.
- ii. That the lives of our Youth shall be preserved.
- iii. That the anointing to be exempted from evil shall rest upon all members.
- v. That year 2025 shall be a joyful year for all members of AVMCC.

D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Wilkey Family, Williams Family, Wogu Family, Worgu Family, Yesufu Family, Young Family, Yesufu Family, Yusuf Family, Yusuff Family, Zamba Family.

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

- i. For Lady Margaret Ezeh, Miss Prize Izuagba, Mr Rupert Okolo, Chief (Mrs) Oloyede Adebobola, Mrs Elohor Kagho, Miss Christiana Olorunsola 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 them all and help them speedily to the shame of the devil, removing their reproaches.



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AVMCC HARVEST ACCOUNT

20. 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.

MURAL & CREATIVE PAINTING OF A MODERN CRECHE AND PLAYGROUP

SCREEDING OF THE WALLS	= 642,000
WALLPAPER & SAV SCTICKERS	= 1,130,000
VINYL FLOOR CARPET	= 84,000
Premium underlay for creche	= 469,220
	= 47,800

15. 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.

16. VACANCIES

- (A) **Maintenance Officer:** Is urgently needed. 5 years working experience in reputable Construction Firm Registered Builder (NIDB) B.Tech in or HND in Building Interested persons to submit their application to the Cathedral Office.
- (b) **Company Secretary Position:** We are seeking a qualified Company Secretary to join the company. The role is Non-stipendiary and the ideal candidate will be either a practicing lawyer or a certified chartered secretary with over 10yrs of practical experience. He/She should be a member of a parish within the Anglican Diocese of Lagos West. Interested candidates should submit their CV and a cover letter to cosecapplication@gmail.com
Application Deadline: January 26, 2025. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

17. SOCIETIES, COMMITTEE'S & MINISTRIES REPORTS

This is to inform the above that the next Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday 23rd February, 2025. Kindly send the report of your activities for the year 2024 to the Cathedral Office. The report must be signed.

18. NAMES OF CURRENT PRESIDENT & SECRETARIES & THEIR PHONE NUMBERS

This is to inform all Societies that the Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday, 23rd 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.

19. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHOIR

Arrangements has been made to start music classes to improve music literacy of Choristers and others who intend to join the choir. The classes will commence on Saturday, January 11, 2025. **Time** 9am – 12noon at the Chapel.

**4. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
SUNDAY, 19TH JANUARY, 2025**

THEME: THE SOCIABLE AND APPROCHABLE JESUS CHRIST

READING: PSALM 19; 1 SAMUEL 3:1-10; 1 CORINTHIANS 6:11B-20; JOHN 2:1-11.

On this second Sunday in Epiphany, it is with great joy that I welcome you again to church today and it is my prayers that the Lord will do a new thing in your life today and grant you unusual testimonies this week in Jesus name.

The theme for this Sunday is particularly focused on two very special qualities or attributes of Jesus Christ which distinguish Him from every other prophet before and after Him. These quality are His nature of being sociable with and approachable regardless of whoever approaches Him whether a Jew or a Gentile, whether a male or a female, rich or poor, learned or unlearned etc.

By definition, to be sociable means having the ability to socialize with other, the process or act of creating opportunities for conversation or discussion. While to be approachable is to be easy to talk to; i.e. people can come near you without hindrance, there is no unnecessary barrier or limitation to accessing you any time or anywhere. This theme particularly examines the social life of Jesus Christ while He was on earth and this social life was seen to be characterized by His interactions with people from different social classes, His hospitality and His effort to help the poor and the marginalized. In the Old Testament, the several laws God gave to the people of Israel reveal very boldly His commitment towards the social life of His people, a silent pointer of how sociable or socially inclined God is. There are also laws regarding relationships or communal interactions with family members, neighbors, strangers and even hygienic and agrarian laws are clear indication that as much as God is concerned about the religious life of His people, He is particularly interested in their social life too.

In the text of 1 Samuel 3:1-10, the attribute of God being approachable was revealed when God created a scenario in Shiloh to introduce Himself to a young boy called Samuel in order to develop a lasting relationship with him and bringing him into the Divine assignment that God has in store for him. God in this text created an opportunity for conversation or discussion with Samuel and from that day, Samuel began to speak with and to God on the matters regarding the people of Israel.

