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STANDING OUT WHERE OTHERS ARE FIZZLING OUT

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- **HAS NO MAN HIRED YOU? OPEN DOORS FOR MISSION INVOLVEMENT IN LAGOS STATE NIGERIA**
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Have you thought about this scripture in 1st John 2.17 (NIV)? "The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of GOD lives forever". A Christian that aligns himself to worldliness has programed himself to fizzle out. How do you see yourself in the next few years? Where does your ministry in the Body of Christ stand in the next few years? How shall we describe your relevance in GOD'S Kingdom in the next few years? Standing out or fizzling out? The answer could be found in 1st John 2.17.



he Kingdom Projects (TKP) is a mustard seed planted many years ago and which has over time transformed into a tree where birds are finding refuge with Christian professionals locating their place in global missions; people with God's call upon their lives are finding platforms for fulfilling their ministries. TKP is a missionary organization comprising Tent-making Missionaries, Associate Missionaries, Mission Financiers, and Mission Intercessors who are united with the single purpose of enthroning Jesus Christ over the unreached peoples. Nations are being reached, disciples are being raised, churches are planted, and increasing numbers of missionaries are being recruited. No doubt, the Lord has enlarged and is still

VISION STATEMENT

Reaching the Nations with the Gospel through our Vocations

MISSION STATEMENT

To mobilize the church for missionary work

To train Christians on how to combine their secular
work with preaching the gospel and raising disciples
for Jesus Christ

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SHINE YOUR LIGHT OF VALUE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

n a world where change is hyped and discarded at the same time; in a world where anyone and everyone can do as they like; in a world where herd behaviour seems to be the norm rather than the exception, it will take some measure of courage to be different. The injunction to stand out and be the change the world needs is a non-negotiable virtue binding on every true child of God. Believers are the light of the world, and the essence of light is to dispel darkness, to create change in such a manner that where light abides darkness will have no other option than to disappear.

Generation after generation keeps harping on the necessity of change – mindset change, attitudinal change, behavioural change, and on and on it goes. But somehow it seems there is an invisible force that has blinded humanity and made it resistant to real change. Perhaps, the most disturbing impact of this inability to maintain genuine change is that some believers are not ready to make the adjustments required of children of God who should be without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which they are expected to shine like stars in the universe

We are called to change the world. The world has no right to change us. A look at church history reveals that a major grievance the world had against the early Christians was that they [believers] had turned the world upside down. That is what it means to change the world! Destabilize the world not with weapon and artillery but by shining the light of righteousness so powerfully that those who refuse to stand out will fizzle out.

We must be committed to the call to change the world, to shine our light and stand out irrespective of gender, tongue, denominational affiliation, economic status, social standing or educational background. Let's look for ways God will reveal himself by working through us and beyond us to accomplish His purposes. God's work in us will result in the change the world needs when we look at ourselves and make the critical distinction that separates the wheat from the chaff. When we prioritize properly by seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, when we use our positions, professions, possessions, and privileges to affect the Kingdom, when we use our most productive hours to service the most important things of the Kingdom and do the work of God, that is how we can shine our light to change the world.

To change the world isn't a push-button fix; to standout isn't something to practice as a hobby; to get connected to Kingdom purpose isn't a side hustle; it takes a mental shift and deliberate action. It takes rising above our fears and uncertainties. And remember even the brightest of light loses intensity the farther away it is from the target object. So shine your light of value in the right direction, where it matters most.

Blessings in Christ,

Dr. (Mrs) Betty Ige



OPEN LETTER TO TENTMAKERS

HEADWARMER AS A TENTMAKER

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God is faithful to keep His promise as seen in *Jeremiah 29:11* and bring to pass His thoughts of peace in your life giving you a future and a hope beyond your biggest imaginations!

had an experience recently that strengthened my understanding of why the Scriptures admonish us not to be wise in our own understanding but to rather always seek and follow God's guidance.

On a beautiful cold morning, my wife and I had an appointment which required us to step out. Thinking we knew how cold it was outside, we dressed up kitted for the cold. Unlike my wife, I did not include a head covering (head warmer) in my dressing because I felt it would ruffle my hair and appearance, and that the cold could not possibly be that bad to affect my head. However, I was not prepared for what came next! As we stepped out, we realized it wasn't just COLD, it was windy, and the intensity was stronger than we had planned for.

To make matters more interesting, we got delayed at the appointment hence we had to stay outside for much longer than we had planned. In those moments as the cold was dealing with me, I could not help but wonder how much difference it would have made if only I took my own head warmer along. I had assumed I knew what to expect and was equally conscious of how my head warmer (something that

would help protect from the cold) would make me 'look', thus I exposed myself to a very avoidable experience of cold.

Thinking about this experience reminded me of Proverbs 3:5-8 which warns us against such assumptions in our Christian walk. Verse 5b says "And lean not on your own understanding" then verse 6 provides the best approach to our daily Christian life... "In ALL your ways, acknowledge him AND He shall direct your path". It's ALL your ways, not only new ways, or project, even in the routine things you've done repeatedly, still acknowledge God and seek His will because you never know the surprise waiting around the corner. You might think you're well prepared like I thought I was for the cold, but the truth is, without God preparing us, we can never be adequately prepared for what life brings our way!

