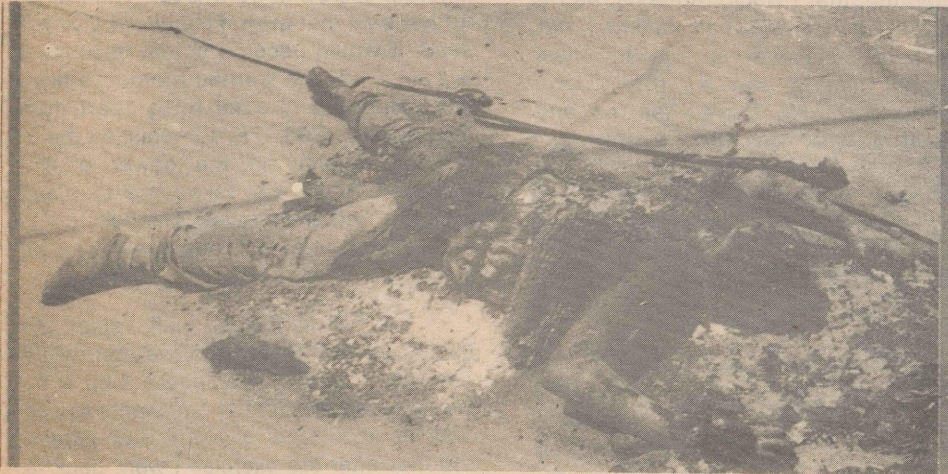


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AN INNOCENT NIGERIAN. VICTIM OF RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE, WHICH GOD ARE THEY SERVING?

## HEALING HOMES TO BE SCREENED

BY ENOBONG EMAH

In the wake of some untoward activities in most Brotherhood healing homes, the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has decreed a stop to all ungodly acts carried out in these places. Spiritually X-raising the activities in healing homes, the Sole Spiritual Head of the Universe expressed that worldly people have infiltrated the ranks of God's children and introduce devilish activities which they perfected in the world.

This unfortunate trend is affecting the corporate image of the Kingdom, spiritually and physically, the Father enthused.

To revert the situation, the Father has set up a Supervisory Team spiritually and physically, to monitor the healing homes, and recommend for continuity or closure.

In a note of advice to brethren in the 34 Ambo Great Hall, the Holy Father said that the work of God does not require any fee but is done free of charge. He warned the children of God not to

fall prey to the "wolves in sheep clothing."

In his reaction, the King of kings and Lord of lords, His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu in Ikpe Ikot Akpan, Essien Udim Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State, where he attended the Award ceremony in honour of Senior Christ Servant Solomon E. Okon directed that henceforth, healing homes are to operate in line with Brotherhood rules and regulations.

Each healing home, he said, must be affiliated to a Bethel for proper monitoring even if the

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## FATHER DEBUNKS CHRISTIANS AND MOSLEMS HOLY WARS

BY ENOBONG EMAH

The Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu has debunked the erroneous belief that Moslems and Christians can wage holy

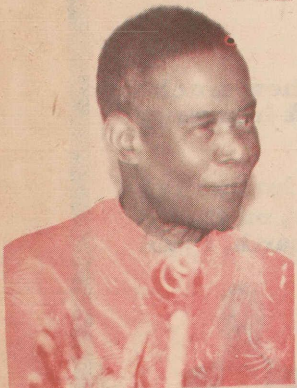
wars on God's own earth. He revealed this truth recently during one of His teachings in the 34 Ambo Great Hall.

The Father revealed that there is no Christian, for no one ardently follows the footsteps of our Lord Jesus Christ; not one leads a Christ-like life. He further said "in His life time, our Lord Jesus Christ never fought a single war but pursued peace and taught every one to live peaceably with all men. That was why He cautioned Simeon Peter to put back his sword into its sheath, for whoever goes by the sword shall perish by same. Who then has

taught the Christians to fight against one another?" He queried.

The Father frowned seriously at the incessant "holy" wars fought by the Christians and Moslems and asked, "what is holy in a situation where people are killed, maimed, dislodged and left spiritually impotent?" He further said, "God does not condone violence and so, any who indulges in it has himself to blame. Whoever wishes to be a Christian must practise the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and be saved else he is doomed."

Thank You Father.



THE HOLY FATHER LEADER O. O. OBU

BY EPHRAIM SUNDAY WITH EYIBIO ANTIA

The Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has condemned the recent religious riots between Moslems and Christians in Nigeria which led to loss of lives and property worth millions of Naira.

The Leader condemned these nefarious acts during one of His gospels at the 34 Ambo Great Hall in Calabar, and asserted that these acts were against the interest of God Almighty, the Father of all.

The Holy Father stressed that all men come from the Father who created heaven and earth and was therefore preposterous for any person to go to war with one another as that means fighting oneself and his creator. He debunked the human philosophy as to the

## MOSLEMS, CHRISTIANS FACE-OFF

- Holy Father sues for Peace

originality of Islam or Christianity and the superiority of the later to the former and traced that the progenitors of both religions came from Abraham and as such are brothers.

The Holy Father regretted the losses recorded over the years owing to these differences and sued for peace between the warring factions.

He charged Moslems to recall the admonition of Prophet Mohammed to his adherents before his exit,

that the Comforter and the Holy Spirit of truth would come and lead them to the wisdom of truth.

The Leader maintained that the Comforter is now on earth and His mission is to reconcile all fronts, factions, groups and religions and bring them together as children of the same Father. His words; "The Holy Spirit of truth, the Comforter, has come now. There are no differences and division of any kind as upheld by the two warring factions. We

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## FATHER ORDAINS NEW VIRGINS

BY INNOCENT OMINI WITH ENOBONG EMAH

The Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has increased the number of Virgins in the New Kingdom by 54 as He ordained them recently. The ordination which took place at 34 Ambo Great Hall took brethren by surprise as He, in His infinite wisdom introduced new dimensions to it.

Against the normal situation, the yet to-be-ordained-virgins danced from 26 Mbukpa Road to 34 Ambo Street, Calabar where they were ushered into the Senior Christ Servants pews. At the fulness of time, with numbers already allotted to them, they were ushered into the virgins' pew. At that point the divine drama ensued as the Holy Father empowered the President of the 144,000 virgins' Body Brother Joel Edosonwan, the Choir-master General, Brother Sunday Akpan and Brother Innocent Omini, to effect the ordination.

While Brothers Sunday Akpan and Joel Edosonwan were respectively saddled with the divine responsibilities of sanctifying the new breeds with Holy water and anointing them with Holy oil, Brother Innocent Omini was given the mandate to advise and evoke the Father's blessings on the children of God. This was the first ever devolution of spiritual power in the New Kingdom.

In His advice, the mysterious Father in Brother Innocent told the new virgins that they are the ambassadors of the divine spirit personified and so, should emulate Him virtuously in order to be identified as children of the Most High God. They were told to exhibit sterling qualities of righteousness to portray them as true students of the Christ's Universal Spiritual School of Practical Christianity, with the Father as the Supernatural Teacher.

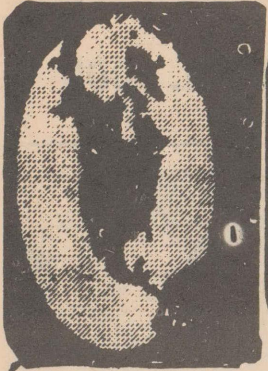


HER HOLINESS I. O. OBU

Holiness, Ibum Olumba Obu and the Blessed Mother, Onugen Olumba Olumba Obu, in actualizing His Will among the chosen ones for this Kingdom. The efforts of Christ Witnesses Ime Akpakpan, Mary Ejoho and Virgin Ndifreke were also commended. Every one who witnessed the solemn occasion was blessed by the Father.

Thank You Father.





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## POPE JOHN PAUL II APOLOGISES AGAIN

BY EYIBIO ANTIA

The Catholic Pontiff, Pope John Paul II has again apologised to humanity on behalf of the Roman Catholic church for all the sins it committed for the past two thousand years. The apology which was given from the altar of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, chronicled by Rory Carroll in Rome for the London Guardian saw the Pope apologising and seeking



POPE JOHN PAUL II pardon for seven categories of sins.

The London Guardian quoted the sins

as "general sins, sins in the service of truth, sins against Christian unity, against the Jews, against respect for love, peace and cultures, against the dignity of women and minorities and against human rights."

According to the Pope "Ethnic groups had endured contempt for their cultures and religious traditions, women were all too often humiliated and marginalised, trust in wealth and power had

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# I AND MY SON TO JUDGE

BY EYIBIO ANTIA

- HOLY FATHER



THE HOLY FATHER: LEADER OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU

As the world keeps expecting God's judgement day and mankind keeps judging one another, the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has informed mankind that judgement in whatever form falls within the exclusive rights of the Father and the Son.

The Holy Father, made this revelation during one of His gospels at the 34 Ambo Great Hall. At that occasion, He (the Father) had said "God has not given anybody any mandate to judge another person. He has not mandated anybody to condemn or punish another. He does not

expect anybody to punish any man irrespective of the offence, as judgement is meant for the Father and the Son.

Rhetorically, the Father asked, "Who is qualified to judge? and in like manner answered, "it is only the Father and His Son who has the right to judge or suspend anybody. No other person has the right to flog, abuse, castigate or condemn anybody." While still teaching His children, the Holy Father said, "You are exhorted not to assassinate anybody's character or become judgemental, for if you do, it will be counted for you as an act of unrighteousness.

You are not God and so must not judge at any level. All you are expected to do is to be

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REVOCATION OF BCS PLOTS

BY MBAKARA EFIOK

## GOV ATTAH TO THE RESCUE

The Executive Governor of Akwa Ibom State, Arc. (Obong) Victor Attah has promised to positively revisit the issue of cancellation of plots allocated to the fold by previous Governments in the State.

- The plots in question are (1) Plot at Mbiabong Anyanga for State Cathedral project.
- (2) Plot along Udo Umana Street for Bethel project by Christ Practical Students.
- (3) 44 Nyong Essien Bethel demolished along Nung-Atai Street.

The Governor, who was represented by Sir Sunday U. Akpan, Commissioner for Finance made the pledge while responding to a keynote address presented by Pastor Leo Victor, State Leader's Representative on the occasion of a divine reception in honour of Pastor Abang O. Abang.

The Governor was impressed that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star has produced such a humble, unassuming, hardworking, disciplined and highly



OBONG VICTOR ATTAH dependable personality as Pastor Abang.

The State's Chief Executive expressed satisfaction at the general conduct of Brotherhood members and called for prayers from all God fearing people especially members of the fold for peace, progress and continued stability in Akwa Ibom State.

Thank You Father.

HOME MISSION 2000

## HOLY FATHER TO VISIT CROSS RIVER

The International President of the Father's Movement Committee, Pastor Ebenezer Isokrari has announced that the Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu shall visit Cross River State in the year, 2000.

The visit tagged, "Home Mission" was announced during the sensitization and

consultation meeting held by the Committee on March 19, 2000. Home Mission 2000 which takes precedence over London 2000 according to the President was revealed during the Father's visit to Ghana. The Home Mission which is most critical of all other visits promises to be spirit uplifting.

According to Pastor Isokrari, the visit will place Cross River State in the right spiritual pedestal. For the first time, according to the President, God has accepted to visit His people against the practise in the days of yore when God either took the people for granted or



THE HOLY FATHER LEADER O. O. OBU

the people refused to recognise Him.

The President calls on Cross River State

indigenes and the entire Brotherhood world to mobilize themselves towards attending Home Mission 2000. He specifically called on the Group heads in the State and the State Leader's Representative to work extra hard to ensure a successful outing.

Briefing Trumpet, the President said the Father will visit special interest areas as well as commission some projects.

Thank You Father.

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FATHER'S MOVEMENT COMMITTEE

TO MEET

WHEN: 29 APRIL 2000  
TIME: 8.00 P.M.  
VENUE: CONFERENCE ROOM, 34 AMBO INT. PRES.



## AKWA IBOM

### HIS MAJESTY COMMISSIONS IKOT ABA BETHEL

BY ENOBONG EMAH

His Majesty, Pastor Ubong J. Udoh recently commissioned a bethel built to the service of the Father and humanity in Ikot Aba, Ibiono Ibom LGA, Akwa Ibom State. In his welcome address Elder A. E. Udoh through whom the Father built the bethel thanked God Almighty for giving him the grace to complete the project. He prayed for unlimited spiritual powers in order to cope with the rising spiritual demands of Ibiono Ibom in particular and the nation in general.

Before commissioning the bethel, His Majesty Ubong J. Udoh, thanked the Father, the Author and Finisher of our faith for manifesting Himself in Ikot

Aba. He advised the brethren to shun all forms of hatred and pursue truth and righteousness in order to be worthy of the Father's name and glory. He sued for love among them after which he declared the bethel opened to the service of the Father.

A host of brethren especially from Abasi Obori Bethel attended the dedication; prominent among them being Elder A. Umoren (Abasi Obori Bethel L/R), Elder U. U. Akpan, Sister A. N. Otu, Sister M. E. E. Inyang, among others. The Cross River State L/R, Apostle N. Odum, Deaconess Ubeh, Apostle Edet, Pastor B. Edem and Brother Nya were in the entourage that accompanied His Majesty, Pastor Ubong J. Udoh to Ikot Aba.

### INI BRETHREN VISIT HOLY FATHER

BY MBAKARA EFKOK

Brethren from Ini Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State recently paid a thank you visit to the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu in Calabar.

In his speech, the Area Leader's Representative, Elder Edifon Udo Akpan thanked God for the peace restored in the Area in recent months. He extolled the Father's name for

the mutual understanding and co-operation existing between the Christ New True Missionaries and brethren in the Area.

He used the opportunity to thank the Father for laying the foundation of the Pentecostal Centre building through Pastor Leo Victor, the State Leader's Representative.

In her contribution the Area Women President Sister Lucy Inyang Akpan thanked the



HIS MAJESTY UBONG J. UDO DURING THE COMMISSIONING OF IKOT ABA BETHEL

Father for the decentralization of Pentecostal activities in the fold, the exercise, she said has created room for rapid development of the New Kingdom.

His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu, in his divine advice called on all and sundry to support the executives as they may become executives at other times. He advised against brethren deliberately becoming "thorns in the flesh" of the executives.

He exhorted the brethren to eschew power tussles and prayed the Father to bring under control the spirit of confusion, disunity and indolence amongst them.

The brethren left for Ini abundantly blessed by the Father.

Thank You Father.

millennium and century.

He briefly stated that though they were over 500 students that enlisted into the service of God, that over 30 were deceased while over 200 persons backslided. Christ Witness Tete believes that their acceptance of the Father has brought salvation to many today. He stated that if the Israelites had known that Moses was God-sent, they would not have perished in thousands.

Brother Tete was pleased that the Witnesses are still loved, honoured and sustained by the Father. He asked members and upcoming priests to embrace all the teachings of the Father. He opined that any one who recognizes and rejoices with the Christ Witnesses should expect great blessings from God.

Earlier, in a short

sermon to declare the occasion opened, the officiating priest, Christ Witness Treasure Edemikoh called on the brethren to pray without ceasing and rejoice in the Lord at all times (Philippians 4:4).

The celebration's high point was presentation of drama sketches by the New Kingdom Theatre Group (NEKITHEG) entitled "Repeat after me", and the Witnesses Body entitled "Moses and the Israelites." Other varieties like songs and dance were also features by 34 Ambo Sabbath children, procession around the surroundings of BCS World Headquarters and short speeches by dignitaries like Bishop A. O. E. Ekanem Sister (Princess) Eno Inyang (USA), Bishop James Ellerbe and the royal fathers.

Thank You Father

## NEW ABODE FOR CHRIST WITNESSES SOON - KOK

BY EPHRAIM SUNDAY

His Holiness, King Olumba Olumba Obu has assured the Christ Witnesses that their selfless services in the Kingdom, dedication, hardwork and sense of commitment shown over the years would soon be crowned with a befitting place of abode and other good things of life.

The King gave the message at the occasion of the end of year get-together and celebration of the new millennium held at the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star (BCS) World Headquarters, Calabar.

The special Guest of honour (the King

of Kings) who was represented by Princesses Aja and Ugomma Obu was full of appreciation to the Father for the efforts and zeal of the Christ Witnesses. He said their steadfastness cannot be qualified in monetary terms.

Recounting her childhood experiences, Princess Aja Obu who said she grew up under the tutelage of the Christ Witnesses disclosed that she enjoyed their pampering in the 70s. According to her, "I look forward to seeing them comfortably settled, quartered, and fulfilled in the service of their Father."

She pledged the

support of the Holy Family of the Most High God to them at all times and pray that the Father should keep them more united to enjoy the glory of His Kingdom.

The chairperson of the occasion, Deaconess Martha Udo-Ndem (a full time missionary) described the Christ Witnesses as "the first fruits of God" just as our Lord Jesus Christ has been "the first priest of the resurrection". She asserted that only God was destined to teach man and has taught the Witnesses who now are worthy to teach others.

The chairperson was full of praises to the Father in the Witnesses

for their tireless contributions to the physical development and spread of BCS across the globe. She stated that her experiences with Christ Witnesses Mary Peter (for being used by God to restore peace in London), Treasure Edemiko (whom she described as "slow but sure"), Udofia, Mary Ejoho etc. have been marvelous.

The President General of the Christ Witnesses Body, Christ Witness Assaso O. Tete in his contributions said nobody believed their message that God had since visited the earth. He thanked the Father for keeping them alive to see the year 2000, the beginning of the new

## KWARA STATE

### KWARA STATE L/R NOW PASTOR

Elder I. E. Essien, Kwara State Leader's Representative, by the special grace of the Father, has been ordained a Pastor.

Elder Essien, now Pastor is a Central Bank of Nigeria Executive. During the Millennium Award Night, his State won the most Enterprising State Award.

In another development, Sister I. E. Essien has been uplifted to the position of a



PASTOR I. E. ESSIEN Deaconess. These promotions, Trumpet learnt are as a result of the brethren's steadfastness and commitment to the service of the Father.

Thank You Father.

BROTHERHOOD YESTERDAY

Snr. Pastor Peter Henshaw  
with  
Eyibio Antia

After being raised from death, the Holy Father commissioned me to move with the gospel of the New Kingdom. At that time, He was trying to prove to us that He is from above and all His powers, divine. We did not want to believe Him. When He insisted, I reminded Him that He was armed with charms that protect Him and I demanded for a similar protective charm from Him.

I was informed by Him that He had nothing to protect Himself but that God Almighty was manifesting His powers and that where He sat is the throne of God. That whatever He said was not of Himself but God and that anything, done by Him was propelled by God. Because of that, He said, God was going to use me as His messenger. He directed me to go and inform the world about what I have witnessed about Him. His reason for this was that, it is not the King on the Throne that informs people about his action and works rather His messengers or followers.

I insisted that if He did not give me a talisman or charms or inject certain potions into me, I won't go to anywhere.

# I ASKED FOR TALISMAN BUT HE...

I was assured by Him that God Almighty was with me that I should not be afraid. That the God with Him will always be with me. It was not easy for Him to convince me especially as I was insinuated by others not to believe what He said. When I continued insisting, He promised to give me the Holy Oil, but I doubted the potency of the oil. Then He

and said that since I believed in symbols, the ring would protect me.

I was pleased with the ring and promised Him that since He had now fortified me, that I would move out as He ordered. When we had finished our discussions, He ordered me to kneel down for Him to pray for me. Upon kneeling down He prayed for me and

*"When He rubbed the oil on my hands, it got in contact with the ring and the ring caught fire. I shouted and pleaded with Him to remove the ring from my finger. He obliged but not without warning that if He had told me that the Holy oil was more powerful, I would not have believed."*

went in and brought a ring to me. He said that one man came, and removed that ring and gave to Him after confirming that the ring was no longer powerful and could not rival the prayers he obtained from BCS.

He reluctantly gave me that ring

rubbed the holy oil all over me. When He rubbed the oil on my hands, it got in contact with the ring and the ring caught fire. I shouted and pleaded with Him to remove the ring from my finger. He obliged but not without warning that if He had told me that the Holy oil was more

powerful, I would not have believed. He said that what I was experiencing was a resentment of the Holy Spirit on elemental forces caused by the ring.

He said that there is no power on earth that could be compared to the Holy Spirit and explained that the power inherent in BCS is from God. The Father further said that even if He would give me sand, it would become potent because it is from God. He warned me not to have any belief in any other thing apart from the power of God. He admonished me to believe fervently in the power of the Almighty God. He asked me to plead with the Father to reveal Himself to me and to use me for the purpose He called me.

That night when I left, I slept. On waking up, my Sister told me that, while sleeping, I woke up at about 4.00 a.m. and shouted that if anybody wants to see God, he should go to No. 8 Eton Street. and that after the exercise I went back to sleep. I did not know myself. When some other people asked why I had to shout so much at night, I was annoyed and asked myself, "so this man intends to use me this way?"

Thank You Father

# PROPHET MOHAMMED (SAW) WAS A BROTHERHOOD

BY MUSA OLUWAFEMI

This piece is meant to remind Moslems of their belief in the unity of God. It is also to let them know that Brotherhood is the apex of all religions. Brotherhood as defined by the Holy Spirit, is the co-existence of God and His creations. This means that Moslems are also part and parcel of Brotherhood.

Furthermore, Mohammed preached love and living together peacefully, minding individual differences so that you do not exasperate your neighbour. Mohammed (SAW) made the world to know that, He was sent by God to tell people to forsake their idolatrous ways and serve God. If this is so, there is no need for religious disagreements since all religions have service to God as their ultimate goal.

It will interest you to know that the Moslems as well as the Brotherhood members kow-tow in worship of God. This is an acceptable way to worship God. It is the belief of every Brotherhood member that, every occurrence has divine approval. Moslems share this belief.

One of the major teachings of Prophet Mohammed (SAW) was to live in peace and promote peace the world over. This gave birth to the pattern of greeting - 'Salam Alekuin' Peace be unto you - for the Muslims. This is what God wanted and He still expects it from His creatures. Brotherhood, as directed by God greets - peace! If we are mindful of the use of this word, there will be no room for rancour and fighting.

Another important teaching of Mohammed (SAW) was Love. The Prophet taught his followers to love everybody equally. He showed the example during his encounter with the people of Taif. He went to Taif to

propagate the belief in one God. The Elders got the youth and children to stone him. They left him believing he was dead. The people inflicted wounds on him, got two of his front teeth removed. As he was going through the pain, history had it that an angel went to him to seek his approval to destroy the city. To show the love He had for his ignorant brothers, he told the angel to leave them.

During pilgrimages to Mecca, the descendants of this city, Taif wept to show remorse for the evil their grand parents had done to the prophet. In all facets of life, the Prophet said, we should be our brothers' keeper and be ready to bear our brothers' burdens. Whatever one has, the prophet advised one not to deny one's brother. The Prophet said, 'It is more blessed to give than to take. He did not say people should be professional beggars. The Prophet of Islam did not advocate for war to settle any misunderstanding. He preached that, there is no compulsion in religion. He showed this when He got to Medina in 632 AD, by the way, He related with the Christians. The first set of Moslems to leave Mecca went to Ethiopia to live with the Christians. The relationship was cordial and loving. This is what Brotherhood has come to establish now.

Islam is defined as, 'Total submission to the Will of Allah; To you, Moslems nothing exists except Allah. This is what the Holy Spirit has come to emphasize to the world. Mohammed (SAW) did not teach his followers to impute sin to anybody but to believe that all things come from Allah. This is the teaching of the Holy Spirit.

Prophet Yisa (Jesus Christ) did not come to establish any church or any

pattern of service. He said, 'I have not come to establish any law but to fulfill the prophecy.' You know that it was when Prophet Yisa left that variation came to the concept brought by Him. He came to bring to light the gravity of love which God, the creator has for His creation, including you, the Moslems.


Finally, God, is now on earth. He is holding the fort in Brotherhood. He loves His creation, He appreciates humillity, patience, obedience, long-suffering, tolerance, decency and diligence in His service.

We had missed the opportunity in the Garden of Eden. God being a merciful Father has come now to the world to reconcile with Man; let us seize the opportunity and be identified with Him. The Prophet of Islam had shown us the way. Remember what He told the moslems during his last pilgrimage; He said, what do I hide from you about Islam? They answered nothing, you have shown us practically what you expect us to do.

If Mohammed had been exonerated, you have no excuse but to appreciate Brotherhood.

Thank You Father.

PAPA WELCOME



LEADER O. O. OBU

Words are inadequate for me to express how much your advent on earth has helped to uplift humanity to a position of light, truth and love.


Without your total commitment to save humanity we should have all perished. That is why, on this occasion of celebrating your advent on earth, I join others to welcome you to your world.

Papa Welcome.

Prince A. E. Amgbare

Director of Sports

Bayelsa State.







# LAMENTATIONS AT EASTER

There is no calamity which a great Nation can invite which equals that which follows a supine submission to wrong and injustice.

- Grover Cleveland -

In 1898, Flora Shaw who later married Sir Frederick Lugard came up with the coinage NIGERIA in an article for The Times. In that article she suggested that the Niger be known Protectorates "Nigeria." This must have collectively inspired Michael Crowder in his book "The story of Nigeria to state", "altho' ambition and rivalries in West Euro' would be an error to assume Afric' people had little history before its th' boundaries were negotiated by fin, France and Germany at the turn of the twentieth century."

Nigeria is now in the 21st century. What progress has it made as a nation? At forty, Nigeria is an adult. I lament for Nigeria because at this age, she is still crawling, toddling and struggling to find her feet as a nation despite the abundant spiritual, material and human resources at her disposal.

If truth must be told, one word is responsible for Nigeria's nightmarish experiences over the years. That word is APATHY. And this justifies the words of Grover Cleveland that, "there is no calamity which a great nation can invite which equals that which follows a supine submission to wrong and injustice." And apathy has dogged our path over the years.

With apathy we watched the unholy marriage contracted by Lord

This is Easter and every Christian male and female is into the same processes that have, for about two thousand years now, characterised the period. While some mourn, others celebrate, many others lead their normal - daily life, but a few use the period as a reflective time over their past deeds - good or bad. Sad enough, some degree of violence is witnessed during Easter and some women are callously involved in most acts of violence.

The subtle being, a woman was not intended to be violent but a desirable mate, at all times. A non-violent woman is one that has some strong traits - physical and spiritual virtues which yield either positive or negative result.

These spiritual and physical virtues were deposited in the woman from creation. Benito Mussolini opines that, "there is a violence that liberates and a violence that enslaves; there is a violence that is moral and violence that is immoral." And the woman that chooses, in her subtle violence to be moral, thus liberates and is a good thing, a desirable mate to the man.

When Eve gave the (forbidden) fruit to Adam to eat, she demonstrated physical violence though subtly and it did not yield any positive result. Delilah was violent with Samson, though very subtly but led him to eventual death.

