

TODAY'S FACILITATORS

PRAYER: Wunmi

OFFERING: Michael

WORD: Pastor

WELCOME

We warmly welcome you, if you are worshipping with us for the first time. We believe you've become a member of our church family by God's grace.

Please ensure you speak to the Pastor or one of today's facilitators before you leave.

May God bless you richly (Amen).

VERSE(S) OF THE DAY

For God has put everything under His feet. But when it says "everything" is put under Him, it is obvious that He who puts everything under Him is the exception.

1 Corinthians 15:27 (HCSB)

GROWTH & ADVANCEMENT

To build a church that is **growing, healthy and full of love**, do you have comments, ideas or suggestions? If so, please talk to the Pastor or a minister.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know you could join most of our services online when **you are unable to attend**? Talk to the technical team or the Pastor to find out how.

But since the Word of God is complete, serving as the ultimate "sign" needed to lead mankind to Christ, miracles are an exception rather than the rule. And when they occur, they are always for His glory.

David Jeremiah

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Redeemed Christian Church of God

Bethel

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Thanksgiving / Worship service
From 10am

FRIDAY

Prayer meeting / Bible study
From 7pm

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Our 'must-visit' website



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Our website is a treasure trove of information, and not only about our focus and mission. You could subscribe to our podcast or listen to past sermons too (<http://rccgbethel.church/sermons/>). This is particularly useful for when you are unable to attend services or for refreshing your recollection as an essential part of your private Bible study.

There's more! Details of events and outreach will almost certainly be available from relevant pages on our website and updated regularly, along with downloadable copies of our Sunday bulletins (<http://rccgbethel.church/category/bulletins/>).

So, why don't you set our homepage as one of your **startup page(s)** in your browser now? The following instructions for most of the common browsers may help.

Google Chrome

1. Open the browser and the **Settings** menu (or the **three vertical dots** to the right of the menu bar).
2. Scroll down and click on **Advanced Settings**.
3. Select **Open a specific page or set of pages** under **On Startup**.
4. Select **Set pages** and enter or add <http://rccgbethel.church/>.

Mozilla Firefox

1. Open Firefox. Press **Alt-T** on the keyboard and select **Options** from the drop-down menu or go to **Tools >> Options** from the main menu.
2. In the **Home** section, select **Homepage and new windows** and **Custom URLs...** from the field's drop down.
3. Enter or paste the URL: <http://rccgbethel.church/> or click **Use Current Page** if you are already on our website.

Microsoft Edge

1. Click the **three horizontal dots** to the right of the top menu bar.
2. Select **Settings** and select **A Specific Page or Pages** from the **Open Microsoft Edge With** section drop down options.
3. Enter <http://rccgbethel.church/>. (Click the Plus sign to add more pages if required).
4. Click the **three horizontal dots** to the right of the top menu bar again to close **Settings** menu.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Activating our divine exemptions

Text: Exodus 9:24-26; 10:22-23; 12:13

There are exemptions in operation all the time, free from liabilities or consequences. For example, a head of state can be exempted from prosecution while in office. As believers, we also have divine exemptions if we claim them. In the above texts, we can see them at work for the children of Israel although they never fully activated those divine exemptions (Ps 49:20).

The following are crucial for claiming those exemptions:

1. An understanding of the scriptures
2. Prayer: Allows us to declare / activate God's words (Isa 42:22; Jer 33:3)
3. Loving God and working in his calling and purpose (Rom 8:28)
4. Operating in the love and spirit of light in Christ Jesus
5. Walking in the spirit (Rev 1:10)
6. Walking in the fear of the Lord (Mal 3:16-17)
7. Being willing and obedient (isa 1:19)
8. Dwelling in the secret place and proclaiming it (Psa 91:1-2; 16)
9. Consciously / knowingly not accepting any trend that does not comply with the promise of God on your life (Job 22:29)
10. Those in whose lives the glory of God is manifested (Isa 60:1-2)
11. Those who distinctly hear and obey the voice of God (or instructions) to the letter (1 Kings 17:2-16)
12. Believing the report of the Lord (Isa 53:1)

There's nothing we can do that will separate us from the love of God (Rom 8:31-39). But there are certain things we can do that can call in his favour from time to time, including being spared from devastating or evil experience. An important part of this is working in the service of God (Mal 3:17). We can also cite these scriptures as reminders when we pray.

In **Genesis 26**, there was a famine and others were fleeing the land, but God told Isaac not to leave (Gen 26:2-5). Isaac obeyed and contrary to the expected outcomes, he prospered (Gen 26:6; 12-14). Isaac experienced an exception from the devastation that is normal in these circumstances because of God's covenant with his father.

We've also inherited this covenant (Gal 3:14). However, we must learn to accept, believe and decree or declare or proclaim or claim them. We must also yearn to hear distinctly from God. When we do, let's pray for the grace to obey and follow his instructions to the letter so we can operate in those exemptions.

Bottom line:

It is important that we know, understand and believe in the privileges we have in Christ, and learn to declare and activate them in our lives.

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