

TODAY'S FACILITATORS

PRAYER: Wunmi

OFFERING: Bimmy

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

So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

Hebrews 4:16 (NLT)

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.



Image source(s): <https://www.blueeyedsun.co.uk/blog/fathers-day-cards-2012/> // <https://passionateprayer.org/2018/03/10/confidence-in-gods-protection/>



Sunday 20 June 2021

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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

Place your confidence in God

Text: Philippians 3:1-3

Paul was very hard on the people he was referring to here, calling them dogs, a domestic animal known to be filthy and amoral. But it was because he needed to teach his recipients some principles about uncleanness. He reminded them they couldn't save themselves. Jesus illustrated this with a parable, stating that salvation cannot be bought. His disciples were forced to ask: "**Who then can be saved?**" (Matt 19:16-25).

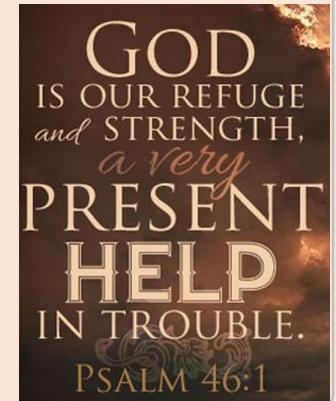
The writer of Ecclesiastes describe the futility of attempting to predict the future (Eccl 9:1-12). We may sometimes wonder why we should put in any effort if everything is meaningless. There are several schools of thought on this issue. However, anything worth having in life needs some degree of effort (John 9:4; Prov 6:6-11), and we soon learn there's value in putting in the effort each day.

Why then would Paul say he put no confidence in human effort? We may find some answer in 1 Corinthians 3:5-9, where Paul reminded us we will be rewarded for our efforts, while God assures whatever outcome he desires. There's only one main character that matters in our Christians walk and that's Jesus Christ. Therefore, our lives should revolve around him (1 Cor 15:10).

However hard we may work or not work, God is the only one who can assure us of a favourable result. We may meet others along the way that uplift or help us along the way, as we walk this earth. They may be so influential to change the trajectory of our lives. But ultimately, God is the only one who can take us as far as we can ever go (Deut 8:12-18; Zech 4:6).

Bottom line:

Paul warns us against acting like we didn't receive all we have from God (1 Cor 4:7). We must remember to acknowledge God in all we do or whatever we own or don't own. What makes a man great is placing his trust in God and not in human effort.



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