Prophetess Deborah was violent in her decision to go to war with Borah

Lugard between the Northern and Southern Protectorates of this nation. With apathy we went into series of constitutional developments without knowing which best suited us. With the same situation, we bagged a fragile independence. With apathy we threw ourselves into a civil war that further caused the cracks in our national polity to widen. With that state of mind, we allowed the military to impose despotic rule on us. Because of our carefree attitude, our attempts at democratic governance had always evaporated in our hands. With such approach to situations, Nigeria had grown to become a Godless nation, for we had produced Godless Christians, Christless Moslems and traditionalists without the soul of God. Nigeria seems helpless and I lament for her.

Our value system has been desecrated. Tyrants and despots took over our polity. Trained financial bandits took over our economy. We mortgaged our cherished social and cultural values. The more we attempted to educate our progeny, the more we miseducated them. We ponder with tears as "we look at the crime, the break up of families, the joblessness, the racial 'ethnic' discord intact and unnoticed, the religious indifference, the religious intolerance, the judicial injustice, the political back scratching where greed overpowers needs.

"And now we watch Nigerians kill each other with wreckless abandon. Moslems killing Christians and Christians killing Moslems. Our Institutions of higher learning lost the serenity of the ivory tower. Secret cults which in the past were "involved in minor skirmishes not only beat and rape but they maim and kill; and not just with knives and axes but with

## THE VIOLENT WOMAN

against Caeserah, as she said, "if you will go with me, I will go..."

She gingered Borah to move to war against another nation and a lot were killed. And killing is not an attribute of any woman. Her physical violence gave way to a negative result. An act of spiritual violence was displayed by Moses' mother as she hid her three months old baby in a basket of wreath at the bank of a river where the Egyptian Princess picked him up. The violent she demonstrated helped a long way to actualise the will of God towards the liberation of the Israelites from the claws of the Egyptian Pharaoh.

Queen Esther demonstrated spiritual violence when she directed Mordecai to instruct the Israelites to fast for three days and nights (Esther 4 : 16), so as to get a way to free the Jews from the animosity of Haman, the Prime Minister, who had "secured the King's consent to a decree that all the Jews in the empire were to be killed." (Est. 3 : 9 - 11). The mother of Samuel, Hannah exhibited spiritual violence as she "aggressively" sought for a child and was consequently blessed with one who grew to become one of the leaders of Israel. Her violence put paid to her grief and opened her womb for other siblings that came after Samuel. Rebecca demonstrated strong

guns. We have merchants of death and destruction on our campuses in the name of secret cults." In fact, in our generation, the elements of Sodom and Gomorrah have reappeared.

And events of the past few months have unfolded that Nigeria was massacred in all fronts by Nigerians. What almost nailed the future survival of this Country were the highhandedness and inadequacies of the last military dictators, the trio of Babangida, Abacha and Abubakar, all Army Generals. In their hands, Nigeria almost bled to death.

In all these, Nigerians were unaware of a Being in their midst who has the solution to her problems. Nigerians needed someone to pull the scale off their eyes. This, MONICA WILBANKS, a DUTCH in her book, "Nigeria, can anything good come out of Her", did.

In it, she cries out, "we in the Western world have seen something that takes our breath away. It is something no other Country has. No, it is not Oil, it is not riches....., the evidence shows that you Nigeria, is the true land of opportunity. You will and must be the light of the world which is increasingly falling into darkness. A seed of hope had been planted unknown to the world. Are you blind, Nigerians?" That seed of hope is Leader O. O. Obu, the Sole Spiritual Head of the Universe. But Nigerians are blind to this truth.

It confirms the stand of REV. SUN MYUNG MOON that "when God declares an emergency, it is a tragedy." A tragedy indeed. The manifestation and subsequent commencement of the mission of Leader O. O. Obu in Nigeria signalled the declaration of a state of emergency in Nigeria.

I lament for Nigeria because for

the past eighty years, unknown to her, she has been living under the siege of the Holy Spirit. The non-recognition of Leader Olumba Olumba Obu by Nigerians is responsible for apparent darkness that has continuously engulfed this nation.

However, beneath this darkness is the light. The rays have penetrated the entire fabric of the human society, but Nigeria, from where He operates, has continued to resist His teachings on love, peace, compassion, mercy, unity, oneness, justice, equity, fairplay and that we must live as brethren and practise righteousness. And Martin Luther King once said, "we must learn to live as brothers or perish together as fools." Just as we have to cast our minds to the truth as espoused by Carlos P. Romulo that "Brotherhood is the very price and condition for human survival."

President Olusegun Obaşanjo must have known the genesis of the tragedy of this country when in one of his speeches, admitted that God is in Nigeria. He must know that, that God is propelling him in this battle to restore Nigeria to its lost splendor and glory. For him to do this successfully, he must remember that Confucius once said, "To know what is right and refuse to do it, is the worst cowardice." To assist him in this major crusade of wiping the tears from the eyes of Nigerians, Obaşanjo must understand that "No man is worth his salt who is not ready at all times to risk his well being, to risk his body, to risk his life in a great cause." That is the submission of Theodore Roosevelt. But this will not be applicable if Olusegun Obaşanjo will seek solace in the mighty hands of Leader Olumba Olumba Obu as he faces the Dragon in the name of Sharia.

Thank You Father.



ENOBONG EMAH

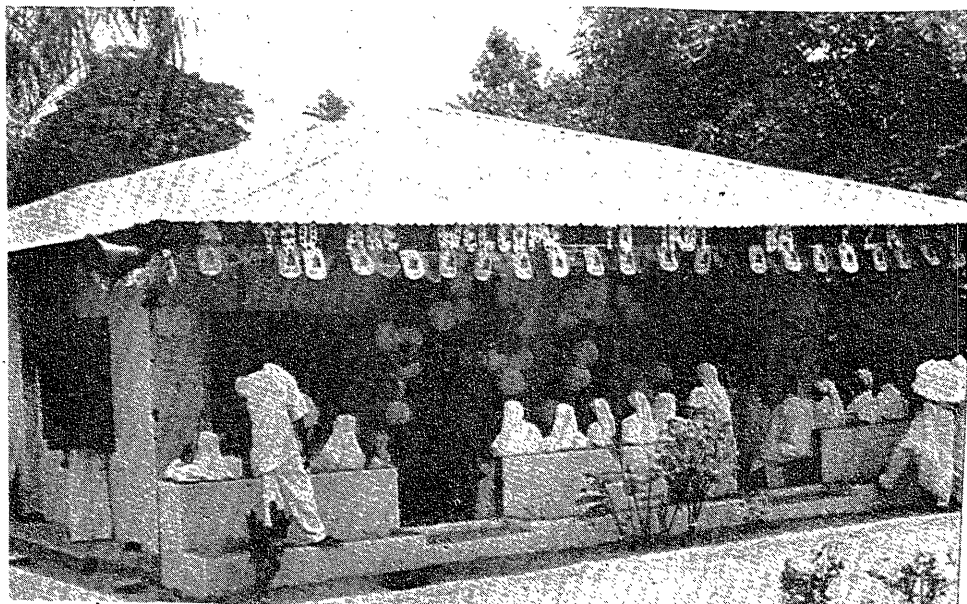
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secure the family, the woman must be spiritually violent in order to lead children in the ways of God. An example is cited in proverbs chapter 31 : 1 - 31. In leading her family, the woman must be violent. However, violent in this case, does not imply fighting, quarreling, hating, begrudging, abusing and/or cursing. It implies being prayerful. Most women tend to "use what they have to get what they want." This is crude violence to the woman's spiritual self. A woman must not idle away but live actively, doing profitable things to help herself and others around her. She does these in fulfillment of her essence in creation during when she was empowered to help the man who cannot manage alone successfully as well as others around her.

Thank You Father.



## LAGOS STATE



THIS IS THE BETHEL BUILT BY ELDER A. E. UDO TO THE GLORY OF THE FATHER IN IKOT ABA.

## BISHOP EKANEM CHARGES LAGOS BRETHERN

BY UMOH JAMES UMOH

The Lagos Regional Bishop of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, Bishop A. O. E. Ekanem has appealed to all Brotherhood members in the region never to be tired of serving God to the best of their ability and resources.

Bishop Ekanem who made the appeal during his recent official tour of BCS Bethels in Lagos said all those who invested their time, energy and resources to spread the teachings of Leader Olumba Olumba Obu will

be adequately rewarded.

The Bishop said the main focus of his administration will be to ensure that the teachings of Leader O. O. Obu are spread to all nooks and crannies of Lagos Region.

Bishop Ekanem emphasised the need for brethren to practise the teachings of the Father.

## MAFOLUKU BETHEL TO BUILD NSM CATHEDRAL

Mafoluku Bethel of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in Ikeja Zone, Lagos State, is to build a modern cathedral at an estimated cost of N5 Million.

This was announced in Lagos recently by the Leader's

Representative for Mafoluku Bethel, Elder Yeseme Jumbo.

Elder Jumbo said the cathedral will be constructed on two plots of land donated by Elder Joseph Salubi of BCS, Lagos.

Elder Jumbo prayed the Holy Father to bless Elder Salubi abundantly for donating the land for Mafoluku Bethel.

Construction of the new cathedral is to begin soon.

Thank You Father.

## MORE TRUMPET TO CIRCULATE IN LAGOS

BY NAMNSO ETUKUDO



ELDER JIMMY AGBEYEI  
CHAIRMAN TRF  
LAGOS STATE CHAPTER

Circulation of the New Kingdom Trumpet newspaper has been given a new boost in Lagos State. The new Circulation approach is spear-headed by the Trumpet Readers Family. With the new arrangement, the paper now gets to all Bethels. And the task of having this done, Trumpet learnt rests with the CNTM stationed in the State.

Commissioning the CNTM in the task of circulating the paper, Elder Jimmy Agbeyei State Chairman of TRF said they should view the assignment as part of their evangelical duty in the State. He reminded them that as the Father's Representative they should not relent in spreading

the Father's words which are recorded in the paper.

Accepting the task, the Chairman of the CNTM in Lagos Christ Witness Raphael thanked Elder Jimmy for the recognition accorded them and pledged to carry out the work in the best way the Father will direct and lead them. His words, "having recognized us and giving us this responsibility,

TRF Lagos should not worry about the circulation of Trumpet. We will convince members to know the importance of the Trumpet Newspaper. We will try our best."

Thank You Father.

The Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, Lagos Region, is organizationally structured on the following basis:

1. All nations within the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
2. Lagos State
3. Ogun State
4. Oyo State
5. Osun State
6. Kwara State

The Lagos Regional Bishop of BCS is Bishop A. O. E. Ekanem. The Leader's Representatives are: Deaconess F. O. Dada for Lagos, Pastor Oguntosin for Ogun State Apostle Joe Brown Agu for Oyo State; Elder J. E. Etim for Osun State and Pastor I. E. Essien for Kwara State.

The Lagos State which is the headquarters of the Lagos Region of the BCS has eight zones with not less than 35 registered Bethels.

Fellowships and Associations of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in Lagos State have elected new officers to pilot the affairs of their respective organisations for the year 2000.

The elected officials of these Fellowships and Association are:

### (1) Lagos State General Fellowship

- a) Chairman - Elder Stephen Pere-Albert
- b) Vice Chairman - Elder G. E. Eteka
- c) Co-chairman - Elder Jude Uwaezuoke
- d) Secretary - Elder Fred Nwosakwe
- e) Asst. Secretary - Sister Vivienne Bassey

## LAGOS DIARY

f) Fin. Secretary - Elder G. I. Agara

g) Treasurer - Sister Victoria Dandodo

h) Publicity Secretary - Elder Anthony Okafor

### (2) Lagos State Men's Fellowship

a) Elder P. N. Maduba - Chairman

b) Elder C. O. Ekunwe - Vice Chairman

c) Bro. Elijah B. Umoh - Secretary

d) Bro. Ndubuisi Nwakwaka - Assistant Secretary

e) Elder Sabinus I. Eke - Financial Secretary

f) Elder Augustine Akpan - Treasurer

g) Bro. Linus Anozie - PRO 1

h) Elder John Agbontaen - PRO 2

### (3) Lagos State Women's Fellowship

a) Deaconess Mercy Uteh-Ushede - President

b) Sister Victoria Dandodo - Vice President

c) Sister Lola Kadiri - Secretary

d) Sister Vivienne Bassey - Asst. Secretary

e) Deaconess Eke - Treasurer

f) Elder Ursula Obeka - Fin. Secretary

g) Sister Agoro - Mother 1

h) Sister Okoto - Mother 2

### (4) Lagos State Christ Natural Choristers Association (CNCA)

a) Chairman - Elder Effiong T. David

b) Vice Chairman - Elder Ikpeme O. Effiong

c) Secretary - Brother Eyo Charles

d) 1st Asst. Secretary - Brother Tony Ekpeyong

e) 2nd Asst. Secretary - Brother Enoch Obong

f) Fin. Secretary - Brother E. E. Eyoh

g) Treasurer - Elder Jacob Akoma

h) PRO 1 - Bro. Ekpenyong Akpan

i) PRO 2 - Bro. Goodluck Hilary Essien

j) Mother - Sister Sarah Ita

k) Asst. Mother - Sister Alice Ediyang

l) Welfare Officer - Elder John A. Ekanem

### (5) Lagos State Elders Fellowship

a) Chairman - Elder Ekpo Tom Inyang

b) Vice Chairman - Elder Jude Uwaezuoke

c) Secretary - Elder Fred Nwosakwe

d) Asst. Secretary - Elder N. U. Akang

e) Treasurer - Elder M. I. Ihewulezi

f) Fin. Secretary - Elder Sabinus I. Eke

g) Asst. Fin. Sec. - Elder Sam Ita

h) Publicity Sec. - Elder Anthony Okafor

i) Mother - Elder T. I. Ihewulezi.

### (6) All Ordained Ones Fellowship, Lagos.

a) Chairperson - Deaconess Rosemary Abosedo

b) Vice Chairman - Apostle Goodluck Adebulu

c) Secretary - Prophet Ifeanyi Okpala

d) Treasurer - Prophetess Betty Idiake

e) Financial Secretary - Deaconess Peterside

f) Welfare Officer - Prophetess Amaka Dickson.

### (7) Mercy Fellowship, Lagos State

a) Chairman - Elder Stephen Pere-Albert

b) 1st Vice Chairman - Elder C. O. Ekunwe

*To be continued*

## THE BROTHERHOOD PRESENTS

### CHOSEN CHILDREN

A MUSIC ALBUM BY THE B.C.S. 144,000 VIRGINS, CONTAINING 22 NATURAL SONGS (6 IN SIDE A, 16 IN SIDE B.)

DATE: SUNDAY, 9TH APRIL, 2000

TIME: 10.00 A.M.

VENUE: RUMUOMASI PENTECOSTAL CENTRE, RIVERS STATE.

ALSO FEATURED IN THIS MILLENNIUM SONGS ALBUM ARE 5 TRIO CHORISTERS SELECTED FROM DIFFERENT BCS CHOIRS IN CALABAR.

IT IS AN ALBUM TO BECKON WITH.

EFFIONG EWA 144,000 VIRGIN EXECUTIVE PRODUCER.



## RIVERS STATE

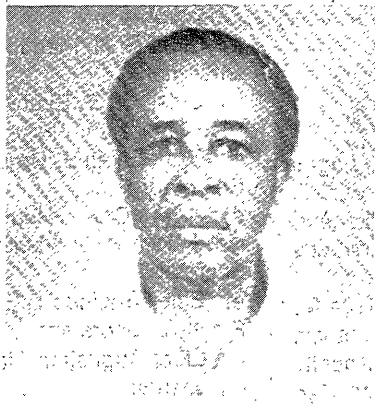
### 53 BRETHEN SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE

## AS BISHOP AKWANG VISITS RIVERS STATE

BY MATTS I. UDOAKA

In keeping with the scriptural injunction that a man should leave his parents and cleave to his wife and become one flesh, 53 couples from Rivers State tied the nuptial knots at 51 Ngo Street Cathedral, the Administrative headquarters of Region one. The exercise was one of the tedious engagements of Bishop Michael Akwang, the Regional Leader's Representative, during his first official visit to his area of jurisdiction.

After the day's gospel by the Bishop which centered on love and peace at home and everywhere, the grand event was carried out according to the preference of the Holy Spirit. Prominent among the blessed couples was Pastor and Deaconess Alex Igwe, and Elder



BISHOP M. AKWANG

and Sister Reginald Nwankwoala (Secretary and Co-chairman to the Board of Directors of the New Kingdom Trumpet respectively). The solemnization tagged, "Rivers Awareness 2000" was witnessed by the State L/R, Pastor (Onun) Ebenezer

Isokrari while Pastors L. C. Peters, J. D. Briggs and Dagogo Belgam assisted the Bishop.

His Lordship, Bishop Michael Akwang used the three day visit to inspect the spate of activities in Rivers State. Some of the places he touched were Presidential Bethel, 125 Aggrey Road, Ogu water front Bethel, which was commissioned by Deaconess Alice Akwang and Rumuomasi Pentecostal Zone.

The other places the Bishop visited include Akpajo in Eleme Local Government area where members requested for Pentecostal centre. He paid a courtesy visit on the Paramount Ruler of Akpajo, Elder Frederick Nwidaa who also doubles as the L/R of Akpajo Bethel. The Regional Bishop also went to Mgboji, where he commissioned the Mboji Pentecostal Centre in Oyibo Ndoki L.G.A.

The Bishop with his entourage had since returned to Calabar after these divine exercises.

Thank You Father.

## OGONI/OKRIKA COMMUNITIES PRAY FOR PEACEFUL DAYS

BY MATTS I. UDOAKA

Recently, women from the 4 local government areas of Ogoni observed a day's fasting and feasting in Sime Bethel, Tai LGA.

This was to enhance the Father speeding up the reconciliation in the Ogoni and

Okrika communities as revealed.

The women were led in the exercise by the Rivers State Mother, Deaconess Dorothy Osaronu.

Testifying, the Sime Bethel L/R, Elder Brother Donubari Mamawaa, hopes for peaceful days ahead as the

women have hearken to the divine order.

This exercise puts paid to the continued search for peace for the two warring communities. It was recalled that the Rivers State Government had set up a judiciary commission of inquiry to look onto the immediate and remote causes of the problems.

Thank You Father.

## AKWA IBOM

### BCS HONOURS PASTOR ABANG

BY MBAKARA EFIOK WITH EYIBIO ANTIA



PASTOR ABANG

Brethren in Akwa Ibom State recently gave honour to whom it is due, when they officially received Pastor Abang O. Abang now Commissioner in the Victor Attah led administration in Akwa Ibom State.

In a gospel that preceded the reception proper, Christ Witness Efiog Asuquo Udoh with texts drawn from

Matthew 20 : 25 - 28, I Corinth 10 : 24 and 1st Peter 4 : 10 - 11 drove home the message of true leadership and sacrificial service to humanity.

The State Leader's Representative, Pastor Leo Victor in his address, read by the State Secretary Cornel T. Udoh, lauded Governor Attah for appointing Pastor Abang into his cabinet. He used the opportunity to impress on the Governor to look into the issue of revoked BCS plots in the State.

Pastor Victor chided the Christians and Moslems for killing each other and described the act as barbaric. He prayed the Father to return sanity to the situation.

Governor Attah, who at the occasion was represented by Sir Sunday U. Akpan, Commissioner for Finance, poured encomiums on Pastor Abang and recounted his sterling qualities to include being humble, hardworking,

unassuming and disciplined.

He traced these qualities to the spiritual teachings that Pastor Abang benefits from Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. He called on the brethren to pray for continuous unity and stability in the State.

In his response Pastor Abang thanked the Brethren for honouring him, his colleagues for sharing in his day of honour and the Father for continuously protecting Akwa Ibom State.

In his reaction at the occasion, His Holiness Olumba Olumba Qbu, represented by Pastor Bassey Otu, who was accompanied by Brother Charles Odigie, Senior Christ Servant Nkoyo Akpan, traced the history of the creation of Akwa Ibom State and dovetailed his treatise on the celebration of the Feast ordered by the Father for the mainland part of Cross River State.

It was after this feast that Akwa Ibom State was

## RIVERS CNCA CHANGE EXCO

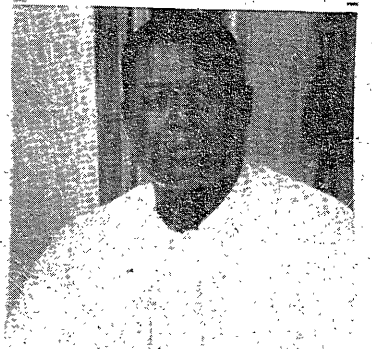
BY MATTS I. UDOAKA

The Christ Natural Choristers' Association, Rivers State, has changed its 1999 Executive council.

Consequently, the peaceful election saw Elder Brother Jonathan Ago, as the State Chairman. Other Officers are:

Brother David Lambart - Vice Chairman, Brother Edwin Amadi - Secretary, Brother Elijah Ogwutum bagged the post of the Assistant Secretary, while the State Mother's post went to Sister Sohton Igbi Kialobo.

Delivering his post election speech the State Chairman, Brother Jonathan Ago, solicited for the co-operation of all and sundry and promised to carry every chorister along with him. In his valedictory remarks the immediate post Chairman Brother Tony Young intimated



BRO. JONATHAN AGO

choristers that the controversial bus purchase issue has been almost resolved and that N32,000.00 has been recovered from the vehicle dealer. He promised to assist the incoming executive to recover the balance of N53,000.00 still pending.

The election was conducted by the Rivers/Bayelsa Regional Supervisor, Brother Ema Okoli. Thank You Father.

## CROSS RIVER

### NORTHERN CROSS RIVER MAKES STRIDES

BY ENOBONG EMAH

Since the re-structuring of Cross River State into three Administrative groups - Northern, Central and Southern - the Northern group has made wonderful strides, to the glory of the Father.

Headed by the Father in-Elder Ndoma A. Nyambi, the Group's Deputy Leader's Representative the Northern group which comprises Ikom, Etung, Boki, Yala, Ogoja, Obudu, Obanliku and Bekwara which hitherto was isolated from the State's activities is now fully committed in this Kingdom's services. The group has embarked on several rotational evangelical/administrative meetings. For the first time, the Holy Father's birthday was celebrated in a grand style at Ikom. The ceremony

witnessed the presentation of souvenirs and food items, variety shows, outing and appreciation to the Holy Father.

The group, in January, 2000 also played host to the State's Children's Fellowship which Anniversary was celebrated. The occasion featured outing, competitive football matches, Quiz competition, among other activities. Prizes were duly awarded to winning teams in football, singing exercise, Drama and Quiz.

The Northern group remains grateful to the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu, King of kings, His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu, and Her Holiness, Queen Ibun Olumba Obu for their support and continuous guidance.

Thank You Father.

created, the King's Representative enthused. He reiterated the truth that the creation of AKS was not meant for hatred, discrimination and riots; and called on all and sundry to make haste and utilize the new name of God to abate the present problems facing mankind.

Almost all Commissioners in Akwa Ibom State attended the reception, prominent among them being Dr. and Mrs Efiog Edunam, Commissioner for Education,

Chief (Dr.) Chris Akpan Commissioner for Rural Development and other Permanent Secretaries. The Christ True New Missionaries were also represented by their International chairman, Christ Witness Ubong I. James.

It would be recalled Pastor Abang O. Abang was baptised into the fold in 1983. He was ordained a Prophet in 1985 and promoted Pastor in 1986.

Thank You Father.



BY OKEZIE AKA-UDE

## A STAR GOES HOME

APOSTLE GODSPower O. HUMPHREY  
(1956 - 2000)

*"With saiveness, tact and sanction, he handled the most controversial and troublesome issues in the Association. In these matters, he was crowned a genius."*

Apostle Godspower Humphrey left this earth plane in a diplomatic and subtle manner. The same way he managed his life.

A dynamic leader, whose oratorical skills are now legendary affected the lives of most BCS members in general and Abasites in particular between the mid eighties and nineties. With saiveness, tact and sanction he handled the most controversial and troublesome issues in the Association; be it at the Chapter, State, National or International levels. In these matters he was crowned a genius. Apostle Humphrey's impressive credentials in ABAS began in his days as an undergraduate of the then University of Cross River State (UNICROSS) where he obtained an NCE and a Bachelors Degree.

It was his zeal to

serve that earned him appointment to the elevated office of the International President, a position he held from 1987 - 1998. His achievements includes organising talk shows, publications, one of which is a book entitled "Realities of our times". The zenith was the striding contribution in the 1997 International Conference which dealt on 'Forty years of the

Holy Father's teachings, held at the prestigious Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA) Kofu Abayomi, Lagos. He was also to lead ABAS International Evangelical Missions to Kenya and Ghana.

These events sparked off a revolution of ideas and a more radical approach in disseminating the teachings; of the Holy Father now on earth. It was also during his tenure as President that the Association of Brotherhood Academic Scholars introduced regionalisation in the affairs of the National Body. This system of administration was adopted later by the BCS Executive Council, the highest policy decision making body in the New Kingdom.

This gesture confirmed Presido as a visionary and innovative leader. Until he passed on, he pioneered ABAS and the World Universities Ministry pro-

gramme of creating an acceptable curriculum for the teachings of Brotherhood as a course of study under Comparative Religion. This was during his Master's Degree Programme in the University of Jos, Nigeria.

Apostle Humphrey has indeed not died. He has undergone a transformation, putting off mortality and putting on immortality. But, in reality, Presido deceived all because at a time his talents were needed in the BCS World Headquarters and ABAS, the star decided to go home without resistance.

He will be missed by members of the Association of Brotherhood Academic Scholars, his immediate family, his sister, and children, the entire Brotherhood World for his wonderful contributions to the Kingdom and his teeming admirers.

Apostle Godspower Humphrey, Emeritus ABAS International President and Grand Patron, Good-bye, until that great day, when we shall meet to part no more.

Thank You Father.

There is but one who died salvifically (to procure salvation) for us, and able to say unto death, "hitherto shalt thou go, and no farther; only one unliving death, which makes gardens of graves, and that which was sown in corruption to arise and flourish in glory; when death itself shall die, and living shall have no period; when life not death, shall be the wages of sins, when the second death shall prove a miserable life, and destruction shall be courted." - Sir Thomas Browne (1605 -1682)

The entire Brotherhood world woke up in the early hours of Tuesday, the 8th of Feb 2000, to the unbelievable news of the passing away of one of the most valuable gems of the New Kingdom, Apostle Godspower Humphrey. Until his transition, he was the immediate past International President of Association of Brotherhood academic Scholars (ABAS).

Your ascension to the seat of ABAS leadership in 1987 never meant you only existed from that time. You had been there as a living soul and without vestiges of impurity because God is the only Perfect Being.