Our earthly and human wisdom will never be enough to carry us through the future. James 3:15-17 already gives us a picture of what carnal/earthly wisdom looks like versus heavenly wisdom (from above). We can see from this scripture that while earthly wisdom breeds strife and confusion (and exposure to cold!), heavenly wisdom is pure, peaceable, gentle, good, and full of mercy. It is this wisdom that can carry us through in the

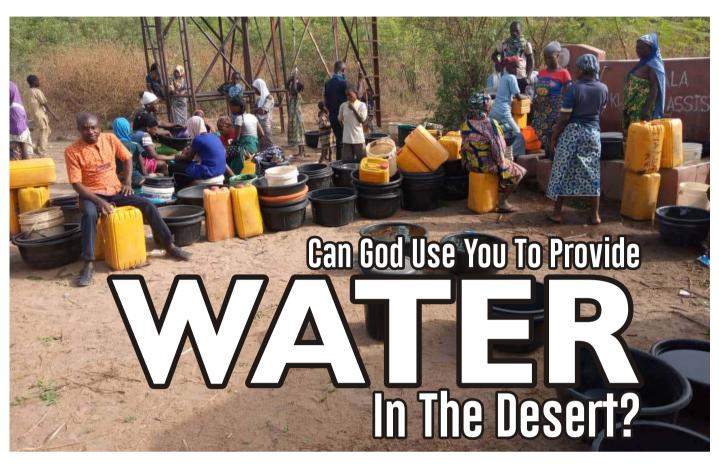
years ahead. It is this wisdom God is promising us IF;

- We will trust Him with ALL our heart and lean not on our own understanding.
- We will acknowledge and seek Him in all our ways.
- We will NOT be WISE in our own eyes but rather fear Him and abstain from evil.

As you step into the future, do not assume you know what lies ahead like I assumed I knew what the cold outside would be like. Do not leave your head warmer (God's provision, wisdom, and guidance) at home just to "appear" good or 'woke' amongst your peers and the people of the world (the people you're supposed to be an example to). This is because, your journey 'outside' through life might just be full of twists than your human wisdom can comprehend or handle.

As you take on the full amour of God, not leaving anything behind, seek His face in ALL your ways (i.e., your major, minor, and minute decisions), I am most assured that God is faithful to keep His promise as seen in Jeremiah 29:11 and bring to pass His thoughts of peace in your life giving you a future and a hope beyond your biggest imaginations!

God bless you!



afe and readily available water is important for overall health and wellbeing. It is said that around 60 percent of the body is made up of water. This indicates that the human body was made to live on water, and if deprived will certainly die of thirst. In fact in 2010, the UN General Assembly explicitly recognized the human right to water and sanitation. In essence, everyone has the right to sufficient, continuous, safe, acceptable, physically accessible, and affordable water for personal and domestic use. But can we say today that people all over the world have access to the God-given precious abundant resource called water? More so, can we say in every place where water is available, it is accessible, safe and sufficient? The answer is NO!

According

www.medicalnewstoday.com, some reasons our body needs water include the following: it lubricates the joints; it forms saliva and mucus; it delivers oxygen throughout the body; it boosts skin health and beauty; it cushions the brain, spinal

cord and other sensitive tissues; it regulates body temperature; it helps the digestive system; it flushes body waste; it helps maintain blood pressure; the airways depend on it; it makes minerals and nutrients accessible; it prevents kidney damage; it boosts performance during exercise; it aids weight loss; and reduces the chance of a hangover. And the list goes on. However, in spite of these wonderful benefits of water, a report by the World Health Organization (WHO) reveals that "over 2 billion people live in waterstressed countries, which is expected to be exacerbated in some regions as a result of climate change and population growth. Globally, at least 2 billion people use a drinking water source contaminated with faeces. Microbial contamination of drinking-water as a result of contamination with faeces poses the greatest risk to drinkingwater safety."

The Bible –God's Holy book- has so much to say about water. In John 7:37-39, Jesus had told the people who persisted in querying his identity and authority that he

is the water of life; and whoever is thirsty is welcome to drink. "Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water. But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified." Jesus didn't stop there. He added that whoever believes in Him streams of living water will flow from within him.

We understand Jesus wasn't talking about physical water and thirst in this portion of the Scriptures. Rather, he was saying that the soul experiences something like physical thirst. In other words, when the soul goes without God, it gets thirsty. Similarly, when someone goes without water the body gets thirsty. Whichever way we choose to look at it, we know God is able to give rivers of living water to his people. Jesus' [metaphorical] allusion to streams of living water is our

encouragement to believe God for physical provision of water as part of our spiritual journey.

Further, the imagery of "streams in the desert" rendered in Isaiah 43:19 is an emphatic reminder about God's promise to his people. God has promised to provide water in the wilderness and rivers in the desert to give his people to drink. But wait a second! Water in the wilderness? Rivers in the desert? These can only happen as the miraculous. Miraculous but not impossible! The God of possibilities is on the lookout for the person he can use to drill rivers in the deserts and for the over 2 billion people who have no access to clean and affordable water.

Indeed, God through The kingdom Projects (TKP), a missionary organization with mandate to reach the nations with our professions, positions, possessions, and privileges is offering you an opportunity to give a cup of water to those who are thirsty and without.

