Word of Life Church

bulletin

OCTOBER 2021

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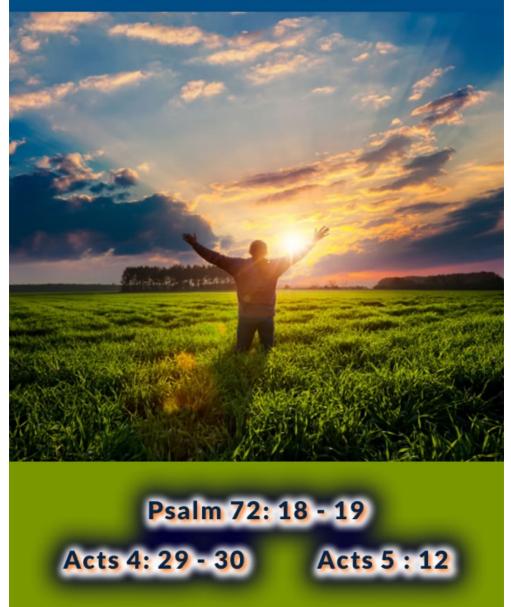
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Flourishing

Psalm 92: 12 - 14, Genesis 1: 22, Colossians 1: 10, John 5: 4 and 16, Exodus 1: 7

2021, The Year of Lord's Wonders Key Scripture - Psalm 72: 18 - 19

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.....WELCOME !

- Welcome!!! We are so thrilled you could engage with us. We hope you enjoy your interactions with us and welcome you to stay in touch with us via our website, email or phone. If you need to get in touch with us, ask a question, if you have a prayer request or if you need to speak with any of the Pastors or leadership team at any time, please feel free to contact us: Email info@wordoflife-lcc.org or telephone the church office on 07930 958 097 (Mon Thu, 10am to 2pm). Please also check out our website: www.wordoflife-lcc.org to stay up-to-date with our activities and useful information.
- Our Children's & Youth Programmes take place in the lower hall on Sundays. Children meet in the lower hall after the time of corporate praise and worship, with the exception of the first Sunday of the month, which is our Family Sunday. The Youth also meet in the lower hall every Sunday immediately after the main service from 12.45pm to 1.30pm. For details of how children & youth can join in please email info@wordoflife-lcc.org. Thank you.

Weekly / Fortnightly Events

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Early Morning Prayer Meetings via Zoom. Mondays to Saturdays 6am to 7am. **WEDNESDAY**

7pm-8pm Midweek Service - at Rehoboth building (Livestream on YouTube & Facebook)

FRIDAY

7pm-8.30pm (fortnightly) Chosen Generation Youth Hub at Rehoboth Building (Lower Hall)

7pm-8.30pm (weekly) Revival Prayer - via Zoom

SATURDAY

5pm-6pm (weekly) Dig Deep Search the Scriptures - via Zoom

SUNDAY

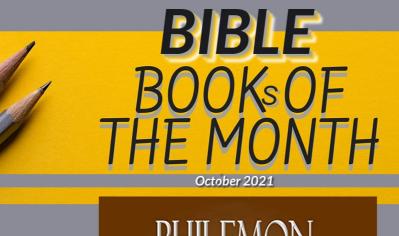
11:00am Celebration Service at Rehoboth building (Livestream on YouTube & Facebook)

12:45pm Youth Church / Cell Group (boys & girls aged 13 onwards)- contact <u>youth@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> for details

After Praise & Worship - Children's Church / Cell Group (3-12 yrs) - contact kids@wordoflife-lcc.org

CELL GROUPS (small groups) meetings are held via Zoom during the week. For more details email us at info@wordoflife-lcc.org or telephone the church office on 07930 958 097 (Mon-Thur, 10am to 2pm).Our cell groups are homogenous in nature. We have men, women, youth and children cell groups to cater for all.