Your ineffable and tolerant nature of handling ABASITES at all levels; the diplomatic touch given official issues and policy decisions of ABAS as a Body and the deterministic spirit with which tasks were carried out during your tenure saw a growing ABAS cruising through hills, valleys, rocky and plain lands with ease. Hence the INFINITE manifested the spread, growth, successes, and little losses of ABAS in Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya and U. K. (London) during your eleven years reign (1987 - 1977).

You were attracted to Bishop (Dr.) G. I. S. Amadi, the Global Director of the World Universities Ministry of Brotherhood (WUMB) - a body which the Sole Spiritual Head of the Universe saddled with the responsibility of articulating His well-explained teachings to the academia throughout the world.

Perhaps you never tread upon holy lanes while on earth to be called an angel, but the spice you added (as the Vice Chairman of the planning Committee) to the efforts of souls unnumbered, leading to the victory of the first ever "International Conference on 40 years teachings of Leader Olumba Olumb Obu" held on Saturday May 17, 1997, can never be trodden under foot.

As a strong acceptor of Leader Obu's teachings, which is corroborated by Lao Russell's concept that God works with man and not for man, you had always believed in hardwork which glorifies God and brings blessings to humanity. Without noise, the challenge to extend God's teachings to the academia rang a louder bell. Perhaps,

## A SAGE PASSES ON

Apostle Godspower Humphrey  
(1956 - 2000)

the sound of that bell pushed you through the rigours of an M. A. (Masters of Arts) Degrée in "Church History" with intention to serve your Father better as a Scholar under the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star research chair. The ultimate aim was to project the true teachings of Our Lord Jesus Christ as taught by the Supernatural Teacher, Leader O. O. Obu.

You ended the University of Jos throes and thrills with the original intention amended by the unquestionable Holy of holies. You had no other option than to obey. "Etinyin Abasi" Nursery School became a divine design. Every one who came your way found in you a man to depend on. You touched the lives of children, adults, males, and females.

But could death be so powerful to snatch you away at the verge of having a Ph. D. in view? Just as one seeks to envision you becoming vindicated, DEATH comes. O! Death where lies thy sting and power?

We at the world Universities Ministry of Brotherhood believe that you are not dead but have been called for



LATE APOSTLE GODSPower HUMPHREY

*"The world is in constant conspiracy of calumnising heroes while alive. We, in WUMB testify that those who never knew your value while alive are those who have now come to terms with the fact that you were the best that passed through the leadership of ABAS. Let it remain a posthumous honour from them and we pray you value it even in death."*

higher duties; we believe that only men as kind hearted, peace-loving, humble, harmless, hardworking God-fearing, calm and calculating, intelligent and diplomatic like you could be easily transferred to briskly reincarnate into ten thousand persons (of your kind of spirit and soul) to make the work of reconstruction and transformation of the constituents of the world easy for your Father, God. Humphrey, for this noble course, you left us unannounced and when you were needed most. We proposed, but God disposed. You are here in spirit. We have lost with your physical frame that returns to mother earth. But your spirit sails on. The parting strains are great.

We are sad indeed, our bowls of tears can never dry. The wounds your exit has created in our hearts may not heal easily. To those whom you have left behind, we call on the Almighty Father and Comforter of the distressed to comfort, guide and give them fortitude to bear such great and irreparable loss.

We will never cease to share with others our sweet experiences gained through our years of closeness to you.

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ADIEU APOSTLE  
GODSPower HUMPHREY, MAY  
YOUR SOUL REST IN PERFECT  
PEACE AMEN.

By Executive members of World  
Universities Ministry of Brotherhood  
(WUMB).



# LIFE AFTER LIFE

witnessed. As the victim was helped to his feet by sympathizers, the man in blue brocade was nowhere to be found. HE HAD VANISHED.

(Daily Times of 26 June 1993, page 12).

## DEAD MAN BREEDS FAMILY

It happened at a house located near the small retail market adjacent to a filling station at Agege. It was the second week in January 1993. A large crowd had gathered around a weeping lady in her late 20s, carrying a toddler on her back and holding a small boy by her side. The boy was also in tears as his helpless and confused mother was being confronted by an aggressive woman.

In-between her sobs, the weeping woman told the crowd her strange story. Four years ago, she married a man in Jos and they had the children with her. After the two issues, her husband decided that they all should return to Lagos and settle in his house. On arrival at his house in Agege, the husband opened the room and asked them to wait for him while he went to greet a neighbour. While waiting for her husband to come back, this woman here (pointing at the aggressive woman) "came and challenged her - wanting to know why she was here and who she is." She told the aggressive woman that she was the wife of the owner of the house and that she and her two children were waiting for him as he just opened the



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room for them and went to greet a friend. But the woman did not believe her story and raised an alarm - claiming that she is the wife of the man who had the house, and that the man had died and was buried four years ago. Neither woman believed the other's story, each insisting to be the man's wife. However, the saving-grace was that the two children with the woman from Jos, bore very striking resemblance of the dead man - who did not turn again. The woman from Jos and her children were then taken to the nearby Police Station where she made a written statement. (Daily Times of 31 July, 1993, page 10).



## HIS HOLINESS OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU GHOST OF SUNKEN SHIP REAPPEARS IN THE ATLANTIC

The ghost of the Atlantic continues to terrorize fishermen, ship passengers and even airline pilots. The spectre of the huge Ocean Liner has been sighted, at least a dozen times during the past three years and hundreds of times since it SANK 80 YEARS AGO. Witnesses claim they have even heard the solemn strains of "Nearer My God to Thee," which reputedly was the last piece of music played by the ill-fated ship's band before it slipped beneath ice-capped waves, taking 1,500 people to a watery grave.

"The sightings seem to have increased since the remains of the ship were found in 1985," says Malcolm Bates, an American expert on the Titanic. Recently, a British Airways Pilot and Navigator say they saw the ghost ship prowling through the night on a flight from London to Montreal. "At first, we thought it was a real ship, but then it suddenly sailed right through a large iceberg," says the Pilot, who asked to remain anonymous.

The mammoth Liner was seen last summer by the 12-man crew of a Norwegian fishing trawler, who said it was drifting aimlessly in the murky waters off Iceland. "It was truly A GHOST SHIP," says the Trawler's Captain, Bert Holland. "She was silent and appeared deserted. The sides were covered with rust and seaweed, and there was a terrible hole in the prow. And we heard the faint strains of "Nearer My God To Thee" drifting over the water, but there were no other sounds." The Navigator of the ship snapped some photographs and later compared them to photos of the Titanic. "There's no question of what we saw," says the pilot. The crew of a Portuguese fishing ship saw the ship suddenly appear out of nowhere and plow through the waves within 100 yards of their vessel. "The sound of laughter and dance music drifted to us faintly and I could smell food cooking," recalls Diego Campos, the ship's First-mate.

"There's no doubt that we saw the Titanic. Her immense size and her four funnels left no questions." The Titanic was the biggest and most luxurious Liner in the world when it set out on its first voyage from Southampton, England to New York on April 10, 1912.

The 882-foot-long ship included everything from Turkish baths to a French sidewalk care... It carried 2,500 passengers and a crew of 900. Shortly

before midnight on April 14, the majestic Liner hit an iceberg and sank with 1,500 passengers. There are people who say the troubled souls who died with her will never rest - and neither will the Titanic. (Culled from the Sun, and reported by Punch of 23 June 1992, page 9).

## GHOST OF PIRATE SHIP ATTACKS CRUISE LINER

Hundreds of terrified cruise ship passengers claim an 18th Century Pirate Ship stalked them for almost an hour as they sailed on the Southern edge of the Devil's Triangle. Officers claim that the ship opened fire on the cruise ship Dolphin Queen. "I could see the Jolly Rogers flying," says Miami-area resident Marline Shiner. "It looked just like the ships in those old pirate movies." Professor Robert Needham, a Midwestern University history Professor, says. "I have read hundred of descriptions and seen countless sketches of the Queen Anne's Revenge, and I have no doubt that it was the ship of the infamous buccaneer Edward Teach, other wise known as Blackbeard."

Teach was an English pirate who raided Spanish galleons in the Caribbean during the early 1700's and later British and French ships along the South-Eastern coast of America. Passengers on the Dolphin Queen say the Ghostly ship travelled paralleled with their Liner for almost an hour before disappearing about 30 miles north of Barbados. Engineer Patrick Lawson and second officer Miguel Santos claim the GHOST SHIP OPENED FIRE about 10 minutes after it first appeared. "I saw puffs of smoke from the cannon, but we were too far apart. The cannon balls must have fallen well short," says Santos. When Santos reported the broadside (shooting) to Ortiz, the ship's Captain, he ordered the Dolphin Queen to sail away from the GHOSTLY SHIP. But even under full steam, the cruise ship could not widen the distance between itself and the ghostly ship. Then the phantom vessel disappeared without warning. Strange and mysterious things happened in the Devil's Triangle." (Culled from the Sun and reported in Punch of 29th October 1992 - page 10).

The above "modern" stories support the Holy Father's teachings of Life Beyond the Grave through physical transfer to another place or through re-incarnation, or Life After Life in the Spiritual world. At present, the Holy Father is about to change us from our temporary life of birth-death-birth, by destroying that last enemy which is death to permanent houses, so that we may become immortal. Do you want it?

Vegetarianism may be the first step. True vegetarianism eliminates from our bodies certain chemicals contained in certain foods. These chemicals affect our bodies' emotions, moods and reactions. Some arouse anger, some sexual desire, some physical attributes such as pride, pomposity etc. - and all these work against spiritual growth. Hence the Holy Father asks us to take the first step and embrace vegetarianism for our good. Will you take that first step?

Thank You Father.

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## HUMPHREY IS ALIVE!

BY MGBOWAJI MICAH

Humphrey is not dead  
He lives with his Father, glorified.  
To us is presented  
an incomprehensible mystery.

The Mystery that batters and confounds  
Man's claim of knowledge.  
The Mystery that twists and besets the  
memories of his beloved ones but incites  
joys to others.

Apostle Humphrey is not dead  
The great divine says;  
He is our generator for many more  
Humphreys  
See! feel! they are here and there.

Where are then, the paid Mockers?  
Where are the trained pulpit puppets?  
The metaphysicians and competitors?  
Tell them; Humphrey lives in God's  
bosom now and ever.

If Humphrey has answered a supreme  
call, why the flood from our eyes!  
Why the lamentations and murmurs!  
He is only multiplied.

To other, there are vines, ascending  
broken minds of death terraces;  
They moan and groan with roaring  
resonances. And in their pseudo -  
Christian exertion; deny the supreme  
order of God.

But we know Humphrey's God does not  
enslave progress. Nothing is nipped. In  
Him no discontinuity, no darkness, no  
mistakes.  
Except that man cannot understand this.

Who then in the depth of conscience can  
say Humphrey is an offender?  
He is an incomparable man's model  
He is chaste in thought and conduct  
Saintly in all inclinations.

Mother is sad like Mary  
And foes like the Jews  
But I echo this sublime truth  
Napoleon is dead,  
Socrates, Plato, Aristotle dead Perhaps.  
But Apostles Peter and Humphrey are  
living  
Because in God there is eternity. Hence  
Brotherhood today celebrates his  
coronation in Heaven.



It is a known truth that about two thousand years ago, our Lord Jesus Christ manifested on earth. He taught with divine simplicity and practically demonstrated for all the path to Godliness. The world bore eloquent testimony of the truths He enunciated.

His initial disciples on His demise were imposed with the name Christians - at Antioch. With them Christianity was founded as a religion. Christians are supposed to be those who move in His steps.

However, Christians of the Roman Catholic era charted a different course. They modified the divine tenets handed down by our Lord Jesus Christ to suit their whims and caprices. A Christian cult emerged with the Pope as the "Christ". Insatiable capitalistic economic pursuits and brazen political agenda overtook the church. The Pope became synonymous with the State and Church. Unquantifiable wealth belonging to individuals were bequeathed to the papal coffer. The church toppled governments and enthroned stooges. Christianity instead of sending light into the world became an agent of darkness, the Antichrist.

Even then, dissenting voices arose. Martin Luther was one. William Tyndale another, John Wesley another one. Instead of using love to approach the young men, they were discredited, ostracised and made persona-non-grata even in the household of God. Men were publicly burnt at stake incarcerated and maimed in public places and in monasteries by the so-called custodian of Christian doctrines. The Mosaic law of

## THE WORD OF TRUTH

CHRISTIANS  
AS  
ANTICHRISTS

retaliation was resurrected while the law of love, the only way of transforming our enemies as taught by our Lord Jesus Christ was trampled under feet.

Two thousand years after, the situation has moved from bad to worse. Self-denial as the only path to spiritual exaltation has been abandoned for unrighteous debauchery and public recognition. Self acclaimed Christians flood the law courts and police stations to have their offenders nailed. Forgiveness, they claim is a prerogative of God only. Yet they are Christians. Coveteousness is on the ascendancy in our churches. Female evangelists snatch husbands from their female members.

Pastors seduce wives of their converts. Evangelists become film stars, acting parts that exhibit antichrist qualities. Yet, their followers still call them Christians. Not only Christians, but born again Christians.

Easter is here again. How many Christians have happily accepted the yoke of tribulation? How many still remember the condition of discipleship which is carrying the

Cross after Him? The destitute, orphans, demented, diseased, hungry, hopeless, lame, blind, deaf and dumb fill the streets, yet Christians are engaged in the sinful acts of amassing illegal wealth and creating unrighteous heaven for themselves to the utter disregard for the less privileged. Sugar coated born again Christians are increasing every minute claiming self-righteousness with subtle intentions to defraud their members. They call the name of the Lord with religious piety but their hearts are far from the Lord.

In all ramifications, Christians, in their behaviour and utterances, have projected themselves as antichrist over the centuries. They have consistently refused to love and follow faithfully the footsteps of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we commemorate the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ at Easter, we, at Trumpet believe that all Christians the world over should take a cue from Pope John Paul II who in recent times apologised for seven categories of sins and finally said,

"We forgive and we ask for forgiveness. We are asking pardon for the division among Christians, for the use of violence that some have committed in the service of truth and for attitudes of mistrust and hostility assumed towards followers of other religions. We are deeply saddened by the behaviour of those who in the course of history have caused these children to suffer and asking your forgiveness, we wish to commit ourselves to genuine Brotherhood." This is a good volta-face which the Christian world must emulate.

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TRUMPET'S ASSISTANT  
EDITOR NOW DEACONESS

Sister Enobong Emah, the Assistant Editor of the New Kingdom Trumpet has been elevated a Deaconess by the Father. Sister Emah's promotion came during the Akwa Ibom State Mercy Fellowship visit to the Father.

The Editor's rise does not come as a surprise, as she excels in the discharge of her duties in the vineyard.

The daughter of a renowned Pastor, and missionary, joined the New Kingdom Trumpet barely two months now and has worked assiduously to help improve its contents.

Thank You Father.

BRO NSAN TAKON  
JOINS TRUMPET  
FAMILY

Brother Nsan Takon, a one time Editor in the Everlasting Gospel Centre, and present Secretary General of the Association of Brotherhood Academic Scholars has joined the Trumpet family as a Reporter/Researcher.

His engagement is expected to boost the present work force in the establishment. Brother Nsan has since assumed duties.

Thank You Father.

## THE HEALING WOUNDS 002 Cheery's

LOOK, EMEM, YOU KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN TO ME... YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I WANT YOU TO BE MY WIFE! BUT THAT OBU IS - IS... I MEAN, CAN'T YOU DUMP THAT CULT?



IS THAT WHAT YOU CALL BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR?... A CULT?! JUST A WEEK AGO YOUR DAD CALLED OUR FATHER A BLOOD SUCKER AND A DEVIL, BUT HOW MANY OF THESE NAMES THAT YOU CALL HIM HAVE CHANGED HIM FROM BEING WHAT OR WHO HE IS?... TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, IME, I CAN'T QUIT BROTHERHOOD, OR CULT AS YOU CALL IT, BECAUSE OF YOU OR ANOTHER... JUST MARRY SOMEONE ELSE!



TO BE CONTINUED



## THE NATION

## SHARIA AND THE NATION

BY EYIBIO ANTIA

The relative calm and peace that Nigeria enjoyed at the onset of the Obasanjo administration has been punctuated not with comas but unending parentheses. And within the parentheses are mind boggling national issues that threaten the continuous corporate existence of Nigeria.

On the altar of extenuating approach, the government mortgaged the briskness with which explosive national issues like the Niger Delta crisis, the Odua people's congress bluff and the anarchy that followed, the Ife-Modakeke clashes coupled with the official military desecration of a town called Odi in Bayelsa State. And all these happened at a time that our nation was in dire need of credibility by the international community and genuine foreign investors.

And before the nations administrators could shake off their lethargic syndrome, the big one happened. SHARIA. And Sharia is poised to tear Nigeria apart while we watch. Sharia, a hitherto unpopular diction has been exhumed from the Islamic lexicon and made to ascend a monstrous dimension by practitioners of Islam. And the unexpected calamity this six letter word has wrecked on Nigeria is beyond the understanding of the rest of us who are not Islamic faithfuls.

But, what is Sharia? Hon Justice Mohammed Bello, former Chief Justice of the Supreme court defines it thus, "In its generality, Sharia covers all aspects of human endeavour be it economical, political, social, theological and is a way of life of a muslim from his birth to the time he will be buried in a grave. It prescribed the "hudube" the prayer for receiving him as a baby at birth, it also specified the size and dimensions of his grave, how to wrap his corpse and how to lay it therein."

With this definition, it seems that Sharia is the sum total of the muslims way of life. It means muslims cannot exist on earth without Sharia. Fortunately muslims had survived in Nigeria for decades without the full implementation of Sharia. It could be in the true spirit of practising Islam to the letter that Sharia was declared state religion in Zamfara state by Governor Ahmed Sani. A few other states like Kaduna, Niger followed suit while others are still warning up to embrace Sharia.

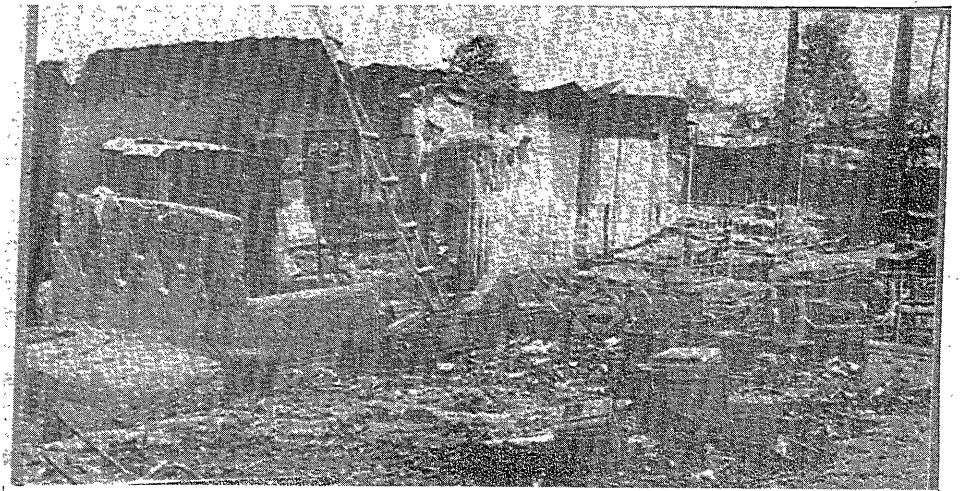
However, ever since the sudden realisation of the Islamic faithfuls to declare sharia in the various states, tongues have wagged, tension raised beyond normal and heavens let loose. The issue has generated unparalleled controversy in the history of this nation. Academics, clergymen of various make, human rights activists, opinion leaders, statesmen and all have either questioned the rationale or otherwise of introducing Sharia. And most evocations point to the fact that there is something negatively wrong with sharia's introduction.

President Olusegun Obasanjo from the onset described the introduction of sharia as unconstitutional. The leader of the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) Dr. Sunday Mbang in a

programme on African Independent Television called "Boiling Point" promised "to use everything in its armoury to fight for the rights of non Muslims citizens of Nigeria" while Shiekh El Zak-Zaky leader of the Shitte movement in Nigeria "has also prophesied that the Islamic legal system will not last."

While the believers in Sharia uphold that drunks, commercial sex workers, tricksters, gamblers, homosexuals and lesbians, brothel operator and 419ers will have to be whipped into line with the introduction of Sharia, others have asked if these vices constitute the only yardstick for the practise of true Islam? Does Islam not take Cognisance of serious vices as misappropriation and embezzlement of public funds? Does it not make provision for general morality? Saka Yekini in his write up in the Punch while attempting to support Sharia work said:

"But giving the propensity of



BRAZEN ACTS OF DESTRUCTION IN THE NAME OF RELIGION

Here Christians protest against sharia while an Islamic leader disagrees with it. Archbishop Abiola Adetiloye former Primate of the Anglican Communion in Nigeria thinks differently. He says "The introduction of sharia in Nigeria should be seen as good news, sharia will be a blessing in disguise to Christians. Christians will make good converts from Muslims who will run away from the hardship of sharia to Christ". Kicking against the introduction of Sharia at least for now, Alhaji Mohammed Abdulraham maintains that "the real Muslims believe that it is not time for Sharia... the prolonged military rule has not been able to put truth and the fear of God in us. Can Sharia work under this condition?"

These are not the only dissenting voices. Wole Soyinka, Nobel laureate and international critic of world events says: "But I am just saying that this is every bit a serious breakdown of law and order, the harbinger of a state of anomie in the country and the prelude to war, civil war." Alhaji Shehu Shagari and General Muhammed Buhari have sounded the irreversibility of sharia in the core northern States. Why has it become pertinent to legalise sharia, soul, mind and body now in Nigeria? Is this a justification that Muslims in Nigeria were not conscious of the spiritual contents of their religion until now? And what is the rationale in introducing full blown Sharia in a country that is supposed to be secular? Does the introduction of Sharia not amount to a declaration of sovereign nation within a nation? These questions and more have put question mark on the need for the existence of Nigeria as a nation.

some northerners to go into public office to make it' at the expense of the suffering masses and public morality and the fact that they generally get away with their loot, perhaps sharia could be the saving grace rather than what the public currently perceives it to be. It is the belief of this writer that sharia law is coming too late: rulers like the late Sani Abacha, and their cronies who unleashed terror on Nigerians would have had their hands and legs chopped off by now or possibly they would have been beheaded for their crimes against humanity."

Despite the repeated call by the Governor of Sharia infected states that, the law will not deal with non Muslims, others find it difficult to believe since by introducing sharia, non Muslims are already deprived of certain rights due them as Nigerians in such places. Jacob Alabi while X-raying the situations writes, "the fact is that once you have an Islamic state of Zamfara, you should expect a Christian State of Port Harcourt, Osun or Ogun or an animist state of who ever knows where" He followed up his argument by submitting that, "it follows that any state or any part of the country that unilaterally declares a state religion and state constitution ceases to be a part of the Nigerian society automatically."

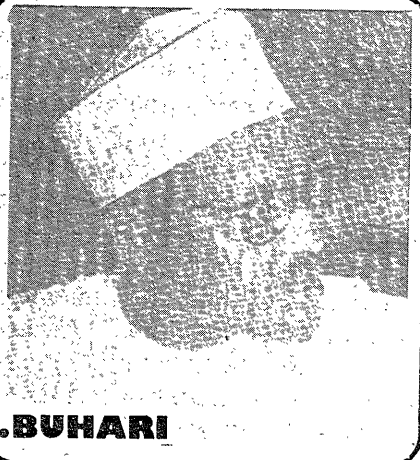
He goes further to say "It is understandable if certain group of Muslims including NACOMYO now begins to process a separate identity in view of the activities of some of their notable fellow worshippers who attacked democracy, looted the nations treasury to the extent of corporal impoverishment, killed Muslims and non Muslims in cold blood and engaged in brazen fornication.

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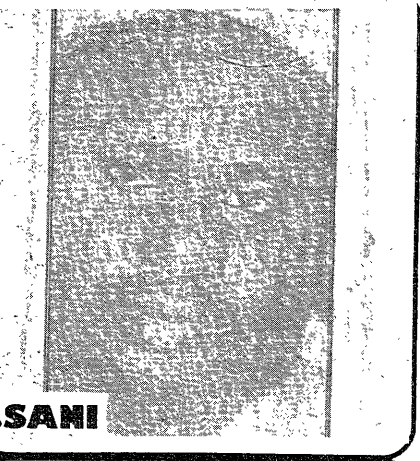
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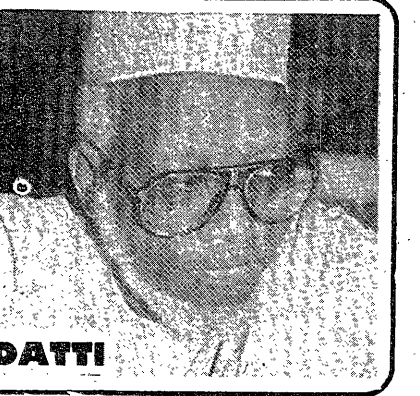
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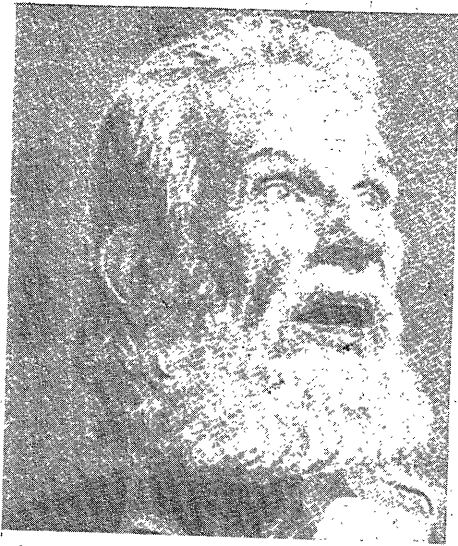
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# LIFE AFTER LIFE

## DEAD HUSBAND HEALS WIFE

In the village of Okafia-Igbere, in Abia State, between 1987 to 1988, Eunice was a very sick widow. Her sickness defied every treatment, and when all hopes of her recovery were lost, she was abandoned to her fate in her house. One midnight when the sickness reached the apex, and she thought she was going to die, she managed to sit up and started talking to the empty room she was in. She called on her husband who had died many years ago, and said, "John, it appears that you want me to join you over there. Just remember that if I die now, no one will take care of our only child, and he may also die. And that will close the family name. Well, it is your family name, not mine. So, you better watch it. Anyway, what are you doing



PROPHET ELIJAH - HE CAME AS JOHN THE BAPTIST

over there that you cannot protect us?..." After pouring out her heart to the empty room, she lay down to try to sleep. Immediately, there were knocks and calls on her door. "Eunice! Eunice! Eunice! Open the door for me", said the voice outside. "Who is knocking?" she asked. "Don't you know my voice again?" asked the voice outside. "I am John, your husband. Open the door."