Will you be that individual God will use to supply water to the thirsty in various TKP mission fields today? We have four mission fields presently and urgently in dire need of potable water. The estimated cost for Construction of One Borehole with Installation of Submersible Pump is One Million, Five Hundred and Twenty-three thousand, Four Hundred Naira (N1, 523,400).

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YOUR FEARS

HAVE LIMITATIONS WITHIN THE BIGGER PICTURE

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"It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness" Lamentations 3:22-23.

henever I meditate deeply, I see so many things to be thankful for. Honestly, I couldn't have made it this far but for the grace of God. Among many experiences I have had, I will recount just one at this moment.

We had just started promotion examinations to JSS (Junior Secondary School) class 2. Some papers had already been written when it happened. On that fateful day, I was already dressed for the assembly hall. Lest I forget, I was in the boarding house. Senior X beckoned me to go and fetch water for him from the stream. As soon as I made my way to the stream, the assembly bell rang, and students began to find their way to the assembly hall, but I dare not turn from my errand if I do not want trouble. Those who have had a boarding house experience will understand.

The stream was already deserted as all students were already in the assembly hall. While trying to draw water from the stream, my bucket fell. Everything was taking some time since the senior who sent me to fetch water was already waiting in the bathroom. Being a school perfect, he also wanted to make it to the assembly before it ended. Where we fetch water looked like a reservoir, covered with planks and it is quite deep. I dare not return to report that my bucket had fallen into the reservoir. So while trying every possible means to get my bucket out, I fell into the reservoir. Remember there was no one around that environment. It was not a funny experience. I was in that reservoir for several minutes. I had swallowed a lot of water and even defecated. My strength was gone. It was as if my world was crumbling and my final

moment at hand.

The senior eventually came looking for me after he had waited endlessly. I was about to pass out when he arrived and rescued me. But for God, I could have died. What if that senior didn't come looking for me? What if he came a little late? But God be praised whose mercy I found.

That experience created aqua phobia in me. You know those who live in glass houses are not expected to throw stones. I don't go near water bodies. Recently my children requested we visit the beach but I resisted it vehemently. I understood the difference between when you have a divine assignment to carry out around water environment and when you just want to go and play.

However, the calling into missions has conquered my fear of water. I have travelled on missionary assignment via water, sometimes in canoes, speed boats and cruise ship for several hours both interstate and inter countries. In each of those trips I was sure that because I was on divine assignment, I was covered according to Isaiah 43:2 "When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee."

You see, your fears have limitations. It will bow to the purpose of God. Once you embrace God's purpose, your fear will give way. Why should your phobia for traveling keep you from going for short term outreaches? Why should your phobia for crowds keep you from preaching the gospel? Your phobia is a strategy of the devil to keep you away from God's purpose. Remember, Paul admonished in 2 Timothy 1:7, "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

WHEN MEN AND WOMEN INVADED THE OTHER SIDE

BETTY IGE.

n 2002, twelve Christian brothers and sisters from various parts of Nigeria travelled to Niger Republic. Together, they spread themselves over four mission fields and for fourteen days ministered alongside expatriate resident missionaries in an Easter Outreach program that has come to be known as Missionary Exposure and Experience (MEE). For every single year since then, MEE has been designed to give believers a unique opportunity to spend Easter weekend in a mission field alongside resident missionaries. Participants visit villages to preach and raise disciples for Jesus Christ. They also have the privilege to pray for and heal the sick, give gifts to the needy people and demonstrate the love of Christ.

Let's fast forward to twenty years.

In April 2022, at the Easter weekend under the leadership of The Kingdom Projects (TKP) International Director, Pastor Sola Adebayo, over 240 Christians traversed various terrains in Nigeria, Benin Republic, Togo, Ghana, Uganda, and Cameroon. All these mission enthusiasts were united in the quest to fulfill The Great Commission among lands populated by the Baruba, Fulani, Kabye, Karamoja and





Dagomba people groups. These are communities where ancient doors take roots and forces of darkness hold people captive for numberless years. But glory to God Almighty that by the power of Divine Possibilities, TKP 2022 Missionary Exposure & Experience (MEE) outreach agitated the heavenly realms in a monumental shakeup that is still resounding to the high heavens.

The Lord Jesus proved himself faithful not only by opening effectual doors unto us but also by performing miracles of salvation, deliverance, and healing during and after the outreach. The Lord Himself silenced every opposition and made a spectacle of the powers and principalities of darkness in the target communities. For instance, an outreach led by Dr. Ademola Olaniyan held against all odds in the Karamoja Region of North Eastern Uganda. A journey that was initially riddled with fear following a news report of unrest in the region saw thirty-nine believers from twelve

different locations embarking on a spiritual battle that won 381 souls into the Kingdom of Light with testimonies of the paralyzed walking and a land that has been beset by drought receiving rain upon arrival by the outreach participants.

What shall we see about the mighty hand of God in Benin Republic? In the villages covered the people defied heavy downpours in the various communities and trooped out in their hundreds during the crusades that held on two consecutive nights. These thirsty souls who desperately needed the Living Water responded to the call for salvation, a response that caused rejoicing in heaven and multiplied the saved in God's Kingdom. In spite of the predominance of Islam, language barriers, bad roads and other factors beyond human control, God Almighty wrought mighty works and miracles that demonstrated He has started a movement in the hearts of people that will transcend a periodic outreach. In both Nigeria and Benin Republic, Mr.