PHILEMON, HEBREWS, JAMES

This month please join with the rest of WOL Church to read, meditate, study & explore the books of Philemon, Hebrews & James

for ages 11 to 21 every fortnight Friday 7pm to 8.30pm Venue: Rehoboth Building, 72A Mayeswood Road, Grove Park SE12 9RP



... UPCOMING EVENTS Continued ...

WORD&SPIRIT



Session 7 Date: Saturday 16th October 2021

Time: 10am - 4pm Via Zoom Video Conferencing - please see email for the PIN

For further details or any questions please email <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> or phone 07930 958 097 during the office opening hours of Mon- Thurs between 10am - 2pm

Open to all married couples

Married Couples Fellowship

Sunday 17th October 2021

Church office email: admin@wordoflife-lcc.org (Mon - Thu 10am to 2pm

- 5pm

WOL Corporate Day of PRAYER & FASTING

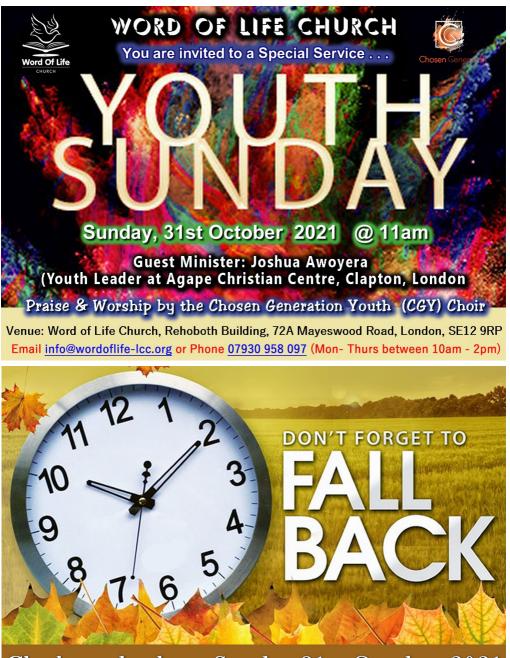
Friday 29th October

Please note that there is <u>NO</u> "Prayer Night" via Zoom this month



Venue: Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, 72A Mayeswood Road, London, SE12 9RP Email info@wordoflife-lcc.org or Phone 07930 958 097 (Mon- Thurs between 10am - 2pm)

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Clocks go back on Sunday 31st October 2021 One additional hour!

Word of Life Church





Online via Zoom Video Conferencing Monday - Saturday from 6am - 7am Zoom Meeting ID: 314 492 8882



Every Saturday

10:30am - 11:00am Prayer @Rehoboth building

11:15am - 12:15pm Evangelism Outreach in the local community

Open to anyone who would like to join

Amplified Bible - Isaiah 52: 7 How beautiful and delightful on the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who announces peace, Who brings good news of good (things), Who announces salvation, Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"





Community Website: http://wordoflife-lcc.org/community

... REGULAR EVENTS Continued ...

DIG DEEP SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES NEW YORK OF THE SCRIPTURES NEW YORK OF THE SCRIPTURES NEW YORK OF THE SCRIPTURES

Every Saturday 5 - 6pm

Online via Zoom Video Conferencing Zoom Meeting ID: 314 492 8882

Tel - 07930 958 097 (Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm) | Email - info@wordoflife-lcc.org

TESTIMONIES

Please send in your 'testimonies' of what the Lord has done in your lives or your families, by sending it in writing to <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u>, or sending in a recorded video or audio, or sharing it with one of the leadership team.







♦ BIBLE BOOKS OF THE MONTH!!!

This month we are highlighting our **Bible Books of the Month (Philemon, Hebrews and James)**, and asking you to join with the rest of the Church to read / meditate/ study / explore this book in your private life. The vision for this is to journey through the Bible together as a congregation. Please note that this is NOT meant to replace your individual devotional lives / quiet times / private study. This is in addition to these and meant to enhance what we already do as Christians.

We will love to hear from you, for you to share what you are learning and receiving as you study each month's Bible Books. Please send these in to info@wordoflife -lcc.org and we can share in the following month's bulletin for the benefit of all. If there are also very difficult verses to understand that you have questions about, please in the first instance speak with your cell leaders privately or others in the leadership team.