Without fear or hesitation, she managed to get up and opened the door. Her dead husband walked in and said: "I heard all what you said. Now, bring that basin nearer you and follow me". She took the basin and followed him. They conversed and strolled past the village square, past some churches and past the School Football field, and beyond. Somewhere on the road, the husband reached for some herbs and gave her to eat. And after eating the herbs she was completely healed. She told her husband that she had been healed. On reaching a certain point on the road, the husband said: "Now let's return home we have gone far enough and you are now well. I am watching over you and nothing will happen to you". They started returning home. Somewhere on the road, the husband vanished.

After calling on him for many times in vain, she continued her homeward journey alone. It was about 5 a.m. - the time Palm-wine Tappers, who are usually the earliest people to wake up

go for their wine. The palm-wine tappers were very surprised to see her already home-ward bound. They asked, "Eunice! How come you are already homeward bound at such time of the morning? It appears your sickness has eased up?"

"Yes! I went to some where with my husband, and somewhere along the road he gave me some herbs to eat. After eating the herbs, I was completely healed. But as we were returning home, he vanished. That's why I am returning alone", replied Eunice.

"Did you say with your husband?", the shocked Palm-wine Tappers asked. "Yes"

Some of them promptly took to their heels in great fright. But soon, her story was the talk of the town. People from far and near came to hear her strange story and her miraculous healing. Eunice has refused to re-marry,

that she and her husband needed the fishes to settle a land dispute, but that when she went home yesterday without the fishes, her husband asked her to go and bring them. The girl then gave the fishes to the woman and she left.

When her parents returned from the farm, she told them what had happened and gave the aged woman's name and village. The parents went to the village the aged woman claimed to have come from. After many enquiries they were told that there was no woman like that in the village - but however, a woman who answered the name mentioned had died at old age many years ago, with her husband. The couple returned in fear. A few days after, at midnight, the couple heard their daughter screaming: "Oh! leave me alone. Why do you want to kill me? What have I done to you?" They rushed to the girl's room to find her crying with swollen and slightly bruised eyes. She said the aged woman who came for the fishes was the one beating her up. Now, it was the couple's turn to scream with fear. They screamed until all the neighbours woke up and came to the scene. The story was told to the horror-stricken neighbours. And as the story continued a certain strange noise was heard in the girl's room. People rushed in to investigate. They were shocked to see the three fishes in the room. That was when everyone scampered away in fright. In the morning some Elders of the village were summoned. They said they knew of no precedence. However, one of them advised that the fishes be returned to the barber's shade in the market and left there. This was done, and since then no incident has occurred. The market hold every eight days. And the fishes have finally disappeared.

## GHOST WALKS IN LAGOS

C. M. C. Bus Stop is alive as usual. This particular day people waited for buses that would not come. Suddenly there were shouts of Thief! Thief! A small crowd had gathered, and a light complexioned man about six feet tall, clad in blue guinea brocade was giving another man the beating of his life. But the man being beaten told the crowd that he was no thief. He said his name was Victor Ikem Ugwu, from Nsukka in Nsukka Local Government Area of Enugu State. And the Emeka - pointing at the man in blue brocade who was beating him, was from the same area as himself, but that Emeka had been dead and buried for the past three years. Everyone looked at the man in brocade, his face was expressionless. Victor continued: "In Nsukka, it is believed that people who die move to another state or town, and if seen, sand is thrown at them, or if their blood touches the ground, they will come back home." And so, Victor on seeing "Emeka walking leisurely in Lagos, decided he must rescue Emeka and take him home. He summoned courage and called at Emeka who refused to answer. Thinking that Emeka wanted to escape because he had been discovered, Victor scooped sand and threw at him. Emeka was enraged and promptly gave Victor three slaps. Undaunted, Victor rushed to a shade, bought a razor blade and gave Emeka two deep cuts on either side of the face. Then Emeka got really mad and descended on the luckless Victor and gave him the beating everyone

## JOHN THE BAPTIST HE WAS ELIJAH

and today she is an example for everybody to see.

## DEAD WOMAN COMES TO MARKET:

In December 1991, in the same Okafia-Igbere village, a woman went to the Town's market about two kilometres from her village. She left her basin in a Barber's shade and went to make purchases. She returned to see three big fishes in her basin. She asked the barber about the fishes. The barber and his customers swore they knew nothing about the fishes; it was true, that nobody had even gone near the woman's basin. The woman however went into the market and enquired from all her acquaintances and friends about the fishes. All denied knowing anything about the fishes. As a last resort, the barber and his customers asked the women to take the fishes home in the hope that the owner would call for them later.

At home, she told her husband and daughter about the fishes, and they decided to dry the fishes and preserve. The next day, while the women and her husband were away in the farm, an aged woman went to their daughter at home and said she was the owner of the fishes and wanted to collect them. The girl who was about thirteen years old, asked for the aged woman's identity. She gave her name and the village she came from. She further said

decide for ourselves whether or not there is Life After Life, or Life After Death. According to the Holy Father in one of His numerous scriptures has taught us that there is Life after Death, that we re-incarnate as babies and form systematically to accomplish our assignments and that a dead person may actually be living physically in another part of the country where he continues his normal business or vacation, and even raises a family. But we continue to doubt. Here are some examples.

## MAN, 71, COMES BACK FROM THE DEAD AFTER 19 (NINETEEN) MONTHS IN GRAVE.

A 71 year old man stunned his friends and family when he arose from the dead nearly two years after being buried. Kwame Amenyoo was laid to rest in October 1990 after he had died of poisoning. Police say that Kwame, a village priest and herbalist, had been murdered by a business partner who felt he had been cheated of some money. Scores of mourners attended his funeral in Nkwantaman, Ghana and cried bitter tears as his coffin was lowered into the ground.

But they shed tears of joy 19 months later when Kwame returned to tell of his journey to Paradise. He just came and knocked on the door of his cottage - like he'd been away on a trip", says family friend, Osei Tsiboe. "Everyone started screaming and jumping for joy, Kwame was alive again! He looked great, even younger than before," Kwame's wife, Adzo Tokwato, told Reporters she was at first frightened beyond belief when her dead husband came walking through the front door. "I thought it was his ghost", she says. "I couldn't get near him at first because I was scared. I was afraid because I was there when we buried him, and I never dreamed that he could be resurrected. But I'm not afraid anymore". Authorities say there is a big hole at Kwame's graveside a proof that he dug his way out of the grave.

Good for Mankind:

Kwame, who has 14 children aged 2 to 43, says he was resurrected because God wants him to live nine years more to the age of 80. "I was sent back to the world to do good for mankind", he says. "When God said He did not need me in paradise because my time was not due, I pleaded with Him to send me back to join my family and He agreed.

Kwame adds that God instructed him to obey His commandments - especially those dealing with murder, adultery and stealing. "God wants all people on earth to do good and stop evil", he says. "God detests killing, stealing or taking somebody's wife or husband". He adds that God has an album of all people on Earth - and that upon death they undergo a period of self-assessment about how they lived. Kwame says he bears no grudge towards Kwako, the man he claims poisoned him. "I do not have any power to do anything to Kwako", he says. "This is a matter between him and God. Only God can judge mankind."

(Culled from the Sun and reported on page 11 of the Punch of 3rd December, 1992).



# LIFE AFTER LIFE

BY AMADI EMERY



**THESE WITNESSES HAD PASSED THIS WAY BEFORE NOW**

Do you believe in Life after Death? Or, rather, in Life After Life? Do you believe in Re-incarnation? Do you also believe that your dead friend or relative may actually be living in another part of the world or country, exactly as they were before their death? Are the Dead and the Living separated by ONLY A VEIL. And yet, all live in the same world, but in different states? Is there Life after Death? Or, Life After Life? Or, do we finish with this Earth just after one short span of life on it?

Saint Paul said: "If in this life only we have hope in Christ we are of all men most miserable. But now, is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all died, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." (1st Cor. 15 Verses 19 - 22). Clearly, St. Paul knew that there is life after life, for he went on to say: "But some men will say, How are the dead risen? And with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened except it die: And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain, but God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body." (1st Cor. 15 verses 35 - 38).

Our Lord Jesus Christ did not come into the world only to shed His blood and redeem mankind. He came also:

- (i) To manifest God's love for mankind physically, for all to see.
- (ii) To be a model to all mankind
- (iii) To demonstrate the power of Man to conquer Death and have Immortality.
- (iv) To lift the sons and daughters of the human race from darkness, ignorance and the graves of other things to light and everlasting life. (Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these shall be added unto you." (Matt 6 vs 33).

Because our Lord Jesus Christ is the manifestation of God's love for mankind and a Model, He had to be lifted up on the cross for all to see this amazing love and Model - just as our Angels are lifted up on platforms to display fashions and so on. This is the secret of the Lord's death on the Cross: To be lifted up for all to see and emulate. "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so, must the son of Man be lifted up, that

whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life". (John 3 verses 14 - 16).

At present, our Lord Jesus Christ lives in two worlds, physical and spiritual world as a human being. He is seen and a human being, He is seen and recognized by only those He wants to recognise. He moves about freely as a human being, but He changes into a spiritual Being at will and becomes invisible to human eyes. In that state, He visits you in your offices, homes, drives in your car and goes everywhere without being seen - for He has broken the limitations of the physical body, space and time.

Our Lord Jesus Christ clearly taught and proved that there is Life After Life, or Life After Death through Resurrection and Re-incarnation. He demonstrated that Man shall conquer death and live after death by resurrecting Lazarus (John 11 verses 1 - 44) and by His own resurrection. Before He was crucified, He declared: "I came as a man to manifest God's love to men. And I am about to demonstrate the power of man to conquer death for every man is God made flesh." (See confirmation that you are gods - John 10 verse 24 and Psalm 82 verses 6 - 7): When He rose from the dead, He declared: "Behold, I am risen from the dead. Look at my hands, my feet, my side. The Roman Soldiers pierced my hands and feet with nails, and then one pierced my heart. They put me in a tomb, and then I wrestled with the conqueror of men (Death). I conquered Death, I trampled upon him and arose. I brought immortality to light for the sons of men. And what I did, all men shall do, the dead shall live again. So, Christ having conquered death, all men shall conquer death and live forever.

Again, Christ taught that there is continuation of life after death through Re-incarnation - by the re-incarnation of Elias (Elijah) as John the Baptist



**LEADER O. O. OBU**  
THE AUTHOR OF LIFE

"And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John... For this is He, of whom it was written, Behold I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee... And if ye will receive it, this is Elias (Elijah) which was to come. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear". Matt. 11 verses 7 - 15).

And His disciples asked Him saying, why then say the Scribes that Elias must first come? and Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly first come and restore all things. But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of Man suffer of them. Then the disciples understood that He spake unto them of John the Baptist. (Matthew 17 verses 10 - 13).

But the Angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard, and thy wife Elizabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John... And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias... (Luke 1 verses 13 - 17) (See also Malachi 4 verses 5 - 6). This confirms that Elijah re-incarnated as John the Baptist.

As death, the human body separates into two different bodies: spiritual and physical. The spiritual body is the seed of life. It survives death and lives on as an individual in the spiritual world after physical death. Or, it reactivates the dead body and continues living as before death. It also returns to the world with a new body as a baby through re-incarnation. The spiritual body which is part of God is sometimes oval, round, or extends to the shape of the physical body. It leaves the physical body from the feet upwards through the head. That's why a dying man's feet begins to grow cold first, then the laps, the stomach, chest and finally the head as the spirit withdraws from the body.

The physical body in all its glory and beauty is nothing but a house for the spiritual body. The physical body disintegrates into dust after death unlike the spiritual body hence, a sage put it thus:

"Tell me not in mournful numbers, life is but an empty dream. For

the soul is dead that slumbers. And things are not what they seem. Life is real, Life is earnest, And the grave is not its goal. Dust thou art, to dust returnest, was not spoken of the soul...."

Job Said:

"Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, And has fenced me with bones and sinews" (Job 10 verse 11)

So Man has two bodies with two different destinies.

The Bible clearly tells us that man shall conquer death and live forever, in the era of the Kingdom of God on earth. Our Lord Jesus Christ had confirmed further that we should overcome our present temporary life of birth, death, rebirth (re-incarnation) death and sorrows, for a higher and permanent life of immortality and bliss and agelessness like Angels. At present, our bodies are life mud houses with leaky roofs and cracking walls which threaten collapse at anytime without warning. They need constant maintenance repairs by the owner (GOD). No wonder the various sicknesses, pains and aches in our bodies which make us run to Healing Homes, Hospitals for consultations and diagnoses and Drugs to repair and maintain the bodies. But in spite of the care, love, labour, maintenance and repair, our bodies deteriorate with age and finally crumble and die. What a pity! When the body dies - the owner (God) being the soul or otherwise, spiritual body is forced out and He becomes homeless once again as in Genesis 1 verse 2.

"And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters" because of no residence. Then God has to build another new house - via Reincarnation as a baby. But this new house is no better than the previous one. It is shaky and temporary, and will with time, also age and die like the former.

Now, God wants to stop building temporary houses everyday. He wants to abolish the process of Birth - Death - Rebirth - Death. He wants to change us into permanent and immortal bodies so that He can have a permanent residence. Man will then cease to die and re-incarnate. He will be immortal with an incorruptible and ageless body like those of Angels. And this is what the Holy Father is preparing us for - if we co-operate with Him. And when this is done, the scriptures would be fulfilled:

"Now this I say brethren that flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God, neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump; for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So, when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in Victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?... The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." (1st Cor. 15 verses 50 - 55 and verse 26). For our bodies would have been transmuted into bodies of angels.

But until then, let us consider from some 'modern' stories or events



with imported Lebanese women but it must be seen to be done without threat to the security of the nation and without rendering the law of the land nugatory and enforceable."

Given the sharia outbursts of Alhaji Shehu Shagari and General Muhammadu Buhari, others have asked why Shagari and Buhari did not make Islam national religion? Same question goes for the eras of Sani Abacha, Ibrahim Babangida and even Abubakar, all former Heads of State.

In all these, it might be reasonable to listen to what Alhaji Mahund Arzika Tambual, Minister for Communication said about Sharia while in his home to "calm frayed nerves" on the Sharia issue. He said, "As citizens bound by nature, we should learn to be tolerant and patient with one another as all of us have no other country to claim than Nigeria." That sounds like the voice of wisdom. But what happens to the likes of Dr. Ibrahim Datti Ahmed of the Council of Ulama's in Kano State? This man sent a message to the Yorubas stating, "We are happy to inform our Yoruba fellow citizens of Nigeria that we too have come to the same conclusion that there should be a national conference to determine the basis of our togetherness or otherwise. We are fed up with the fraudulent togetherness and the sooner

## SHARIA AND THE NATION

all sections of Nigeria met to determine our future co-existence, the better for this country."



CHIEF OLUSEGUN OBASANJO  
NIGERIA'S PRESIDENT

With these kind of assertions, the battle line seems to have been drawn. And Nigeria is the worst for it. Looking at the spiritual life of Nigeria, from the perspective of the two religions, we are blessed that this fight did not come up before now. The practitioners of the two religions are spiritually empty. The issue

of practising God's law in either religion is something intrinsic. You are not a muslim by carrying the Quran on your head and declaring Sharia. Neither are you a Christian by flaunting the Holy Bible here and there. The words of God must be written in your heart. True Muslims and Christians must be ready to practise the teachings of God Almighty.

Some people have expressed genuine fears that the introduction of Sharia and its forceful enforcement is a later day political strategy aimed at fulfilling the Islamic dream in Nigeria. Others believe that it has to do with the myth that Ahmadu Bello, the then Sarduna of Sokoto and Premier of Northern Nigeria was consumed with. It was the idea of dipping the Quran in River Niger, a resuscitation of the Jihad and may be an extension of the coma to a full-fledged sentence into OIC structure or equilibrium. Still most people are of the view that, it is a calculated attempt to destabilise the Obasanjo administration. It must be stated that if the Sharia bluff has the tendency and potentials of embarrassing the Obasanjo administration, such motivators had better retraced their steps for the Power behind Obasanjo is stronger than the total military might on earth.

Be that as it may, why has the

issue of religion brought about so many problems in Nigeria? Why are the Christians unable to turn the other cheek and in the process demonstrate the true teachings of Christ? Why is the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) unable to tutor its teeming members on the need to follow peace with all men? Why have they decided to take up the battle on their own and forget the divine truth that vengeance is the Lord's? It is however not surprising that the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) cannot give what it does not have. Otherwise, why must CAN, instead of adjudicating for peace fan the embers of war as if the foundation of primitive Christianity was laid on blood excepting the blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ which is the last such sacrifice?

Commenting on the present Moslems and Christians face-off, the Holy Father Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has constantly warned that it is not the place of Moslems to kill Christians neither is it the place of Christians to kill Moslems in the name of religion. As long as the Sharia confusion lasts, it is advisable that all and sundry should take the decree of Leader Olumba Olumba Obu that, we are all Brothers and in Brotherhood we must trust. The Sharia issue must not bring any rift amongst us.

Thank You Father.

## ANOTHER "SOLOMON" IN IKOT ABA

### ENOBONG EMAH

In the days of old, true men of God were graciously mandated to build befitting houses (Temples) for God. That whoever faithfully runs therein may be shielded from life's problem, get his sins forgiven and receive salvation. In that arrangement, Abram later named Abraham got the anointing to erect the first altar of Brotherhood for God at the plain of Morah (Gen. 12: 6-7).

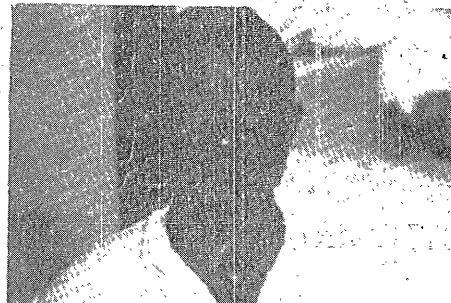
He built many other altars at different locations. See Gen. 12:8; Gen. 13: 3; Gen. 13: 18; Gen. 22: 9.

Isaac's first altar for God was built at Beer sheba (Gen. 26: 25) and Jacob built an altar for God at Shalem, a city of Shechem and named it Elelohe Israel (Gen. 33: 18-20).

There were however, occasions when some men of God in the olden days desired to build temples for God but were not given the approval to carry out such projects. At II Samuel Chapter 7 verse 5 through 13, an account of how God did not permit David to build a house for Hjm is outlined. The mandate was rather, passed to his son, Solomon as recorded

in I Kings chapter 8 verse 17 through 19.

Today, history has repeated itself in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Many have been authorized by the Father to build befitting places of worship for Him. Some have built bethels, others cathedrals; all to the glory of the Father.



ELDER A. E. UDO  
HE BUILT THE BETHEL

And recently it has happened at Ikot Aba in Ibiono Ibom Area of Akwa Ibom State. Now the children of God can boast of a befitting bethel to worship their Father in Spirit and in truth; for like Solomon of old, Elder A. E. Udo erects a bethel to the glory of the Father. In a sermon to mark the bethel opened, the Father outlines the qualifications of those who are to dwell in God's temple. Citing Matthew 7: 24; Psalm 15: 1-5 and I Peter 2: 5, the man of God advised the brethren to eschew acts which do not glorify the Father but that man should have love for one another.

In a divine ceremony to officially declare the bethel opened, the function Chairman, Elder Peter Akpan urged everyone present to appreciate the Father's efforts and expect the Father's bounteous blessings. Elder U. U. Akpan, in his speech pledged to donate benches to the Bethel as part of his appreciation to what the Father has done in the village and called on Ibiono Ibom brethren to see to the completion of their Pentecostal Centre.

In the spirit of oneness, unity and brotherliness, an aged member of the African church appreciated the Father's work in Ikot Aba; fulfilling in part, the prophecy that there are other sheep of God outside His fold which should be brought in to join others. Many church members were present ceremony.

Abasi Obori Sabbath Children graced the occasion with a news programme on "News about the kingdom and her leadership broadcast from Abadasco Station".

In his address, Elder A. E. Udoh, through who the Father erected the bethel for His children thanked the Father for granting him the grace to complete the project, to His glory. He expressed his deep appreciation to the Father for coming by Himself in "His Divine Majesty of the Heavenly Royal Family" to commission the bethel.

Brother Udoh further prayed for "unlimited spiritual powers in order to cope with (the) rising spiritual demands of Ibiono Ibom populace in particular and the nation in general." In response, His Majesty, Pastor Ubong J. Udoh thanked the Supreme Father, the Author and Finisher of our faith for manifesting Himself in Ikot Aba. He advised the brethren to see the bethel as a challenge to forge ahead in the service of the Father.

He urged them to do away with all forms of hatred, backbiting, peddling rumour and suspicion but to concentrate in doing good in true love. He called for unity of purpose amongst the brethren in Ikot Aba and beyond. He finally declared the Bethel open to the glory of the Father and His everlasting service. After the exhortations, the Father blessed His children. Ikot Aba brethren appreciated the Father immensely before He departed with His entourage to Calabar.

Thank You Father.

## ECHOES FROM SHARIA

### COMPILED BY EYIBIO ANTIA

The introduction of Sharia in Nigeria should be seen as good news. Sharia will be a blessing in disguise to Christians. Christians will make good converts from Muslims who will run away from the hardship of Sharia to Christ.

Archbishop Abiodun Adetiloye

Former Primate of the Anglican Communion in Nigeria

But I am just saying that this is every bit a serious breakdown of law and order, the harbinger of a state of anomie in the country and the prelude to war, civil war

Wole Soyinka (Noble Laureate)

Culled from the News Magazine.

Don't forget that even a day or two before this happened, the Sultan, who is the leader of the Moslem community in the Country had been attacked by this same kind characters. So you are really dealing with a lawless band of human beings that have flooded Northern Nigeria. They being so, because they are products of the 17th and 18th century Islam that did not encourage people to acquire western education but encouraged people to submit themselves to the teachings of the mallams in order to be relevant as scholars.

Rev. Father Matthew Hassan Kukah

General Secretary

Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria

Our night life has been dull; the suya joints are closed; the slaughter and butcher's shops have become a desolation, the caftan factories or shops have been shut, and the defacto, currency exchange centres have disappeared. All because Sharia must stay in Nigeria. Shagari and his boys want us to think so. Even so, we have really missed their meat, their hunch back cows, their goats, their rams, and sheep and thank God, we have missed their sharp knives too.

Austin J. Caleb

Columnist in The Will Newspaper



PASTOR K. E.

ASK PASTOR K. E.

The orthodox churches have made the Christian world believe that Jesus Christ was crucified on a Friday but Brotherhood teaches that He was crucified on a Thursday. Can you explain why you have Thursday as the day the Lord was crucified?

Musa Adewole, Ibadan, Oyo State.

ANSWER

Dear Brother Adewole, thanks for your question which we hope the answer shall enlighten as many people as will read it.

This question had long been answered by the Supernatural Teacher, the custodian of every knowledge who had been in the know when the event actually took place. Below are some of the explanations He gave on this issue in one of His gospels (abridged).

"It is pathetic to notice that the whole Christendom has lied to the world that our Lord Jesus Christ was crucified on a Friday.... It is absolutely wrong to construe that our Lord Jesus Christ was nailed to the cross on Friday. This claim has no substance and lack biblical foundation and backing...." If they still hold on to the argument that Friday was the first day and Saturday the second day, what about the third day?....

Our Lord Jesus Christ was arrested and arraigned before the Elders, Pharisees, Scribes and the Chief-Priests at 3 a.m. on Wednesday. This was after the last supper He had arranged for that night. He was killed on Thursday morning 6 a.m. Hence, in fulfillment of His prophecy that He would remain in the

heart of the earth for three days and three nights, as did Jonah, the calculations of these days and nights are thus:

- Thursday:** 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. - 1st day;  
6 p.m. - 6 a.m. - 1st night
- Friday:** 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. - 2nd day;  
6 p.m. - 6 a.m. - 2nd night
- Saturday:** 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. - 3rd day;  
6 p.m. - 6 a.m. - 3rd night

If He was killed on Friday as advocated by the churches of Christendom, there would have been a mathematical error in calculation as He resurrected on Sunday (morning) at 6 a.m. It is this significant event that has caused the Brotherhood world to set aside every Wednesday of the week for "Watch and Pray," to commemorate the unique event which ushered in a hallmark in the existence of the entire humanity. The significance of the Wednesday "Watch and Pray" started during the time the feet of the disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ were washed.

The Thursday's weekly fasting and prayers symbolise the day He was condemned at 6 a.m.

Note: The Full Text of this enlightened gospel from the Supernatural Teacher, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu can be read from the book entitled, "Mathematics of Good Friday Streamlined."

Thank You Father.



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HIS HOLINESS OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU

PASTOR K. E.

I have read series of calumnising publications against the Brotherhood and your Leader. Why has he not reacted to any of these accusations? Or could His silence mean the accusations are true?

- Ndukwe Emeh, Aba.

Dear Brother Emeh,

Thank you immensely for your question. Though Leader Obu keeps mute over the accusations leveled against Him, those accusations are not true. In the first place Leader Obu teaches humility (Luke 14 : 11; Luke 18 : 10 - 14) even as our Lord Jesus Christ humbled Himself even unto death (Phillipians 2 : 5 - 10); He teaches peace (Matt. 5 : 9; Matt. 5 : 38 - 40) as Jesus Christ taught and practised (Matt. 17 : 27) and advises that people should forgive those who offend them (Matt. 6 : 14 - 15) so that God the Father will forgive their offences too. The Holy Father teaches that nobody should repay evil with evil and that men should overcome evil with good (See Romans 12 : 17; 20 - 21).

Leader Obu emphasizes Leadership by example as He admonishes people to shun anger. He practices same. For instance, since February 14, 1942 He promised a handsome reward for anyone who would succeed in making Him angry. Some of those who speak and write funny things about Leader O. O. Obu might be trying to win such handsome reward from Him. Nobody has succeeded in making Him angry. Not even the attempts by people who sneaked into the altar to wage war with the Holy One have moved Him.

Listen to this. He teaches humility, peace, forgiveness, love, life without anger, among other virtues and also emphasises on leadership by example. If He were to have reacted to any accusation against Him, then He would have contradicted Himself. But don't you think God is more intelligent than humans? Besides, Christ had stated that He would suffer many things and be rejected of this generation (See Luke 17 : 25); the accusations you have come to know, read about or hear form part of the things He (Leader Obu) has come to suffer and that is a clear indication of His rejection by the world, to fulfill the Scriptures. However, that does not stop God's Will from being consummated neither can it cancel what Leader Obu is to both His children and foes. Perhaps it is wise to let you know

how the Father reacts on issues concerning positive or negative insinuations about Him. In an interview granted NTA Channel 9 conducted by Mary Koffi Bassey entitled "I knew Myself from Birth" published by the Third Covenant vol. 1 No 9 December, 1989 on page 31, this dialogue ensued: "NTA: Ete, supposing you hear your members proclaim, Olumba Olumba Obu is God. Will you stop them or refute their claims?"