Tope Ayodele and various team leaders worked tirelessly to ensure that hitherto unreached people received spiritual ministration in different forms. According to Mr. Signo Michael who coordinated the Togo base of the outreach, the Lord crowned His people's efforts with a heartwarming question from the Togolese: "Who will teach us when you are gone?" This was a clear revelation of the hand of God on the converts. In Ghana where the outreach coordinated by Mr. Bolaji Salami birthed the conversion of 273 souls and twenty baptisms, the story keeps reverberating with the glad tidings of God's goodness.

In her submission, outreach leader and representative of the elder's team, Dr. Mrs Christina Famro, testified that the

2022 TKP MEE outreach presented an opportunity for a paradigm shift on the part of first-time participants and a challenge for believers who haven't been exposed to missions and missionary activities to question their walk with God. She appreciated God for the huge impact especially the yearning on the part of the people to hear the gospel, the friendliness of the people, the receptive disposition of the district heads and their willingness to receive the welfare items donated to them by The Kingdom Projects. For Dr. Famro, the highpoint of the outreach was the spiritual ministrations which led to the salvation of souls with the King of Serou giving his life to Christ.

Indeed the first installment of TKP-MEE 2022 outreach has come and gone. However, there is no doubt in our hearts that God has begun a mighty movement which will cause multiplier effects not only here on earth but also in heaven. We are rest assured that all that has happened is good and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth [1 Timothy 2:3-4]. Now and always all we can say is thank you God for the souls of the saved in Nigeria, Benin Republic, Togo, Ghana, Cameroon and Uganda. Our prayer is that these ones remain preserved, protected, and presentable until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MISSIONARY EXPOSURE & EXPERIENCE (MEE) 2022 OUTREACH

S/N	Location	People Group Reached	Villages Covered	No of Converts	No of Participants
1.	Nigeria	Baruba & Fulani	2	120	24
2.	Togo	Fulani & Kabye	2	116	27
3.	Uganda	Karamoja	4	381	39
4.	Ghana	Dagomba	6	273	49
5.	Benin republic	Baruba & Fulani	9	147	91
6.	Cameroon	Mekong	3	53	31
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SOLA ADEBAYO, INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR, TKP

rophecies are playing out in this end-time in an undeniable way. The amazing thing about it is that each person is given an opportunity to key himself into either the positive side or the negative side of prophecies. The Bible foretold that all things will be shaken except the Kingdom of GOD, Haggai 2.6; Hebrews 12:28. For anyone that puts all his eggs in the basket of things that will eventually be shaken, such will emerge a loser at the end. On the other hand, we have read about the unprecedented outpouring of the Spirit of GOD scheduled for this end-time. It is each believer's responsibility to key himself into this positive prophecy! Keying yourself into prophecy however, is not done by mouth, but by action!

There are two Phinehases in the Bible. One featured in Numbers 25:7-13 while the other featured in 1st Samuel 2:12-34. Both are from the lineage of the high priest, and so, have the same privileges. Both were exposed to the concomitant temptation of living in a society that is corrupt, so their challenges were the same. However, one was rewarded (Numbers 25:11-13), while the other one was judged (2nd Samuel 2.32-34). The Phinehas in the book of Numbers stood out, while the Phinehas in 1st Samuel fizzled out.

The three Hs that differentiated them were: H=Heart, H=Head and H=Hands. These three Hs are still the principal factors that differentiate people in the Kingdom today. They may be living in the same society, facing the same enemy, exposed to the same favorable or unfavorable conditions and perhaps

having the same opportunities. One Phinehas may fizzle out while the other will stand out.

Causes of Fizzling Out

Polluted Heart: The number one target of the enemy from time immemorial has been the heart. If the devil could cause the heart to be polluted, he has succeeded in polluting the entire life. Proverbs 4.23 has rightly counseled us when it says: "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." Absolutely true, whatever direction a man takes in life emanates from the heart. Successes begin from the heart. Either courage or discouragement, it all begins from the heart.

Confused Head: The happenings in many parts of the world today have thrown some believers into a state of confusion. The news they are reading makes it look to such as if GOD is no longer in control. As HE sat upon the Mount of Olives and began to answer the questions of the disciples regarding the end-time, the first warning JESUS gave in Matthew 24.4 was that the followers of CHRIST should be careful so that no one will deceive them. So, don't be confused in your head. Be sane and be level-headed.

Idle Hands: An adage says "the idle hand is the devil's workshop." For a believer to stand aloof today when all hands are on deck in heaven to gather in the harvest is an invitation to fizzling out.

The sons of Ephraim armed and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle, Psalm 78.9.

May the above scripture not be the heaven's description of your life today!

Any man or woman caught in the web of polluted heart, confused head and idle hands has already positioned himself/herself to fizzle out sooner or later. Hence, the need for an urgent self-examination.

Power to Stand Out

I am persuaded of better things concerning you my dear reader. GOD has appointed you to be a World Changer. While others are fizzling out, you must seek, understand and maximize the secret of standing out in an age like this. This secret still revolves around the three Hs viz, H=Hearts, H=Head and H=Hands.