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SOS EVANGELISM

The WOL SOS Evangelism outreach is now taking place every Saturday as we seek to continue to be a witness to those who are yet to come to know Jesus.

For those who are wondering, SOS stands for Save One Soul. We believe that we should all personally be reaching out and seeking to win one soul at a time. Once we win one soul to the Lord, then we go on to the next soul. We as a local Church exist to win souls and make disciples. This is why we as a Church must come together and engage in corporate Church Evangelism.

This regular outreach is from 11.15am to 12.15pm every Saturday, with prayer before hand in Rehoboth building from 10:30am -11:00am. This is open to anyone who would like to join.

In addition, each cell group has been put on a rota to be part of the outreach once a month, with the cell members joining in.

Please pray for God's hand of favour on us as we reach out through this regular SOS Evangelism Outreach. Pray for the team and the cell groups and make sure to be a part of this. Remember, like the Bible says "He who wins souls is wise".

♦ WE INVITE YOU TO SERVE

We invite you to give your time, strength, commitment, gifts and talents to serve the Lord here in Word of Life Church. The Church needs your service in many areas of ministry. We are looking for more stewards / ushers, consolidators, singers, musicians, children's workers, and youth workers etc. We also need those who can help with hospitality, follow up of new believers, administration etc. We believe that every Christian is called to serve by Jesus so please get in touch wit us by emailing info@wordoflife-lcc.org or speak with your cell leader or deputy cell leader. We look forward to hearing from you.

Easy Fundraising

DONATE FOR FREE WITH EASYFUNDRAISING! You can help WOL Church raise funds <u>for free</u> when you shop online... at Easyfundraising.org.uk. **Easy fundraising** is a brilliant way to raise money for **Word of Life. Shop online from** over 2,700 retailers **and they'll give a donation every time you buy something**, <u>at no</u> <u>extra cost to you</u>. **YES**, it is true! So, as we prepare to enter the Christmas season and you do your shopping, we are highlighting this as a fantastic way to give in a way that it actually costs you nothing!

Here's how it works



1. Start at easyfundraising.org.uk

Let's say you want to buy a pair of shoes from John Lewis. Instead of going to johnlewis.com, you go to easyfundraising.org.uk first – or you can use the easy fundraising toolbar.

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2. Make a purchase

You click from the easyfundraising website through to John Lewis to make your purchase. The price of the shoes is exactly the same as if you'd visited John Lewis directly.

3. Get a donation

After you have bought your shoes, John Lewis will make a donation to our cause as a thank you for shopping with them. easyfundraising collect these donations for us, and it costs nothing!

For more details & to donate please go to this link: <u>http://wordoflife-lcc.org/site/</u> <u>index.php/donations/easy-fundraising</u>. If you have any questions or need any help to access it, please email <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u>.

♦ CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!

Yes, Christmas is around the corner, can you believe it!

In the spirit of giving and helping those who need it, we as a church are looking this year to be a blessing to our community / borough by giving out Christmas hampers to the needy and poor, not forgetting those in our midst that might need that help too.

Each hamper will have everything that an average family of 4 requires for a lovely Christmas meal. The items include a good-sized turkey, stuffing, gravy, potatoes, carrots, sprouts, cranberry sauce, peanuts, mince pies, Christmas pudding, custard, and a bottle of sparkling non-alcoholic wine (12 items).

This year our target is $\pounds 2,500$. This will help cover the cost of 100 Christmas hampers which will help feed over 400 individuals at Christmas and also put the gospel message in their hands. A donation of $\pounds 25$ will help purchase a Christmas Hamper for a family of 4 to 5, plus material containing the gospel message.

To do this we need your support in giving towards this initiative. That is why we are coming to you know to give you notice. Please give generously yourself and help raise funds so we can meet the target. With each individual and family giving and helping to raise funds we can do this

♦ WORSHIP AT WORD OF LIFE CHURCH, REHOBOTH BUILDING

Rehoboth Building is open to the whole WOL family, the community and the general public. The building is OPEN for our regular Sunday and Wednesday services, the Foodbank, the Youth Hub, our Children and Youth programmes and much more.