Leader Obu: I am not interested. Whether you say I am God or devil does not interest me. My interest is to preach 'Love One Another.' I want everybody to know his duty to each other."

Reacting to any negative view held by people of Him in the same publication on page 39, this ensued, NTA: We are made to know that you practise a lot of black magic here. What is normally called "ekpinoi" (beelzebub). I might know that it is not true. A, B, and C might know it is not true. May be D to Z do not know. We will like you to clear the air?

Leader Obu: Read Matthew 24 : 9 - 11 "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation, and put to death; and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then many will fall away, and betray one another, and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray."

Leader Obu continues: The portion speaks for itself.... There is no such thing in Brotherhood. I do not even believe in juju, charm, medicine, or any diabolical thing for that matter. How do you think that a man who has never spoken ill and had even challenged the whole world since February 14, 1942 that whoever can annoy him will be given a handsome reward, can indulge in such things? When a person is not angry, what will induce Him to indulge in diabolic activities?

Having read my submissions and the position of Leader Obu as regards your questions, if you are not satisfied, feel free to come and study BCS and its Leadership for yourself. Such independent findings will convince you. Brother Emeh, when do we expect you?

I remain grateful to Brother Ephraim Sunday for his contributions.

Pastor K. E.

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Thank You Father  
Sister Grace Sampson  
MANAGER.

PERISCOPE

1. Do you know that the Universal Spirited Children's Fellowship Anniversary Week with The Holy Father will take off on Monday 3rd April, 2000 and cap off on Saturday 8th April, 2000?

2. Be reminded that the declared 3 Days Dry Fasting period for the April 2000 Pentecostal season will last from 12 Mid-night of Monday 3rd April, 2000 to 12 Mid-night of Thursday 6th April, 2000.

3. The 2000 April Pentecostal Period is officially slated to last from Friday 14th April, 2000 to Saturday, 6th May, 2000.

HOW SPIRITUALLY AND PHYSICALLY PREPARED ARE YOU FOR THESE IMPORTANT CANON EXERCISES OF GOD'S KINGDOM NOW ON EARTH?

THANK YOU FATHER.



## TO JUDGE

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peaceful, humble and love one another.

The Holy Father used that occasion to remind Supreme Court Judges, Magistrates, Presidents, Governors and Chairmen of Local Government Areas to know that, they have no right to judge or condemn anybody to death. Rather, He invited them to think of the welfare of the people. A similar warning went to church leaders and founders who are fond of suspending their members from the church and queried their rights to such postures in God's Household.

In another development, the Holy

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obscured responsibility to the poor and oppressed."

The report further stated that there was no reference to homosexuals who had asked to be included for theocratic violence just as the Pontiff remained silent on individuals or name the Crusades, the Inquisition or the Holocaust.

"Defying warnings from some theologians that the unprecedented apology would undermine the church authority, the 79 year old Pontiff asked God to forgive the persecution of the Jews and went on to say "we are deeply saddened by the behaviour of those who in the course of history have caused these children of yours to suffer and asking

## IKOTUN ZONE

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Deity... with the red Garment on me, I am, omnipresent, omniscient and omnipotent." Since His advent on earth, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has exhibited unprecedented omniscience. Her has never been taken unaware by any events. His pronouncements are prophetic, authoritative and efficacious. Whenever He tells someone, "go all is well; and you are discharged and acquitted," it stands so forever because any word from His mouth is binding in heaven and on earth. He epitomises humility, patience, love, forgiveness gentleness, meekness, faith, goodness, peace, endurance and all other virtues in His life style.

At the end of the ceremony, the Father blessed His children lavishly.

Father frowned at the present confusion in Nigeria based on the introduction of Sharia. He asked what rights christians had in killing moslems and why moslems should kill christian in the name of God.

The Holy Father finally called on christians and moslems to forget completely about the era of the holy wars and "jihads", for they were fought out of ignorance as none could interpret the Will of God then. That it was most unfortunate for brethen to slaughter each other in the name of God; and urged men to seek peace with one another.

Thank You Father.

for your forgiveness, we wish to commit ourselves to genuine Brotherhood"

Trumpet gathered from the Report that "speaking after the ceremony to the crowd in St. Peters Square, the Pope stressed he was seeking forgiveness not from those who had been wronged but from God."

It will be recalled that "seeking forgiveness has been a leitmotif of his papacy since his election in 1978. He has apologised for the Crusades, the massacre of French Protestants, the trial of Galilee and anti-Semitism."

Thank You Father.

bethel is smaller in status than the, healing home. His Holiness stressed that operators of healing homes must reflect the tenets laid down by the Father in their operations and decried situations where sinister motives are propagated under the guise of BCS. He expressed utter disgust over a situation where

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workers in healing homes demand for dogs, bats, cocks, candles, incense, pieces of clothes, perfumes, even human skull and other parts of human body before healing could be effected. He queried, "in so doing, what image are you giving to the public about this kingdom?"

The King of kings reminded the brethren that BCS is God's Kingdom and so, her operations are quite distinct and does not condone ungodly acts. He therefore warned that anyone who visits any healing home or bethel and notices any "un-Brotherhoodic" arrangement and or operation

should leave the place immediately, for the spirit of God is not there. Such a place, he said, should be reported immediately to the Supervisory Team which members shall be made known soon.

Meanwhile, the Team will soon start its operation.

Thank You Father.

## MOSLEM/CHRISTIANS

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are all one in Love, Mercy, Humility, Faith, Long-suffering and in Christ. There is neither Greek nor Jew."

The Holy Father charged every person to put aside personal aggrandisement, religious bigotry, ethnicity and beliefs when dealing with one another because "We are children of the same Father."

It would be recalled that the Holy Father had earlier decried the apparent spiritual barrenness in Christianity and Islam.

Thank You Father.



## CONCENTRATION THE MIND'S MEDICINE

We seest not Him because we relish fending glories and vanity.

We hearest not His tender voice, why? We crave and desire boisterous life of mortals.

We allow not the spirit to become one with us.

We allow not the Father to swallow us.

"Be still to know God" among the unknown, Psalm 46 : 10 admonishes. "In purity commune in silence, in concentration." Psalm 4 : 4 adds.

He is Peace, noiselessness, nothingness! Concentrate, concentrate, concentrate man!

Shut out, shun vanity and become oblivious of your environs. When God is one with you and you with Him.

You are in peace, you're saved. Let His purity absorb your imperfection thus, The exigencies of concentration into nothingness.

Thank You Father.

### 144,000 Virgin Sister Chibuzo

A peaceful mind is a great Learner. A quiet mind gets answers to problems and things are fixed. A peaceful and calm mind does not argue, doesn't disbelieve. For all things are possible.

The mind in meditation always oblivion of self, no existence. But leads and guides to spiritual knowledge into futurity albeit. The custodian of peace, the mighty God leads into the deep.

Mysteries of himself, mysteries shrouding creation and life unravelled.

**PIX - TOONS**

*Cheery's & Chi's*





**JANUARY 17, 2000**

1st Lesson: 1 Cor. 2 : 10  
2nd Lesson: 1 John 3 : 2 - 3  
Golden Text: 1 John 2 : 10

God deserves no other thing from man than faithfulness and holiness for He is faithful and Holy and with these, He executes Judgement. Therefore anybody willing to escape God's judgement must flee from evil tendencies and cleave to God for Justification.

Witnesses: 1 Peter 1 : 14 - 16  
Rev. 19 : 8 - 9

**JANUARY 18, 2000**

1st Lesson: John 16 : 13 - 15  
2nd Lesson: John 13 : 12 - 15  
Golden Text: Hebrews 12 : 25 - 28

The sacrifice required of man is self dedication to the practice of love for one another because love is the greatest task that man has been in lack but those who possess love are identified as the children of God.

Witness: John 10 : 1 - 10

**JANUARY 19, 2000**

1st Lesson: John 18 : 1 - 3  
2nd Lesson: Luke 7 : 13  
Golden Text: Rom. 4 : 7 - 8

The world is full of lies, man prefers evil to good and that is why they fail to know the truth and rather associate with idiocy. However, those who disassociate from materialism and surrender to Christ have the greatest reward in the Kingdom of God.

Witnesses: Rom. 9 : 25 - 27  
1 Cor. 1 : 27 - 29  
Matthew 12 : 11 - 12  
Matthew 23 : 11 - 12

**JANUARY 20, 2000**

1st Lesson: Matthew 10 : 19 - 20  
2nd Lesson: Luke 10 : 20  
Golden Text: Phill. 3 : 7 - 9

Everybody is looking for a way of salvation to follow but the best choice one can make is accepting Christ the Lord, for He is the way, truth and life. In Him, there is no disappointment, for He is the embodiment of everything.

**JANUARY 21, 2000**

1st Lesson: Mark 8 : 34  
2nd Lesson: Luke 14 : 26 - 27  
Golden Text: John 12 : 25

The wisdom of God cannot be predicted. He is the only one that understands the mysteries of life. And He reveals these mysteries only to those, who believe in Him and neglect those who disregard Him and abide not by His teachings.

Witnesses: Rom. 9 : 7 - 9  
Rev. 21 : 27  
Luke 10 : 1 - 5  
John 17 : 8 - 10

**JANUARY 22, 2000**

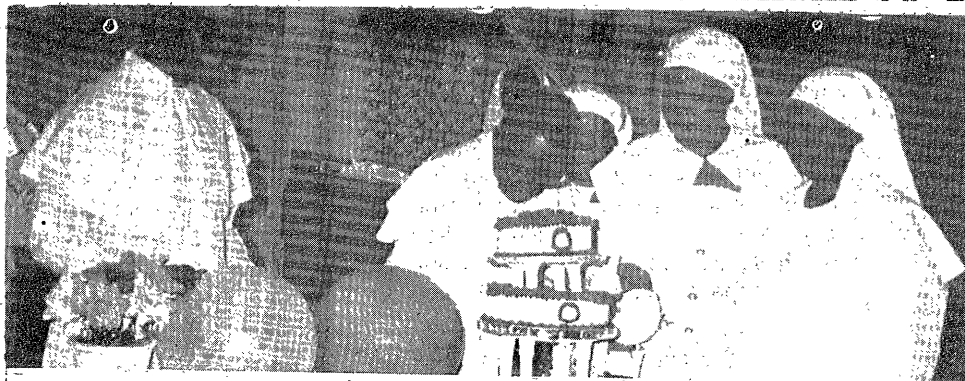
1st Lesson: Matthew 7 : 8 - 12  
2nd Lesson: Rom. 13 : 8 - 19  
Golden Text: Rom. 8 : 12

The New commandment of God (love) is trustworthy and must be enforced forever. It is the theory of life eternal thus, whoever abides in love has gotten eternal life for love does everything and gives grace to those who believe in God.

**JANUARY 23, 2000**

1st Lesson: Gal. 6 : 8  
2nd Lesson: Matthew 10 : 31 - 33  
Golden Text: Matthew 4 : 8 - 12

**IKOTUN ZONE REFLECTS ON FATHER'S BIRTHDAY**



**IKOTUN BRETHERN DURING THE FATHER'S BIRTHDAY**

The Father's birthday was celebrated with fanfare and joy in appreciation of His love for mankind. To mark the birth, Ikotun Bethel Women's Fellowship played football match with Idimu Central Bethel Women's Fellowship. The match ended up at 3 - 0 score against Idimu Central Bethel. The 3 goals were scored by the Captain of Ikotun Women's Fellowship. Elder Sister Mabel Allanah who is also the Leader's Representative of Ikotun Bethel. There was a lot of laughter as the old players thrilled the spectators.

The Father also presented a very powerful gospel using his son, Pastor (Dr.) T. O. Badejoko. The Father reminded His children of the three wisemen mentioned in the Bible who, on hearing the Saviour was born, went to visit Him with precious gifts. He added that the celebration calls for rejoicing and presentation of gifts with humility, love

and peace. The greatest gift one can present to the Holy Father, he said is one's life. We should practise His injunctions and apply His virtues, as recorded in Galatians 5 : 22 - 23.

These are the most acceptable gifts we can present to the Father in the new millennium. The only way we can show that we appreciate His presence on earth is to refrain from all manners of sins. The Father further referred the brethren to Romans 12 : 1 - 2

He concluded by advising the brethren to de-emphasise their quest for material gains but give their bodies to God. He assured them of the Father's acceptance.

The Chairman of the occasion, Elder (Barrister) Solomon thanked the Father for granting His children the privilege to share in the blessings.

That was followed by presentation of paper on the significance of the Father's Birthday by Pastor (Dr.) T.

God is the only Being worthy of honour and glory and this is the time when everybody has to surrender his/her life to Him. God's glory is heightened when He is worshipped in spirit and in truth.

Witnesses: Matthew 10 : 28  
Mark 8 : 36 - 37

**JANUARY 24, 2000**

1st Lesson: Mark 8 : 36 - 37  
2nd Lesson: Matthew 10 : 33 - 36  
Golden Text: Hebrews 7 : 10 - 16

The glory of God has no end, for He has not only come to rule but to lead, comfort and demonstrate all the teachings of God. Thus, it is expected of everyone who wants to rule with Him to emulate His works, teachings and also demonstrate true love as taught and shown by God.

Witnesses: John 14 : 1 - 3  
Hebrews 9 : 27 - 28  
Hebrews 7 : 25 - 28

**JANUARY 25, 2000**

1st Lesson: John 3 : 1 - 5  
2nd Lesson: Acts 19 : 1 - 5  
Golden Text: Mark 16 : 15 - 18

Whoever accepts the baptism of Christ has received the Holy Spirit and the sign of working wonders must be seen in him. But the unbeliever who refuses baptism by immersion is the child of perdition for the Holy Spirit cannot lead him.

Witnesses: 1 John 2 : 1 - 3

**JANUARY 26, 2000**

1st Lesson: 1 John 2 : 1 - 3  
Golden Text: Rom. 15 : 1 - 2

The promises of God are ever sure to His elects and this does not call for prayers, sacrifice neither crying nor lamentation. Therefore all the elects of God ought to rejoice for this is the time

O. Badejoko. He said, apart from the Father informing us about the date of His birth, no one would know His birthday because He has no definite birth day; nobody knows His origin and so no one can make categorical statement about things concerning Him. However, His birth was significant for the following reasons:

(1) His birth was a mystery. The day of His birth was a day of wisdom and liberation to the whole world. He was born when the world was in turmoil. The Father's arrival on the earth ended the first world war.

(2) His mission on earth also makes His birth significance. He came to be our Counsellor and Comforter. A good number of brethren in this Kingdom had lost all hopes before they knew the Father and since they know Him, He has been their Counsellor and Comforter.

(3) He bears the name, Supreme Counsellor. He gives guidance and also comforts His children. See John 14:26. When you are in difficulty, telephone His number, O. O. O. and you are set free.

The ceremony also featured cutting of a beautiful birthday cake by the Father using Pastor (Dr.) T. O. Badejoko. He was assisted by the Zonal Women's Fellowship executives, Sister Franka Obisis, President, Sister Mabel Allanah, Vice President and Sister Jumoke Obanigwe, Ikotun Bethel Mother. Also by the side of the Pastor was Elder Brother Esiegbe.

that God is comforting those who call on His wonderful name in faith.

**JANUARY 27, 2000.**

1st Lesson: Rom. 10 : 4 - 6  
2nd Lesson: Gal. 5 : 4 - 6  
Golden Text: 1 Cor. 15 : 53 - 54

All those who await the second coming of Christ have no share in God's Kingdom for He is already here on earth accomplishing His works yet they believe Him not. But to those who believe in Him and follow His teachings, their reward is great, for having known the truth, they cannot be disappointed.

**JANUARY 28, 2000.**

1st Lesson: Luke 12 : 13 - 15  
2nd Lesson: 1 Tim. 6 : 4 - 5  
Golden Text: 1 Tim. 4 : 4 - 6

Whoever wants to overcome the world must follow the foot-steps of Christ, for He is the model. Whoever follows Him is crowned with success and is easily identified as a child of God.

Witnesses: II Tim. 2 : 2 - 6  
Luke 9 : 34 - 36  
John 3 : 16 - 18

**JANUARY 29, 2000**

1st Lesson: Luke 16 : 13  
2nd Lesson: 1 Tim. 2 : 10 - 12  
Golden Text: 1 Tim. 6 : 7 - 10

Eternal life is sure for those who believe in God and hearken to His commandment for God loves those who obey and reverence Him as the Supreme Being who created heaven and earth.

Witnesses: II Tim. 3 : 1 - 8  
Rev. 19 : 8 - end  
John 10 : 15 - 30  
Matthew 4 : 4 - 10

**JANUARY 30, 2000**

1st Lesson: Matthew 11 : 29  
2nd Lesson: Matthew 3 : 8 - 9  
Golden Text: Rev. 19 : 11 - 13

Many people in the world do not know the truth and so, suffer ignorantly but the teachings of God have led many to the light and those who know the truth and follow the steps of Christ can never be ashamed, for they have laid a treasure in heaven that can not be destroyed.

**JANUARY 31, 2000**

1st Lesson: John 10 : 10 - 12  
2nd Lesson: John 14 : 27 - 28  
Golden Text: Matthew 5

The sheep of God are scattered all over the world and this is the time that they should be gathered into one flock, to be led by one shepherd for there is only one entrance into eternal life which is Christ. Whoever passes through Him has eternal life.

The Sabbath children of Ikotun Bethel presented a drama which amused the brethren. After the drama, another lecture entitled, "who is this man, Leader O. O. Obu?" was delivered by Elder Emmanuel Obanigwe. In his lecture, Elder Obanigwe mentioned that the Father is not Jesus Christ nor God. He is Olumba Olumba Obu. He quoted the Father as saying, "Jesus Christ came to die for our salvation, I have not come to die but to pay every man his wages according to his work."

On His mission, Leader O. O. Obu said, "My mission is to teach mankind, to sanctify humanity, establish the kingdom of God on earth, and to do what nobody, angel or spirit has ever done in the world. My garment reveals my

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## **JUST READ THIS!**

Remember reading increases knowledge, it brings about wisdom and expands understanding. It is an asset to the beholder as it helps others around him. This is the truth.

Conscience is an open wound only the truth can heal it (Uthman Dan Fodio). The New Kingdom Trumpet with its new dynamic management team provides you the opportunity to have a moment with the Father which will give you wisdom, while the supernatural teachings will increase your knowledge and you will understand the word of truth. For if you know the truth, the truth shall set you free. That is what we stand for.

**READ THE NEW KINGDOM TRUMPET ALWAYS!**

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## NAMES OF BRETHERN IN USA NEWLY ORDAINED BY THE HOLY FATHER

### BCS Dallas:

1. Brother Lawrence Nwegbo - Pastor
2. Sister Grace Nwegbo - Deaconess
3. Sister Dora Nwegbo - Deaconess
4. Brother Victor Thomas - Prophet
5. Brother Benjamin Nebe - Prophet
6. Brother Loveday Amadi - Prophet
7. Brother Richard Cole - Pastor
8. Brother Francis Ukpogon - Prophet
9. Brother Gowin Opala - Prophet
10. Sister Esther Haden - Prophetess
11. Sister Affiong Essien

### BCS - HOUSTON

1. Brother Emmanuel Nyoh - Pastor
2. Brother Daniel Jack - Pastor
3. Sister Frances Okafor - Prophetess.

### BCS - WASHINGTON

1. Brother Ernest Iwenosu - Prophet
2. Brother Francis Ekpo - Prophet
3. Sister Irene Esemu - Deaconess
4. Sister Maybi Egbuson - Prophetess
5. Sister Patience Essien - Prophetess
6. Brother Solomon Mintah - Prophet

### BCS - ATLANTA

1. Brother Ephraim Bassey - Pastor
2. Sister Agness Bassey - Deaconess
3. Brother Don Clark - Apostle
4. Sister Joan Clark - Prophetess
5. Brother James Usanga - Pastor
6. Sister Ukeme Usanga - Deaconess
7. Brother Joe Jeffrey Jobity - Prophet

### BCS - RHODE ISLAND

1. Brother Lanre Owajori - Pastor
2. Elder (Bro.) Thomas Ude - Pastor
3. Sister Jane Ekanem - Prophetess
4. Sister Jerry White - Prophetess
5. Brother Berry Uko - Pastor
6. Brother Ebong Uko - Pastor
7. Brother Joseph Ofogebu - Prophet

### BCS CHICAGO

1. Brother Timothy Salvage - Prophet
2. Sister Sarah Salvage - Prophetess
3. Brother Udobong Udobong - Prophet

### BCS - NEW YORK CITY

1. Sister Felicia Nwogwo - Deaconess
2. Sister Alice Miller - Prophetess
3. Brother Tumba Egwu - Prophet

### NEW JERSEY

1. Sister Peace Anyaocha - Deaconess
2. Brother Anselm Giles - Prophet

3. Brother Isaac Adams - Prophet
4. Brother Kevin Onukogu - Prophet
5. Sister Atim Kanu Etekepi - Prophetess

### BCS - OAKLAND

1. Brother Ibanga Inyang - Pastor
2. Sister Gladys Inyang - Prophetess

### BCS - CANADA

1. Brother Everret Baptise - Prophet

## AND IN DELTA FATHER ORDAINED 79

### DELTA STATE - NIGERIA

#### PASTORS

1. Brother Stephan O. U. Ideji
2. Brother G. Mebaghabinje
3. Brother J. O. Osaigbobu
4. Brother F. Nwokolo
5. Brother Edward Oseloka Obi
6. Brother F. Alama
7. Brother S. D. Nwajeri
8. Brother A. A. Ojemudia
9. Brother Nelson Golagha
10. Brother Johnathan Umukoro
11. Brother John Achiobu
12. Brother J. P. Ayowei
13. Brother Pat. Orno-Okoro
14. Prophet D. K. Omamodia
15. Prophet I. Eghighibe
16. Brother Emma Amaiwu
17. Brother Coast Ejaketa
18. Brother Essien I. E. (L. R. Kwara)
19. Brother E. E. Aikoroje
20. Brother Afomola
21. Brother Benedela Amawe
22. Brother Francis Osomuri
23. Brother Akwaran Monye

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1. Brother Brown R. Edun
2. Brother E. T. Henshaw
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4. Brother Akan Obot (Chorister)
5. Brother Paul Ubor
6. Brother Moka Bernard
7. Brother Anthony Osiogbu
8. Brother Johnathan Okonobor
9. Brother James Bassey
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12. Brother Aniefiok Akpan
13. Brother H. O. Ugboma
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15. Brother Friday Onyewere
16. Brother Ben Udofa
17. Brother F. Ukpai
18. Brother Oyinbo
19. Brother Ike Nwogbo (Chorister)

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8. Sister Osuebe
9. Sister Grace Ogbeide
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11. Sister Udofa
12. Sister Uwudia
13. Sister Ann Imoniteh

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1. Brother Tom Aboh
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3. Brother J. Ehikwe
4. Brother Okolie
5. Brother Osomuri
6. Brother Samuel Uwudia

It must be noted that these promotions were granted in recognition of the Deltans' earnest contributions to the progress of the Father's work in the kingdom. Thank You Father.

## TESTIMONIES

### "FATHER WROTE EXAMS FOR ME"

#### JAMAICAN GIRL TESTIFIES.

My name is Adoeze Jahgozie Henry. I was born on July 10, 1987 in Houston, Texas USA; but we moved to Jamaica and live now at Priory, Saint Ann, Jamaica.

As far as I know I am a blessed child of the Father. As long as I belong to the Father Olumba Olumba Obu, I am a citizen of the New Kingdom of God now on earth. I have no Country or State, but I am a Brotherhood and I cannot change that truth because I believe in the Father.

For the past four months, the Holy Father has been visiting me physically. I have never been to Calabar, Nigeria where He resides. The first time that I saw Him, He came through the hill behind my room window. He came in through the glass door. (Whereas the door was still closed). I was afraid, but the Father said to me: "Don't be afraid my child. I am Olumba Olumba Obu". I knelt down and ran away afterwards, trembling with fear.

He appeared as a young boy of about twenty six years, and next time that I saw Him, He was a little older and He still reminded me that He was the Father.

In my new school in St. Ann, Jamaica, I have been there for only three months before they started the final examination, and all my classmates kept on saying that: "A girl (they did not refer to me) will be the first in the exams." But I did not say anything than to talk to the Father and took instructions from Him.

Immediately, the Father appeared to me and handed an answer sheet and a pencil to me. But as I was writing, He was also writing for me because I felt a strange power within me. The pencil was very hot. He even provided a television screen to guide me with the answer sheet. My handwriting has improved. I did not fail any exam. The proof is there to support my story. When the Father visited my class, things happened differently.

Instead of going to the next class, I was made to skip one class. The school honoured me, and gave me a certificate which I have attached here with my testimony.

I thank the Father so much and I cannot wait for the year 2000 before I

recognise Him, because the Father will rule and it will be opened to the whole world. Computer will fail because it will be the time to worship Olumba Olumba Obu, the Father. Those of you who are still eating meat or any kind of flesh, you have no need for them because the Father let me understand that they too have their own kingdom just as we have. So stop eating them. He proved that to me when He appeared to me as a goat to let me know that He is Olumba Olumba Obu. The Father is everything indeed.

He let me know that as soon as we start a full Bethel in our Houses, our financial problem will be over. No matter what is going on with others, my family is still very peaceful and very happy, and I thank the Father.

When the Father uses me as well, others will think that I am a crazy girl, but I know that I am not. I do not fight them nor be angry with them, all I do is to pray for them and ask the Father to change them so that they know the truth.

**Thank You Father, Thy will be done.**  
**Culled from Brotherhood Newsletter.**

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## ALWAYS READ THE NEW KINGDOM TRUMPET!

**MR CROSS TURNS A SPIRITUALIST...**

**MR CROSS:** YES - I SAW A VERY BAD VISION FOR YOU... I SAW YOU WEeping AND WAILING. I SAW RED TEARS FROM YOUR EYES.. I BELIEVE YOU...

**SPIRITUALIST:** ... WILL DIE AFTER THREE DAYS. BUT IF YOU GIVE ME \$50,000 FROM THE 100,000 YOUR HUSBAND WON FROM COUPON, I SHALL SPARE YOU!