Sanctified Heart: A sanctified heart is a heart that is purified with the blood of JESUS. A heart in which JESUS makes HIS throne. A heart that is guarded and guided by the word of GOD. A heart that is garrisoned by the peace and the presence of the Most High. Only those in possession of a sanctified heart can stand out in an age like this.

Sin weakens a soul and sinks his vessel. Standing out therefore is a mirage for anyone indulging in secret sin. All besetting sins must be purged from the heart, if a man will stand and keep standing. For anyone cuddling sin, the Holy One has already pronounced: "Your sin will find you out" Numbers 32:23. "He that covers his sin shall not prosper...." Proverbs 28:13.

Correct Head: This helps you to put things in proper perspective. You see the

word of GOD as written in black and white. You know where GOD stands on every matter. You are clear-minded according to 1st Peter 4.7 that says "But the end of all things is at hand, be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer." Soberness here is interpreted in the Revised Standard Version to mean sanity. There is need for sanity 'upstairs' in order to keep standing out where others are fizzling out.

Anything doesn't go because wherever anything goes, the going is always downward. Any dress doesn't fit. Any language is not acceptable in the Kingdom. The language must be kingdom compliant!

Busy Hands: To those who were standing idle in Matthew 20:7, the Master simply said "Go ye also into the vineyard...." Being busy for the LORD helps you to

escape some snares which the devil usually lay for the indolent ones. At the time David ought to be in the battle field, he stayed at home (2nd Samuel 11.1&2). That was the opportunity the devil was looking for in order to expose the bathing Bathsheba to him. The confusion that befell David was a grievous one, just because he was in a wrong place at a wrong time. Keep yourself busy for the LORD.

Conclusion

Have you thought about this scripture in 1st John 2.17 (NIV)? "The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of GOD lives forever". A Christian that aligns himself to worldliness has programed himself to fizzle out. How do you see yourself in the next few years? Where does your ministry in the Body of Christ stand in the next few years? How shall we describe your relevance in GOD'S Kingdom in the next few years? Standing out or fizzling out? The answer could be

found in 1st John 2.17.

- By the grace that is being released into your life via this prophetic word you are reading, I see you standing where others are fizzling out.
- In your pilgrimage, may you stand firm as you walk through the slippery terrain where others have fallen.
- May you continue to stand in all of the will of GOD.
- May your relevance in the Kingdom of God not fizzle out
- May your shining keep standing out in your generation and not fizzle out
- May you go from strength to strength and
- From faith to faith.

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WORKING WITH REVELATION, WAITING FOR THE FUTURE

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acing the future as a growing believer with desire to serve God and to live a fulfilled life often comes with major concerns such as knowing what is important to God and discerning how to fit one's self into God's divine plan and purpose. However, it is one thing to know there is a future and quite another to know that this future can be faced by faith based on God's instruction.

Like the prophet of God Habakkuk who climbed the watchtower and stood at his guard post, and waited to see what the Lord will say and how he will answer the complaint; I also climbed to pray, stood at my guard post and fought the kind of distractions that face young men in our days. I waited to see what the Lord will say and he made it clear and I wrote it down so as to run with the message. True to his word, God revealed the three areas in which he wanted me to serve in the Kingdom. These were pastoral work in a local church, academics in the university and associate missionary in a missionbased ministry.

This mandate came when I had no idea of The Kingdom Projects (TKP) as a divine platform for fulfilling KINGDOM agenda. In accordance with God's plan and purpose, a bosom friend introduced me to TKP in the following words, "come I have discovered a mission-based ministry where we can fulfill the vision and passion we have for the kingdom." So I joined TKP as a postgraduate student in 2005. Working for God on the platforms of ACT (Africa Christian Teachers) and TLC (Touching Lives at Christmas), I have since combined serving God in a local church as a pastor, pursuing academic career and being a missionary with TKP.

The Kingdom Projects under the leadership of God's servant Pastor Sola Adebayo has given us the platform through which we give expression to ministry. With the understanding of no



dichotomy between the SACRED and SECULAR, God has helped us and is still helping us to use all we are blessed with for the kingdom. We have had so many experiences, outreaches, discipleship sessions, conferences, formal and informal capacity building trainings, etc. For instance, the Ambassador Bible Club (ABC) is like a theological school whose impact cuts across every aspect of life. We have learnt and are still learning under God's servant.

TLC began in East Africa in 2016 with two centres. It has since spread to different parts of Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda. Looking back we give God the glory for the progress so far through the people he has brought our way to coordinate the thirteen centres across three countries in East Africa. We thank God for a local church that was planted at Bukerere, Kampala in 2018 through collaborative efforts.

Missionary Exposure & Experience (MEE) began in East Africa as an instruction given to us by the Lord through

the Visionary of TKP Pastor Sola Adebayo. This was about 8 months of our sojourn in Kampala Uganda, having arrived in August 2016. MEE was not being considered as one of the mission strategies to be adopted in East Africa, and if it would, it was not to be in view until after two or three years of our stay in Uganda. As servants under authority, we obeyed that instruction given by His servant and trusted God for grace and resources. So, we had the first MEE in East Africa at Nakakonge Village, Off Nazigo Town, Kayunga District, Uganda in the year 2017. Since then, the Lord Himself has taken the outreach from glory to glory. This Holy Spirit inspired mission strategy has held consistently in Uganda since the maiden edition.