.... CHURCH NEWS Continued

The government has lifted all restrictions but still recommends a cautious approach. With that in mind please note the following:

- (1) Actions the CHURCH LEADERSHIP is taking to continue to ensure your safety and the,
- (2) Actions we encourage YOU to take to ensure the collective safety of everyone

What We Are Doing

- (1) Facilitating the registration (via the church website) of attendees to the church services.
- (2) Check-in upon arrival, to aid contact tracing
- (3) Cleaning of shared areas and surfaces
- (4) Opening windows and main doors for ventilation purpose
- (5) Adjusted seating to enable some physical distancing.
- (6) Slightly reduced length of singing time. Separate designated microphones provided per each user (Singers and Speakers during each service)
- (7) Provision of individual packaged communion emblems for all
- (8) Hand Sanitiser stations placed at the Entry Point and Exit points.
- (9) Still not able to join us in person due to having to self-isolate, sickness, old age or other reasons? Online services continue to hold.

What We Encourage You To Do

- (1) Please continue to register yourself & members of your family to attend in-person services & check-in with the stewards /ushers upon arrival. You can register via the church website at <u>www.wordoflife-lcc.org</u> for each service you wish to attend
- (2) To please use the hand sanitisers provided
- (3) The stewards are there to help. Please follow their instructions
- (4) Family members are encouraged to please sit together (except during the time that the children & youth go to the lower hall for the Children's church and Youth connect group)
- (5)We encourage that you proceed with caution in handshaking and hugging
- (6) Please use the main front doors for entry & for exit. The stewards will be on hand to help & guide you
- (7) Please come with, and wear a mask during your time in Rehoboth Building.

We appreciate your patience and co-operation.

For those who have not returned to in person services, we encourage you to embrace and attend the church's in-person services at Word of Life Church Rehoboth Building. Hurry back, you space is waiting for you!

YOUR WELLBEING IS OUR CONCERN / BENEVOLENCE (CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER)

If you have any further concerns, please do let us know. Your well-being is very important to us. If you require prayer or pastoral help or support, please do not stay silent, please let your cell leader or any of the leadership team know so we can offer prayer and support. In addition, if you are in in need and require practical assistance, please let your cell leader know or send an email to <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u>

SCRIPTURES OF THE MONTH

Psalm 92: 12 - 14 (NKJV)

¹² The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. ¹³ Those who are planted in the house of the Lord Shall flourish in the courts of our God. ¹⁴ They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing, .

Genesis 1: 22 (NKJV)

And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."

Colossians 1: 10 (NKJV)

that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

John 5: 4 and 16 (NKJV)

⁴ For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. of the age."

¹⁶ For this reason the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to kill Him, because He had done these things on the Sabbath.

Exodus 1: 7 (NKJV)

But the children of Israel were fruitful and increased abundantly, multiplied and grew exceedingly mighty; and the land was filled with them.

CALLED TO BE FRUITFUL AND TO FLOURISH

By Reverend Rowland Henshaw

There are many believers today who are ignorant of their innate nature to be fruitful and to flourish.

We have all been created to be fruitful. God wants us to flourish.

In John 15:16, Jesus tells His disciples that He chose them to be fruitful.

16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit

should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.

We have been handpicked by Jesus to be fruitful and to flourish.

In the book of Exodus, we are told that the children of Israel were not just fruitful, but they flourished and the land was full of them.

Exodus 1:7 from the Jubilee 200 translation says:

7 And the sons of Israel were fruitful and increased abundantly and multiplied and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.

In short what this scripture is saying is that the children of Israel flourished in the land.

The word flourish means to grow, multiple, develop rapidly, to strive and be successful in whatever you do.

To be fruitful is to be fertile, prolific and effective.

From the onset of creation this was God's blessing for the human race.