In the gospel read to us this morning, (John 2:1-11), the event narrated there evinces the fact that even Jesus Christ honored the invitation of a newly wedded couple and attends their wedding ceremony; it might not look strange to us in contemporary times when we read that passage but considering the picture and profile of the prophets of Old, one would understand that they do not have time to honor such social invitations as they are glued to the work of the sanctuary or temple where their religious duties are carried out. However, due to the humility and sociable attributes of Jesus Christ, He honored the invitation and not only that He was involved in saving the day when the wine got exhausted in the middle of the event. **The following reveals His sociable attributes at the wedding at Cana;**

1. He was not ashamed of His followers or withdrawn from His disciples in staying with them at the function or event. A person of His caliber would have chosen to sit at a secluded or special place, yet He chose to be with the disciples in order to relate with them as recorded in the Bible.
2. When His mother told the servants to do whatever He tells them, they were accepted by Jesus Christ when they approached Him. He didn't see them as servants or relegated them by not speaking with them as some in a high position of influence would do; He guided them into doing what would bring the miracle.
3. Also, He was moved with silent compassion or mercy to save the day for the couple as His counsel covered what could have been a disgraceful scenario for the newly wedded ones. If He was not sociable, He would have closed His eyes to that challenge and left the scene immediately.

A cursory look into the Gospel of John 2:1-11 evinces that that passage is a deeper in presenting the social attributes of Jesus Christ and His nature of being approachable at all times. There are different instances in the Bible that lay emphasis on the sociable and approachable attitude of Jesus Christ while He was here on earth. The following are some of them;

EXAMPLES OF JESUS' SOCIAL INTERACTIONS IN THE BIBLE

- a. Jesus ate with people from different social classes, including sinners, tax collectors and the Emmaus disciples (Matthew 9:10-17, Mark 2:15-22, Luke 19:1-10, Luke 24:13-35)
- b. He welcomed children and strangers (Matthew 19:13-15, Mark 9:37, Mark 10:13-16)
- c. He encouraged his disciples to mix with people
- d. He received Nicodemus at an odd hour and still ministered to him with patience and love (John 3:1-21)
- e. He sanctioned love and marriage (Matthew 22:36-40, Matthew 19:8)
- f. On Jesus' hospitality; Jesus prepared breakfast for his disciples, including Peter who betrayed him
- g. He taught people to invite the lowly to parties and never to discriminate (Mark 7:24-29)

DECLARATION INTO 2025

In 2025, I will walk in divine direction and favour. Every step I take will be ordered by the Lord, and doors of opportunity will open before me. By divine guidance, my steps are ordered into God's mandate for my life, bringing clarity and purpose to every decision. The light of God will shine on my path, dispelling every form of darkness. My steps are ordered by the Lord, and He shall delight in my way (Psalm 37:23).

Year 2025 shall be my year of restoration. Everything the enemy has stolen will be returned sevenfold, and new beginnings shall spring forth in every area of my life. Fresh breath from the Holy Spirit will quicken my mortal body, revitalizing my spirit, soul, and body. The Lord will restore to me the years that the swarming locust has eaten (Joel 2:25). There shall be ways in my wilderness, and from my desert shall spring up rivers of living waters, creating paths of abundance and joy (Isaiah 43:19).

In 2025, my health will spring forth speedily. Sickness and disease will be far from my abode, and I will walk in divine strength all through the year. My health will not fail, and I will enjoy vitality and wholeness in my body. No organ in my body will shut down or malfunction. My body will not be a chamber of sickness but a temple of the Holy Spirit. The Lord will increase my strength and vitality, renewing my energy for every assignment.

I shall lack no good thing in 2025. The windows of heaven will be opened over me, and I shall experience supernatural provision and abundance beyond human expectations. My gate shall be opened continually for kings and queens to bless me with the riches of their kingdoms. And my God shall supply all my needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19). God's provision will overflow in every area of my life, eliminating every form of lack.

2025 will be a year of peace and joy for me. The peace of God will guard my heart, silencing every anxiety and fear, and I will rejoice in His goodness daily. The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard my heart and mind through Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7). My home, relationships, and endeavours will radiate God's peace, and I will find joy in His unfailing love.

No weapon formed against me in 2025 shall prosper. I will triumph over every challenge, rising above trials with God's help; the Lord will fight for me, and I shall hold my peace (Exodus 14:14). Whoever raises an evil sword against my family shall fall by the sword, and every tongue that condemns me shall be silenced. The grace to walk through the year 2025 unhurt and uninjured rests upon me in Jesus' name. Victory shall be my portion in every battle.

In 2025, I will be fruitful in all areas of my life. My efforts will multiply, and I will enjoy the work of my hands, experiencing abundant harvests. Wherever my seed drops in 2025, it will bring forth fruits a hundredfold. My seeds will subdue the earth and establish dominion (Gen. 1:28). The Lord will make me abound in prosperity, and I will flourish in all I set my hands to do. My spiritual life will experience a fresh outpouring in 2025. I will hunger for God like never before, and His power will flow through me, making me a vessel for His glory. I receive grace to wait on the Lord for renewal of strength, and out of my heart rivers of living water will flow (John 7:38).