The table below presents a summarized report from 2017-2022.

Year	Location	People Group Reached	Villages Covered	No of Converts	No of Participants		
2017	Kayunga District, Central Uganda	Baganda	Nakakonge and two others	34	15 (Ugandan, South Sudanese, Rwandan, Kenyan & Nigerian)		
2018	Gulu District, Northern Uganda	Acholi	Villages around Laliya (Keya Oguro, Bungaotira)	57	21 (Ugandan, South-Sudan, Rwandan, Kenyan & Nigerian)		
2019	Bukwo District, Eastern Uganda	Sabiny	Bukwo town	165	65 (Ugandan, South Sudanese, Rwandan, Kenyan & Nigerian)		
2020	Due to lockdown, we participated virtually by joining prayer force for MEE in other Countries						
2021	Serere District, Easter Uganda	Iteso	Villages around Serere town (Omagara, Ajesa, Okona & Upper-shop)	149	66 (Ugandan, Rwandan, South-Sudanese & Nigerian)		
2022	Kacheri sub - county, Kotido District, North Eastern Uganda	karamoja	Napwatapuli, Naperu, Lokona, & Nasinyon	381	39 (From 12 different locations in Uganda)		

Testimonies

In addition to numerous testimonies of salvation experiences, healing and deliverances from the power of darkness, MEE was marked with the following testimonies:

- 1. During follow-up after MEE 2018 in Gulu, Northern Uganda, a church was planted. The church is being pastored by one of the participants.
- 2. MEE 2017 in Nakakonge and MEE 2021 in Serere, were characterized by deliverance from idol worship. Many villagers were delivered from idol worship and the power of witchcraft.
- 3. Training and Empowerment of rural pastors and church leaders through abridged versions of LEREP.
- 4. Youth and students are empowered within the host communities, churches have been strengthened and ministry opportunities abound.
- 5. MEE 2019 in Bukwo, Eastern Uganda was a unique experience. God delivered us from what could have resulted into a fatal accident while moving on the top of the hills and mountains on our way to Bukwo town.

Waiting to see all of God's spoken words come to pass can be trying but God is faithful to His word. It takes revelation to labour when the expected is delayed. I encourage you to keep waiting and keep labouring. Your expected end will surely come. Our

future aspiration for the East African Community is to see God do through us what he has done through his servants in Nigeria. "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you (TKP) will perform it until the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:6).







n a World full of crisis, there certainly is nowhere else to look than to Him who sits as the

Governor among the Nations (Psalm 22:28). It was from this scripture that the theme for the annual **Women Intercessors Summit 2022** was received. The meeting was hybrid in nature (all thanks to modern technology). Women gathered together via all the available platforms: physically at the venue, via zoom and via WhatsApp motivated by the fact that prayer matters so much in the program of God all through the ages. Doors have opened and are still being opened through prayer; there is possibility in prayers and God works in response to the prayers of His people. The gathering of believers in prayer at Mary's house led to the opening of prison doors for Peter's release and hence, at Women Intercessors Summit 2022, no issue was too trivial to bring before God in prayer.

The summit this year focused on the following:

• The Gospel of The Kingdom- the certainty of the fulfilment of the prophecy in Matthew 24:14 challenged us to ask the Lord of the harvest to unlock doors for the progress of the gospel; to pray against

challenges confronting the gospel globally and to ask that the Church be awakened to the urgency of the global harvest.

- Global Watch: A Journey to the Muslim World- one of the great issues in "Finishing The Task" is the huge population of Muslims globally, who also need to hear about the love of God and the sacrifice of Jesus. The Ramadan season coincided with this program and this brought a continuous awareness and prayers for the Muslim World.
- The Light Shines in Darkness- despite improved technology, increased knowledge and globalization, the activities of darkness seem to be on the increase. Darkness connotes everything that is anti-God: ideologies, belief system, practices and activities in the World. Regardless of all these, the Light must continue to shine as we push the darkness backwards.
- A World in Crisis- this is a very obvious fact and we can only trust that despite the crisis rocking the World, the Kingdom of God and the gospel of the Kingdom will advance.
- Prayer for the Church, Nigeria, for Families and Individuals- These included every aspect that we could not, but touch in prayers.

In all these and through all these, may God's Kingdom grow and increase on Earth. Amen!

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... OPEN DOORS FOR MISSION INVOLVEMENT IN LAGOS STATE, NIGERIA

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here is no doubt that there are latent resources to be mobilized in Lagos. These include human, financial and material. This is the reason the Lord sent my wife and I to this peculiar city. As I walk and drive through the streets, I hear men saying ... No man has hired us... Matt 20:7. Why should there be idle men when heaven is saying ... whom shall I send and who will go for us? Isaiah 6:8. Some are like Jonah running to Tarshish whereas their destination is Nineveh. We are here in Lagos to be used by God to connect men with their destiny in Global

missions. To help those who are to go "to go", to help those who are to send "to send" and to help those who are to pray "to pray".