Genesis 1:27-28

27 So God created man in His own image; in the image of God, He created him; male and female He created them. 28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

When God finished creating His world, He said it was, "Very good." Because God's intention was for His creation to bear fruit and flourish.

God said after He created them, He said "Be fruitful and multiply"

These two words are meant to be active in the life of the believer. For us as Christian



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believers, "flourishing and fruitfulness" goes much deeper than the standard definitions. It's not just "the good life". It is meant to be the believer's way of life.

Our Christian view of being fruitful and flourishing is completely different from the worldly view. The world views fruitfulness and flourishing in monetary, material and positional terms only.

However, as believers we must view fruitfulness and flourishing from the biblical view.

Every believer receives the Holy Spirit when they get saved, which restores our original relationship with the creator. This relationship is our guarantee to fruitfulness and to flourish.

In Psalm 92:12 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

We are the righteousness of God and this entitles you and I to flourish.

Our fruitfulness and flourishing must first and foremost be mission based and outward focused, motivated on spreading God's glory in our community, city, nation, etc. The gift of God in our lives is meant to flourish, it is meant to be fruitful.

The parable of the talent gives us a very good insight into what God expects from us His disciples, He expects fruit from us.

Matthew 25:20-23

20 "So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' 21 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' 22 He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' 23 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

We are all expected to flourish and be fruitful in everything that God has placed in our hands.

What do you have in your hands?

What have you been gifted with?

What is the call of God on your life?

God wants you to be fruitful and flourish.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our children are not just the church of tomorrow, they are the church of today. Children are part of Word of Life and our desire is to include them in the life of our church. They can be used by God, just as much as any adult can. And we believe it is good to train them in the Word of God, as it gets rooted in their young hearts so that they wouldn't depart from the truth as they grow older.

Ministering to children is truly a blessing because for whatever you give, you receive at least double back from the children. They actually give you insights into some mysteries of the Word of God and sometimes remind you that you are so very dependent on Him! Jesus said that we need to be like these little ones if we want to enter the Kingdom of God... Their simple faith is a gift and we endeavour to encourage it.



All Children Workers are DBS checked for children's protection



We would love you to have more people join the children's Ministry as Children's Workers. Contact us at <u>kids@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> or <u>info@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> for more information.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH Cntd. FIRST STEPS DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

These simple Bible studies are for you if you have made a commitment to Jesus Christ. They will help you understand better the decision you have made in giving your life to Jesus Christ and enable you to take the first steps as a believer in Jesus Christ

Jesus calls us to be His disciples, which means that we take seriously our commitment to follow Him for the rest of our lives. Becoming a true Christian is more than saying a prayer of commitment or attending a church; it is living a life that is pleasing to God.

This *First Steps Discipleship Class* will outline ten basic essentials for your Christian growth and maturity as you walk with God. It will in addition enable you to share your faith with others.

The 10 sessions will look at:

- The Work of Jesus
- For God So Loved the World
- I am Going God's Way Now
- Reading God's Word
- Prayer Two Way Communication
- Fellowship with Other Christians
- Spirit, Soul, and Body
- The Power of the Holy Spirit
- What to Watch Out For
- Witnessing: Disciples in Action



We invite and encourage you to join a First Steps Discipleship Class if you have never attended or participated in one since you gave your life to Jesus Christ. You can also join in if you want to refresh your Christian Foundations. **A new** class will be starting SOON and will be held after the service in Rehoboth building. If you will like to attend, please speak with your cell leader if you are part of a cell group, or email us at info@wordofife-lcc.org



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.....GOD LOVES YOU

God Loves YOU and wants you to have a relationship with Him through His son Jesus.

The Bible says that God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, Jesus, so that whoever believes in him shall not die, but have eternal life (John 3: 16).