**MR CROSS:** FOUR DAYS LATER, THE HUSBAND TO THE SISTER WHO HAD REFUSED TO GIVE MR CROSS 50,000, SUDDENLY ATTACKS MR CROSS WITH A CUTLASS AFTER HIS WIFE FAILED TO DIE THE THIRD DAY AS PROPHESED

**PAPA HELP!!!**

**MR CROSS:** IDIOT! YOU GO ABOUT GIVING FALSE VISION! I'LL KILL YOU!



## THE REWARD FOR EVIL

medication and other vices. You will realise that, such a one is with God and God shall use him for eternity. Keep yourself in this way so that you gain entrance into the kingdom of God.

One Arch-Bishop was in search of God. The search took him to Jerusalem. He was called the Holy Ghost Father, and was not married. Immediately he came here and realised his folly and submitted. This is what God expects from you, that any one who surrenders himself unto Him and do the rightful thing, will surely be received and blessed by God.

All they that were in the "desert", this is the right time for you to come to

*"Any child who surrenders unto God, gets free from fornication, lies, stealing, fighting, medication and other vices. You will realise that, such a one is with God and God shall use him for eternity."*

God and change for better.

"But this I say, brethren the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none; And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;

And they that use this world, as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away.

But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord.

But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife.

There is difference also between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please her husband.

And this I speak for your own profit: not that I may cast a snare upon you, but for that which is comely, and that ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction.

But if any man thinks that he behaveth himself incomely toward his virgin, if she pass the flower of her age, and need so require, let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them marry.

Nevertheless he that standeth steadfast in his heart, having no necessity, but hath power over his own will, and hath so decreed in his heart that he will keep his virgin, doeth well.

So then he that giveth her in marriage doeth well; but he that giveth her not in marriage doeth better. But if

her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will, only in the Lord.

But she is happier if she so abide, after my judgement: and I think also that I have the Spirit of God. (1 Corinthians 7: 29 - 40)

How many women and men are ready to surrender themselves to the Will of God and His service? How many Virgins have you seen maintaining their sanctity with the zeal to serve God? You are enjoined not to cause division, do not serve demon, do not cause abnormality to any one but be of good services unto God. In the case of Job, all his children died, the wives divorced him and every negative thing happened to him. But he was steadfast and faithful unto God. Above all, he had absolute trust in God and because of this, God decided to reward Job in hundred folds by restoring all his wealth, children, wives and above all, God bestowed him with long life. This is the Lord's doing and He expects all of us to be like Job, both in faith and steadfastness. See Psalm 34.

### BE CONTENTED WITH WHAT GOD GIVES TO YOU

If you submit yourself unto God, He shall use you as His useful instrument. Make further reference to St. Matthew 13: 1 - 14.

"The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.

And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the wayside, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

And when the sun was up, they were scorched, and because they had no root, they withered away.

And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:

But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruits, some thirty fold.

Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

And the disciples came, and said unto him, why speakest thou unto them in parables?

He answered and said unto them, because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

Therefore, speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not: and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith,

BY hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand, and seeing ye shall

see, and shall not perceive."

It is expedient of you to hearken unto the instructions imparted to you by the Holy Spirit. We are responsible for the problems befalling us. Because of our insatiable demands for material things, such we cannot glorify God.

### SHORT ILLUSTRATION

Recall your memory to a particular story about a certain woman who got married and stayed for long without a child. Because of her inability to bear a child, her husband threw her out of the matrimonial home. Consequent upon this, she decided to stay on her own. But just as she decided to stay action on further marriage, another man sought her hand in marriage. Before the marriage was contracted, the woman narrated her problems to the new husband, who promised to solve the problems. Then the man took her to a prophet who blessed them. After that he gave each of them a ring and revealed to them that, that particular night they would have a dream and whatever dream they had, they should tell him in the morning. This man, on getting home was very tired and so, slept off straight away, but the woman had a sleepless night. But after some times, she dosed off. Within that interval, she saw three handsome and rich men. She was told that the first man was an arm robber, the second one, a murderer and the third a drunk.

One of them said, "though I am handcuffed, let me go and greet my mother." He moved towards the woman but she said, "go you are not my child." The second and third men did likewise and she also responded the same way to them. Just there in the dream, on seeing those men, she was worried and afraid. Then at dawn, the prophet asked them what they dreamt of, and the husband said nothing while the wife reported what she saw to the prophet. Then the prophet told her that those were her children. She was further told that God had known the problems such children could have caused her and since she could not have borne such problems,

## WATCHING THE WORLD

BY UWEM ETTE OBU

Leader Obu sits at a corner and watch the world

He sees everything that happens even to an ant as He keeps surveillance.

What He does not approve cannot take place

Leader Obu is the only eye to watch the world.

Whosoever watches the city does so in vain

Leader Obu is the only equation of power

He matches force with force when His children are in danger

Mystic men dread Brotherhood members for ritual murder.

The Mighty and fearsome Olumba is dreaded even by thieves

God decided to keep such children from her; which was why she was barren.

God is all knowing, He knows what is good for each and everyone of us. This further confirms that our problem comes from us. Do not attribute your problem to any man, witch and or other vices. Do not request anything more than what you are given because the giver knows the qualities of whatever He gives you.

After those revelations, the woman was happy and left with joy. In the light of this, you are advised not to request anything from God but allow God choose that which is yours for you because the requests you have been

*"God is ever ready to listen to our request and grant them, but our stubbornness barricades the goodies of God from getting to us. All the problems that are afflicting us which we experience daily are the resultant effects of our parents' evil deeds."*

placing before God contribute immensely to your problem. It does not please God if we suffer, lament or weep, but it is because we do not have faith in Him.

No man is ready to accept God, abide by His injunctions, surrender unto Him receive Him; hence we suffer. God is ever ready to listen to our requests and grant them, but our stubbornness barricades the goodies of God from getting to us. All the problems that are afflicting us which we experience daily are the resultant effects of our parents' evil deeds.

May my peace and blessings abide with the entire world. Amen.

Gang Leaders warn their colleagues to steer clear of Brotherhood

Behold the eyes of the Lord are upon His Children.

When necromancers invoke or conjure, Leader Obu appears and protects.

Be careful with what you do because an eye is watching

Because He is able to watch the world, He executes judgement in truth

Be it in America, India or Africa He gives account of occurrences in every second

Behold the Landlord has come, He needs no caretaker.

Thank You Father



# THE REWARD FOR EVIL

**TEXT OF DISCOURSE:****ROMANS 9 : 1 - END**

Reference Texts: Galatians 4 : 2 - 25.  
1 Corinthians 7 : 29  
Psalm 34  
Matthew 13 : 1 - 14

**YOUR CHILD REFLECTS WHO YOU ARE**

Beloved, how do you understand these portions? It is stated clearly that not all the Israelites are the seeds of Israel and not all the children of Abraham are his offspring's except Isaac. Now, if your postulations could be queried, how come that one is an offspring of the spirit and the other is of the flesh? What you are about to understand is that though all are born, some are Abraham's heir and some are not. This gospel will be difficult for you to understand or interpret the portion when you are not spiritually directed. This is one of the gospels which you have to ponder critically over.

I am convinced that you all are the children of God. Or can you tell why some children born of the same parents are of the spirit while others are of the flesh?

Another interesting passage in the text is that which states that while the children were yet to born, it was destined that the elder would serve the younger. I want you to know those who are the children of God and those of the flesh.

Now tell me, of all the people in the world, whose parents are they? Again, what is the meaning of the excerpt, time shall come when men shall be lovers of themselves and children shall be stubborn? Of the number of the people in this fold, how many are the chosen ones of God? How will you identify yourself as one of the elects of God? Who are the promised children of God? Only those who can interpret the meaning of this gospel are the elects of God.

I have taught you many things, but you have refused to hearken unto the words which is the cause of the problems you encounter. If you examine what our Lord Jesus Christ did, you would not have engaged in evil practices. But now, you continue indulging in the works of the flesh. If a man who abides in the flesh meets a woman who is also of the flesh, they are true replica. Since they tell lie, steal and indulge in all abominable acts, their offsprings will multiply their iniquities and because of this, you find many children being recalcitrant to their parents. This is because even their parents are not obedient to the words of God.

The Parents who have purified themselves produce good offsprings. Their children will equally produce virtues which include obedience, kindness, among others. If you do good and submit yourself to God, your children will benefit from the good that comes from you. Refer to Galatians 4 : 20 - 25.

*"Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one.*

*Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have been life, verily righteousness should*

*have been by the law.*

*But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.*

*But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterward be revealed.*

of Eli and David, you may recall that they were all vagabonds. Therefore, what you sow is exactly what you must reap.

If you fear God and abide by His words and injunctions, God will, in turn provide you with a comforter and bless you. If you submit unto God, you will

spiritual and beneficial, they rather pursue mundane things such as cars, money, wealth and several other things of the world which are vanity. What will you do with these earthly possessions?

Recapitulate the case of Eli and Paul; they were stubborn and ungodly and also produced stubborn and ungodly children. This is the situation in the world. If you surrender unto God, and abide by His words, you will experience His blessings and your children will be useful unto God. Now, ask yourself this question, upon all your children, how many of them are useful unto God? John the Baptist preached about the coming of the Saviour. Since after that how many people possess the fear of God? How many of your children have the fear of God in them?

Our Lord Jesus Christ, in His time gave Himself unto God wholeheartedly which was why He overcame the world. Who in the entire world has given himself up to God? Lamentation and sorrow have filled the world because people have refused to surrender wholly to God. A true Brotherhood surrenders wholly to God and so has no problem whatever because he is of God.

You are the cause of our downfall because you have not decided to surrender unto God; thus, instead of going forward, you go backwards. Many people now regret serving God, and if there is anyone in their families who has any interest in the work of God, they will mock and regard him as a lunatic. This is the problem of the world.

You will find that John the Baptist served God diligently and his name was heard every where, even till today. This was because his parents obeyed God and abided by every injunction that came from God. If you marry a murderer or a thief, you will also produce children of like characteristics. Brotherhood, the New Kingdom has come. Who among you abide by the teachings of this kingdom, rather you seek for astral beliefs, money, secret cults and other carnalities. This informs why your problems are numerous. You have purportedly rejected the way of God by refusing to comply with His teachings.

**MAN REAPS WHAT HE SOWETH**

God's blessings are abundant to those who have accepted and surrendered unto Him. This is the time for you to be 'born-again' and refrain from mundane acquisitions for these things keep you away from God's blessings. You will not see the children of God in poverty. Mind you, Rome was not built in a day. This kingdom must surely come to be glorified by all, and gradually, the promise of God must be fulfilled. Therefore, this is the time for you to submit unto God so as to gain entrance into the kingdom, and for your children to be useful vessels unto God. The Sabbath children in the kingdom, gradually you will see how God will use them.

Submit yourself else what you sow, same shall you reap. Any child who surrenders unto God, gets free from fornication, lies, stealing, fighting,



**THE HOLY FATHER TEACHING HIS CHILDREN ON THE REWARD FOR EVIL**

*Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster."*

Now you are enjoined to flee all carnalities but to surrender unto God, refrain from stealing, fornication, lies, medication and all other forms of vices.

If you are pure, having not defiled yourself, your children shall reflect your character. But if you engage in drinking, medication and other vices, your life will become worse than before. I have earlier told you about Adam, Job, Eli and other prophets of old concerning this issue. The life you you lead certainly reflects on your children. It is stated that God shall slay down everything which is inglorious unto the Father and cast them into the furnace of fire. Which child of Solomon or Jacob was outstanding?

It is because of our disobedience to God that we continue to suffer untold hardship. This disobedience makes us all to be classified as the children of the world. 1 Timothy 3:8 records the promises of God to man. If you do not submit to God, you will also produce a child that will not hearken unto God. Consider the children

surely beget obedient children. If you are a politician, you will produce at least a child with a worst trait of political ambition. You are plagued with problems as the aftermath of disobedience to the words of God. The children of God are not the same with the children of the world. You will realise that if a man moves from one woman to another, the woman also moves from one man to another. Consequently their children will be stubborn and worthless. Therefore, it could have been even better that they produced no child. If Abraham had disobeyed God, his son, Isaac could also have disobeyed him. For even before Abraham could have attempted to sacrifice Isaac unto God, he (Isaac) would have snatched the knife from his father and killed him. But being that Abraham had obeyed God, his offspring also obeyed him by surrendering unto him.

You may further realise that when you seek after the earthly things, you will produce carnally minded children. But if you seek the heavenly things which are spiritual, your children will be of services unto God. You can now find many people who, instead of seeking for the heavenly things which are

***"If a man who abides in the flesh meets a woman who is also of the flesh, they are true replica. Since they tell lie, steal and indulge in all abominable acts; their offspring will multiply their iniquities and because of this, you find many children being recalcitrant to their parents."***



# Thank YOU PAPA



*As everybody rejoices in the recent ordination of God's chosen ones, we, the entire*  
**Ordained Ones**  
*in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, Delta State,*  
*Heartily express boundless joy, praises, reverence and thankfulness to the Holy Spirit personified, Father Olumba Olumba Obu for swelling our number.*  
*It is our deep-seated willingness to continue as your vessels of glorification; therefore, all we ask is your immense love, protection and grace.*

**Thank You Father.**



*Deac. Anthonia Usman  
Delta State L/R.*



## REVOLUTION IN LIBERIA

BY BASSEY OROK

It is revealed that there shall be a total revolution in the Republic of Liberia. When this revolution shall take place, there will be a lot of changes in the executive arm of that country. There is a very serious negative force operating in that country. According to the Divine will of the Holy Spirit, there will be an eventual changes in the government. The seat of this Country's president is shaken. Something will happen any time any day. Accordingly, the Holy Spirit has taken full control of this country. The alarming rate of negative forces and atrocities committed in the country is now subject to changes by the Divine power of the Holy Spirit. Meanwhile there will be no blood shed in this country again, as the Holy Spirit is now in control of all affairs.

## NIGERIA'S EXTERNAL DEBT CANCELLATION

When the Holy Spirit is with you there is no need for one to think negatively. The Holy Spirit shall continue to pilot the affairs of the world. Nigeria in particular should officially recognise His physical presence on earth.

He is here as a Leader, Teacher, Doctor etc. so that man shall not encounter

It is revealed that soon, there will be a fall in oil levels the world over. This shall bring shock to the world market. During this period, the members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) will find it very difficult to get more supply to meet up with demand as they shall also experience break in exports from member countries.

### SERIOUS PROBLEMS TO ARISE IN OPEC

Meanwhile, it is revealed that during the manifestation of this revelation scientists shall look for alternative to oil in most countries. But this shall not stop the global market problem. We are instructed by the order of this revelation to ask members of OPEC to acknowledge the physical presence of the Holy Spirit on earth in person of Leader Olumba Olumba Obu else they should expect the wrath of God.

Thank You Father.

problems. But the problems with man especially those in NIGERIA is that instead of going to the Holy Spirit to tender our requests we rather go to man looking for help. Knowing fully well that without the approval of the Holy Spirit nothing can happen.

It is revealed that because of the

divine, the eternal and magnificent. Christ's preordained earthly assignment climaxed at Easter, a period destined to record the forgiveness and reconciliation of man with his creator.

Easter is the bedrock of Christianity not only because it was the time of its founders' death, resurrection and ascension, but because most of the immortal teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ were practically demonstrated to man at Easter. The Symbolic Cross the mark of discipleship was carried upon a head designed with a cap of thorns. Forgiveness as a divine portion of Christ came to play; (Israel) has the most sophisticated style of human torture) amid pang of death, suspended by rustic nails forced into His palms and feet by man's heartlessness, He, drowned in death, yet not overcome by death forgave man at Easter. The law of eternity was instituted for immortalized mortals. Determination and triumph of the Spirit over the negative pulls of the flesh was enacted and exemplified.

The law of Karma which had been affecting the lives of men, tribes and nations was re-emphasised; for any man or nation that hangs a sword at its gate builds a legacy on crumbling grounds. Our Lord Jesus Christ displayed His authority and power to give Salvation; the Supremacy of Spirit over flesh, transforming potency of His death and the Universality of the FatherGod at Easter.

### CLEANSING OPERATION

It is revealed that as the Holy Spirit is physically preparing man towards His era, many strategies have been put in place to eliminate all those who still oppose the Father. These unwanted elements cannot move into the new era where righteousness dwells supreme.

It is revealed that death is one of the powerful angels to be used for this great task of "Operation wipe evil away," from the earth. To this end, the high rate of death as shall be recorded throughout the world shall be such that has never taken place since the creation of man.

**STOP THAT  
'SHOOT AT SIGHT'**  
Nigeria is a nation and land of God. It should not be seen as a land

love God has towards the Nation of Nigeria, the Holy Spirit has approved the appeal by the Nigerian Government to the International community to look into debts owed them by Nigeria. To this end, the Federal Government of Nigeria should start thanking the Holy Spirit for approving the debt cancellation for them.

## CHRISTIANITY WITHOUT EASTER

BY NSAN TAKON

Considering the huge, divine significance of Easter, Christianity without Easter is an impossibility. Therefore Christians whose belief, hope, and life hang on the resurrection, ascension and promise of our Lord Jesus Christ are asked to re-assess their works and see if their wages shall be death or eternal life.

where bloodshed is legal in the scheme of things. Time has come when the people of Nigeria should see the physical presence of God in their midst as an honour. Nigeria should acknowledge it and practise all forms of righteousness and thankfulness so that she will continue to witness the blessings of God.

We are directed by the command of this revelation to warn that the Federal Government of Nigeria should reverse the trend of SHOOTING AT SIGHT, as introduced by the present government in Nigeria. They should lay structures for peaceful co-existence.

It is revealed by the Spirit of truth that Federal Government should discourage all forms of bloodshed in the country. This according to the revelation is for the full manifestation of the glory of God since He (God) is a Holy Being and Holiness is His Constitution.

**ALWAYS SEND  
YOUR  
REVELATIONS  
HERE!**

In the world of spirit (Spiritual world) He said: "If I did it for Mexico in 1989, also for Argentina and Brazil in 1991 why can't I do same for Nigeria - my beloved country. What I did for the Israelites, I will also do same to the Gentiles. Henceforth I have cancelled Nigeria Foreign debt. Let Nigeria rejoice.

All self-acclaimed Christians are advised to plunge themselves into the pool of meditation, seeking the revelation of the Christ of the Second Advent; for He is here garbed in flesh. He is the one that founded Eden, the Brotherhood of Life. And when man fell, He descended and bore the Cross; to redeem His own. Now He is back to give the Star to the faithfuls. His name is Olumba Olumba Obu, founder and sustainer of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star

Thank You Father.

## BIAKPAN LANGUAGE

BY E. BASSEY

N.W.L.	ENGLISH	N.W.L.	ENGLISH
Shin	Hair	San	Teeth
Imin	Noise	Uda	Pepper
Ofe	Moon	Unok	Salt
Abani	Night	Ogon	Fire
Evivie	Noon	Imet	Fire-wood
Ovum	Morning	Unom	Oil
Ovum	Air	Etuk	Way/Road
Uwan	Hunger	Ozom	Farm
Zen	Eye	Mani	Water
Oton	Ear	Edu	Stream
Otak	Leg	Owoi	Sun
Imi	Belly	Uso	Face
Eto	Head	Etono	Sheep
Ama	Mouth	Izhin	Darkness
Omen	Tongue	Amegam?	Where do you come from?
		Amaragam?	Where were you born

**ALWAYS LEARN THE  
NEW WORLD LANGUAGE!**



**ABAS PILGRIMAGE 2000**

**INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT RECOMMISSIONS ABASITES**

BY NSAN TAKON WITH ENOBONG EMAH

The Association of Brotherhood Academic Scholars (ABAS) recently visited Biakpan, the Holy land on a pilgrimage. The visit which attracted ABASITES from all strata of the Fellowship to the Holy land started with a novelty football match which ended in a narrow 1-0 win, in favour of the



**ELDER TONY IKHACBOHME**

ABAS team who paraded a pack of skillful soccer stars against the Biakpan Youths. The Friday night

session witnessed nerve-breaking and breath-taking jokes which flowed freely from the unparalleled comedian master, Abasite Michael Ogbolosingha.

In an address presented by the International President of the Fellowship, Elder Tony Osi Ikhaobohme, Abasites were reminded of their responsibilities as set up for them, two years ago by His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu, upon the appointment of the present Executive. Such responsibilities, he said included.

Evolve appropriate administrative Network within ABAS to avoid bureaucratic bottlenecks and enhance effective administration.

Inculcate the spirit of love and oneness so that the Holy Spirit will always take control in all ABAS activities.

Evolve cohesion,

co-operation, accountability and transparency in all the Association's activities, financial, moral, administration and otherwise.

Establish effective network to counter seditions and damaging materials perpetrated against BCS through the print and electronic media networks.

Mobilise and co-ordinate the junior Abasites in the primary, secondary and other institutions to complement our efforts in the tertiary institutions.

Establish a uniform weekly, monthly, quarterly or yearly journal/Magazine to harness the wealth of knowledge the Father has imbued ABAS with

And truly establish and enhance the presence and impact of ABAS beyond the shores of Nigeria.

The president

Holy Father drew His texts from Matthew 5: 16; Matthew 8: 11 - 12; Matthew 11: 29 and 'witnesses' from St. John 10: 8; Revelation 3: 8 - 10; and Matthew 24: 21 - 22, to buttress His points.

Meanwhile, the Holy Trinity Week ended with activities such as novelty football match, drama presentations, march-past by school children, and other sporting activities to identify and encourage stars of the New Kingdom.

**IMITATE CHRIST**

*The Father charges*

The Holy Father, in one of His teachings during the Christ Servants Week has cautioned that calling Jesus Lord, is not the answer to man's problems. The Father blamed those who claim knowledge of Christ, but are bereft of the truth about Him and that unlike man, our Lord Jesus Christ stood by His words from start to end.

Synchronizing the gospel with the song "He is King of kings, He is Lord of lords, Jesus Christ the first and the last, no one works like Him," the Father simply asked, where is that truthful man? Let him come out now. The Father

appealed to brethren for co-operation and financial assistance to help actualise these set responsibilities.

As an intellectual body, a seminar was organised, to educate brethren on some key issues. Abasite Victor Odey Bifom, CRS President of the body presented a paper on the topic, "Respiratory injection in the tropics, a case study of Pneumonia," and Abasite Chuks Uzoelum, ABAS President for Lagos state talked on "Marriage in BCS." The pilgrimage also witnessed a choral competition between CRS and AKS Choirs. The CRS Choir defeated AKS Choirs to remain the unchallengeable, champion, for a couple of years now. Biakpanites felt the impact of the pilgrimage as they benefited through the gift items that were presented to the various sections of the community. And the ABASITES also benefited spiritually as they took a purifying bath at the "Bethesda" stream. They had since returned to their different formations.

Thank You Father.

In a related celebration of the 58 years victory of the Holy Father over anger on February 14, 2000, the Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu resounded the word of the challenge He posed since February 14, 1942; to give a handsome cash reward to any that would cause Him to be angry. Nobody on earth is worthy of that reward despite human efforts, physically and spiritually.

Thank You Father.

continued that Our Lord Jesus Christ has spoken that the Kingdom of God is like the mustard seed which once sowed, germinates, blossoms and covers the place.

In Christ's words is the BCS, which was once rejected, ridiculed, and referred to as their Brotherhood, but now becoming everybody's Brotherhood. The Holy Father charged all those who follow Christ to be like Him. Then the Father concluded that as Brotherhood was never planned by man, whenever one is asked to perform any function, obedience should be the first key. Thank You Father.

**AFTERMATH OF PILGRIMAGE: CHORISTERS RE-ORDER PRIORITIES**

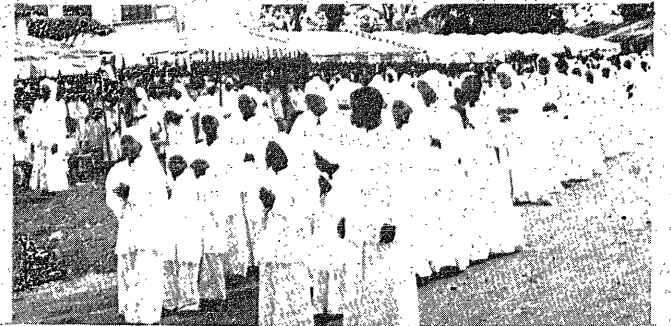
BY ENOBONG EMAH

Recently, all choristers in the New Kingdom of God embarked on a pilgrimage to Biakpan, the Holy land.

The pilgrimage, the Fellowship's first in the new century, was led by the International Chairman of the Fellowship, Pastor Mike Ntuk. In his opening remarks, the International Chairman challenged the

challenged them to scale greater height in this direction.

In his address, His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu, the King of kings and Lord of lords, represented by Brother Charles Odigie, welcomed the Choristers to the holy land, Biakpan. His Holiness called upon them to make adjustments to



**NEW KINGDOM CHORISTERS DURING OUTING**

choristers to move forward positively in order to survive the challenges of the new age. He reminded them of their responsibilities as ambassadors of the New Kingdom. He urged for co-operation amongst the rank and file of the fellowship, and hinted on the determination to accommodate resourceful and committed persons, proven integrity and transparent honesty within the officers' rank.

The Chairman further briefed the Choristers on the achievements of the Fellowship to include procurement of seven fully upholstered chairs, renovation of the Father's vestry, demarcation of the World Headquarters Pentecostal hall to provide an exclusive podium for the Royal Family, and terrazzo flooring of the Pentecostal Hall. Pastor Ntuk further briefed the pilgrims of the Fellowship's intentions to procure a bus for their service.

The Pastor frowned at situations where state Chairmen of the Fellowship were uneconomical with funds and stopped further spendings without due approvals from appropriate authorities. He reminded the choral group of their primary functions of singing to uplift the glory of the Father and

meet up with the choral and evangelical expectations for the year 2000. The King advised the choristers to maintain originality and naturality of songs as directed by the Father. He used the opportunity to announce that elections for the office of the Choirmaster, either at the Bethel, zonal, area, state, regional or national levels should be carried out yearly.

According to His Holiness, this bid is to "generate and encourage talents, and to diversify your musical compositions, harmonizations and rendition melodies, thereby eliminating stereotype choral works." He alerted their commitments to the Brotherhood mission and called upon them to contribute generously to the proposed CNCF bus project. His Holiness commended the Choristers for accomplishing the terrazzo flooring of the Great Hall of the World Headquarters and prayed for the Father's blessings on all of them.

Trumpet learnt that the Choristers in groups, sang round the whole city, thereby uplifting the spiritual sanctity of the Holy land. About ten thousand choristers took part in this year's pilgrimage. They had since returned to their various states and countries.

Thank You Father.

Father explains

**GOD'S DUAL-NATURE**

BY EPHRAIM SUNDAY

The Sole Spiritual Head of the Universe, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has disclosed that positive and negative traits surrounding all existence on earth constitute testimonies of the existence of Almighty God.

The Leader gave this message in a gospel he delivered at the occasion of the Holy Trinity, Senior Christ Servants' Week Anniversary which held between Monday, 14 to Sunday, 20 February, 2000, at the BCS World Headquarters, Calabar.