Recently, I heard an elder-statesman (an erstwhile leader of a sister mission agency) share the breakthrough the Lord had given them in Lagos. I was challenged and spurred up by that testimony. We are grateful to God for the progress we are making; now there are four TLC Centers in Lagos, where hundreds of believers connect to participate in our outreach on Christmas day (Touching Lives at Christmas - TLC). Christian Retirees have also begun to throw their weight behind missions through intercession. Some join us in the office intercession hour (12noon - 1pm) daily. Some others gather around Yaba and Ikorodu on a weekly basis to intercede for missions

The reality is that there aren't enough mobilizers in Lagos yet. In fact, our experience has shown that one office (where we currently operate from) is grossly inadequate for TKP's mobilization work. Sometimes, we are unable to keep more than one appointment in a day owing to distance and traffic congestion. Recently, a school proprietor donated an office space to TKP in Sango Ota, but where is the personnel to train and send to man the office?

Notwithstanding, engagement is ongoing, we are spreading the gospel of missions. God's envoys to the nations are emerging. We shall keep focus until the knowledge of the glory of God fills the earth as water covers the sea.



A SOUND AT MIDNIGHT



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Sometime in the past.

That night, as the family members gathered round what used to be the common dining table, Priscilla held back.

Mama broke the silence. She looked tired and frail. Deep concern flashed through her eyes.

"Priscilla, it's been eight years since your father transited this valley of tears. All through those years, you clung to the memory of the dead. Your father has gone home to rest. It is necessary for you to move on with your life too."

Priscilla felt uneasy with this opening at the meeting. She scanned the faces of her family members, and saw they all turned to look at her. She swallowed a lump that had formed in her throat.

"Come on Mama, don't be paranoid. Of course, I have put father's death behind me."

"Have you?"

"Yes, Mama."

Priscilla looked from Benji to others seated round the table for affirmation but none was forthcoming.

"I'm your mother. For eight years now, I've watched you carry the burden of your father's demise on your young shoulders."

"I've watched you trying to hide the fears, the fears of an unknown future."

Priscilla gasped as the wall that surrounded her emotions threatened to crumble with the knowing stare from mama.

"But Priscilla"

Benji moved as if he would take her hand, and sat back as if he changed his mind.

"How did you know about my fears?"

Mama smiled with a knowing look on her face. Their eyes met across the table. Priscilla was the first to look away.

"I feel your fears my dear child. But it is okay. You don't have to explain anything."

Mama must have read the indecision on Priscilla's face.

Mother and daughter's eyes met again and locked in mutual compassion. Priscilla smiled, grateful for Mama's thoughtfulness. They later vacated the dining table.

As she lay down in bed in preparation for what she knew would be a long night, Priscilla's mind began looking at the story of her life in retrospect. The eighteenth year of her life has remained a time to remember. She recalled that during the Christmas of 1992, she suffered what the *acadas* called dissociative disorder. She felt like a multiple personality, torn between being her father's little girl and the young woman who was expected to act like all grown-ups.

Her father had died six months earlier, and Priscilla tried to move on with her life. But in reality the Spirit was willing but the flesh was weak just as the Holy Book said.

Mama tried to fill the void caused by her husband's death. She played father and mother to the four children. But it seemed the more she tried, the more Priscilla withdrew from life with disenchantment. Even Benji, the man of the house and her only brother, whom everyone knew as her confidant couldn't draw her out of her shell. Benji later got married to his fiancée and moved to Port-Harcourt but Priscilla remained withdrawn.

Fear crippled her.

And when Nkemjika and Chinwe, her younger sisters, left home to build their careers in the big cities, Priscilla resigned to fate. She refused to embrace the reality of life and often contemplated suicide. Her mind was broken. In those dark days, she couldn't see any ray of light at all.

Eventually, she decided that a change of location may take her out of her misery. She put a few clothes and articles in a carry-on bag and travelled to Calabar. For her, the journey, in an ancient Peugeot station wagon, was uneventful. She sat motionless and lost in thought.

After nine months, Priscilla got bored with Calabar and moved to Owerri. Somehow, she could not find succour in any of her numerous pursuits and so changed jobs at short notification. She made friends and discarded them at random. She attended crusades and answered the altar call twenty-one different times. She became a regular at faith houses. On one occasion, she booked an appointment with a psychiatrist but did not honour it.

"Isn't this a cursed life?" She often wondered aloud.

Priscilla knew that a void had been created in her life and searched desperately for whatever would fill the widening hole in her heart. She craved her father's presence. She longed for anything that could release her from the load of fear hanging over her. She feared to take any bold step. Fear stopped her from acceding to proposals from numerous suitors who thronged her

for marriage. She became fearful like an obsessed lover. Fear became her faithful companion.

As she tossed on the bed and struggled to hold her emotions in check, Priscilla recalled the events of the day.

The entire Obiora family had come home to mark the anniversary of their father's demise. Earlier in the day, a thanksgiving service was held at the Beracha Church of God, Eziala, where the deceased had served as Catechist for forty-three years. Not minding the funny glances at her, tears flowed from her puffy eyes as Priscilla barely heard the eulogies spoken in memory of her father.

That night, Mama called for the yearly family meeting.

Priscilla remembered Mama's words but would rather not detach from fear because it had become her comforter and friend. She did not wish to leave that comfort zone. She could always hide behind it to avoid any future heartbreak.