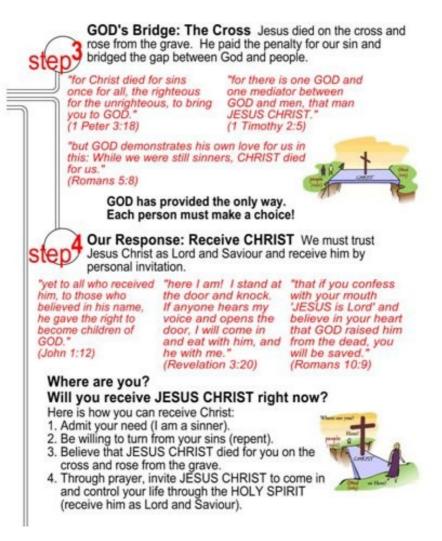
The first step to know more of God is to obey His Word and receive Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, by simply repenting of your sins and believing that Jesus has died on the cross and paid the price for you to be reconciled to God for ever. By doing that, you will receive a new life, the very life of God, within you, and you will become a child of God. If you want to make that step, please see below. These will explain to you more about it. Don't put it off, God has been waiting for you... Today is the day! God bless you.

OD LOVES YOU! GOD's Purpose: Peace and life God loves you and wants you to experience peace and life: abundant and eternal. "we have peace with "for GOD so loved the GOD through our Lord world that he gave his JESUS CHRIST." only begotten SON, that (Romans 5:1) whoever believes in him should not perish but "I have come that they may have everlasting life." have life in abundance." (John 3:16) (John 10:10) Why don't most people have this peace and abundant life that God planned for us to have? The Problem: Our Separation God created us in his own image to have an abundant life. He did not make us as robots to automatically love and obey him. God gave us a will and a freedom of choice. We chose to disobey God and go our own wilful way. We still make this choice today. This results in separation from God. "for all have sinned and fall "for the wages of sin is death, but the short of the glory of GOD." (Romans 3:23) gift of GOD is eternal life in CHRIST JESUS, our Lord." (Romans 6:23) Our attempts to reach GOD People have tried many ways to bridge this gap between themselves and God

"there is a way that seems right to man, but in the end it leads to death." (Proverbs 14:12) "but your iniquities have separated you from your GOD; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear." (Isaiah 59:2)

No bridge reaches GOD ... except one ...

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Happy Birthday Greetings to all those born in the month of OCTOBER and Congratulations to all celebrating Anniversaries this month!



TESTIMONIES



Every testimony of God's goodness brings glory to Him and encourages others greatly.

Please email your written or video recorded testimony to info@wordoflife-lcc.org We look forward to hearing from you and sharing God's goodness

WATER BAPTISM

If you will like to be baptised, please speak with your cell leader or email the Church office at admin@wordoflifelcc.org.



DEDICATIONS

If you will like to dedicate your child, please contact the church office by emailing <u>admin@wordoflife-lcc.org</u> or ringing 07930 958 097.





SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES

Messages are currently available to watch/listen by visiting our YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/user/wordoflifecf</u> & on our Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/wollcc</u>

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WORD OF LIFE MISSION STATEMENT

"London and the world for Christ!"

A church with purpose ...

To be a God-centred church, developing people to Christ-like maturity and equipping them for their ministry in the church, and life mission in the world.





... and vision

To impact Lewisham with the gospel of Christ in word and action, and to touch London and the nations of the world.

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and teaching them to do all that I have commanded you.



WOL TEAM

Senior Pastor / Minister in Charge **Rowland Henshaw** Senior Leadership Folake Henshaw Peter Unachukwu Ministry Leaders Ibukunoluwa Henshaw - Youth Chris Martin - Men Folake Henshaw - Women Lisa Martin - Children Shelly-Ann Sydial - Praise & Worship Sonia Edwards - Stewards Taiwo Adeniran - Technical George Zammit-Evangelism Yvonne Zammit–Welcome & Consolidation **Church Administrator** Shelly-Ann Sydial Treasurer / Building & Venue Manager Malach Airo Safeguarding Coordinator Barbara Agbudeloye **WOL Board Member Representatives** Peter Mungai Barbara Agbudeloye



A network church of Kensington Temple London City Church (KTLCC)



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