The Holy Father said it was erroneous for people to uphold anything as being completely good or bad as such tantamounts to a complete disregard to God's existence. According to the Father, the negative and the positive, good and evil, masculine and feminine genders must exist before God adopts such as being acceptable. In His words: "If all the persons uphold

that a thing is good, that thing scores zero; and if every person claims that the same thing is bad, it scores zero as well. But if five hundred persons commend a thing and one person condemns it, God scores it right and if one thousand persons condemn a thing while one person commends it, then God adopts such a thing to be okay." He stated that hunger, death, cold, heat etc. have their duties and are indispensable in the fusion of all activities of God's creations.

In another development, the Holy Father hinted that the world is saved and sustained through the members of BCS who have accepted and believed in the existence of the living God, and have attempted to practise the word of God. He advised His adherents not to bother about such persons who see them as worshippers of man, for some of them are clandestine members of this fold having been secretly baptized. The



**REGISTRATION AND GROWTH OF BCS**

**HOLY FATHER MANDATES KOK**

BY EPHRAIM SUNDAY

In furtherance of His onerous task of reshaping the world and establishing an enduring kingdom of God on earth, the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has mandated His Holiness, King Olumba Olumba Obu, to go round the world and ensure that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star (BCS) is duly registered in all places she has been accepted.

Making the declaration at the BCS World Headquarters during His March, 2000 monthly meeting with the Christ Universal Spiritual Council of Churches (CUSCC), the Holy Father instructed the King of kings to carry out the task ahead in company of his Secretary, Pastors

Winston Nakanda, Okolue and other persons the Father would select for him

According to the Leader, "if worldly organisations and fraternities, with evil objectives are duly registered, recognised and allowed to operate overtly, why should BCS which has come to save the world not be registered?"

Leader Obu said the registration of BCS in any town, City, or Country is of great importance to the dwellers of such places and added that the data to be collated would enable Him know those Countries of the world that have not accepted BCS before year 2000 ends.

In addition, His Holiness is to ascertain all structures and landed

property the world over that belong to BCS as well as confirm the

membership strength of the fold.

The Holy Father

further mandated the King to identify those persons who are prepared to promote the Father's work in practical terms and the monetary value of such anticipated contribution should be clearly stated and made known to Him.

The Holy Father warned that henceforth people who do not combine virtue with financial ability should not be assigned or appointed Chairmen, Presidents, Secretaries, and other sensitive appointments in BCS to avoid acts of misappropriation and embezzlements of the fold's funds.

Earlier in the meeting, the Chairman of the Christ Universal Spiritual Council of Churches (CIJSCC) Pastor Winston Nakanda read some portions of the "Regulatory standards" which quoted the Holy Father's instructions or guidelines on conflict resolution between individuals in BCS, and the purpose for which the CUSCC was established, why Fellowships, Regions, States, Areas, Zones should attend and equally send their reports to the Spiritual Council regularly.

Thank You Father.



HIS HOLINESS OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU WITH DEACONESS AJA OLUMBA OBU. THE SCENE WAS BIAKPAN

**ISOKRARI COUNSELS CHURCHES ON BCS**

BY MATTS. I. UDOAKA

Members of other religious organisations still doubting the personified Holy Spirit in BCS, were counselled against such doubt

The Rivers State LR, Pastor Ebenezer Isokrari gave this counselling recently in Rivers State on the occasion of the mass solemnization of marriages. On the misconception held by

some people that the BCS does not use the Bible, Pastor Isokrari urged the large audience of non-members to justify that belief with what they saw during the divine service.

The LR used the opportunity to stress the importance of exhibiting brotherly love as taught by our Lord Jesus Christ. He saw the slight difference existing between the BCS and the churches as our total belief in, and commitment to the Father,

Son and the Holy Spirit. In such a situation, the LR noted, the short fall in the belief in the Father and Son scores them 65% as against the 100% scored by members of the BCS for believing in the existence of the Triune God. The worship was well attended by a cross-section of members of the public, prominent among whom were the Registrar of the University of Port Harcourt, Mr. Emmanuel Acheru, and the former Permanent Secretary, Rivers State Ministry of Information, Mr. Gibson Ogolo.

Thank You Father.

**CNCF CHAIRMAN CLAMPS DOWN ON UNNATURAL SONGS**

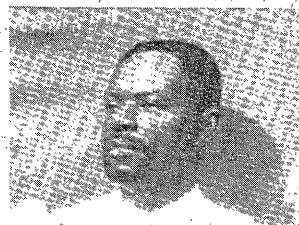
BY ENOBONG EMAH

Arising from the Holy Father's persistent and insistence call for natural songs, the Chairman of the Christ's Natural Choristers Fellowship, Pastor Mike Ntuk has called on all Choristers to revert to natural songs or be black-listed.

The Chairman made this U-turn because according to him, "The Father had instructed that we revert to BCS natural songs and abolish the orthodox and classical trend. This has severally been passed to all composers yet we still observe a serious inclination to orthodoxy. This is at variance with the Fellowship's stance on

the matter."

The Chairman continued, "we hereby warn that henceforth, any song that is not purely natural will not be accommodated any longer and songs that do not qualify as natural songs will be considered as orthodox and will earn no score during competitions. We want to further warn against a new and unfortunate trend in the tenor harmony which keeps the note permanently bended. This will no longer be accepted as it has gone a long way to destroy our natural harmony." To buttress his point, the choral helmsman observed that nowadays, "one can hardly differentiate between anthem composed



PASTOR MIKE NTUK

by choirmasters in Brotherhood and those of other denominations", and inferred that this amounts to, "presenting the Father with the choice between two rotten eggs."

He therefore, advised the choristers to, "have a complete rethink and retrace their steps from where they derailed."

Thank You Father.

**KOK GIVES MARCHING ORDERS TO CHORISTERS**

BY ENOBONG EMAH



FACES OF SOME CHORISTERS

The King of kings and Lord of Lords, His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu has mandated the International Executive body of the Christ's Natural Choristers' Fellowship to henceforth, monitor the activities and efforts of Choristers outside Nigeria. His

Holiness also took exception to the indecent behaviour of some officers of the Fellowship. He recalled the insulting utterances of the CNCF Regional Supervisor for Region 7 who showed utter disregard and disrespect to constituted authority and viewed it as

an evidence of being unqualified for the post he occupies.

The King of kings warned that the "CNCF and other Fellowships in BCS fold are here advised henceforth to take necessary precautions before nomination, election or appointment of any officer at whatever level is made. Brethren are expected to realise the fact that their being elected or appointed into one office or the other is not a guarantee to instigate rebellion against the authorities under which they are chosen to serve." Thank You Father.

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## WORLDWATCH

ANCHORED BY ENOBONG EMAH

### CHICAGO

Eritreans in the US city of Chicago Tuesday marched through the city calling for an end to the war with Ethiopia. Eritreans numbering about 70 called on their home government to channel the resources being used to prosecute the war to feed starving people in the country. They also called on Ethiopia to accept the peace plan put forward by the O.A.U. About 60,000 soldiers from both countries face each other in the border between the two nations.

### KHARTOUM

Leading Aid agencies in Southern Sudan have pulled out of the war devastated region following their refusal to sign the so-called memorandum of understanding with the Sudan Peoples Liberation Army (SPLA). The agencies include Oxfam, Doctors Without Borders, the Red Cross and others. They were given up to Wednesday (March 1, 2000) to sign the MOU or pull out of the region. The agencies believe signing the agreement would affect the neutrality and general operations.

### BOGATA

Several thousand inmates in Columbian Prisons have signed an agreement to hand over their weapons to the police and put an end to prison violence. Leaders of the two main guerrilla factions in the state reached an agreement pleading to live in peace with each other.

### BY ENOBONG EMAH

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, represented by Central Choir, Amakohia has won the much coveted British Pennine Chimes Award contested for by about twenty six denominations. The interdenominational competition organised by Dr. and Dr. (Mrs.) Umezurike Eronini was held at the FSP Auditorium International School, Okigwe Road Hill, Owerri.

As a test of the choirs' competence, two set piece songs were presented. The introductory set piece titled "Deluyo" was written by Ndubisi Chukwu and "Be not afraid," a composition of G. F. Handell was the main set piece.

In addition to these, each of the choirs presented their parent songs. For the Brotherhood Choristers, the song, titled, "BU MMUO" written by the Father in Brother Dandy Digitimie was conducted by the Father through Brother Jack Obeymie.

Trumpet learnt that twenty-six choirs registered for the competition but thirteen could not attend the competition

### OSAKA

Japan's first female governor of Osaka, Hushai Otta has conceded a defeat after she tried to challenge the traditional male dominated areas of Japanese culture. Hushai protested her being barred from entering the ring to present prizes to winners in a SUMO competition by the SUMO Association of Japan because of what the Association described as a contamination.

All stories culled from Weekend Pioneer Friday, March 3 - Sunday, March 5, 2000.

### CONFESS @ JESUS COM

"Many of the faithful(s) who have "sinned and "come short of the Glory of God," but are scared of facing the "stern-faced" priest-for confessions, can now heave a sigh of penitent relief; thanks to the "confessor" e-mail life line. The procedure is simple: No church buildings and no priests to talk to. Sinners are invited to muse on wrongdoings by writing them down. And the Internet confession buy is catching fast.

Premier Christian Radio, launched its Internet confession in January and has since reportedly received more than a million visits. They "Confessor" e-mail life line is only one of a thousand other Internet services offered by the various church denominations in Britain. Disciples all over are loffing onto the Internet not only for confessions, but also to spread the word. According to Peter Kerridge, Premier Christian Radio's Managing Director, "People feel guilty, inadequate and ill-at-ease, they use this to release themselves from guilt and they want freedom." This enthusiasm is widespread among Catholics who are

### BCS EXCELS AT CHORAL MEET

## WINS BRITISH AWARD

because of their inability to interpret the main set piece by Handell. Out of the remaining thirteen choirs that went for the exercise, only six choirs scaled through the screening for the final competition.

For the competition proper, the Brotherhood choristers used only one week to translate the main set piece of Handell from staff notation to solfa notation; mastered the intricacies of the song and presented same. At the end of the exercise, the Father's children came top. St. Marks Anglican Church came second; St. Louis Catholic church took the third position, St. Peter/St. John Catholic church was placed at the fourth position, Holy Trinity church, Awka took the fifth place and Owerri State choir was at the sixth position.

Information at Trumpet's disposal had it that the Brotherhood choral group, in addition to the Pennine Chimes Award for musical Excellence

even more upbeat about this new evangelical style.

According to the West-Minister's Diocese Web-master, Anthony Clark: "The enthusiasm for the Internet among Catholic church has really embraced it."

-Culled from *The News*, 6 March, 2000.-

### TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

The Prince of Welsh, Prince Charles, had said in Trinidad and Tobago that the Commonwealth is something worth cherishing.

The Prince who proposed to take over from his mother hopes to see the Commonwealth recording more strides in the 21st century.

### MOZAMBIQUE

The United Nations Education Childrens' Fund has launched a \$13 million relief for Mozambique. In Mozambique, a lot of people were rendered homeless following a devastating flood resulting from a two week incessant down pour and cyclone.

### UNITED KINGDOM

The British government is to spend #1 billion to up-grade equipment in her war machine of mass destruction.

According to the Defence spokesman, Tornado GRI bombing aircraft will be filled with state of the art equipment. When completed the aircraft is expected to rate with GRN model which is used for bombing attack in Kosovo.

## TRUMPET'S COMMENT IN THE LIGHT OF THE FATHER'S TEACHINGS

In the era of the Holy Spirit, time is rift for peace, unity and brotherliness to thrive. These have begun to be enforced in countries of the world as many in war-torn areas have called for a lasting peace in such areas.

This fulfills the Supreme Father's statements that a time comes when the inhabitants of the world shall seek for peace but it shall elude them. Or what else would you say in a situation where soldiers from warring countries call for a cease fire, directing funds spent on prosecuting war to be used to feed starving people in the country? This can only be granted by the Holy Spirit.

Politics, the Father says is not for children of God. The reason being that it breeds death, hatred, violence and many other sins. But in Japan, the spirit of God is seen at work as a defeated gubernatorial candidate gave peace a chance as she conceded to a defeat. And people the world over, are moving closer to God. We are taught by the Supernatural Teacher that whoever acknowledges his sins and confesses them with a view to repenting will surely be forgiven. It was on this note that American President, Bill Clinton was wholly forgiven by the great judge, the Father when he openly confessed his wrong doing. The Father, pronouncing his pardon, saw Clinton in the white house till the end of his tenure. However, whoever is ashamed of his sins and so, refuses to confess openly can never be pardoned and such has no salvation. Therefore, the celebrated "confessor" e-mail is only designed to deceive people to be obstinate and eventually perish with their sins. But the earlier the world heeds the Father's teachings, the better for her. A stitch in times saves nine. Peace!

Olumba Olumba Obu appreciated the co-operation in Imo State amongst choristers. He emphasized that the spirit of oneness should continue, for "United we stand, divided we fall." He urged the Uromi Bethel choir of Edo State to emulate the exemplary qualities of the Imo and Bayelsa states choirs so as to excel in their performance. The Father blessed the Imo State Choristers and presented to them an envelope.

In a chat with the International Chairman of the BCS Choral Body (CNCF) Pastor Mike Ntuk, said "there was no way the Choristers could not have gained the first position because some composers in the Kingdom whose set pieces are sang by the Choristers are far better than G. F. Handell. He reminded Trumpet of his earlier assertion that BCS composers have surpassed Handell. He further expressed his deep appreciation to the Central Choir, Amakohia for glorifying the Father in the competition and added that soon, Choirmasters from the churches shall learn from the kingdom's standard composition of songs.

Thank You Father.



PASTOR MIKE NTUK

was also given a cash award of twenty five thousand naira only (N25,000.00). In the wake of this, some members of the State Executive, amongst who were Sister Gloria Okafor - Chairperson, Brother Franklyn Okoro - Vice Chairman, Brother Obinna Okpara - Secretary, Sister Grace Chaka - Treasurer, Sister Chinyere Onyema - Mother, Brother Dandy Digitimie, Brother Jack Obeymie, etc. visited the world Headquarters to thank the Father and dedicate the Award to Him.

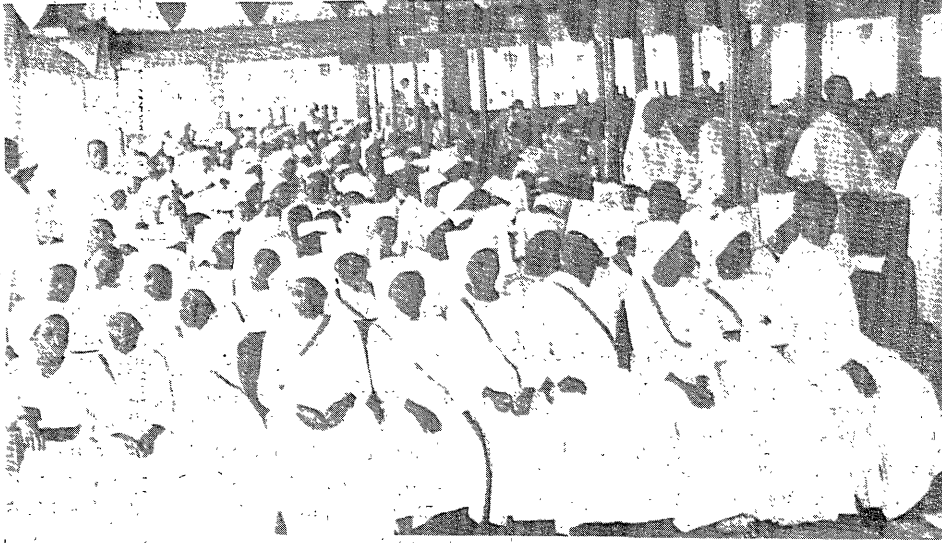
Receiving them, His Holiness



# Sabbath Corner



WITH UNCLE  
MBAKARA EFIOK



THESE CHILDREN ARE OWNERS OF THE NEW KINGDOM  
(ANSWER TO PART TWO OF OUR MARCH, 2000 EDITION)

QUESTION FROM BRO. CHARLES  
MATHIAS OF MARINE BASE  
BETHEL, PORT HARCOURT)

Beloved Bro. Charles.

I am sure you were satisfied with the answer given to your first question last month (i.e. in the March, 2000 editions). In your second question, you wanted TEXTS in the Bible to show why we in Brotherhood knock our heads on the ground in worship. Here are those texts as promised:- Matt. 2 : 1 - 11; Matt. 4 : 8 - 11; John 4 : 21 - 26; Rev. 7 : 11 - 12; Rev. 11 : 16; Rev. 14 : 7; Rev. 15 : 4 and Rev. 22 : 8 - 9.

It is very good to worship God correctly!

- Uncle Mbakara Efiok -

Dear Uncle,

I and my daddy visited Calabar after the August Pentecost of 1999. On Thursday night of that week, there was an International Sabbath Quiz Competition. The exercise took place at the long hall of the 34 Ambo Primary School instead of the Great Hall. Why? How can a Sabbath child take part in the International Quiz Competitions.

Brother Imoniye Akande  
Warri, Delta State

### ANSWER

Thank you very much for your letter. Your observation is wonderful. I directed your questions to Brother Ephraim Sunday, the International Sabbath Quiz Master in the fold. Here now are his answers:

"Imoniye my brother, it was on January 28, 1999 that the Holy Father directed that Quiz competitions be moved from the Great Hall to the Primary School. Although He did not give reasons for the directive, we believe the following could be some of such reasons:

(a) To discourage eye service and encourage sponsors and children to

serve God truly even without the physical presence of the Holy Father; and  
(b) To avoid interruptions from activities like Evening Service in the Hall. It is important to note that Father's directives are divine and not for punishment as some people think. Those who obey them are rather blessed always.

Your second question is on participation in the International competition. It is for qualified Sabbath children that reside in Calabar for nearness purpose. Such candidates must have taken part in their various Zonal mock quiz exercises and they must be able to answer questions in the three volumes of the "Hidden Treasure". They should also be familiar with Brotherhood of the Cross and Star Doctrines and practices.

Apart from the BCS World Headquarters Calabar, the Capital of a Country or State that the Father in His Holiness the King of kings or Her Holiness the Holy Queen Mother officially visit can become a venue for this International Exercise organised to mark the visitation exercise. For instance, the 14th International Quiz Competition was held at Ghana International Trade Fair Complex, Accra in November, 1999 when His Holiness visited Ghana. The Trophy for the exercise was won by contingents from Ghana, who on the order of the President of the Committee on Father's Visits, Pastor Ebenezer Isokrari, will have to keep it permanently.

So, if you have the stated qualifications, come forward and participate freely.

Thank You Father!

Uncle Mbakara Efiok

## SABBATH CORNER

ARE YOU STILL INTERESTED IN SPOILING YOUR CHILD?  
WATCH OUT FOR TIPS IN OUR NEXT EDITION

Yes, those were brilliant answers by Brother Ephraim Sunday the BCS International Sabbath Quiz Master. I'm sure Brother Imoniye and others will find them really educative. According to that BCS World Headquarters Interpreter of the Holy Father, the International Sabbath Quiz Competition started in 1991 when the Father in the Holy Queen Mother visited Britain. If invited, the International Quiz Association of BCS can organise a Competition to mark events at Bethels, Fellowships, Zones, States or Regional levels.

### SOLEMNIZATION 'PALAVAR'

The mad rush by brethren to have their marriages blessed is posing some threats to certain families. In families where polygamy thrives the wives have become jittery over the fear of who the man would take to altar. Buried in intense fear of being denied the "holy touch" and spiritual recognition, wives have rushed for "tango" assignments, to be the chosen ones.

But wait, where a husband of three wives wants to have his marriage blessed, who should be the bride "If na my papa, I for tell am make my mama be in bride. Shuo Abeg decide."

### POLITICS IN GOD'S HOUSE

Some say, even in papal city, there's politics. Must politics be played carelessly in God's house? A few politically conscious brethren are in the habit of blackmailing and lying against fellow brethren who are in God's service. These people are not interested in what happens to the work of God, if it progresses or retrogresses. All they are interested in is their personal interest. Their fears are heightened when they

### MANAGING GOSSIPS

Psalm 15 : 3 forbid's one from using one's tongue against a fellow man, and the Bible admonished that every idle word shall be accounted for on the judgement day. In the light of this, can't our seasoned managers realise that these gossips which they use as strong tools of management as well as themselves are going against the word of God? Certainly! We all know that "Rumours are carried by enemies, spread by the ignorants and accepted by fools without enquiry," and this act is expected to be shunned. By who? Now, the

## AMBO TIPS

### EVENTS AROUND THE WORLD HOTRS

know that these up-coming brethren are more intelligent than they are.

The fearful brethren will be sure such brains are frustrated out of office. Many unprintable things do happen to these God fearing people, who end-up leaving the place for these all-republic politicians. If you are accused, you may not be guilty after all but politicians are at work.

Principal Gossip Officers must be reminded that those who bend to look at other people's anus, do leave their wide open and those viewing theirs need no extra effort to do that. Any who wants to climb to the top and remain there should do so through hardwork, not gossiping; such management skills will soon fade off. Remember, God is not mocked; whatever a man sows, same shall he reap.

### THE GUILTY ARE AFRAID

A sister walked into Trumpets Office, thanked the Father for the wonderful improvements in Trumpet but groaned at Ambo Tips. Her grouse is "we should not wash our dirty linens in public." But for how long will our linens remain dirty? For how long will we crucify Christ again and again? Ambo Tips is not out to haunt but to call to order the human excesses that have consistently defied the reproofs of the Holy Spirit. Or do you think our dirty linens should continue with us? Write to Ambo Tips.

### PROFESSIONAL BEGGARS

Have you noticed of recent that professional beggars have taken Ambo under siege? And that most of these people are not baptised Brotherhood members? Their mission is to extort unsuspected brethren. They peddle wonderful stories ranging from being pushed out by their parents for embracing Brotherhood to being left stranded by a Brotherhood member who took them for baptism. Some of them are so aggressive that, if you are not careful, you could be waylaid. At times, they pursue you to the eating joint and before you know it, you have an unexpected bill to settle. watch out for these brethren and always come loaded.

Thank You Father!

### PEARLS OF WISDOM

When you tell the truth, you amaze your enemies a astonish your friends.  
**Roosevelt Johnson**  
If you wish to know what a man is, place him in authority.  
**Yogoslav Proverbs**  
If you refuse to say the truth today, the truth will hunt you tomorrow. **Charles Odigie**



**MOMENT WITH THE FATHER**

**AVOIDING THE DOOMSDAY**

because you do not possess love. No person is saved by his works, you are only saved through love. You want to please God but you beat up one person, curse another, and drive away another. You have failed. The most pitiful thing is that you have seen this love, you have touched it, have tasted it and have worn it, but you have rejected it.

What do you have to do with wealth? What do you have to do with the things of this world? All these things are vanity. Many will say to me on that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And I will say to them, "depart from me. I have never known you." How many visioners here in Brotherhood have the slightest love? They are proud, they are arrogant and they claim that they are gods.

**VISIONERS ARE BLIND**

Many of them are blind. They claim that the sickness that the Leader cannot heal, they have healed. By such utterance, do they exhibit any Brotherhood life? It is not healing the

sick, seeing visions or preaching the word that matters but love which is the only passport into the kingdom of God. Even if you sit inside your room and have love you are in the kingdom of God. Right now Brotherhood has not yet gone out of this shore. There is no person to take it out. When you go out, you quarrel and fight. Is that Brotherhood? When you go to London, America, India, or to any other place, you fight and quarrel with each other. Even here, that is what you do. Is that love? Have you entered into the kingdom? Sister Beverley Marts sees Brotherhood only for the few days that she has been here. In London, what have you is the same racial discrimination. On coming here, she has seen the real love and what Brotherhood stands for. That is why everyone should look unto the Father. Without the Father, you cannot see Brotherhood. "What is keeping everyone is, the faith in the Father. Without the Father, no one can

see Brotherhood in you. A Brotherhood member who puts on the white will deal with you in a way that an unbeliever could not deal with you. The person who calls himself a pastor, or an apostle will treat you in a way that the juju priest or Satan himself could not treat you.

**JUDGEMENT**

We have salvation only when we look unto the Father who is our only light. Our hope is in the Father. Look steadfastly at Him. Do not look unto any person. Remember the Leader, the words of His mouth and His conduct. Have you seen what will happen to all those who do not possess love in the last day? Now that you are boasting that you are gifted with visions, dream, the power to heal and do mighty works, these will not save you, as long as you will not enter God's Kingdom.

Regard this gospel as the

judgement unto yourself. Warn yourself so that you may not be taken unawares on the last day. Spend the little time to save yourself. If you do not possess love, seek for love right now, so that on that day it may not be said of you, "I have never known you."

Do not boast again that you started Brotherhood, or that you are a brother to Obu, or that you are his son, or that he is a black man or your friend, or that He loves you, or that you are rendering service to God. These factors will not save you. It is love alone that will save you. If all the members do not possess love, they will not enter. If all the inhabitants of the world do not possess love, they will not enter. But if we have love, we shall all enter free. The destruction that is coming on the world will not meet those who have love, that is why the song says, "take the whole and give me Jesus..."

Brethren, I do not want to be tedious with you. He who has ears, let him hear. A stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. May God bless His holy Words. Amen.

**EVANGELISM. VIRGINS EVANGELISE ISULO AND ORUK ANAM**

BY ENOBONG EMAH WITH INNOCENT OMINI

Evangelism is the bedrock of any religious organisation. It is a channel through which people are informed about the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. Evangelism had been since time. But organised evangelism was in short supply until the advent of our Lord Jesus Christ and His disciples. For instance God used Moses and Joseph to evangelize Egypt by introducing the belief in a monotheistic God, the doer of all things.

The era of prophets however witnessed low evangelism because they engaged so much in wars and conquests. Then came John the Baptist who charted a new course of evangelism in preparation for the arrival of the Messiah, Jesus the Christ.

During the earthly ministration of our Lord Jesus Christ, He engaged in aggressive evangelism. He moved from place to place teachings new truths, about His Father.

In the apostolic days, evangelism was the tool through which the teachings of the Master were disseminated. This was the reason the Apostles, like Christ, did not bother to establish any church.

In the era of the Holy Spirit, evangelism serves a very great purpose. It helps to enlighten man on the principles of salvation and have him attuned with the INFINITE. The mission of our Father in this era is to lead the entire world to the accurate knowledge of the truth. This truth cannot be made known except they are told. It is for this reason that some 144,000 Virgins, of recent, embarked on aggressive evangelism, to fulfill the scriptural notation that unless the truth is known by every inhabitant of the world, the end would not come. And so, by the order of the Sole Spiritual Head, thirty-nine Virgins departed the World Headquarters of the Brotherhood of the

Cross and Star on Thursday, January 20, 2000 to Isulo, a town in Anambra State of Nigeria.