She loved and trusted her father but he died. His death made her lose that reassuring shield that imbued her with confidence and dignity. Not knowing how she would face the world broke her heart. She remembered that her body shook when she heard the news of his death. The thought that came was that her world had crumbled.

Her father was her pillar. He supported his wife and children and gave their home an uncommon strength. His life principles had become her totem and shaped her outlook to life. She felt betrayed that he died without waiting for her to grow old and grey like him. And to avoid further broken heartedness from unfulfilled expectations, she closed her heart to life and living and refused trusting again.

She embraced fear and consequently became more confused than ever.

So that night, Priscilla struggled with intense emotions. She had a little sleep in an uncomfortable chair. The next morning, she left Onitsha for Abuja to begin a new life. In Abuja, she got a job at Hornberry Group & Sons. After a while, she found the job uninspiring but stayed on because fear kept her from leaving.

Fear kept her in bondage.

Fear restricted her from launching out. She knew writing remained her major passion because she knew what she wanted to do with her life but had become a prisoner of fear. She doubted if she would be able to excel as a writer.

Six months after she got to Abuja, delusion set in. To keep the negative emotions at bay, she sank herself into all sorts of social activities in daytime. She maintained a façade of carefree attitude. But as soon as night comes, fear overwhelms her. Often, at night, she would lie down bunched into a ball on her bed and

the regime of fear would reign. She felt lonely in her spirit and longed for something that she could not define.

Then at eleven-seventeen pm on the Christmas Eve of 2002, Priscilla heard an unmistakable and irresistible sound wafting through the air. At first, she couldn't identify the direction of the sound but as if pulled by invisible hands, she rose from her bed and followed the sound of the music.

The cold night bit into her thin skin. She made her way to a small building about five blocks away from her house. Priscilla found herself in the gathering of worshippers.

As if on cue, the Minstrels standing on the podium began to sing.

We have a Father, Almighty Father.

He is King of kings and Lord of lords, we have a Father.

You have a Father, Almighty Father.

He is King of kings and Lord of lords. You have a Father.

Knowing and at the same time feeling in the moment that a heavy load had been lifted off her, Priscilla began trembling and went down on her knees. She began to sing.

I have a Father, Almighty Father.

He is King of kings and Lord of lords. I have a Father.

That night Priscilla found an uncommon Father. She experienced her Christmas miracle.

It took her almost ten years to let go of the memory of the dead. She had unwittingly become a prisoner of fear. In all those times, she searched for a father that would neither desert her nor die. And that night she found a father that would forever be with her in every season of life. She met a father that would never betray her. She met her Father. She found life.

Priscilla walked out of that little building. The cool night air caressed her face. She was certain something had happened to her spirit. She knew something had changed in her and in her life. The feeling was from within. She felt renewed. The weight of fear was lifted from her shoulders. She no longer feared the unknown and she felt fulfilled.

She had conquered her demons.

Sometime in the Present.

Someone blew her nostrils. The sound caught Priscilla's attention.

Priscilla wondered how long she had been speaking. She looked at the women sitting before her. She saw tear-stained faces. The silence in the room echoed the depth of attention and concentration of listeners. She knew, rather she understood silence. She herself had been transported to another realm sharing her story.

She had been invited by the Gem Ladies. The Management of the Rehabilitation Center and Restoration Club wanted her to give a talk. She was happy to speak to young girls wading through murky waters. She didn't plan to share this part of her life. But seeing despondent-looking faces in the audience, she abandoned her prepared speech and retold the story of her life.

"So what happened after your Christmas eve experience?" A pretty girl of about nineteen asked.

Priscilla smiled at the memory.

"When I returned home that night, I picked up my pen and note book and started writing. I don't remember for how long I wrote, maybe hours, days or even weeks. But when I finished writing my first manuscript, I headed to the nearest publisher."

"My manuscript was rejected. Four publishers back to back rejected my work but I persisted."

"Eventually my hard work and prayers paid off. I realized that fulfilling my God-given assignment was more important than anything else. I became a published author and just as they say the rest is history. I have eight published books to my name."

Many hands shot up in the air.

Priscilla smiled.

"Many hands are up. Okay, let us start from the lady in the red dress on the second row."

"Are you saying that one can actually take up jobs people may consider unpopular and still make it in life?"

"My dear lady, you can be anything God has called you to be in life. Your life assignment is not tied to fame, riches, and human approval. You must be diligent at your work to fulfill divine purpose. You can be great. You can overcome fear of the unknown. Think about it."

Priscilla smiled again, a knowing smile. A smile devoid of fear.

A Psalm To My Fellow Soldiers in Uganda

By Sola Adebayo

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- What shall I say?
 His ways are past finding out
- How will I comment?
 His wisdom is higher than ours, as heaven is higher than the earth
- How will I question HIM?
 When I am but clay in the hands of the POTTER
- How will I even cry?
 When I don't know what HE is working out
- When I think I have known HIM?
 I discover I'm just starting
- When I think I have seen HIM?
 I discovered my eyes are just beginning to open to see a fractional part of HIM!

In my few years of pilgrimage on earth, at such times when I don't know what to say, how to comment, what question to ask or how to cry, I have heard GOD many times speak <u>Psalm 46.10</u> to my heart:

Be still and know that I am GOD: I will be exalted among the heathen;

I will be exalted in the earth.



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