

Lifeline Snippets

1st Time Visitors: We welcome specially, all those worshipping with us for the first time today. Please, join us at all our meetings and programmes and God will bless you.

Bible Study: Please, join us every Tuesday this month as Pastor Ade Adejobi teaches on *DESTINY HELPERS*. Don't Miss it!

Prayer Meeting: Please, join us at our Prayer Meeting this Thursday as Sis. Bose Gbadebo leads us to pray on the theme: *ORDER MY STEPS*. Please, don't miss it! God bless.

Commitment: Don't be a bench-warmer in Church this Year. Be committed! Join a Team of your choice and the House Fellowship nearest your house. It pays to serve Jesus!

Building Project Offerings & Pledges: Please, give generously towards the Church Building Project and be faithful in redeeming your pledge. God is faithful and will bless you.

Birthdays: This month's birthday celebrants should remember their commitment of sponsorship to the Children's Church. May the Lord reward, enrich and bless you abundantly.

Online Sermons: You can listen to Pastor Adejobi's Sermons online at the church website: www.lifelinebiblechurch.com

Tracts: Gospel tracts & handbills for evangelism & church publicity are available. Collect as many as you can faithfully use.

Notice Board: Check the Notice Board for more information.

Through The Bible In A Year

Monday, November 25 ----- 1Corinthians 13-16

Tuesday, November 26 ----- Acts 19:11-20:1; 2Cor.1-3

Wednesday, November 27 ----- 2Corinthians 4-6

Thursday, November 28 ----- 2Corinthians 7-9

Friday, November 29 ----- 2Corinthians 10-13

Saturday, November 30 ----- Acts 20:2; Romans 1-4

Sunday, December 1 ----- Romans 5-8

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Life Reflection



Be Patient.
God isn't finished with you yet.
Philippians 1:6



Gather, Grow, Give & Go with Us

Lifeline

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Hope In God

Jesus is our Lifeline



MOTTO:

"Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith..." Hebrews 12: 2.

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JOY IS COMING

God's nearness does not mean we will never walk in darkness. It does mean, however, that darkness is never an *end*, but only ever a *means*: the tracks, not the station; the pathway home, not the fireside. In the darkness, God tunes the strings of our souls, readying them for the coming praise.

In God's time, the joy that seemed so far away from David returned: "He drew me up... and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God" (Psalm 40: 2-3). The memory of joy lost and restored then emboldens him to pray at the end of the psalm, when joy has once again fled from him, "May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, 'Great is the Lord!'" (Psalm 40: 16).

David's confidence in the coming joy does not mean his darkness was not so deep after all; it means that joy, for those in Christ, is always deeper and surer than the darkness - everlastingly deeper, infinitely surer. You may not feel the truth of it right now. But can you, in hope against hope, imagine yourself singing again, laughing again, telling everyone who will listen, "Great is the Lord!"?

Lost joy need not stay lost. For those in Christ, it *will* not. Though your joy in Christ seems barely to flicker right now, it will one day burst back into full flame. Even if darkness lingers in great measure for the rest of your earthly pilgrimage, you will one day stand firmly on the rock, your feet no longer slipping; you will one day sing a new song, your mouth no longer sighing. However much darkness you face in this battle for joy in God, it is, as Samuel Rutherford puts it (in *The Loveliness of Christ*), "not worthy to be compared with our first night's welcome home in heaven" Fullness of joy is coming, Christian. Exceeding joy, everlasting joy, world without end.

Jesus is Lord!

Hymn 1

NEARER MY GOD TO THEE

1. Nearer, my God to Thee, Nearer to Thee!
E'en though it be a cross That raiseth me;
Still all my song shall be,

CHORUS:

*Nearer, my God, to Thee, (repeat)
Nearer to Thee!*

2. Though like the wanderer, The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me, My rest a stone,
Yet in my dreams I'd be

3. There let the way appear, Steps unto heaven;
All that Thou sendest me, In mercy given;
Angels to beckon me

4. Then with my waking thoughts, Bright with Thy
praise, Out of my stony griefs, Bethel I'll raise;
So by my woes to be

5. Or if on joyful wing, Leaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot, Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be

Life Lessons

"Christ showed us hope transformed into sacrificial love." - Chuck Colson "Only when our greatest love is God, a love that we cannot lose even in death, can we face all things with peace. Grief was not to be eliminated but seasoned and buoyed up with love and hope." - John Piper "Jesus is the hope of the world and the local church is the vehicle of expressing that hope to the world." - Andy Stanley "Where there is no hope in the future, there is no power in the present." - John Maxwell

Jesus Is Our Lifeline

Hymn 2

WHEN UPON LIFE'S BILLOWS

1. When upon life's billows You are tempest tossed
When you are discouraged Thinking all is lost,
Count your many blessings Name them one by one,
And it will surprise you What the Lord has done.

CHORUS:

*Count your blessings, name them one by one
Count your many blessings
See what God has done
Count your blessings, name them one by one;
And it will surprise you
What the Lord has done.*

2. Are you ever burdened With a load of care?
Does the cross seem heavy You are called to bear
Count your many blessings Every doubt will fly
And you will be singing As the days go by

3. When you look at others With their lands and gold,
Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold;
Count your many blessings, Money cannot buy
Your reward in heaven Nor your home on high

4. So amid the conflict, Whether great or small,
Do not be disheartened, God is over all;
Count your many blessings Angels will attend,
Help and comfort give you To your journey's end

Church Programmes

SUNDAY: Worship Service - 9: 00am

TUESDAY: Bible Study - 6: 30pm

THURSDAY: Prayer Meeting - 6: 30pm

1ST FRIDAY: Prayer Vigil - 10: 30pm

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