All of these and many more shall be my portion in 2025 and beyond in Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

D. AVMCC Guest House

Stay within a Christian environment, also visit the restaurant for tasty and affordable meals all located at the 3rd 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 Adetiloje 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 **₦15,000**. 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 & 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.

- h. Jesus provided comfort, counsel, and healing to the poor and marginalized
- i. He protested against systems and culture that prevented people from improving their conditions

From a social context, we have seen beyond reasonable doubt that although Jesus lived in a society with a system of economic and social stratification; that is the system which ranked the rich above the poor, the clergy above the laity and men above women, however, Jesus challenged this system of impurity, discrimination or marginalization head on and these were some of the reasons the Pharisees, Sadducees and other Sectarian groups of His time were uncomfortable with Him as they see His intervention as a threat to their customs and traditions.

HOW DO WE APPLY THIS THEME TO OUR LIVES AS BELIEVERS?

The theme that we are considering this morning (The Sociable and Approachable Jesus) is lending a voice to the Diocesan theme for the year "Be a Beacon of Light" (Matthew 5:16). **To be sociable and approachable like Jesus is to be a Beacon of Light;** it is not only enough for us to believe in Christ, we must be able to positively affect others through our lives and endeavors.

The Sociable and approachable Jesus Christ is challenging us once again, just as the Diocesan theme for the year 2025 is, that **we are to shine our light both in the Ministry and in the Industry**. The following are the various ways we can become a beacon of light in contemporary society;

1. As a light is never timid to overpower darkness, we also should be courageous enough to confront the various decays we see in our society.
2. Show love and kindness to people regardless of their gender, tribe, color, class and religion.
3. As a beacon of light we must be consistent with the truth and not change the standards for anyone regardless of who they are.
4. We must practice the things we want others to do first; show godly example in all our endeavors. Our Words must align with our actions for others to emulate us.
5. We must be honest in our dealing with people, whether in the ministry or in the industry.
6. Share the Good News with those around us intentionally and strategically.
7. We should assume position of leadership whether in our community, local government, and state, country, offices and business hub so that we can be able to speak when decisions or policies are made to frustrate the people or suppress them.

In conclusion, it is expedient to note that Jesus Christ was never withdrawn from the society where He was and His consistency in speaking to truth to power, openness to all, humility in giving people audience among all other social attributes distinguished above all others who had come before and after Him. He was not practicing "Holier than Thou" attitude which is referred to in Church History as "Sanctimonious Hypocrisy", rather He made Himself approachable and accessible unto all who had needs and He was able to minister to their needs as they come.

In the same vein, believers will be doing themselves a disservice if we choose to withdraw ourselves from the society in which we are and leaving it for the unbelievers to dictate the affairs of things. Until we are open to receive the lost and show them love, it will be difficult for them to hear the messages we are preaching to them. **However, we must take caution in the sense that being sociable or approachable does not mean giving in to the excesses or immoral ways of the World, rather it denotes that we must be humble with caution in creating a friendly environment for people to approach us so we can win them for Christ.**

Action Point: Make up your mind this week to go and shine your light everywhere you go (Matthew 5:16).

6. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

January 12 – January 18, 2025

7.00 am Holy Communion	787
7.00 am Youth Service	187
7.00 am Sunday School	340
10.00 am Mattins	665
10.00 am Youth Service	220
10.00 am Sunday School	165
Tuesday Bible Study	-
Wednesday Holy Communion	123
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	67

7. MEETINGS THIS WEEK

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

-  *Band of Grace Society*
-  *Band of Glory Society*
-  *Band of Light Society*
-  *Band of Mercy Society*
-  *Christian Unity Band*
-  *Fountain of Hope Society*
-  *Ladies Christian Circle*
-  *Ladies Progressive League*
-  *Lords Labourers Fellowship*
-  *Good Shepherd Society*
-  *Torchbearers Society*
-  *The Lord Vessel Society*

8. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

A. Cathedral Health Centre

i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 19th Jan., 2025

7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm. Chie Nwerri, Dr. Olivier Akinola, Mrs Nkiru Arah.

10.00am-2.00pm: Prof. I. Akinsete, Dr. B. Ibidapo-Obe, Pharm Deji Osinoiki, Pharm. Mrs Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs Bola Awobiyi.

ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 26th Jan., 2025

7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm. Dele Ajala, Pharm. Y. Olorunsola, Dr. Olivier Akinola, Mrs A. Amah-Jerry, Mrs Nkiru Arah.

10.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Remi Oladapo-Sanu, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Dr. Nike Odusina, Mrs E. Osibajo, Sis. Nike Adefila.

B. Security & Traffic Control

i. Sunday 19th Jan. - Saturday, 25th Jan. 2025

Funso Fagbuyiro, (Captain), Helen Arhagba (Assistant Captain), Adeyemi Muyiwa, Goke Uthman, Helen Arhagba, Caroline Omowhara, Chukwuemeka Osaka, Bolaji Dania, Funmi Ladele, Ekwegh Lilian, Michael Enujioke, Olusegun Esan, Odanye Mojisola, John Okocha, Anthony Uwa, Afam Ogeleka.

ii. Sunday 26th Jan. - Saturday, 1st Feb., 2025

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.

10.

11. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Epiphany III

January 26

Theme: The Renewing Touch of God

Colour: Green

7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: *The Rev. Fikayo Adenle*

Epistle: *1 John 1:1-7*

Layreader Ola Nwoji

Gospel: *Matthew 8-1-13*

The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem

Preacher: *The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere*

THE YOUTH SERVICE

Venue: *The Adetiloye House*

Cantor: *The Rev. Michael Obembe*

Preacher: *The Rev. Michael Obembe*

10.00 am: MATTINS

Cantor: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*

O.T. Reading: *Exodus 33:12-End*

Layreader Helen Adewale

N.T. Reading: *Matthew 8:1-13*

Layreader Gina Okolo

Preacher: *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

2.00PM

REDEDICATION OF DLW

ZONAL CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

12. BANNES 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.

13. 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.

15.

Friday, January 24, 2025 Colour: Green
7.00am Holy Communion
Theme: It pays to be Righteous

Celebrant: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle
Epistle: Isaiah 3:1-11 -Lay. O. Achonye
Gospel: Mark 4:35-41
Hymns: CONH 18, CONH 834, CONH 428
Preacher: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Abiodun Ogunyemi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ekiti Kwara.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Olajide Adebayo, his family and all members of the Diocese of Igbomina West.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Tini Idris, Mrs Unity Otoighile, Mr Billy Jegede, Mr Obinna Okoli, Mrs Oluyemisi Oduba, Mr Ugochukwu Echendu, Miss Yewande Owolabi, Chief Mrs Margaret Owosina, Mrs Hamilton Folasade, Mrs Christiana Aleyideino.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Adebowale Family, Adedayo Family, Adedeji Family, Adedoja Family, Adefila Family, Adegbite Family, Adegbokun Family, Adegbola Family, Adegbonmire Family, Adegboye Family.

9.00am Funeral Service of
Late Mr Raphael Oyebola-Salami

6.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday, January 25, 2025 Colour: White
The Conversion of St. Paul

7.00am Holy Communion
Theme: Saved to Serve

Celebrant: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye
Epistle: Acts 9:1-22 – Lay. F. Okey Ogbu
Gospel: Matthew 19:27-30
Hymns: CONH 118, CONH 426, CONH 452
Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Most. Revd. Marcus Ibrahim, his family and all members of Diocese of Yola.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr.Isaac Nwaobia, his family and all members of the Diocese of Isiala Ngwa South.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Miss Gift Akpomiemie, Mrs Grace Mayaki-Ogunbe, Mr Cornelius Faniyi, Mrs Clara Ifeobu, Mr Osarumwense Igunma, Mr Sunday Okudo, Mr Caleb Olorunsola, Mrs Comfort Ubosi, Miss Ugonna Nwannunu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Adegbuyi Family, Adegoke Family, Adejoro Family, Adejumo Family, Adejuwon Family, Adejuyigbe Family, Adekanye Family, Adeeko Family, Adekoya Family, Adekunbi Family.

8.00am ALL CHURCH WORKERS RETREAT

3.00 pm Youth Fellowship
4.00 pm Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade
4.00 pm Baptism

9. LIST OF CENTERS FOR HOME CELL FELLOWSHIP

S/N	NAMES	LOCATIONS	PHONE NO
1.	SIS. SUCCESS	VINING	08170342970
2.	LADY GINA OKOLO	MANGORO	08033235796
3.	SIS. AMARACHUCKWU	IKEJA	08127786418
4.		CEMENT	08038503506
5.	BARR. OKEY OGBU	IYANA PAJA	08023192145
7.	MR. I. O. ODENIRAN	OPEBI	08023096565
8.	MRS. AKINROTIMI	ABORU	08022791113 08134382592
9.	MRS. ALOFE	IJAIYE	08034857240
10.	BRO. MAYOKUN	ANIFOWOSE	08069530744
11.	SIS. OBUM OSY-ONYEKWELU	MARYLAND CRESCENT	08036684298
12.	VICTOR ADENUOYE	FAGBA	08069206291
13.	RTD. COL. C.O. AJALA	54, NEW IPAJA ROAD	08081654907
14.	CHINYERE UMEALO	OREGUN	08033052131

10. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 20, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: A Call to repentance

Ante Communion: Layreader Bolaji Dania

**Celebrant: The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu
The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju**

Epistle: Isaiah 1:1-17 – Lay. Nathan Eze

Gospel: Mark 3:7-19a

Hymns: CONH 123, CONH 431, CONH 1028

Preacher: Layreader Elizabeth Osibajo

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Nathan Kanu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Aba Ngwa North.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Sunday Adewole, his family and all members of the Diocese of Kwara.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Joseph Samson, Mrs Onyinyechi Mbaeru, Mr Oluwamayowa Abejide, Miss Ngozichukwuka Mbonu, Mr Godwin Olowu, Mr Temidayo Soyinka, Mrs Amina Zang.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Zamba Family, Zang Family, Ziregbe Family, Abakwari Family, Abara-Ogbonna Family, Abare Family, Abasili Family, Abdul Family, Abdulazeez Family, Abei Family.

6.30pm CHOIR PRACTICE

Tuesday, January 21, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Hope for Restoration

Celebrant: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

Epistle: Isaiah 1:18-31- Lay. D. Mac-Eze

Gospel: Mark 3:19b-35

Hymns: CONH 802, CONH 566, CONH 120

Preacher: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Most Revd. Israel Afolabi Amoo, his family and all members of Province of Kwara.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Solomon Olusola Akanbi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Offa.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Ikechukwu Chiobi, Mr Chidi Okpara, Mr Adeyemi Aladesawe, Mr Awele Okeke, Mr Goodluck Idele, Mr Oluwadamilola Famodimu, Miss Chioma Igwe, Mr Salvation Onwuha, Master Obaloluwami Odukomaia.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Abejide Family, Abidoye Family, Abimbola Family, Abiodun-Abayomi Family, Abitoye Family, Aboderin Family, Abonkhina Family, Abonyi Family, Aboyim Family, Abraham Family.

5.00pm - 6.00pm Intercessory Prayer

6.00pm BIBLE STUDY

12.

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: The Day of the Lord

Celebrant: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

Epistle: Isaiah 2:1-11 - Lay. Bosedede Oloyede

Gospel: Mark 4:1-20

**Hymns: CONH 16, CONH 822, CONH 828
CONH 834**

Preacher: The Dean

Prayer Point

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Emmanuel Adeoye Adekola, his family and all members of the Diocese of Igbomina.
- ❖ For the Most Revd. Israel A. Amoo, his family and all members of the Diocese of New Bussa.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Joel Akinware, Mr Olusegun Balogun, Miss Chinonso Oba, Mrs Ene Obla, Arc. Owodunni Opayemi, Miss Adesola Sanya, Mrs Florence Okonkwo.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Achebe Family, Acho Family, Achodor Family, Achon Family, Achonu Family, Achonwa Family, Achonye Family, Achukwu Family, Adamolekun Family, Adebamiwa Family.

8.00am Vining Intercessor's Visitation

**3.00pm Wake Keep Service for
Late Mr Raphael Oyebola- Salami – His residence**

**6.00pm PRAYER MEETING
THEME: BE A BEACON OF LIGHT**

Thursday, January 23, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: A Day of Reckoning

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe

Epistle: Isaiah 2:12-22 - Lay. Cyril Mgbamoka.

Gospel: Mark 4:21-34

Hymns: CONH 124, CONH 821, CONH 1107

Preacher: The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Festus Sobanke, his family and all members of the Diocese of Omu-Aran.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Oluwaseun Aderogba, his family and all members of the Diocese of Jebba.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Chike Umeh, Mrs Olubukunola Odutola, Miss Princess Izuagba, Engr. Adedotun Adeyemo, Miss Chisom Ohazurume, Mr Babatunde Olorunhundo, Mr Adebayo Olusegun-Adeyanju, Choef George Oguntade (SAN) Mrs Camilia Okey-Ilo.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Adebanjo Family, Adebayo Family, Adebayo-Anwo Family, Adebekun Family, Adebekin Family, Adebisi Family, Adebisiyi Family, Adebo Family, Adebogun Family, Adebola Family.

13.

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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