In Isulo, the Virgins, in the company of Christ Witnesses Ime Akpakpan and others began their solemn task. It was an explosion of sort because it took the indigenes of the town by surprise. On Friday, January 21, 2000 in the company of Bishop Williams the virgins visited the palace of Igwe of Isulo. After a brief interaction, the Igwe of Isulo, on behalf of the people of the town welcome the virgins to the tour, having realised that they were visiting with numerous blessings.

On Saturday, January 22, 2000, the young Evangelists went into the town to sanitise the place physically and spiritually. With brooms in hands, the Virgins swept various compounds including the village square, engaged in various domestic and menial chores for the Isulo people. They as well went out with the teachings of the Supernatural Teacher, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu. By this, the people of the community were taught "practical Brotherhood" which they regarded as a new thing, new culture as introduced by God, the Father.

By Sunday, 23rd January, 2000, interdenominational services were attended by the children of God at Saint Mary's Catholic church and Saint Luke's Anglican church, both in Isulo. While the Reverend Father of the Catholic church gave the Virgins a sarcastic reception, by feeding his members with false information about BCS and her Leadership, the Anglican Reverend gentleman rejoiced with them and glorified the Most High God for the presence of Brotherhood members in his church.

Monday, 24th January, 2000 saw the children of God around the Isulo village and her environs, spreading the gospel of the New Kingdom of God. The



PRINCESS ONUGEN OBU BLESSED SPECIAL MOTHER

virgins paid a courtesy visit on the Executive Chairman of Orumba L. G. A Chief Emman Okeke. They were heartily received.

The Eze of Ajali and the Reverend Canon E. D. Mgbemena of the CMS and wife, Lady Josephine Chinyere Mgbemena hosted the Virgins on

Wednesday, January 26, 2000. And on Thursday, 27th January, 2000, the Children of God departed Isulo for Calabar.

In a similar development, the Kingdom's Virgins also stormed Oruk Anam, a community in Akwa Ibom State. On arrival in the small town, the virgins were received by the village head at his council where he and others in attendance were entertained with the Kingdom's songs composed in Annang dialect. Good-news message about the Sole Spiritual Head, Leader O. O. Obu were also given.

By Saturday, February 12, 2000 the virgins moved into the village with sanitary equipment, to give the place a face lift, spiritually and physically. They fetched water, hewed firewood, peeled cassava, cut palm fronds and did many other domestic chores for the people. Then an open air service was conducted at the Local Government Headquarters.

After the interdenominational services with the Roman Catholic, Apostolic, Qua-Iboe and Presbyterian churches in the village on Sunday, 13th February, 2000, the virgins departed Oruk Anam for the World Headquarters. Thank You Father.



144,000 VIRGINS: SPREADING THE GLAD TIDINGS.

## MOMENT WITH THE FATHER

you do not possess love, you will not enter. You want to sit with the Leader. Come, let us sit side by side and converse, but if you do not possess love, you will not enter. You want to see the Leader? Here is the Leader. If you do not possess love, how are you going to enter?

Brethren, the time of foolishness has passed. You should all wake up and do that which is expected of you. Let us possess love. Do not boast because you can compose songs. You puff up because of the part you play. You boast because you are a Chairman in a Fellowship. You puff up because you are a Christ Servant, or Deaconess, or that you have money or give visions. What informs your pomposity?

### 2nd Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:2

*"And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and knowledge; and though I have all faith so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing."*

You who boast in visions, wisdom and power, are you aware of this excerpt? Realise that no matter what you do, if you do not possess love, it profits you nothing.

### COMMON PURSE

God is neither an enemy nor death. He has come to gather all creations into one fold and to rule over them. He rules with love. He does everything with love. He unites the whole world with love unto Himself. He neither requires any wisdom, power nor craftiness. He does not require anything other than love. Love me and I love you. Do not impute sin to me and I will not impute sin to you. Do not commit sin against any person. Do not hate any person. Do not begrudge any person. Do not pronounce woe unto any person. Love all and you will fulfil the law.

If you have a kobo we share it together. If you dream we share the dream together. We sing and dance together. If there is no food, we share in hunger. Your lack is my lack. My wealth is yours. My joy is your joy. My ugliness is your ugliness. My tribulation is your tribulation. We have to share everything in common.

If you perish, your blood is upon your head. Go and tell the world that it is not the wealthy people who will inherit this Kingdom, neither the wise nor the strong. It is only those who have love that will inherit this Kingdom. Vision is not an evil thing. Faith and the rest of the virtues are not evil. But if you have these things, add love to them otherwise it will avail you nothing. Love is like salt. If there is no salt in food, you cannot eat it. If you boast in your power of healing the sick, you speak and the thing comes to pass, realise that you are empty if you possess no love.

Some people boast that they speak and it rains, they speak and the sick is healed. These cannot save you if you have not love. God says that whatever you will ask in His name, He will do it. When you ask something in His name and He does it, it does not imply that you are responsible for the act. What He requires of us, is that we should possess love because this is our only passport to the kingdom of God. The gospel of today has shown you that even if you possess the whole world, if you

have no love, it profits you nothing.

### WHAT LOVE CAN OVERCOME

The whole world boasts in visions but the crux of the matter and the vehicle which aids you in seeing the visions is the word of God itself. God has never deceived and He will never deceive us. This is the Ark of Noah and all those who possess love are found in this Ark. The impending famine will not affect them. The deadly diseases that will strike the world will not touch them. The destruction that will come to the world will not get to them. No evil thing will come to them. But all those who have no love will be walking naked on that day.

Money will not save you. Visions will not save you. Children will not save you. Wisdom will not save you. No person will save you. It is love alone that will save you. Because love is the law of the New Kingdom. "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide ye in my love." As the Father loves the son, and as the son loves us, we should love one another as well. The situation should not be that when I love you, you continue to hate them. It is vain for you to boast that a man loves you, his sister loves you, and his father loves you, but you do not love them. You extol someone for

are to surrender ourselves unto Him and follow after love. The moment we have love, our salvation is sure.

### THE ARROGANCE OF BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS NOTICED

This gospel must be published for all the visioners and for all the inhabitants of the world, the rich, the proud and the arrogant, those who perm their hair, those who put on costly clothes, so that they can see their nakedness. It is good to look for the black goat when it is not yet night. Brotherhood members are very arrogant. You thank the Father because He has given you money, children and everything. Do not thank Him again because if you do not have love, such are in vain.

There is no preacher who regards a non-preacher as anything. No visioner regards another person as anything. No matter how small he is, he regards others as goats. You will see how he shouts on others. When you have a little money, you will wish that every person should bow to you. When you have children, you want every person to bow to you. But you forget that you received these things and they are not the source of salvation. This is the

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giving you money, house and food, what have you done for him in return?

### LOVE OPENS THE GATE OF HEAVEN

Our Lord Jesus Christ has said; that it is very difficult for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of God. You cannot enter the Kingdom of God with wealth. It is faith that gives you entrance into the kingdom of God. But today, it is made clear to us that faith alone cannot take us into the Kingdom of God. If you have faith such that you can move mountains, if you have not love, it is vain. Love is not something we should toy with. It is the first and the last. The moment you possess love, you have accomplished everything. Love is nearer to you than the teeth to the tongue.

If you have love, you will be satisfied with the position God has kept you. If you have love, you will not be a burden unto any person. If you possess love, you will not love the things of this world and you will not see anything in the world, you will always rejoice and thank the Father, and you will surrender yourself to Him to use as He pleases. Though you feed well, food will not take you into the Kingdom of God.

You have been told not to love the world nor the things that are in the world, for whoever loves God, cannot love the world. It is the love for this world that hinders you and separates you from God. What can man do? Nothing. We

judgement for all those who do not possess love.

### Golden Text: Matthew 7:22-23

*"Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? and then will I profess unto them, I never know you, depart from me, ye that work iniquity"*

Visioners, be here warned. When somebody buys you a motorcycle, you say that it is not enough, he should buy you a lorry, and an aeroplane. For what purpose? Do you think that vision will grant you entrance into this Kingdom? It will not. Now that you boast in miracle works, do you think that this will lead you into the kingdom of God? It will not. Do you think that composing songs will lead you into the kingdom of God? It will not.

### THOSE THAT WILL ENTER THE KINGDOM

Now that you are singing like the nightingale, and can sing all the parts alone, do you think that this will lead you into the kingdom of God if you have no love? Do not be deluded with falsehood on the last day. When the word of God falls to the ground, it breaks mighty rocks, and rises up to accomplish its will. The wise man sees danger afar off and takes precaution, but the fool waits until it

gets to him. We should seek for the black goat when it is yet day. Today you have been told what will happen to all those who have no love.

That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ asserts that it is difficult for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. He also says that not all those who call me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of God. He warns that we should not boast in man, in wealth or in any of the things of this world. If he had not given us this warning, we would continue to boast in our visions, that God loves us for revealing such things to us. People will praise us and bring us gifts. And you would not enter into the kingdom of God. If you can disappear at will, if you are seen lavishly at all places simultaneously, if you stand in the air and speak without love, you will not enter God's kingdom.

You can speak and the blind receives sight. People call on your name and the dead are raised, and you do many mighty works, but if you have no love, you will not enter. Tell me, why you have departed from love and gone after vain things which do not give glory to God? Or are you despising the long-suffering of God? He does not wish that we should perish. He wants us to repent and be saved. From Monday to Sunday, I preach love to you. From January to December I preach love to you, day in and day out, I preach love to you. But you have rejected this virtue. You seek for visions. You pray that God should give you power and the kind of wisdom that was given to Solomon. Was Solomon saved?

Upon all the mighty works that have been done in the world from the beginning of time, without the blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who would be saved? Upon all the universities you find in the world, people manufacture weapons of war, they make the aeroplane, the submarine and many other things, without the love of Our Lord Jesus Christ, what would save us? You study to become a professor. What happens if you do not have love? You want to pray so that everything may submit unto you, if you have no love, what do you gain? Paul has said that the Kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power. What, if you have that power and have no love?

### LOVE WORKS NO EVIL

Brethren, can you see how pitiful the world is? Love does no wrong to his neighbour. Love is the fulfilling of the law. If you have love now, you are no more angry, you cannot commit any set of sin again, you cannot begrudge any person. You cannot look spitefully on any person. You will not speak evil of any person. You will not sow the seeds of divisions and you will not commit fornication. Your eyes will be opened and you will see that everything belongs to you, and that everyone is your brother, you cannot do evil to anyone. People say that visioners are seers. They do not see, they are blind.

There were many prophets who came right from the beginning, during and after the advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, it was only in the time of Jesus Christ that He taught us about love. If you are saved, it is only because you possess love. If you perish, it is

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*The Father of Creation*

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**We humbly pray that you stand by us in our daily activities that we will truly be vessels chosen unto your beauty, honour and glorification.**

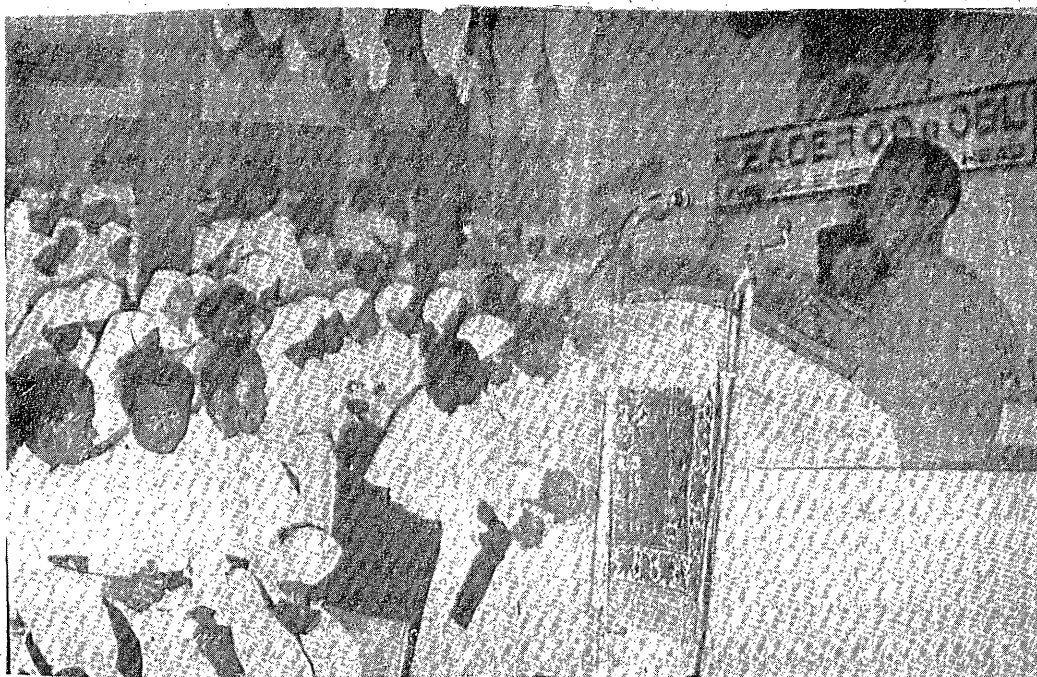
**Thank you for empowering us to do your Will.**

**Thank You Father.**



MOMENT WITH THE FATHER

# AVOIDING THE DOOMSDAY



THE HOLY FATHER, LEADER OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU, TEACHING THE WORLD HOW TO AVOID THE DOOMSDAY

**1st Lesson: John 15 : 9**  
*As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you, continue ye in my love.*  
**2nd Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13 : 2**

*"And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing."*

**Golden Text: Matthew 7 : 22 - 23**

*"Many will say to me in that day, 'Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'"*

*"And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you who practise lawlessness.'"*

Visions should listen to the word of God. As a visioner you think vision is life and a proof of God's love. Visioners, during feast, feel they should sit down while others serve them. They also boast that they were born with God in them. There is no visioner who strives to be righteous and practise love for one another. Visions are his all and all. If you argue with him about his visions, he calls you a blind man. Most of the problems caused in the Brotherhood world and indeed the entire world are caused by visioners.

**WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR BROTHERHOOD?**

You who profess to be a visioner, have you heard what the Bible says? Others pray God to open their eyes so that they can do His work. When God gives you the power to see visions, are you saved? Have you entered into the Kingdom? You complain about all the things you have done in Brotherhood. What have you done?

What do you have that you did not receive? If you received what you now have, why do you boast as though you did not receive it? Preaching the word of God cannot admit you into the Kingdom. Prophecy and praying to the extent of raising the dead cannot take you into the Kingdom. If you have faith such that you can move this city from here to Lagos, you cannot even enter. If you bestow all your wealth to feed the poor on the street, that will not admit you into the Kingdom.

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY**

What can admit one into the Kingdom of God? It is LOVE alone. Whether you are a wonderful dreamer or ignorant of every thing, once you have love, that is the kingdom of God. Whether you understand the Efik language or you are literate, is immaterial, once you possess love, you are in the Kingdom of heaven.

Brethren, there is no other thing apart from love. Whether this Hall is full or empty, you do not enter the kingdom of God with full or empty house. If in your family, you are the only one attending Brotherhood or if all members of the family are attending Brotherhood, this alone does not qualify you to enter the Kingdom of God. Once you possess love, you have entered into the Kingdom of God. If you get baptised but your wife

and children refuse to be baptised that does not qualify you for admission into the Kingdom of God. Once you have love, you can enter. You do not enter with money or with any person. It is love alone that is the prerequisite for entry. Whether you have a child or not, whether or not you have a husband, whether you are a virgin or not, none of these is the condition for entry. It is only love that qualifies you.

**LOVE ENDURES FOREVER BEING THE VIRTUE OF THE TRINITY**

People confess that they have violated the ten commandments. God is not ten. There is only one God. The ten commandments symbolize the ten horns, the ten kings. But God the king whom we now talk about has one law and that is love. We have no difficulty in this kingdom because it is founded on love. It is founded neither on food, clothings, nor wealth. Whether you are blind or lame, deaf or dumb, you do not depend on any of these conditions for entry into the kingdom. It is only when you possess love that you are sure to enter. God himself is love. Our Lord Jesus Christ is love. The Holy Spirit is love. The word of God demands that standard from us. We must all possess love. All things shall pass away but love shall abide forever.

You pray God to give you faith, to open your eyes, and to give you power. If you have all these talents but have no love, what is the use? Did Napoleon not have power? Did Pharaoh not have power? Had Herod no power? Did David not have power? Did Sampson not have power? Did they enter God's Kingdom? It is only the possession of love that takes one into the Kingdom of God.

When you have love, love is the fulfillment of the law. Love is not wrathful. Love does not quarrel. Love does not seek his own. Love is long-suffering. Love believes all things and hopes for all things. Whether there be prophecies, they shall fail. Whether there be tongues, they shall cease. Whether there be knowledge, they shall vanish away. But love endures forever.

You are seeking for eternal life, knowledge does not give eternal life. Faith has no life to offer. All other things have notice. Only love endures for ever. Those who shall have eternal life are those who possess love. Because every other thing shall pass away but love alone shall abide for ever.

If visioners were to know the demands of this kingdom, they would be humble, and would show the expression of love. If preachers should know this they would be loving and humble. If those who offer wonderful prayers were to know this, they would show the expression of love. Nothing else except love is permanent. From time immemorial many people still boast that they give visions, do the work of God yet they do not possess love, neither can truth be found in them. They have no humility. They still fornicate. What sort of spirit is that?

**LOVE OVERCOMES EVERYTHING**

Support your claim with a Bible quotation that a visioner will enter the

Kingdom of God if he does not have love. Also confirm the claim that a rich man will enter into the Kingdom of God for giving his money to every poor man but has no love. Make reference to the Bible portion to show that a sensational preacher will enter into the Kingdom of God if he does not possess love.

Brethren can you realise the true position of things? Everyday you puff up that you have been in Brotherhood for twenty years, that you opened several Bethels and that you have done many things but God has not rewarded you. You confess that you keep suffering at the 'station' without any person caring, who is going to care for you?

It is because I possess the love that I operate without problems. But you are opening a prayer house, collecting cows from people, eloping with men and women. You collect money from somebody and buy a car or build a storey building. I know that these riches cannot take you into the Kingdom of God.

Our Lord Jesus Christ had said it publicly that no rich person will enter into the Kingdom of God. He has told you that whoever does not hate his father and mother, wife and husband, brother and sister, and his life, cannot also be His disciple. Also, whoever does not take up his cross and follow after Him cannot be His disciple. He added to this when He said that we should not labour for

nor food. It is only love that we want, that love is with us. In that case, the love is more than sufficient unto us.

What then do you request for? It is only for you to give thanks to the Father and rejoice, and abide in this love. He

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*"You are seeking eternal life, knowledge does not give eternal life. Faith has nothing to offer. All other things have no life. Only love endures for ever. Those who shall have eternal life are those who possess love. Because every other thing shall pass away but love alone shall abide forever."*

food that perishes but for food which endures unto eternal life which the son of man shall give unto us.

**IF GOD BE WITH YOU WHO CAN FIGHT AGAINST YOU?**

You come here to seek for money, wife, husband, houses, cars, rights, respect, honour and all. It is for love that we are invited so that we can show the expression of love because He Himself is love. The Father is love. The Holy Spirit is love. The requirement for this kingdom is love.

If this election were to be clear to the inhabitants of the world or even a selected few, no person would have had any troubled mind. If God be with you, who can fight against you? If you take God unto yourself, you have conquered.

God is only one but has He ever complained to you that He is lonely? Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God is a single person but has He ever complained to you that He is lonely? In the same token, whoever abides in God is not lonely. You are a true witness to the fact that whenever we have to preach, we preach that which we have. We neither seek after money, people, wisdom

moment you begin to brag, you have departed from that love.

**LOVE IS GOD**

Many people do not know how sin came into the world. When you seek after mundane things, you have departed from love. If Adam and Eve had kept the instruction to eat of all the fruits in the garden except one, there would have been no problem. Whenever God keeps you at a place just as we are here at 34 Ambo, if you are satisfied at that place without longing for 26 Mbukpa or any other place, you will have no problems at all.

Who is it that is omnipresent? It is love. The moment you abide in love, you will realize that He is everywhere. In Him, you will find wealth, peace and every good thing. When you possess love, you are in Europe and America, in heaven and on earth, on the mountains and in the sea, you are everywhere and there is virtually no place you cannot be found.

Love is also omniscient. He is all-wise, the moment you have love, you are an embodiment of everything. Love

is equally omnipotent. He is all-powerful. Love is God's embodiment. The moment you possess Him, you have all things. It is on this basis that Our Lord Jesus Christ gives you and I the commandment to love one another as the all-embracing

are facing in this kingdom. If you do not possess love, you are separated from God and you serve no useful purpose. It emphasizes the words of our Lord Jesus Christ which say, "Abide in me and I will also abide in you." If a man abides not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them and cast them into the fire, and they are burned."

We fall sick because we no longer have that love. For this reason, you are off from this kingdom. The paradise you hear of is love. You and the Father are closely linked. You have no problems but you are with the Father always. Good health, beauty and all good things come from Him. Wherever you are, you are one with Him. This explains why our Lord Jesus Christ always said "I and my Father are one." If you have love, you are one with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**LOVE IS LIFE ETERNAL**

He is now come as the true God, the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. If you have love, the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit will abide in you. The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are one in the Godhead. Whoever does not possess love, has been eluded by everything. Love has come to reign in heaven, on earth, and in the water, even in water beneath the earth. His reign has neither beginning nor end. He has come to reign

commandment.

Let man take the whole world and give me love. Be content with love. Do not be shaken by anything. The moment you possess love, you are satisfied. Whenever you are joyous and peaceful, love are satisfied. When you possess love, you will require no worldly thing. Nothing carnal will catch your fancy.

Brethren, I do not intend to overload you, let our first lesson be read.

**1st Lesson: John 15 : 9**

*"As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you, continue ye in my love."*

This is the nature of love which Our Lord Jesus Christ meant when He said "love ye one another even as I have loved you". Love is like a link connecting two parts of a chain, whenever I love you, you have to reciprocate. While the one person reciprocates the other will love another and love should continue in that circle of mutual reciprocity. If you love someone and he does not love you, it means that there is a break in the link.

**LOVE IS THE PARADISE**

That is the problem that people

revealed marvelous things to you, but if you do not have love, they all mean nothing. "As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you, continue ye in my love."

If we have love, we will not curse anyone. If we have love, we will not receive money for preaching the word of God. With love, you will not collect money for visions you give, you will not pray for money, you will not go about begging people for money, or stealing people's property, or lying to one another, you will not be envious or jealous of any person, you will not covet any of the worldly things. If you were to have the love of God in you, nothing would appeal to you. You will always abide in God's paradise. You will abide in the Father as well as the Holy Spirit. You will thus, abide in love, and have no troubled-heart. You will as well enjoy eternal peace and life. The songs we sing do not give one peace. The food we eat gives nothing to man. When you possess this love, you will have peace and everything you desire.

**LOVE IS INNOCENT**

Who can tell me about the kind of house Adam and Eve lived when they were in the Garden of Eden? Who can tell me the sort of bed, chairs, and other pieces of furniture that they used? A critical examination will reveal to you that such things as you long for are immaterial. The moment you possess love, you are not only up to date but also complete. You will not feel hungry. You will not thirst. There will be no anger and you will not be encumbered with problems neither will you have any troubled mind. When you have love, you know no day or night, hour or day, season or year. You are like a newly born baby who knows no evil. Love will overshadow you.

**WHOEVER DWELLS IN LOVE DWELLS IN GOD**

If we do not possess love, all our works are in vain. When many people want to read the Bible lesson, they do so with pride. Some do so in a bid to display their fluency in English Language. Love is not boastful. Love is neither arrogant nor proud, nor pompous. When you possess love, you will no longer puff up. The day you have love, you will no longer weep. You will be free because you will be with God.

You know and believe the love which God has for us. God is love. Whoever possesses love abides in God and God in him. If somebody invites you to the mountain to see God, do not go. If somebody invites you to America to see God, do not go. If you are told to go to Biakpan that God resides there, do not go. The moment you possess love, you live in Him and He lives in you. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "I dwell in the Father and the Father lives in me. When you see me, you have seen the Father."

Can you now realise the love Lord Jesus Christ had for us as He said, "As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you, continue ye in my love?" If we should continue in love, we would not struggle to offer prayers here, there would be no pomposity in us and we would not claim superiority to others. We would not disgrace one another, or look at others disdainfully, or glory in our positions.

The Scripture says, "But, whosoever hath this world's good and

seeth his brother have need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" Our Lord Jesus Christ says, "all that belongs to my Father are mine, and all that I have belong to the Father; I and my Father are one."

**LOVE GIVES OUT FREELY**

Visions should be released free. Prayers should be offered free. Gospels, Holy Oil, Testimonies, Money, and all what we possess should be given out free of charge, for the service of others who are in need, for the upliftment of the glory of God. Also, you should be ready to offer free services to any person. There should be no distinction between an adult and an infant, male or female, freeborn or slave. Each person should help the other within his abilities. That is the duty of love.

Do not allow yourself to be misled by any person or your thought that there is any other city that has been prepared as the city of God. The city of God is love which is God. There is no other white garment you can put on apart from love. When you put on love, it means life has swallowed up death; death and other things will disappear. In this state of love, there will be no division, sin, sickness or death. It does appear that right now you are boasting in vain or inanimate things. You labour for the food that will perish. Knowledge shall vanish. Tongues shall cease. Prophecies shall fail. But love abides forever.

**LOVE DOES NOT RESIST EVILDOERS**

Why have you been in Brotherhood for years but up till today you have not seen Brotherhood? Why all the inhabitants of the world fail to see Brotherhood is that if one does not have love, one can neither see nor know Brotherhood. Right now, if you go into the water, you find Brotherhood. At the mountains, the sun, Brotherhood is there. Wherever you go, you find Brotherhood because Brotherhood is love.

Love is the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. "Do not joke or toy again with love." Put on love as a garment. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ has taught us, "whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man will sue thee to law, in order to take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also. And whoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. By this, you will continue in this love."

I do not see what you can give in exchange for your life if you depart from love. That marks the end of your existence. What shall it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeit his soul? When you depart from love, it means you have lost your life. This is the time to make everything anew. Only those who possess love shall inherit the new earth.

It is for this reason that it is said, God is not slack in fulfilling His promise but He has long-suffering towards us since He does not wish that any should perish but that we should repent.

People boast that they have been ordained as prophets. I can ordain any person as prophet yet he will not enter. I can ordain you, your wife, your father and your mother, but now that you do, not have love, let me see how you will enter the Kingdom of God. If you choose to sit on my chair, you can do so but if